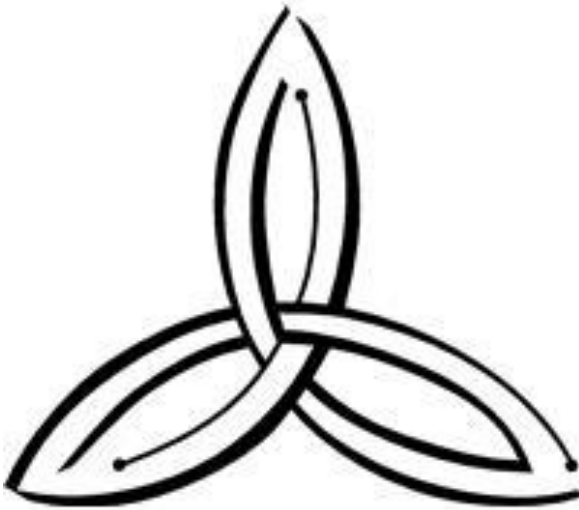


The Holy Trinity

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Worship at 9:15 am



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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

It is our deepest hope that you feel welcome here. Restrooms and drinking fountains are available in the lobby area. Children are always welcome to worship, but should the need arise a nursery is located behind the first door on your left, down the hall. We welcome all baptized Christians to Christ's table for Holy Communion. Instructions for distribution are shown on page 10. This worship guide is designed to provide you the information you need to join us in worship, but should you have any questions, please feel free to ask an usher, the pastor, or someone near you. Let us join in praising God as we are nourished by the Word and at Christ's Table.

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

"O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!" Today we celebrate the holy Trinity. Paul writes that through Jesus we have peace with God, whose love pours into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, giving us lasting hope. We celebrate the gracious One-in-Three, eternal Three-in-One, as we worship in community; as we share water and word, bread and wine; and as we bring God's love and hope to our neighbors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRAYER REQUESTS

BELLS AND CALL TO WORSHIP

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
whose steadfast love endures forever.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Merciful God,

**C we confess that we have not followed your path
but have chosen our own way.
Instead of putting others before ourselves,**

**we long to take the best seats at the table.
When met by those in need,
we have too often passed by on the other side.
Set us again on the path of life.
Save us from ourselves
and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.**

P Hear the good news!
God does not deal with us according to our sins
but delights in granting pardon and mercy.
In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.
You are free to love as God loves.

C Amen.

OPENING HYMN

"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!" ELW 413

- 1 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**
- 2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns
around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.**
- 3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.**
- 4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name
in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783-1826, alt.

GREETING

P The grace of Jesus Christ our Savior, the reconciling love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Thine Is the Glory" ELW 376 vs. 2

2 **Lo, Jesus meets thee, risen from the tomb!
Lovingly he greets thee, scatters fear and gloom;
let his church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting!**

Refrain

**Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won!**

Text: Edmond Budry, 1854-1932; tr. R. Birch Hoyle, 1875-1939

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray together:

C **Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

First Reading: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

In the Bible, wisdom is portrayed in terms sometimes human and sometimes divine. Often, wisdom is personified as feminine. In this passage, Woman Wisdom is depicted not only as the first creation of God, but also as God's helper, rejoicing in God's creation, especially in human beings.

¹Does not wisdom call,
and does not understanding raise her voice?

²On the heights, beside the way,
at the crossroads she takes her stand;

³beside the gates in front of the town,
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:
⁴To you, O people, I call,
and my cry is to all that live.
²²The Lord created me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of long ago.
²³Ages ago I was set up,
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.
²⁴When there were no depths I was brought forth,
when there were no springs abounding with water.
²⁵Before the mountains had been shaped,
before the hills, I was brought forth—
²⁶when he had not yet made earth and fields,
or the world's first bits of soil.
²⁷When he established the heavens, I was there,
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,
²⁸when he made firm the skies above,
when he established the fountains of the deep,
²⁹when he assigned to the sea its limit,
so that the waters might not transgress his command,
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,
³⁰then I was beside him, like a master worker;
and I was daily his delight,
rejoicing before him always,
³¹rejoicing in his inhabited world
and delighting in the human race."

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8

¹O Lord our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
²you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths
of infants and children;
**you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to
silence the foe and avenger.**

³When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
⁴what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,
human beings that you should care for them?
⁵Yet you have made them little less than divine;
with glory and honor you crown them.
⁶You have made them rule over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet:
⁷all flocks and cattle,
even the wild beasts of the field,
⁸the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.
⁹O Lord our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-5

Paul describes the life of faith with reference to God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. Even now, we have peace with God through Jesus, and our hope for the future is grounded in the love of God that we experience through Christ's Holy Spirit.

¹Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW page 205)

C Alleluia! Lord and Savior: Open now your saving word. Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred. Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 16th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 16:12-15

Jesus' ongoing presence with the disciples will be made known through the coming Spirit who will guide them and communicate to them Jesus' will and glory.

Jesus said, ¹²"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, the Spirit will guide you into all the truth; for the Spirit will not speak on its own, but will speak whatever the Spirit hears and will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴The Spirit will glorify me, because the Spirit will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that God has is mine. For this reason I said that the Spirit will take what is mine and declare it to you."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Holy God, We Praise Your Name" ELW #414 vs 1, 3, & 4

- 1 Holy God, we praise your name;
Lord of all, we bow before you.
All on earth your scepter claim,
all in heav'n above adore you.
Infinite your vast domain,
everlasting is your reign.**

**3 Lo, the apostolic train
join your sacred name to hallow;
prophets swell the glad refrain,
and the white-robed martyrs follow;
and from morn to set of sun
through the church the song goes on.**

**4 Holy Father, holy Son,
Holy Spirit, three we name you,
though in essence only one;
undivided God we claim you
and, adoring, bend the knee
while we own the mystery.**

Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820-1900

APOSTLES' CREED

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church,
the creation, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Let us pray for the gift of the Spirit...*silence*

One God, giver of life, you established peace through your Son and gave your church the hope of sharing in your glory. Enliven us by your Spirit to speak and act in love for the sake of the world. Come, Holy Spirit. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for the natural world... *silence*

Creator of all, you rejoice in creation and have given humankind responsibility for the works of your hands. Instill in everyone your Spirit of care for the earth, especially in areas threatened by ecological devastation. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for governments of the world...*silence*

Loving Redeemer, you delight in the human race. Move the hearts of world leaders to seek wisdom, speak truth, and care for all endangered by poverty, prejudice, or violence. Further the work of international collaboration and peacemaking. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for all those who suffer...*silence*

Abiding Comforter, you call out to all who live. Restore severed relationships and protect children who lack trustworthy caregivers. Grant hope to those who are experiencing fear, pain, or grief. We especially remember the names on our prayer list. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for those who are lonely and isolate...*silence*

Holy Three, you are community and you create community. Build up ministries that support those who are isolated or lonely. Give endurance as we nurture vital relationships in our congregation and beyond. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for those who have gone before us...*silence*
Holy God, we remember your saints for their strong faith and witness, even unto death. We remember the Emanuel Nine who were killed in 2015 and who we commemorate on June 17. Console grieving families. Stir up in us the resolve to end the sin of white supremacy and pursue the courageous path of justice. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping. **Amen.**

PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **And also with you.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

All Things Rise

Text and music: Vineyard USA, Samuel Yoder.

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. You are welcome to mail your offering to the church or access our on-line giving option:

https://tithe.ly/give_new/www/#/tithely/give-one-time/1390744

OFFERING PRAYER

P God of love,
C **God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Spoken)

C Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen**

BLESSING

P The God of peace,
Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and
show you the path of life this day and always.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

"God, Whose Almighty Word" ELW 673 vs. 1, 3, & 4

1 God, whose almighty word
chaos and darkness heard
and took their flight:
hear us, we humbly pray,
and where the gospel day
sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light.

3. Spirit of truth and love,
life-giving, holy dove,
speed forth your flight;
move on the water's face
bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place
let there be light.

**4 Holy and blessed three,
glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might:
boundless as ocean's tide,
rolling in fullest pride,
through the earth, far and wide,
let there be light.**

Text: John Marriott, 1780-1825, alt.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

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