

The Holy Trinity

May 31, 2026

Divine Service, Setting Three

Word of Welcome

Prelude

Hymn #906: O Day of Rest and Gladness

Invocation

P: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

Exhortation

Hebrews 10:22; Psalm 124:8; Psalm 32:5

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: **who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Confession of Sins

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

C: **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

Absolution

[John 20:19-23]

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

Introit

Psalm 8:1-2a, 3-5; antiphon: Liturgical Text

L: Blessèd be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity.

C: **Let us give glory to Him because He has shown His mercy to us.**

L: O LORD, our Lord,

C: **how majestic is Your name in all the earth!**

L: You have set Your glory above the heavens.

C: **Out of the mouth of babes and infants, You have established strength.**

L: When I look at Your heavens, the work of Your fingers,

C: **the moon and the stars, which You have set in place,**

L: what is man that You are mindful of him,

C: **and the son of man that you care for him?**

L: Yet You have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings

C: **and crowned him with glory and honor.**

L: Blessèd be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity.

C: **Let us give glory to Him because he Has shown His mercy to us.**

Gloria Patri (sung)

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Kyrie (sung)

Mark 10:47

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Gloria in Excelsis (sung)

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

**Glory be to God on high:
and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

L: The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

L: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Old Testament: Isaiah 6:1-7 (ESV)

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of His robe filled the temple. Above Him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of His glory!”

And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”

L: This is the Word of the LORD.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith.

Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.

And the catholic faith is this, that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.

For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.

But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.

Epistle: Romans 11:33-36 (ESV)

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways!

“For who has known the mind of the Lord,
or who has been His counselor?”

“Or who has given a gift to Him
that he might be repaid?”

For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be glory forever. Amen.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Statement of Faith

Athanasian Creed (part 2)

Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:

The Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;

The Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;

The Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.

And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,

just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinities, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.

In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;

And yet there are not three Almightyies, but one Almighty.

So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;

And yet there are not three Gods, but one God.

So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;

And yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.

Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord, so also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.

The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.

The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone.

The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.

Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;

But the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal, so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.

Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.

Holy Gospel: John 3:1-17 (ESV)

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.



Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, "Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him." Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

Nicodemus said to Him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? Truly, truly, I say to you, We speak of what We know, and bear witness to what We have seen, but you do not receive Our testimony. If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except He who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world, that He gave his only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him."

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Statement of Faith

Athanasian Creed (part 3)

But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is at the same time both God and man.

He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages; and He is man, born from the substance of His mother in this age:

Perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh;

equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.

Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:

One, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God;

one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.

For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ,

Who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,

ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, God Almighty, from whence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.

And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.

This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.

Hymn #507: Holy, Holy, Holy

Sermon

Offertory

Psalm 51:10-12

Offering from God's People

Stewardship Prayer

Heavenly Father, You have poured out the Holy Spirit on Your church that the Body of Christ may be built up through the many and various gifts Your Spirit gives. Grant that we may receive our God given time, talents, and treasures with thanksgiving and faithfully put them to use for the good of our neighbor and the advancement of Your Kingdom, in Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Preface (sung)

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]

P: The Lord be with you.	C: And with thy spirit.
P: Lift up your hearts.	C: We lift them up unto the Lord.
P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.	C: It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus (sung)

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

Words of Institution

Pax Domini

John 20:19

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



A - men.

Agnus Dei (sung)

John 1:29

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.**

Distribution Hymns

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| 1. Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior (LSB #619) | 3. Alleluia! Let Praises Ring (LSB #822) |
| 2. Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise (LSB #680) | 4. Go, My Children, with My Blessing (#922) |

Nunc Dimittis (please stand to sing)

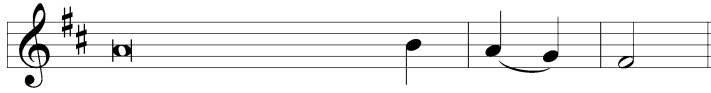
Luke 2:29-32

**Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,
for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Thanksgiving

Psalm 107:1

P: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

Dismissal & Post-Communion Prayer

Salutation

2 Timothy 4:22

P: The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus

Psalm 103:1

P: Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

P: The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Hymn #506: Glory Be to God the Father

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