

## Holy Trinity ✕ June 7, 2020

**WELCOME!** *Though the word 'Trinity' is not found in Holy Scripture, today's second reading includes the apostolic greeting that begins the liturgy: "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all." In the Holy Gospel Jesus sends his disciples forth to baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. More than a doctrine, the Trinity expresses the heart of our faith: we have experienced the God of creation made known in Jesus Christ and with us always through the Holy Spirit. We celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity in word and sacrament, as we profess the creed, and as we are sent into the world to bear witness to our faith.*



### THE PASTORAL GREETING

### THE OPENING HYMN – “Holy, Holy, Holy”                      LSB 507

- 1    Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
      Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;  
      Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
      God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
  
- 2    Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,  
      Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
      Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,  
      Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.
  
- 3    Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,  
      Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,  
      Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,  
      Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.
  
- 4    Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
      All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
      Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
      God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

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### THE INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

**C:**    **Amen.**

**P:**    O Lord, open my lips.

**C:**    **And my mouth will declare Your praise**     *Ps. 51:15*

**P:**    Make haste, O God, to deliver me;

**C:**    **Make haste to help me, O Lord. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**     *Ps. 70:1*

**P:**    Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and to call upon him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as his people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking his grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P: Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for you and for his sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Blessed be God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit!

**C: O come, let us worship Him!**

### **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the Triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and praise to you – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **THE HYMN — “Christ Is Our Cornerstone” #912**

- 1 Christ is our cornerstone, On Him alone we build;  
With His true saints alone The courts of heav’n are filled.  
On His great love Our hopes we place  
Of present grace And joys above.
- 2 Here may we gain from heav’n The grace which we implore,  
And may that grace, once giv’n, Be with us evermore  
Until that day When all the blest  
To endless rest Are called away.
- 3 Oh, then, with hymns of praise These hallowed courts shall ring;  
Our voices we will raise The Three in One to sing  
And thus proclaim In joyful song,  
Both loud and long, That glorious name.

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### **✠ THE WORD ✠**

#### **THE FIRST READING – Genesis 1:1-2:4a, ESV**

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, “Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, “Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

And God said, “Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, “Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, “Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens.” So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds.” And it was so. And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.” And God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **THE SECOND READING – 2 Corinthians 13:11-14, ESV**

Finally, brothers, rejoice. Aim for restoration, comfort one another, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **THE HYMN — “Now Thank We All Our God” #895**

- 1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things has done, In whom His world rejoices;  
Who from our mothers' arms Has blest us on our way  
With countless gifts of love And still is ours today.
  
- 2 Oh, may this bounteous God Through all our life be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts And blessèd peace to cheer us  
And keep us in His grace And guide us when perplexed  
And free us from all ills In this world and the next!
  
- 3 All praise and thanks to God The Father now be given,  
The Son, and Him who reigns With them in highest heaven,  
The one eternal God, Whom earth and heav'n adore;  
For thus it was, is now, And shall be evermore.

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## **THE HOLY GOSPEL READING – Matthew 28:16-20, ESV      Pew Bibles p 993**

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **THE SERMON HYMN – “Glory Be to God the Father”**

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- 1 Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son,  
Glory be to God the Spirit: Great Jehovah, Three in One!  
Glory, glory While eternal ages run!
  
- 2 Glory be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each spot and stain;  
Glory be to Him who bought us, Made us kings with Him to reign!  
Glory, glory To the Lamb that once was slain!
  
- 3 Glory to the King of angels, Glory to the Church's King,  
Glory to the King of nations; Heav'n and earth, your praises bring!  
Glory, glory To the King of glory sing!

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## THE MESSAGE

### ✠ THE RESPONSE ✠

#### THE HYMN OF RESPONSE – “Glory Be to God the Father”

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- 4 Glory, blessing, praise eternal! Thus the choir of angels sings;  
Honor, riches, pow’r, dominion! Thus its praise creation brings.  
Glory, glory, Glory to the King of kings!

## THE APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each petition will end with the words: Lord, in Your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Hear us Heavenly Father, as we pray the prayer that Christ gave us:

**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 BLESSING

P: May almighty God: Father, Son ✠ and Holy Spirit, bless you and keep you.

C: Amen.

#### THE CLOSING HYMN – “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

LSB 805

- 1 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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✠ May God bless you and yours. ✠

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