Trinity Lutheran Church





PRELUDE:

How Majestic is Your Name, Oh Lord (Michael W. Smith)

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG:

Come Join the Dance of Trinity (ELW 412)



CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors.

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.

Righteous God, we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE



CANTICLE OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray together.

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in -Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 1:1-2:4a

¹In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." ⁷So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. ¹²The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. ¹⁶God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. ²⁰And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." ²¹So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. ²⁵God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

²⁷So God created humankind in his image,

in the image of God he created them;

male and female he created them.

²⁸God 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 air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." ²⁹God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, 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. ³¹God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

^{2:1}Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. ²And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. ³So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

 ${}^{\!\!\!\!^{4a}} These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.$

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 8 (Keith Green)

Please join the cantor in the bolded refrains.

- O LORD our Lord, how majestic is thy name in all the earth! O LORD our Lord,
- how majestic is thy name in all the earth!
- When I consider the heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars which thou has appointed,
- what is man, that thou dost take thought of him, or the son of man, that thou dost care for him.
- O LORD our Lord,

how majestic is thy name in all the earth!

O LORD our Lord, how majestic is thy name in all the earth!

You've made man a little lower than all of the angels, and crowned him with glory to rule over your creation. And under his feet,

- You've put all the beasts of the field, The birds of the heavens and what passes through the sea.
- O LORD our Lord, how majestic is thy name in all the earth!
- O LORD our Lord, how majestic is thy name in all the earth!—in all the earth.

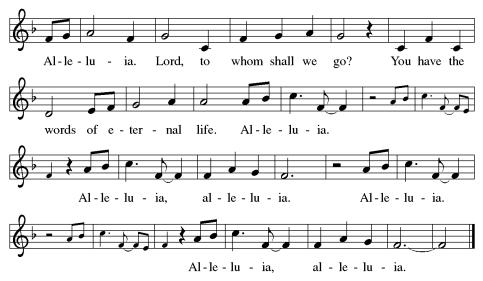
SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

[Paul writes:] ¹¹Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹²Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

¹³The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Matthew 28:16-20

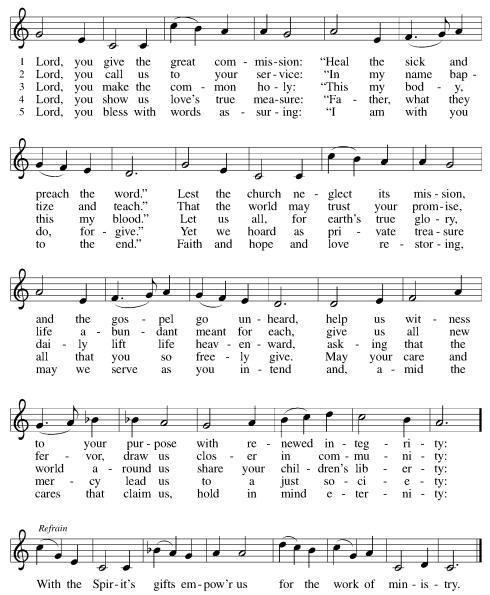
The holy gospel according to Matthew. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: Lord, You Give the Great Commission (ELW 579)



APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need.

As the lector closes each petition:

God, in your mercy,

The people respond:

hear our prayer.

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you. The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

Please place offering in one of the Bulletin Stand offering plates at the end of worship as you leave the church.



OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together. God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

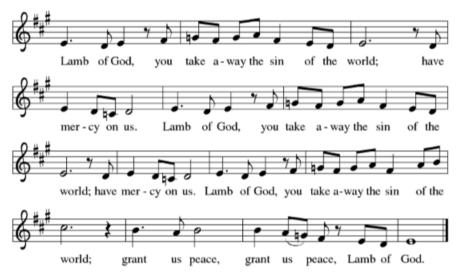
EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.

LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION

White grape juice and gluten-free wafers are available. When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, given for you.

and each person may respond

Amen.

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC: Take My Life That I May Be (ELW 583) Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ (ELW 674)

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together.

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG: Go, My Children, with My Blessing (ELW 543)



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE: You Shall Go Out with Joy (S. Rubin and S. Dauermann)

Serving in Worship

<u>TODAY — Jun 4, 2023</u>

Altar: The Hansen Family Accompanist: The Trinity Band Reader: Lisa Guarnieri Preacher: Nathan Keith Communion Assistant: Stuart Guarnieri Fellowship: OPEN

NEXT SUNDAY - Jun 11, 2023

Altar: The Hansen Family Accompanist: Jiwon Han Reader: OPEN Preacher: Thom Edgar Communion Assistant: OPEN Fellowship: OPEN Dear members of the Trinity Lutheran Church Congregation,

Currently the church council is concerned with Trinity's cash flow. During the first four months of this year our general offerings, those not designated for special projects, have not kept up with our normal monthly operating expenses. Those expenses include worship supplies, youth ministry, utilities, insurance, custodial expenses, salaries, fellowship, etc.

The past three years of our church's journey has been filled with challenges and new beginnings: The remodel of the Gruver room, the COVID-19 Pandemic, the recently completed renovation of the Rohr Fellowship Hall, and our increased focus on providing ministry not just inside of the church walls but into our communities both far and wide. All of these have provided us with excellent opportunities to share our gifts and blessings with new friends and old.

The consistent and supportive giving of our members has allowed the Trinity Council to make 2023 our year of refocusing, of planning what the future of Trinity holds and what opportunities may have been overlooked. We are looking forward to telling our story as People of God and the people of Trinity. This process includes evaluating our facilities, our ministries, and of course our finances.

Trinity's church council wanted to bring this to your attention as we are navigating options to manage ministry funding. Ministry at Trinity is something that takes all of us to support. Our mission is to engage the world with God's grace, and with your generosity we continue to support the mission before us.

Trinity's Executive Committee and Church Council