Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church *Holy Trinity*

10:00 AM Worship Service • May 26, 2024

Setting 3



When we say God is the triune God, we are saying something about who God is beyond, before, and after the universe: that there is community within God. Our experience of this is reflected in Paul's words today. When we pray to God as Jesus prayed to his Abba (an everyday, intimate parental address), the Spirit prays within us, creating between us and God the same relationship Jesus has with the one who sent him.

Welcome members and guests to our worship service today. If you are visiting, we encourage you to sign the guest register located in the narthex. Please include your home address, email address and phone number. In each pew, there is a card that you can fill out if you wish to have a consult with the pastor and/or leave us more information.

The nursery is available, however since there are no attendants at this time, feel free to use it as needed.

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Monday 9am-12pm; Tuesday 9-10:30am, 11:30am-12:15pm; Wednesday 9:30am-12pm; Thursday 9am-12pm Times are flexible with monthly meetings, but feel free to call for an appointment or drop in.

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CARILLON CALL TO WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Allein Gott in der Höh, BWV 715

J. S. Bach

GATHERING

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider,

help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.

We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn?

Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world.

Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven,

you are fed and nourished.

By Jesus, the worker of miracles,

there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, + the bread of life, Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

All Glory Be to God on High ALLEIN GOTT IN DER HÖH

ELW 410

GREETING

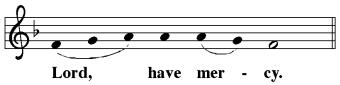
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

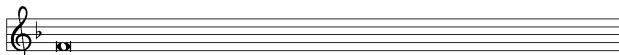
And also with you.

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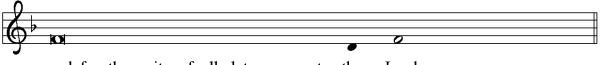


For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



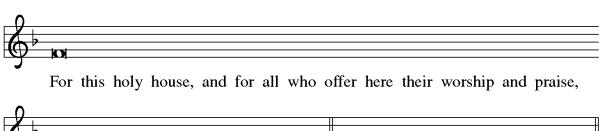


For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

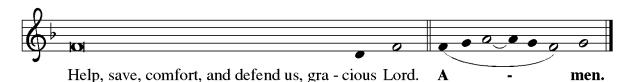


and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.









CANTICLE OF PRAISE



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PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST READING: Isaiah 6:1-8

This reading narrates Isaiah's vision of the Lord surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the great thanksgiving. This liturgical text invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of God's glory. That glory is God's mercy toward sinners.

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of the Lord's robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above the Lord, each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;

the whole earth is full of the Lord's glory."

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 29 (sung responsively)



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Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,

ascribe to the LORD glo- I ry and strength.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due God's name; worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders; the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice; the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees; the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

the LORD makes Lebanon skip | like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

The voice | of the LORD

bursts forth in I lightning flashes.

The voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;

the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the | forests bare.

And in the temple of the LORD all are | crying, "Glory!"

The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;

the LORD sits enthroned as king for- | evermore.

O LORD, give strength | to your people; give them, O LORD, the bless- | ings of peace.

SECOND READING: Romans 8:12-17

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and joint heirs with Christ the Son.

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with Christ so that we may also be glorified with Christ.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL PROCESSION

Holy God, We Praise Your Name GROSSER GOTT; v. 1-2

ELW 414

The procession moves to the center of the congregation symbolizing the Word of God coming into the midst of the people. The doors are opened so that we may proclaim to the world that through the Spirit, we are children of God the Father and joint heirs with Christ the Son.

GOSPEL: John 3:1-17

Jesus' miracles prompt Nicodemus to visit him in secrecy. Jesus tells him about being born of the Spirit and about the Son who has been sent by God to save. The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 3rd chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, 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 a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just 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 God gave the only Son, so that everyone who believes in the Son may not perish but may have eternal life.

"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through the Son."

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

GOSPEL PROCESSION

Holy God, We Praise Your Name GROSSER GOTT; v. 3-4

ELW 414

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN'S CHAT SERMON Pastor Tina Melusky Pastor Tina Melusky

The assembly stands.

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God. begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God in your mercy, hear our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

The assembly is seated.

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Then Sings My Soul

Hine/McDonald

O Lord, my God! When I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed.

When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees, when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze,

Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin.

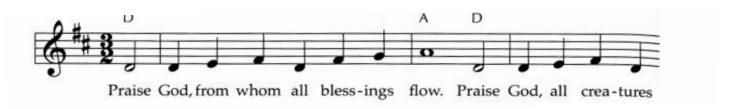
When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!

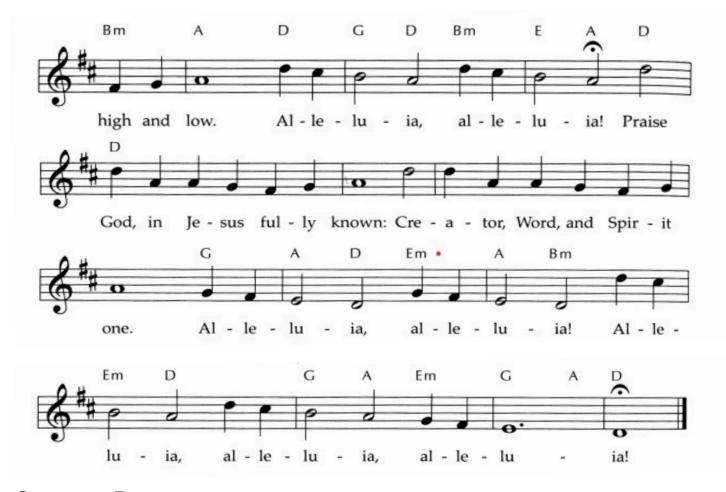
Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!"

Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to thee: how great thou art, how great thou art!

OFFERTORY HYMN

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow LASST UNS ERFREUEN



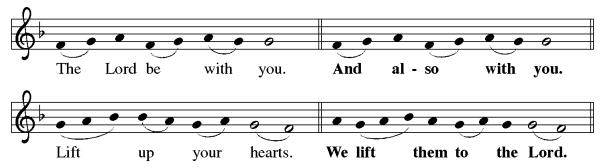


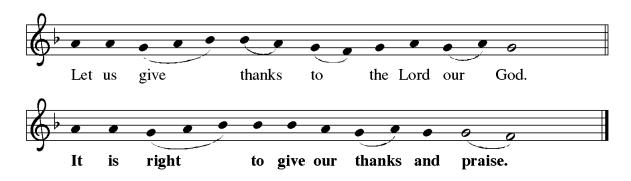
OFFERTORY PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life,
you have set this table with your very self,
and called us to the feast of plenty.
Gather what has been sown among us,
and strengthen us in this meal.
Make us to be what we receive here,
your body for the life of the world.
Amen

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING



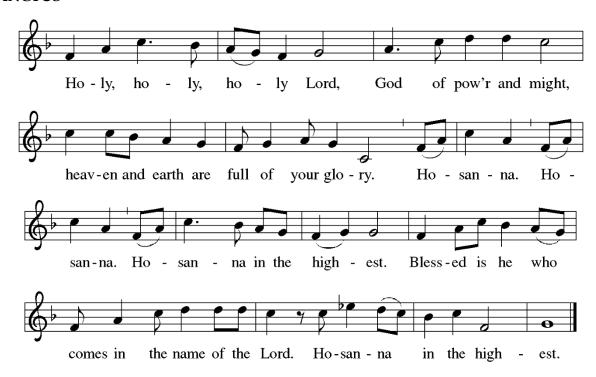


PROPER PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three!
Before all that is, you were God.
Outside all we know, you are God.
After all is finished, you will be God.
Archangels sound the trumpets,
angels teach us their song,
saints pull us into your presence

And this is our song: **Holy, holy, holy...**

Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three! You beyond the galaxies, you under the oceans, you inside the leaves, you pouring down rain, you opening the flowers, you feeding the insects, you giving us your image, you carrying us through the waters, you holding us in the night; your smile on Sarah and Abraham, your hand with Moses and Miriam, your words through Deborah and Isaiah; you lived as Jesus among us, healing, teaching, dying, rising, inviting us all to your feast.

In the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Holy God, we remember your Son, his life with the humble, his death among the wretched, his resurrection for us all:

Your wisdom our guide, your justice our strength, your grace our path to rebirth.

And so we cry, Mercy:

Mercy!

And so we cry, Glory:

Glory!

And so we cry, Blessing:

Blessing!

Holy God, we beg for your Spirit:

Enliven this bread,

awaken this body,

pour us out for each other.

Transfigure our minds,

ignite your church,

nourish the life of the earth.

Make us, while many, united,

make us, though broken, whole,

make us, despite death, alive.

And so we cry, Come, Holy Spirit:

Come, Holy Spirit!

And so the church shouts, Come, Holy Spirit:

Come, Holy Spirit!

And so the earth pleads, Come, Holy Spirit:

Come, Holy Spirit!

You, Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three, our Life, our Mercy, our Might, our Table, our Food, our Server, our Rainbow, our Ark, our Dove, our Sovereign, our Water, our Wine, our Light, our Treasure, our Tree, our Way, our Truth, our Life.

You, Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three!

Praise now, praise tomorrow, praise forever.

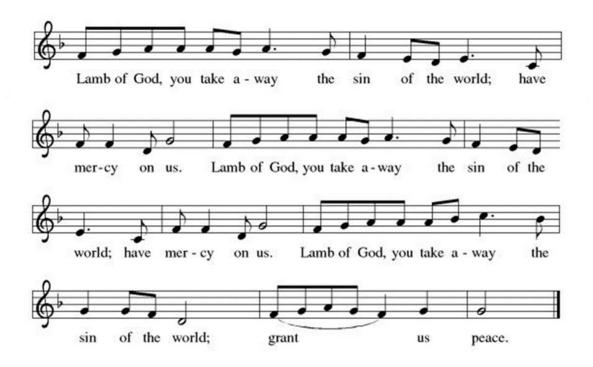
And so we cry, Amen, amen:

Amen, amen!

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

AGNUS DEI



COMMUNION

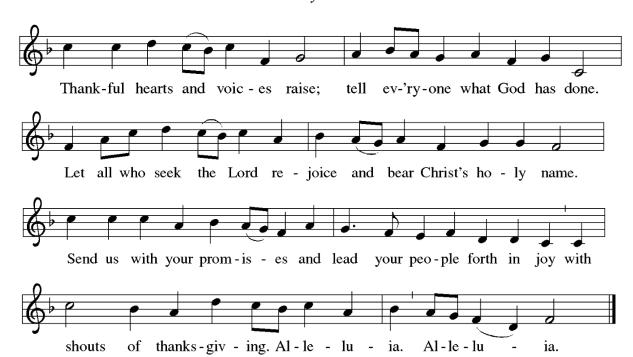
Communion is held around the table. The bread will be handed to you by the pastor. Please take a **clear** cup with wine or a **purple** cup with grape juice from the tray. Recycling baskets for your plastic cups are located outside the doors of the sanctuary.

Trinity has an open table – all are welcome to come to the feast.

TABLE BLESSING

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise

ELW 204



POST COMMUNION PRAYER

SENDING

SENDING HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty
NICAEA

ELW 413

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

All Thy Works Shall Praise Thy Name

Jeffrey Blersch

SERVING THE ASSEMBLY

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ACOLYTES – Carl Carpenter and Karina Stevens

TORCHBEARERS – Carter and Emma Recupero

BIBLE BEARER – Abbi Wessler

LECTOR – Lauren Hill

USHERS/GREETERS – Dave Roselius and Jerry Cobb

CAMERA/LIVESTREAM – Garrett Mynoymany



The flowers are given today to the glory of God and in Thanksgiving for the Triune God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>RED FOOD BOX</u> Thank you so much for your continued donations to the Red Box! We are in need of water and food donations. A reminder that if you donate fruit cups, please be sure they are applesauce cups only– other fruit cups attract critters! This is an important ministry for our community members, receiving a gift that reminds them that they are valued children of God! We also need plastic cutlery, preferably individually wrapped.

NEW ORLEANS YOUTH TRIP Help send our kids to New Orleans AND CELEBRATE our new TLC logo!!!

These are the shirts our youth will be wearing at Sunday morning worship in New Orleans. Share your love for them and TLC with a shirt of your own! Cost: \$20/shirt.

Vacation Bible School: Hometown Nazareth Where Jesus Was a Kid

Last summer's revival of Hilton Vacation Bible School was a great success. Before it ended, many participants were already looking forward to this year's session. This summer, the Hilton area churches will again be hosting VBS -- HOMETOWN NAZARETH WHERE JESUS WAS A KID.

The VBS Steering Committee is hard at work planning for an exciting four-night program July 29-August 1 (Monday through Thursday) from 5-8 p.m. This is a marvelous outreach opportunity to bring the Good News to families in our churches and community and to cultivate a lifetime faith for the participants. There will be numerous volunteer opportunities for kitchen staff to help prepare and serve simple dinners, shepherds to lead the groups to their activities, as well as leaders and helpers in crafts, recreation, and music. Please consider your talents and how you can contribute to a successful VBS. When we have a volunteer roster, we'll know the number of students we can accept. We're hoping to accept more kids this year!

PRAYER LIST

ILLNESS, SURGERY, RECOVERY, SHUT-INS: Nursing Homes/Assisted Living: Jeanette Cantrell, Millie Christensen, Lucille Lebold, and Barbara Olson; Shut- ins at Home: Richard Anderson, Peggy Cash, and Shirley Anderson. Vivian Barnes recovering from surgery at home.

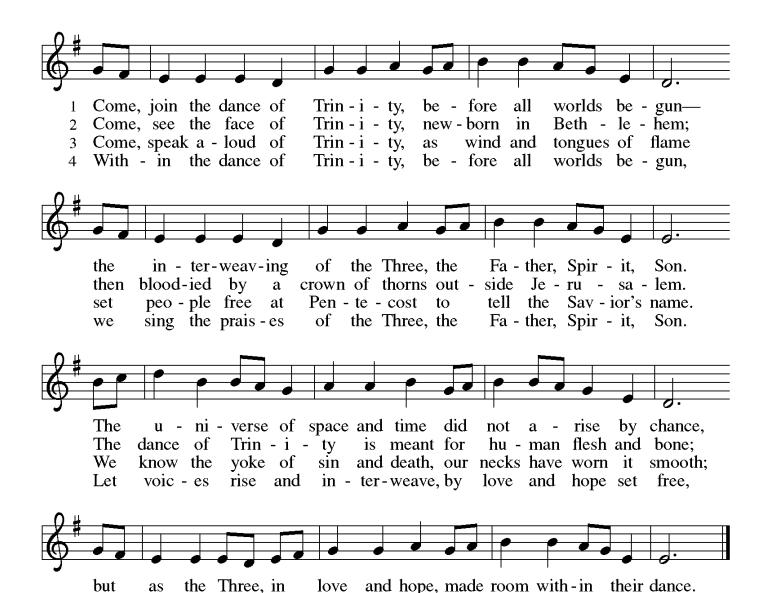
PRAYER REQUESTS: Gary Harinksi requested by Pastor Tina, Cousin Florence (under hospice care) and her devoted husband Richard, requested by Dottie Self; Karri and Brittany Hock, requested by Kathy Stevens; Jim Shook, Phil Shook's father; Jean Wimmer--friend of Jeannette Dail; Heike Ahlen, and the Ahlen family, requested by Kathy Stevens; Matt Adamo (Brother-in-law of Patricia) requested by Patricia Fielding; Matt Eggars (Sandy's nephew), requested by the Sniady family; Jessica Savage, requested by the Dail Family; Bill Wren requested by Anne Obara; Sherrie Strickland (cousin), requested by Wendy Mynoymany; and Beth Eisdorfer, daughter of Terri Hoffeditz. Family and Friends of Brigitta Underwood (former member) who passed away May 3, 2024. Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through Christ Jesus.

THOSE WHO SERVE, MILITARY AND CIVILIAN DUTY: James Fielding, in Tokyo, Japan, Myanmar; Bryan Hunt, State Dept., Sierra Leone.; Tyler Obara, Virginia Air National guard, LAFB; Josh and Ellen (Davis) Badgley, State Department, Bangkok, Thailand; Michael Titus, US Navy, Naval Shipyard, Washington, DC and wife, Elisabeth Bruce.



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