

# Trinitytide

JUNE 15, 2025 • SUNDAY, 10:00 A.M.

## THE HOLY TRINITY



**T**HE FATHER, SON, AND HOLY SPIRIT, THREE DISTINCT PERSONS IN ONE DIVINE ESSENCE AND NATURE [MATTHEW 28:19], ARE ONE GOD, WHO HAS CREATED HEAVEN AND EARTH [1 CORINTHIANS 8:6].  
THE FATHER IS BEGOTTEN OF NO ONE; THE SON IS BEGOTTEN OF THE FATHER [JOHN 1:14]; THE HOLY SPIRIT PROCEEDS FROM THE FATHER AND THE SON [JOHN 15:26].

NEITHER THE FATHER NOR THE HOLY SPIRIT, BUT THE SON BECAME MAN [JOHN 1:14].

THE SON BECAME MAN IN THIS MANNER: HE WAS CONCEIVED, WITHOUT THE COOPERATION OF MAN, BY THE HOLY SPIRIT [LUKE 1:34-35], AND WAS BORN OF THE PURE, HOLY VIRGIN MARY. AFTERWARD, HE SUFFERED, DIED, WAS BURIED, DESCENDED TO HELL, ROSE FROM THE DEAD [1 CORINTHIANS 15:3-4], ASCENDED TO HEAVEN [ACTS 1:9-11], SITS AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD [ACTS 2:33], WILL COME TO JUDGE THE QUICK AND THE DEAD, AND SO ON, AS THE APOSTLES' AND ATHANASIAN CREEDS AND OUR CHILDREN'S CATECHISM TEACH.

CONCERNING THESE ARTICLES, THERE IS NO ARGUMENT OR DISPUTE.

-SMALCald ARTICLES. PART I.

# DIVINE SERVICE – SETTING THREE

“Our churches are falsely accused of abolishing the Mass. The Mass is held among us and celebrated with the highest reverence. Nearly all the usual ceremonies are also preserved”. -Augsburg Confession. Article XXIV. The Mass. 1-2a.



## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*Please stand and face the processional cross.*

*Lutheran Service Book 507*

**“Holy, Holy, Holy”**



1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!  
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore Thee,  
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide Thee,  
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee;  
Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
Though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see,  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,  
On - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
Which wert and art and ev - er - more shalt be.  
Per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pu - ri - ty.  
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

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# CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

*Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

*[Hebrews 10:22]*

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** who made heaven and earth.

*Psalm 124:8*

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

*Psalm 32:5*

*Kneeling or sitting forward*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

## **The Fourth Commandment**

*Honor your father and your mother.*

*What does this mean?*

*We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them.*

### **Preparation for Confession and Absolution according to the Fourth Commandment:**

- *Do I submit to those whom God has put in authority over me?*
- *Have I been ashamed of, angry, stubborn, or disrespectful toward my parents, teachers, employer, pastor, government or other authorities?*
- *Do I obey all the laws of the city, state and country, and pay my rightful share of all taxes?*

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

*[John 20:19-23]*

**C** Amen.

*Standing*



# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## INTROIT

*Psalm 8:1-2a, 3-5; antiphon: Liturgical Text*



- L** Blessed be the Holy Trinity and the undivided | Unity.\*  
Let us give glory to him because he has shown his mer- | cy to us.
- L** O | LORD, our Lord,\*  
how majestic is your name in | all the earth!
- C** You have set your glory above the | heavens.\*  
Out of the mouth of babes and infants, you have es- | tablished strength.
- L** When I look at your heavens, the work of your | fingers,\*  
the moon and the stars, which you have | set in place,
- C** what is man that you are mind- | ful of him,\*  
and the son of man that you | care for him?
- L** Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly | beings\*  
and crowned him with glory and | honor.



**C** Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

- L** Blessed be the Holy Trinity and the undivided | Unity.\*  
Let us give glory to him because he has shown his mer- | cy to us.

## KYRIE ~ Lord, Have Mercy

*Mark 10:47*



**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

# GLORIA IN EXCELSIS ~ *Glory to God in the Highest*

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



The musical score is written for a single voice part on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The tempo and meter are not explicitly stated. The lyrics are written below the staff, with some words in all caps and some in title case. The score consists of 12 lines of music, each with a corresponding line of lyrics. The lyrics are: "Glory be to God on high; and on earth peace, good - will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up - on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men."

Glory be to God on high; and on earth peace, good - will toward  
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we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.  
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.  
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Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

2 Timothy 4:22

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sitting*

## PROPHECY

**Isaiah 6:1–7**

**A** The Prophecy for the Holy Trinity is from Isaiah, chapter six.

**A** In those days: In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His robe filled the temple. Above it stood seraphim; each one had six wings: with two he covered his face, with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one cried to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory!" And the posts of the door were shaken by the voice of him who cried out, and the

house was filled with smoke. So I said: "Woe is me, for I am undone! Because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts." Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a live coal which he had taken with the tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth with it, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your iniquity is taken away, and your sin purged."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## GRADUAL

*Liturgical Text*



- L** Blessèd are You, O Lord, who be- | holds the deep,\*  
and who dwells between the | cherubim.
- C** Blessèd are You, O Lord, in the firmament of | heaven,\*  
and greatly to be praised for- | ever.

## EPISTLE

**Romans 11:33–36**

- A** The Epistle is from Romans, chapter eleven.
- A** Brethren: Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out! “For who has known the mind of the LORD? Or who has become His counselor?” “Or who has first given to Him and it shall be repaid to him?” For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen.
- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

*Standing*

## ALLELUIA AND VERSE

*Liturgical Text*



**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

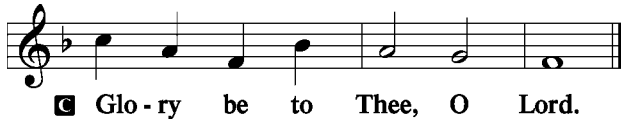
- L** Blessèd are you, O Lord God of our fathers, and greatly to be praised and glorified forever.



**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.



**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.



**P** At that time: There was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, "Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him." Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' The wind blows where it

wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus answered and said to Him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered and said to him, "Are you the teacher of Israel, and do not know these things? Most assuredly, I say to you, We speak what We know and testify what We have seen, and you do not receive Our witness. If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things? No one has ascended to heaven but He who came down from heaven, that is, the Son of Man who is in heaven. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



## ATHANASIAN CREED

- P** Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith.
- C** **Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.**
- P** And the catholic faith is this,
- C** **that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.**
- P** For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.
- C** **But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.**
- P** Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:
- C** **the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;**
- P** the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;
- C** **the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.**
- P** And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,
- C** **just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinites, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.**
- P** In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;
- C** **and yet there are not three Almighty, but one Almighty.**
- P** So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;
- C** **and yet there are not three Gods, but one God.**
- P** So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;
- C** **and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.**
- P** Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord,
- C** **so also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.**
- P** The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.
- C** **The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone.**
- P** The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.
- C** **Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.**
- P** And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;
- C** **but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal, so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.**
- P** Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.
- C** **But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.**
- P** Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is at the same time both God and man.
- C** **He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages;**

- P** and He is man, born from the substance of His mother in this age: perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh;
- C** equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.
- P** Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:
- C** one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God;
- P** one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.
- C** For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ,
- P** who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,
- C** ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, God Almighty, from whence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
- P** At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.
- C** And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.
- P** This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.

*Sitting*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*Lutheran Service Book 506*

**"Glory Be to God the Father"**



1 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to  
 2 Glo - ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each  
 3 Glo - ry to the King of an - gels, Glo - ry to the  
 4 Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal! Thus the choir of

God the Son, Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it:  
 spot and stain; Glo - ry be to Him who bought us,  
 Church's King, Glo - ry to the King of na - tions;  
 an - gels sings; Hon - or, rich - es, pow'r, do - min - ion!

Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,  
 Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo - ry,  
 Heav'n and earth, your prais - es bring! Glo - ry,  
 Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings. Glo - ry,

glo - ry While e - ter - nal a - ges run!  
 glo - ry To the Lamb that once was slain!  
 glo - ry To the King of glo - ry sing!  
 glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of kings!

## SERMON

*Standing*

## OFFERTORY

*Psalm 51:10-12*



**C** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

*Sitting*

## OFFERING

*Standing*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*[1 Timothy 2:1-4]*

**P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

*Brief silence*

**P** Blessed Father, we worship You not as we ought but as we are able, within the frailty of our minds and hearts that still struggle against sin and unbelief. Guard us by Your Spirit, that we may not grow weary nor lose sight of the goal before us. Work in us to display the good works of Him who has called us from darkness into His marvelous light. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Blessed Father, You have revealed Yourself to us in Christ, that we may know You by faith and confess You before the world. Give us Your Spirit, that all churches may confess truly and faithfully Your Word and live in harmony of doctrine and life, in anticipation of that day when we shall kneel together at Your altar. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Blessed Father, You gave Your only Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Bless the work of missionaries as they carry this Gospel to the ends of the earth, that many may hear of Your love in Your Son and be saved through Him. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Blessed Father, You sit enthroned as King forever. Bless Donald, our president, and Brian, our governor, and all who rule us in Your stead with wisdom and understanding, that truth and justice may prevail in our land and lawlessness may be kept at bay. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Blessed Father, uphold [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all who suffer in our midst by the truth, that since You are at their right hand, they cannot be shaken. Gladden their hearts, cause their tongues to rejoice and make their flesh dwell in hope. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Send from Your altar, blessed Father, the body and blood of Christ. Cleanse us and our lips by this blessed Sacrament, delivering the atonement Christ has won for us, that we may be worthy to stand before You now and at the Last Day. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Heavenly Father, from whom all fatherhood is named, we give You thanks for earthly fathers. Give them confidence in their station and zeal for their task to care for their families faithfully. Make them examples to their children of godly life and love of Your Word. Bless their work of bringing up children in the fear and instruction of the Lord, and give them the comfort of Your absolution over all their shortcomings. Gather us together with all our fathers to Your eternal household; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

*Matthew 5:22-24; Ephesians 4:1-3*

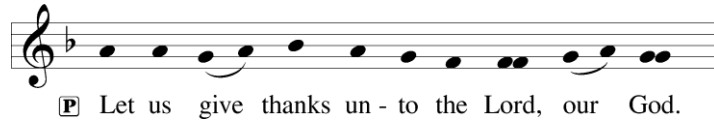
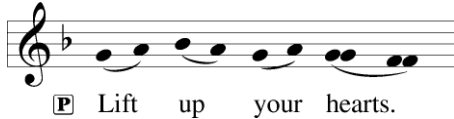
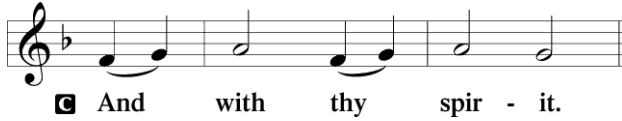
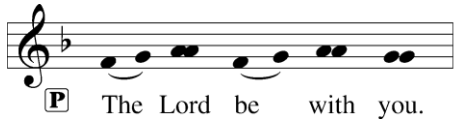
*Following the prayers, please greet one another in the name of the Lord by saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of forgiveness and reconciliation in preparation for worthy reception of the Holy Supper.*

*Please remain standing.*

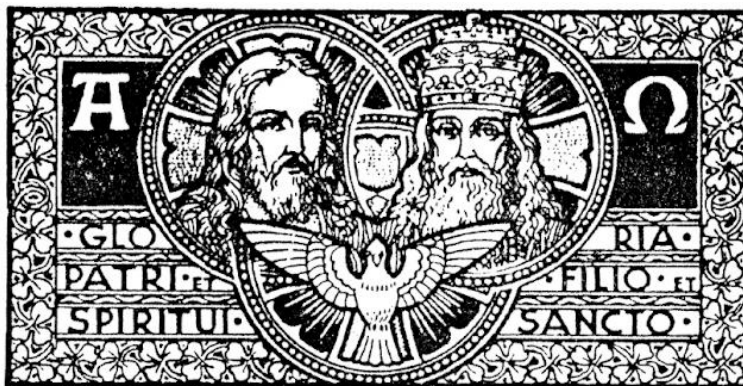
# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

## PREFACE

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]



**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, who with Your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit are one God, one Lord. In the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in person and the Unity in substance, of majesty coequal. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:





## SANCTUS ~ *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,  
bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.  
Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Kneeling or sitting forward*

## LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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.

# THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

**P** Our Lord Je-sus Christ, on the night when He was be-trayed, took bread,  
and when He had giv-en thanks, He broke it and gave it to the  
dis-ci-ples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ̣ bod-y, which is giv-en for you.  
This do in re-mem-brance of Me." In the same way al-so  
He took the cup after sup-per, and when He had giv-en thanks, He gave it  
to them, say-ing: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in  
My ̣ blood, which is shed for you for the for-give-ness of sins.  
This do, as often as you drink it, in re-mem-brance of Me."

## PAX DOMINI ~ *The Peace of the Lord*

John 20:19

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al-ways.  
**A** - men.

## AGNUS DEI ~ *Lamb of God*

John 1:29

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

*Sitting*

*About participation in the Lord's Supper:*

*The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes.*

*Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor. [Those coming to the altar for a blessing rather than Holy Communion are asked to cross their arms over their chest.]*

*For further study, see Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.*

*(Above is the "Model Communion Card Statement" from Theology and Practice of the Lord's Supper, a 1983 report by the Commission on Theology and Church Relations (CTCR) of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.)*

# MUSIC DURING THE DISTRIBUTION

*Lutheran Service Book 794*

**"The Lord, My God, Be Praised"**



1 The Lord, my God, be praised, My light, my life from heav - en;  
2 The Lord, my God, be praised, My trust, my life from heav - en,  
3 The Lord, my God, be praised, My hope, my life from heav - en,  
△ 4 The Lord, my God, be praised, My God, the ev - er - liv - ing,



My mak - er, who to me Has soul and bod - y giv - en;  
The Fa - ther's own dear Son, Whose life for me was giv - en,  
The Spir - it, whom the Son In love to me has giv - en.  
To whom the heav'n - ly host Their laud and praise are giv - ing.



My Fa - ther, who will shield And keep me day by day  
Who for my sin a - toned With His most pre - cious blood  
His grace re - vives my heart And gives my spir - it pow'r,  
The Lord, my God, be praised, In whose great name I boast,



And make each mo - ment yield New bless - ings on my way.  
And gives to me by faith The high - est heav'n - ly good.  
Help, com - fort, and sup - port In sor - row's gloom - y hour.  
God Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the Ho - ly Ghost.

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1 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es ring! To God the Fa -  
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es ring! Un - to the Lamb  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es ring! Un - to the Ho -  
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais - es ring! Un - to our tri -



ther let us bring Our songs of ad - o - ra - tion.  
 of God we sing, In whom we are e - lect - ed.  
 ly Ghost we sing For our re - gen - er - a - tion.  
 une God we sing; Blest be His name for - ev - er!



To Him through ev - er - last - ing days Be wor - ship, hon -  
 He bought His Church with His own blood, He cleansed her in  
 The sav - ing faith in us He wrought And us un - to  
 With an - gel hosts let us a - dore And sing His prais -



or, pow'r, and praise, Whose hand sus - tains cre - a - tion.  
 that bless - ed flood, And as His bride se - lect - ed.  
 the Bride-groom brought, Made us His cho - sen na - tion.  
 es ev - er - more For all His grace and fa - vor!



Sing - ing, ring - ing: Ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly;  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly Is our u - nion And com - mu - nion.  
 Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Joy e - ter - nal, Bliss su - per - nal;  
 Sing - ing, ring - ing: Ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly;



Spread the sto - ry Of our God, the Lord of glo - ry.  
 His be - friend - ing Gives us joy and peace un - end - ing.  
 There is man - na And an end - less, glad ho - san - na.  
 Spread the sto - ry Of our God, the Lord of glo - ry!

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# NUNC DIMITTIS ~ Song of Simeon

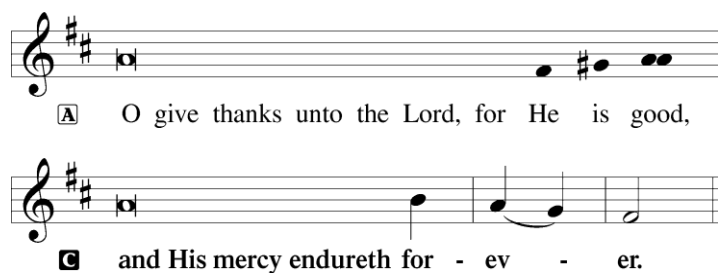
Luke 2:29-32



**C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-  
 cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
 which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
 a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
 peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
 to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
 is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

## THANKSGIVING

Psalms 107:1



**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.



## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS

*2 Timothy 4:22, Psalm 103:1*



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.



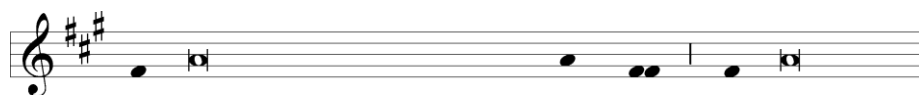
**A** Bless we the Lord.



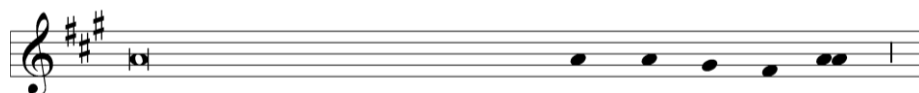
**C** Thanks be to God.

## BENEDICTION

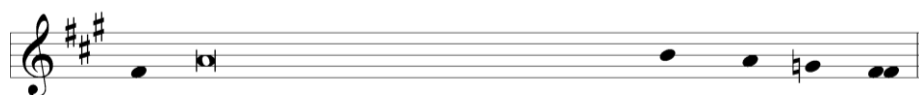
*Numbers 6:24-26*



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

# RECESSIONAL HYMN

Lutheran Service Book 941

"We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God"



1 We praise You and ac-knowl-edge You, O God, to be the Lord,  
2 The band of the a-pos-tles in glo-ry sing Your praise;  
3 You, Christ, are King of glo-ry, the ev-er-last-ing Son,  
4 You sit in splen-did glo-ry, en-throned at God's right hand,



The Fa-ther ev-er-last-ing, by all the earth a-dored.  
The fel-low-ship of proph-ets their death-less voic-es raise.  
Yet You, with bound-less love, sought to res-cue ev-'ry-one:  
Up-hold-ing earth and heav-en by forc-es You com-mand.



To You all an-gel pow-ers cry a-loud, the heav-ens sing,  
The mar-tyrs of Your king-dom, a great and no-ble throng,  
You laid a-side Your glo-ry, were born of vir-gin's womb,  
We know that You will come as our Judge that fi-nal day,



The cher-u-bim and ser-a-phim their prais-es to You bring:  
Sing with the ho-ly Church through-out all the world this song:  
Were cru-ci-fied for us and were placed in-to a tomb;  
So help Your ser-vants You have re-deemed by blood, we pray;



"O ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord God of Sab-a-oth;  
"O all-ma-jes-tic Fa-ther, Your true and on-ly Son,  
Then by Your res-ur-rec-tion You won for us re-prieve—  
May we with saints be num-bered where prais-es nev-er end,



Your maj-es-ty and glo-ry fill the heav-ens and the earth!"  
And Ho-ly Spir-it, Com-fort-er— for-ev-er Three in One!"  
You o-pened heav-en's king-dom to all who would be-lieve.  
In glo-ry ev-er-last-ing. A-men, O Lord, a-men!

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## POSTLUDE



## SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP

### **Presiding Minister**

The Rev. David V. Miller, *Pastor*

### **Altar Assistant(s)**

Jason Schoellen, *Elder*

Emilie Schoellen, *Acolyte*

Jude Miller, *Gospel Bearer*

### **Organist**

Abby Warnke, *Director of Music*

### **Cantor**

Adrian Popescu

### **Musician(s)**

Will Davis, trumpet

Patty Harmon, French horn/trumpet

### **Altar Guild**

Jeni Miller/Ryan Licht/Kati Durden

### **Usher(s)**

Eli May/Joel May

(Trevor Dunkel)

### **Fellowship Host(s)**

The Schoellen family

## SERVING NEXT WEEK

### **Presiding Minister**

The Rev. Dr. James A. Clark, *Guest Pastor*

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Nathan May/Joel May

(Trevor Dunkel)

### **Fellowship Host(s)**

Margaret & Grayson Beckman

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OVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, WITH ALL YOUR SOUL,  
AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND. THIS IS THE GREATEST AND MOST IMPORTANT  
COMMANDMENT. THE SECOND IS LIKE IT: LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS  
YOURSELF."

-JESUS CHRIST (MT. 22:37-39)

# THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday 6/15	<b>The Holy Trinity</b> Nursery available Children's Sunday School Adult Bible Study: <i>The History of the Kingdom of Israel</i> Holy Mass Fellowship Hour ✠ Donald Licht ✠ Funeral Luncheon	8:30 – 11:30 AM 9:00 – 9:45 AM 9:00 – 9:45 AM 10:00 AM Following Holy Mass Noon Following Funeral
Monday 6/16	Open Arms LCDC Church Office	7:00 AM – 6:30 PM 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM
Tuesday 6/17	Open Arms LCDC Church Office	7:00 AM – 6:30 PM 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM
Wednesday 6/18	Open Arms LCDC Church Office	7:00 AM – 6:30 PM 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM
Thursday 6/19	Open Arms LCDC Church Office	7:00 AM – 6:30 PM 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM
Friday 6/20	Open Arms LCDC Church Office	7:00 AM – 6:30 PM 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM
Saturday 6/21	Open Arms LCDC Church Office	Closed Closed
Sunday 6/22	<b>First Sunday after Trinity</b> Nursery available Holy Mass Fellowship Hour	9:30 – 11:30 AM 10:00 AM Following Holy Mass

# LOVING THE LORD

✝ No Sunday School or Adult Bible Study June 22, 29, or July 6.

✝ **Adult Bible Study:** *The History of the Kingdom of Israel*

Sundays, through June 15 at 9:00 A.M.

Church fellowship hall

A barren woman's miraculous pregnancy. God passed over for a human king. The wicked sons of a righteous prophet. A king's crimes of murder and adultery. A son's coup against his father's throne. A prophet's persecution. The Word of God lost and found again. These are just a handful of what you will encounter in this provocative Bible study covering the history of the kingdom of Israel. We began with 1 and 2 Samuel, now we will pick up with 1 Kings, as we continue the turbulent history of God's people and their Lord's unwavering faithfulness.

✝ **Summer Adult Bible Study:** *The Books of the Church*

Sundays, beginning July 13 at 9:00 A.M.

Church fellowship hall

God has blessed us with His inspired Word in the canon of Holy Scripture. From Genesis to Revelation, God has given us everything we need to establish the doctrine of His Church. Nevertheless, there are ecclesiastical texts that, while not inspired by the Holy Spirit, are still helpful in recording the history of God's people and clarifying biblical contexts. Even Martin Luther retained many of these texts in his German translation of the Bible. Lutherans since have also included them in their daily lectionary. And the Jews in Jesus' day made frequent use of them in their Septuagint (Greek translation of the Old Testament).

This might explain why the Bible itself makes references to them. For example, when Jesus calls Himself "the Light of the world" (John 8:12), it's in the context of Hanukkah which originated in 1 Maccabees. And the author of Hebrews refers to Tobit when he says, "some have entertained angels unawares" (13:2), and 2 Maccabees when Hebrews says, "women received back their dead, raised to life again" (11:35). Because these texts have been judged as worthwhile reading in the Church, yet not to detract from God's inspired Word in Sunday Adult Bible Class, we would like to begin a supplemental Small Group Bible Study.

Concordia Publishing House (LCMS) has compiled *The Apocrypha: The Lutheran Edition with Notes*. It is available for purchase at \$44.99 through its website ([cph.org](http://cph.org)). This is a nice companion volume to your *Lutheran Study Bible*. However, a bare bones version of the texts is also available at no cost online via [apocrypha.org](http://apocrypha.org).



### ✝ **Sermons on YouTube**

Missed a sermon? Had to walk out halfway through? Want to hear it again? No problem! Most sermons are now being recorded and posted to an official YouTube channel for you to watch at your leisure. Simply type in <https://www.youtube.com/@lcaatlanta> and you will be directed to the YouTube page where you have access to Pastor Miller's sermons online. Sermons are posted in the order of the date they were preached.

## LOVING OUR NEIGHBOR

### ✝ **In Memoriam ✝ Donald Licht ✝**

Sunday June 15 at noon

Church sanctuary, with luncheon to follow in fellowship hall

A funeral will be held in memory of our brother in the faith, Donald Licht. While many of us never got the chance to meet him, we have come to know his family. Namely, his wife Betty, and sons Jon and Ryan. His other son Matthew will also be in attendance. This will be a time of comfort and healing as we hear again our hope in the Gospel of the risen Lord Jesus Christ, who gives life to all those who fall asleep in Him. Thank you for your support and prayers!

### ✝ **Ascension Summer Picnic**

Sunday, July 13 following Holy Mass (Rain Date: July 20)

Church front lawn

This summer, Ascension is excited to host her first ever annual summer picnic! All are welcome to join us! Tables and chairs will be set up on the front drive. Various lawn games and activities will be made available for all ages. Grilled hamburgers and hotdogs, as well as cold beverages, will also be provided. Participants are asked to please bring a side, salad, or dessert to share. Thank you to the Men's Group for helping to cook, set up, and tidy up after the event!

### ✝ **Men's Bible Breakfast: The Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit**

Saturday, July 26 at 9:00 A.M.

Church overflow room

Join the guys for a time of fellowship over breakfast, as well as feasting on God's Word. This time we'll be looking closely at the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit as they are laid out in Isaiah 11:1-3. Considering these gifts, does the Holy Spirit give these gifts to us as believers? If so, how and why? Consider the power of the Holy Spirit already at work in you! We will talk about these things and more. Please join us!

### **Coming Soon:**

- ✦ Men's Group Tubing on the Chattahoochee
- ✦ Men's Group Atlanta Braves Event

# LIFTING HOLY HANDS

## Celebrations

### *Birthdays:*

- ✝ None this week

### *Rebirthdays (Baptismal Anniversaries):*

- ✝ None this week

### *Wedding Anniversaries:*

- ✝ None this week

### *Membership Anniversaries:*

- ✝ John Kateen, 6/16

## Recent Requests

### *For comfort, health, and recovery:*

- ✝ Bill Bigelow (brother of Anne Bigelow)
- ✝ Corey Gaither (nephew of Ruth Henry)
- ✝ Gail Grimes (grandmother of Laura Gollin)
- ✝ Hellen Kaale
- ✝ John & Felista Kaale (uncle & aunt of Hellen Kaale)
- ✝ Samantha Salgado (wife of Homero Salgado)
- ✝ Samantha Scaglione (sister-in-law of Margaret Beckman)
- ✝ Pat Vines (mother of Darlene Beckman's friend)
- ✝ Evan Wells (nephew of Darlene Beckman)
- ✝ Jason Wilson (coworker of Hellen Kalugendo)

## Special Prayers

- ✝ Health and safety of all expecting mothers and their children, especially Margaret Beckman and baby.
- ✝ Steady employment and fair wages for the unemployed, especially Jill Drachenberg.
- ✝ Family and friends of Donald Licht, for the peace of Christ in their hearts at this time of grief.
- ✝ Growth in faith and sanctification for all confirmands and adult catechumens, especially those currently going through Christian instruction at Ascension.

## Ongoing Requests

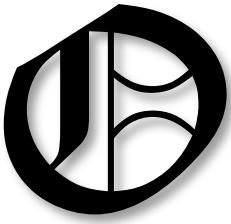
### *For family and friends of the congregation:*

- ✝ David Abee (brother of Nancy Grossberg)
- ✝ David and Phyllis Beckman (parents of Brian Beckman)
- ✝ Will Edinger (friend of the Beckmans)
- ✝ Ruth Henry
- ✝ Dee Keiger (sister of Eileen Buehl)
- ✝ Betty Licht
- ✝ Jean Meyers (former member of Ascension)
- ✝ Heidi Schnakenberg (niece of Clara Smith)
- ✝ Charles Schnell (former member), for his formation as a pastor.

### *For the leaders of Church and state:*

- ✝ Director Barbara Collins-Hopkins & Open Arms Board
- ✝ English District Bishop Jeffrey G. Miskus & all district officials
- ✝ LCMS President Matthew Harrison & all synodical officials
- ✝ Pastor David Miller & Church Board of Lutheran Church of the Ascension
- ✝ Rev. Dr. Jonathan & Dcs. Cheryl Naumann, missionaries to Dominican Republic
- ✝ President Donald Trump & all U.S. government officials





OUR CHURCHES, WITH COMMON CONSENT, DO TEACH THAT THE DECREE OF THE COUNCIL OF NICAEA CONCERNING THE UNITY OF THE DIVINE ESSENCE AND CONCERNING THE THREE PERSONS, IS TRUE AND TO BE BELIEVED WITHOUT ANY DOUBTING; THAT IS TO SAY, THERE IS ONE DIVINE ESSENCE WHICH IS CALLED AND WHICH IS GOD: ETERNAL, WITHOUT BODY, WITHOUT PARTS, OF INFINITE POWER, WISDOM, AND GOODNESS, THE MAKER AND PRESERVER OF ALL THINGS, VISIBLE AND INVISIBLE; AND YET THERE ARE THREE PERSONS, OF THE SAME ESSENCE AND POWER, WHO ALSO ARE COETERNAL, THE FATHER, THE SON, AND THE HOLY GHOST. AND THE TERM "PERSON" THEY USE AS THE FATHERS HAVE USED IT, TO SIGNIFY, NOT A PART OR QUALITY IN ANOTHER, BUT THAT WHICH SUBSISTS OF ITSELF.

THEY CONDEMN ALL HERESIES WHICH HAVE SPRUNG UP AGAINST THIS ARTICLE, AS THE MANICHAEANS, WHO ASSUMED TWO PRINCIPLES, ONE GOOD AND THE OTHER EVIL: ALSO THE VALENTINIANS, ARIANS, EUNOMIANS, MOHAMMEDANS, AND ALL SUCH. THEY CONDEMN ALSO THE SAMOSATENES, OLD AND NEW, WHO, CONTENDING THAT THERE IS BUT ONE PERSON, SOPHISTICALLY AND IMPIOUSLY ARGUE THAT THE WORD AND THE HOLY GHOST ARE NOT DISTINCT PERSONS, BUT THAT "WORD" SIGNIFIES A SPOKEN WORD, AND "SPIRIT" SIGNIFIES MOTION CREATED IN THINGS.

*-AUGSBURG CONFESSION, ARTICLE I. OF GOD.*



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