Holy Trinity\_



# THROUGH THE WORD. THE TRIUNE GOD BLESSES US

June 12th & 13th, 2022



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The Scriptures never use the words "Trinity" or "Triune." They never even summarize in any single place the entirety of this doctrine. Instead, as we read God's Word from the first verse of Genesis to the last verse of Revelation, he gives us hints and glimpses of his Triune nature. Thus, the doctrine of the Trinity can seem very academic, even abstract. It may seem to have little relevance to the Christian's daily life. Nothing could be further from the truth. Instead, as God provides those hints and glimpses, his primary focus is on the way in which his Triune nature is a blessing to us. God shows us how we benefit from the fact he exists as Trinity. God dwells in a "majesty and mystery" (Prayer of the Day) that far exceeds our understanding. But here is what we can understand. Every time we gather in the name of the Lord, our Triune God, we receive indescribable blessings.

## Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

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Stand

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

#### Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

## Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** 

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

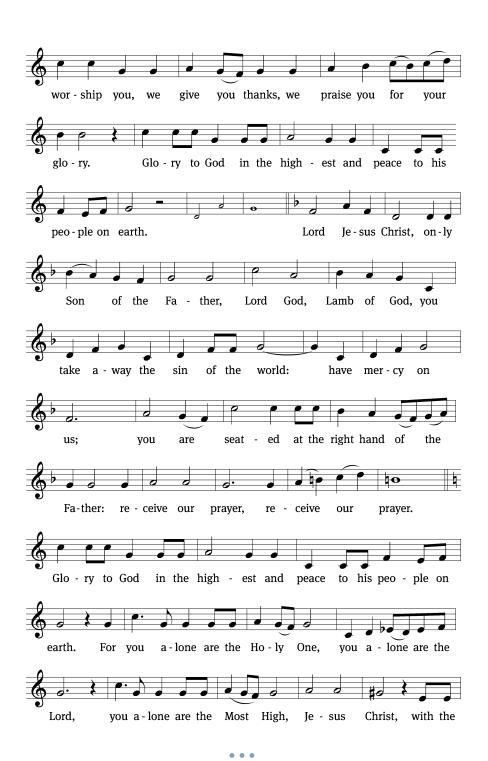
Lord, have mercy.

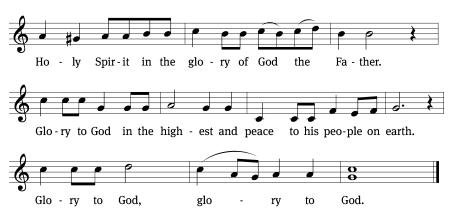
Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.** 

## Glory to God in the Highest



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa-ther. We





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## The Word

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** 

## **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

Almighty God and Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, filling and renewing all creation by your eternal Spirit, and manifesting your saving grace through our Lord Jesus Christ, in mercy cleanse our hearts and lips that, free from doubt and fear, we may ever worship you, one true, immortal God, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, living and reigning, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

## First Reading & Sermon Text

Numbers 6:22–27

The LORD charges his priests to speak a threefold blessing upon the people. We close our services confident that our Triune God will give us the very things these words pronounce.

<sup>22</sup>The LORD said to Moses, <sup>23</sup>"Tell Aaron and his sons, 'This is how you are to bless the Israelites. Say to them: <sup>24</sup>" ' "The LORD bless you and keep you; <sup>25</sup>the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to

you; <sup>26</sup>the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace." ' <sup>27</sup>"So they will put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them." The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# O LORD, Our Lord

Psalm 8A





When I consider your heavens, the work of your / fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have / set in place, what is a human being that you are mind- / ful of him, a Son of Man that you / care for him? *Refrain* 

You have made him a little lower than the / angels and crowned him with glory and / honor.
You made him ruler over the works / of your hands; you put everything un- / der his feet.
Glory be to the Father and / to the Son and to the Holy / Spirit, as it was in the be- / ginning, is now, and will be forever. / Amen. Refrain

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# **Second Reading**

Romans 5:1-5

The LORD charges his priests to speak a threefold blessing upon the people. We close our services confident that our Triune God will give us the very things these words pronounce.

'Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup>through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; <sup>4</sup>perseverance, character; and character, hope. <sup>5</sup>And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

The Word of the Lord.

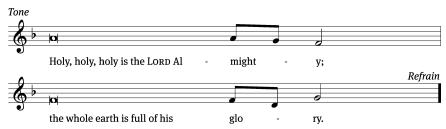
Thanks be to God.

Stand

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Isaiah 6:3





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Gospel John 16:12–15

The Father gives all that he has to the Son who then gives what he has to the Spirit so the Spirit can in turn give what he has to us.

<sup>12</sup>"I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. <sup>13</sup>But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth.

He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. <sup>15</sup>All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to you, O Christ!** 

Be seated

## Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest

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#### Sermon

# Pastor Kenneth Frey

The Lord Bless You

Stand

#### The Athanasian Creed

This creed is named after St. Athanasius, a staunch defender of the Christian faith in the fourth century. It was prepared to assist the Church in combating two errors that undermined Bible teaching. One error denied that God's Son and the Holy Spirit are of one being or Godhead with the Father. The other error denied that Jesus Christ is true God and true man in one person. The Athanasian Creed continues to serve the Christian Church as a standard of the truth. It declares that whoever rejects the doctrine of the Trinity and the doctrine of Christ is without saving faith.

- P: Whoever wishes to be saved must, above all else, hold to the true Christian faith.
- C: Whoever does not keep this faith pure in all points will certainly perish forever.
- P: Now this is the true Christian faith:
- C: We worship one God in three persons and three persons in one God, without mixing the persons or dividing the divine being.
- P: For each person—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—is distinct, but the deity of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is one, equal in glory and coeternal in majesty.
- C: What the Father is, so is the Son, and so is the Holy Spirit.
- P: The Father is uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;
- C: the Father is infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;
- P: the Father is eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal;

- C: yet they are not three who are eternal, but there is one who is eternal, just as they are not three who are uncreated, nor three who are infinite, but there is one who is uncreated and one who is infinite.
- P: In the same way the Father is almighty, the Son is almighty, and the Holy Spirit is almighty; yet they are not three who are almighty, but there is one who is almighty.
- C: So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God; yet they are not three Gods, but one God.
- P: So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord; yet they are not three Lords, but one Lord.
- C: For just as Christian truth compels us to confess each person individually to be God and Lord, so the true Christian faith forbids us to speak of three Gods or three Lords.
- P: The Father is neither made nor created nor begotten of anyone.
- C: The Son is neither made nor created, but is begotten of the Father alone.
- P: The Holy Spirit is neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeds from the Father and the Son.
- C: So there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.
- P: And within this Trinity none comes before or after;
- C: none is greater or inferior, but all three persons are coequal and coeternal, so that in every way, as stated before, all three persons are to be worshiped as one God and one God worshiped as three persons.
- P: Whoever wishes to be saved must have this conviction of the Trinity.
- C: It is furthermore necessary for eternal salvation truly to believe that our Lord Jesus Christ also took on human flesh.
- P: Now this is the true Christian faith:
- C: We believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son, is both God and man.
- P: He is God, eternally begotten from the nature of the Father,
- C: and he is man, born in time from the nature of his mother, fully God, fully man, with rational soul and human flesh,

- P: equal to the Father as to his deity, less than the Father as to his humanity;
- C: and though he is both God and Man, Christ is not two persons but one, one, not by changing the deity into flesh, but by taking the humanity into God;
- P: one, indeed, not by mixture of the natures, but by unity in one person; for just as the rational soul and flesh are one human being, so God and man are one Christ.
- C: He suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose the third day from the dead. He ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty, and from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
- P: At his coming all people will rise with their own bodies to answer for their personal deeds.
- C: Those who have done good will enter eternal life, but those who have done evil will go into eternal fire.
- P: This is the true Christian faith. Whoever does not faithfully and firmly believe this cannot be saved.

# **Prayer of the Church**

# Offering

**Installation of Pastor Shrum** (9:30 service)

## Dear Lord, to Your True Servants Give

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## **Prayer**

Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

## Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

## **Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace. Amen.

## Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

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# **Worship Notes**

Preacher: Kenneth Frey

Presiding Minister: Matthew Holtz

> Organist: Dan Vogel

Service Teams:

R. Hoh (Head Usher), G. Petermann, B. 8:00 a.m.

Hopfensperger, M./C. Krueger, T. Luehring, P.

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D. Paulson (Head Usher), K. Paulson, J./P. 9:30 a.m.

Cherney, E. Dvorak, M. Schlueter, M./K./C. Runkel

6:00 p.m. T. Blob (Head Usher), R./J. Fischer, R./Z. Vogel, P.

Tiedt, M./B./B. Blob, M./M. Eichsteadt, C. Wilson,

T./T. Paschen, E. Dvorak

Greeters:

D. & J. Matz, C. Woehler 8:00 a.m. C. Frey, M. Fay, C. Rehberg 9:30 a.m. J. Kaepernick, C. Waack 6:00 p.m.

C. Petermann, D. Sievert Altar Guild: