LORD's Day Service - Trinity Sunday - June 4, 2023

Preparation for Worship: Zephaniah 3:17

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

* Entrance Doxology

* Call to Worship Deuteronomy 6:4–9; Revelation 1:4-6

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!

* *Hymn* Trinity Hymnal, #87 *Holv. Holv. Holv*

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

Call to Confession Colossians 3:5-9

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

God of love, it is Your will that we love You with all our heart, soul, mind and strength, and our neighbor as ourselves; but we confess that our affections turn away from You: from purity to lust, from freedom to slavery, from compassion to indifference, from fulness to emptiness. Have mercy on us. Order our lives by Your sacred Word. Holy Spirit, make Your commandments the joy of our hearts. Conform us to the image of the beloved Son, Jesus, that we may shine before the world to Your glory. Amen!

Assurance of Pardon Colossians 3:12-14

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; for with Your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, You are one God, one Lord in Trinity of

Persons and in Unity of Substance; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of You, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. 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:

The Sanctus Songbook, #79

Hymn Trinity Hymnal, #88
Father of Heav'n. Whose Love Profound

Let us pray: Almighty and everlasting God, You have given to us Your servants grace by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of Your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see You in Your one and eternal glory, O Father, Who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, forever and ever. Amen!

Epistle Lesson 1 John 4:2-11

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

* Gospel Lesson John 8:13-19, 28-30, 42, 54-59

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Praise to you, O Christ!

Old Testament Lesson Zephaniah 3:16-20

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon "The Pleasure of God in Loving His People"

Hymn Psalter, #50A (tune: Crown Him with Many Crowns)

The Mighty God the LORD

* 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 John 6:44-57, 63

We Confess Our Faith in the Triune, Incarnate God

* Hymn Songbook, #23

Glory Be to God the Father

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

* The Lord's Commission of Us

Matthew 28:18-20

* 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)

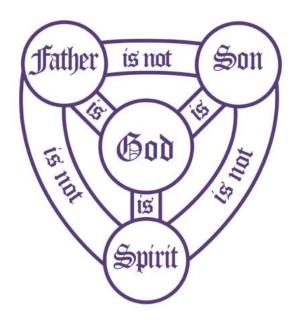
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June 4, 2023 Trinity Sunday



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.