LORD's Day Service – August 6, 2023

Preparation for Worship: Psalm 40:8

Entrance - God Calls Us into His presence; we respond with praise

* Entrance Gloria Patri * Call to Worship Revelation 4:2-11 Minister: Grace to you and peace, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Congregation: Amen! Minister: Our help is in the Name of the Lord! Congregation: Who made heaven and earth! Minister: The eves of all look expectantly to You. And You give them their food in due season. Congregation: Minister: You open Your hand Congregation: And satisfy the desire of every living thing.

* Hymn

Trinity Hymnal, #42 Round the Lord in Glory Seated

Purification - God Cleanses Us; we confess our sins to Him

Call to Confession

Let us kneel before the Lord our God and corporately confess our sins unto Him.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden; we confess the deceitfulness of our heart, from which proceed evil thoughts, lusts, false witness, blasphemies, pride, bitterness, covetousness, fears and worries; cover us with the blood or Your Son; forgive our sins; cleanse us by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may love you completely, and rightly magnify your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen! (*Silent prayer*)

Assurance of Pardon

The Almighty and merciful Lord forgive you of all your sins, and grant you true repentance, amendment of life, with grace and comfort of His Holy Spirit.

Thanks be to God! Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name. AMEN!

Ascension - God Consecrates us by His Word; we listen & offer ourselves to Him

Minister:The Lord be with you.Congregation:And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts! Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord! Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God! Congregation: It is proper and right to do so! Minister: Truly it is proper, right and our bound duty, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, holy Father, Almighty, everlasting God; Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the host of heaven and with Your Church on earth, we praise and magnify Your glorious Name, singing: Sanctus Songbook, #79 Psalter. #40A Hymn I Waited Long upon the LORD Let us pray: O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of Your people who call upon You,

and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Son Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen!

Old Testament Lesson The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!	Psalm 20	
Epistle Lesson The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!	1 John 2:15-17	
* Gospel Lesson The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. Praise to you, O Christ!	Matthew 6:19-24	
Sermon	"The World and the Will of God"	
* Hymn	Psalter, #40C O LORD My God	
* Dedication of Tithes & Offerings		
Prayers of the Church	Petitions & the Lord's Prayer	
Peace - God Communes with us; we eat with joy at His Table		
Sacrament of the Lord's Supper	Matthew 26:26-30	
We Confess Our Faith in the Triune, Incarnate God		

* Hymn

Trinity Hymnal, #81 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Dismissal - God Commissions & Blesses Us; we go out to serve Him

* The Lord's Commission of Us	Romans 12:2
* We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us	2 Corinthians 13:14
* We bless the Lord, lifting hands and voices to Him	Psalter, #72D

Announcements

LORD'S SUPPER

We observe Communion, or the Lord's Supper, weekly in our midst.

We believe it is worthily received by those who:

- 1. Have been baptized in the name of the Triune God (Matt 28:18-20);
- 2. Do profess faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel (Ro 10:9-10);
- 3. Do live in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit and endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Jesus Christ (Gal 5:16-26); and
- 4. Are communing members in good standing in an evangelical church (1 Cor 10:1-6)

If these things are all true, we rejoice with you and invite you to commune with us at the Lord's Supper. If any of these are not true of you, we ask that you refrain. We invite you to speak to one of the Elders if you have doubts or questions regarding any of these beliefs, or if you are interested in learning more about Trinity.

Though collections are not ordinarily taken during a service, giving is a vital element of worship. Tithes and offerings may be placed in the basket at the rear of the church. (2 Corinthians 9:6-11)

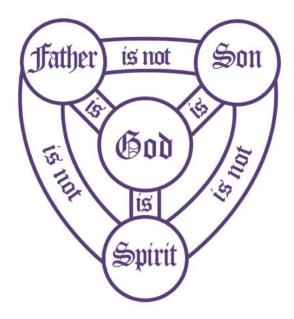
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The Christian doctrine of the Trinity holds that God is one God, but three coeternal consubstantial persons—the Father, the Son (Jesus Christ), and the Holy Spirit. The three Persons are distinct, yet are one God, the same in substance; co-equal in essence, nature, power, action, will, and glory. As stated in the Athanasian Creed, the Father is uncreated, the Son is uncreated, and the Holy Spirit is uncreated, and all three are eternal without beginning. "The Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit" are not names for different parts of God, but one name for God because three persons exist in God as one entity. They cannot be separate from one another. Each person is understood as having the identical essence or nature, not merely similar natures.