

**LORD's Day Service – August 13, 2023**

Preparation for Worship: *Luke 1:68-69*

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

\* *Entrance* Songbook, #1  
*Opening Acclamation*

\* *Call to Worship* Genesis 1:1, 31; 2:1-3;  
Hebrews 1:1-4; 4:9-11; Matt 11:28

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 eyes of all look expectantly to You,

**Congregation: And You give them their food in due season.**

Minister: You open Your hand

**Congregation: And satisfy the desire of every living thing.**

\* *Hymn* Trinity Hymnal, #17  
*Ye Holy Angels Bright*

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

*Call to Confession* Hebrews 3:15-19

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

**My dear God, teach me not to begin faith by my own efforts, nor to attempt to destroy my sin with my own repentance. I might do this before the world and its judges, but with You, O God, there is an eternal wrath which I cannot satisfy, and before it I would despair. Therefore I thank You that Another has seized and carried my sins and has made atonement for them. With joy I wish to believe this. It seems so very right and comforting to me. But I cannot believe it by myself; Lord, help me. Give me the power and gift to believe. I cannot create the sun and moon, or make them shine brightly in the heavens, any more than I can make my heart clean or give myself a right spirit, a strong and firm frame of mind that is unbending and unwavering and that will not doubt or mistrust Your Word. Though the world should topple and all conspire against me, by Your divine help, let me remain in the Gospel. Amen!** *(Silent prayer)* *(Luther's Prayers, ed by Herbert Brokering)*

*Assurance of Pardon* Hebrews 2:9, 16-17

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

*Hymn* Psalter, #148  
*From Heav'n O Praise the LORD*

Let us pray: **O merciful Creator, Your hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of every living creature: Make us always thankful for Your loving providence; and grant that we, remembering the account that we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of Your good gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who with You and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, forever and ever. Amen!**

*Old Testament Lesson* Psalm 148  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

*Epistle Lesson* Revelation 5  
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

\* *Gospel Lesson* Luke 19:28-40  
The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
**Praise to you, O Christ!**

*Sermon* "Choir of Creation"

\* *Hymn* Trinity Hymnal, #105  
*Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah*

\* *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* 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

We Confess Our Faith in the Triune, Incarnate God

\* Hymn

Trinity Hymnal, #110  
My Soul, Bless the Lord!

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

\* The Lord's Commission of Us

Psalm 148:7, 12

\* We Receive God's Blessing, His Good Word to Us

Psalm 134

\* We bless the Lord, lifting hands and voices to Him

Psalter, #72D

**Announcements**

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**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.

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*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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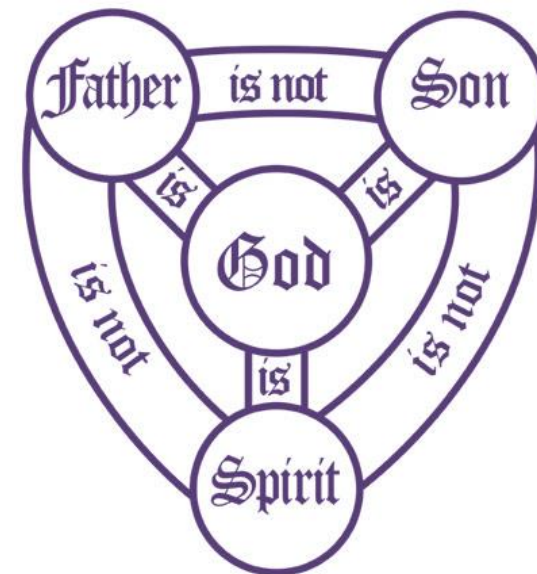
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**Trinity Presbyterian Church CREC**

*Gathering in the Name of the Triune God*

August 13, 2023



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.