

Trinity Lutheran Church



May 31, 2026
Holy Trinity

WELCOME

GATHERING HYMN:

Rise, Shine, You People! (ELW 665)

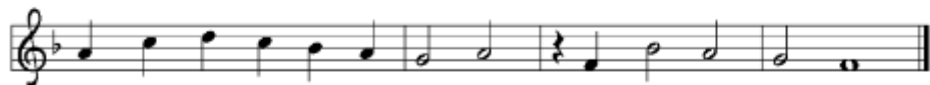
$\text{♩} = 140$



1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has en - tered
2 See how he sends the pow'rs of e - vil reel - ing;
3 Come, cel - e - brate; your ban - ners high un - furl - ing,
4 Tell how the Fa - ther sent the Son to save us.



our hu - man sto - ry; God in him is cen - tered. He comes to
he brings us free - dom, light and life and heal - ing. All men and
your songs and prayers a - gainst the dark - ness hurl - ing. To all the
Tell of the Son, who life and free - dom gave us. Tell how the



us, by death and sin sur - round - ed, with grace un - bound - ed.
wom - en, who by guilt are driv - en, now are for - giv - en.
world go out and tell the sto - ry of Je - sus' glo - ry.
Spir - it calls from ev - 'ry na - tion God's new cre - a - tion.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Based on Matthew 11:28-30.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

Amen.

Compassionate God,

we confess to you all our sins.

Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.

In your mercy, call us back to you.

Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.

Restore us to dwell in your peace.

In Christ's name we pray,

Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me,
all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest."

In the name of God,

Father, ✚ Son, and Holy Spirit,

your sins are forgiven.

Rest in God's love.

Amen.

CONFESSIONAL HYMN:

Holy God, We Praise Your Name (ELW 414)

$\text{♩} = 145$



1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we
2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a -
3 Lo, the ap - os - tol - ic train join your sa - cred
4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim,
bove are rais - ing; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim.
name to hal - low; proph - ets swell the glad re - frain.
three we name you, though in es - sence on - ly one;



all in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your
in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing. fill the heav'ns with
and the white-robed mar - tyrs fol - low; and from morn to
un - di - vid - ed God we claim you and, a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"
set of sun through the church the song goes on.
bend the knee while we own the mys - ter - y.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray together.

Holiness, Word, Power,

you reveal yourself

as one God in three persons,

a mighty, creative, life-generating dancer

who invites your creation to join you.

Catch us up in your love

and lead us into your world

to call others to follow you

with singing and rejoicing. Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 1:1 - 2:3

¹ When God began to create the heavens and the earth, ² the earth was complete chaos, and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³ Then God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶ And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” ⁷ So 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. ⁸ God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹ And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. ¹⁰ God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹ Then 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. ¹² The 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. ¹³ And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴ And 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, ¹⁵ and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. ¹⁶ God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷ God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸ to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹ And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰ And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” ²¹ So 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. ²² God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” ²³ And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴ And 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. ²⁵ God 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.

²⁶ Then God said, “Let us make humans 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.”

²⁷ So God created humans in his image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

²⁸ 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 air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” ²⁹ God 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. ³⁰ And 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. ³¹ God 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.

² On the sixth day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. ³ So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 8

¹ O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!—

² **you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out
of the mouths of infants and children;
you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to
silence the foe and avenger.**

³ When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

⁴ what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,
human beings that you should care for them?

⁵ **Yet you have made them little less than divine;
with glory and honor you crown them.**

⁶ **You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you
have put all things under their feet:**

⁷ all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,

⁸ the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

⁹ **O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

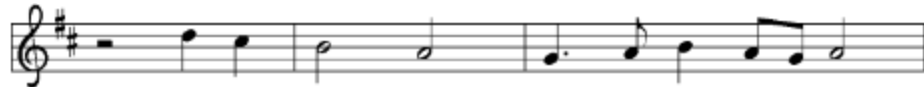
SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

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

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

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 28:16-20

The holy gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁶ Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ 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 ²⁰ and 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

Serving in Worship

TODAY — May 31, 2026

Altar: Sally Rafert

Livestream: Larry Oolman

Reader: Hannah Young

Assistant: James Apronti

Fellowship: Hannah Young

NEXT SUNDAY — Jun 7, 2026

Altar: Al Schimek

Livestream: Paul Kunkel

Reader: Thom Edgar

Assistant: Thom Edgar

Fellowship: OPEN

HYMN OF THE DAY: God, Whose Almighty Word (ELW 673)



1 God, whose al - might - y word, cha - os and dark - ness heard
2 Christ, who once came to bring, on your re - deem - ing wing,
3 Spir - it of truth and love, life - giv - ing, ho - ly dove,
4 Ho - ly and bless - ed three, glo - ri - ous Trin - i - ty,



and took their flight: hear us, we hum - bly pray, and where the
heal - ing and sight: health to the trou - bled mind, sight where il -
speed forth your flight: move on the wa - ter's face bear - ing the
Wis - dom, Love, Might: bound - less as o - cean's tide, roll - ing in



gos - pel day sheds not its glo - rious ray, let there be light.
lu - sions blind; oh, now to hu - man - kind let there be light.
lamp of grace, and in earth's dark - est place let there be light.
full - est pride, through the earth, far and wide, let there be light.

SAINT ATHANASIUS' TRINITY AFFIRMATION

Read responsively.

We acknowledge the Trinity, holy and perfect,
to consist of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

In this Trinity there is no intrusion of any alien element
or of anything from outside,

nor is the Trinity a blend of creative and created being.

It is a wholly creative and energizing reality,
self-consistent and undivided in its active power,

for the Father makes all things

through the Word

and in the Holy Spirit,

and in this way the unity of the Holy Trinity is preserved.

Accordingly, in the faith of the church,

one God is preached,

one God who is above all things

and through all things

and in all things.

God is above all things as Father, for he is principle and source;

he is through all things through the Word;

and he is in all things in the Holy Spirit. Amen.

St. Athanasius (c. 296-373), Bishop of Alexandria, was one of the most influential early Church Fathers. He is known for defending the full divinity of Christ: his On the Most Holy Trinity presents a clear, scripturally-grounded affirmation of the Trinity as one God in three co-equal, co-eternal Persons.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray to the one God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—who calls us into the mystery of divine love and unity.

*As the reader opens each petition:
The people respond:*

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Holy Trinity, Three in One and One in Three, receive the prayers we offer this day. Draw us ever deeper into your mystery, that we may reflect your love in the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
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.

OFFERTORY: *All Who Are Thirsty* (ACS 981)

Taize-style, piano plays through once, then sing through four times.

Leader All

All who are thirst - y, come to the wa-ters. All who are hun - gry, come here and eat. All who are thirst - y, come to the wa-ters. There's e - nough for all.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Loving God,
we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. 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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

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

Note this season's use of the current translation.

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Do not let us fall into temptation,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

COMMUNION

All are welcome to join in the gift of Holy Communion.

White grape juice is available and all altar bread is gluten-free.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond

Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN:

Come, Holy Spirit, Descend (ACS 980)

*Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, de - scend on us, de -

scend on us. We gath - er here in Je - sus'

name. (hm)

Come, Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove (ELW 404)

1 Come, gra - cious Spir - it, heav'n - ly dove, with light and
2 The light of truth to us dis - play and make us
3 Lead us to Christ, the liv - ing way, nor let us
4 Lead us to heav'n, that we may share full - ness of

com - fort from a - bove, Come, be our guard - ian
know and choose your way; plant ho - ly fear in
from his pas - tures stray; Lead us in ho - li -
joy for - ev - er there; lead us to our e -

and our guide; o'er ev - 'ry thought and step pre - side.
ev - 'ry heart; that we from God may ne'er de - part.
ness, the road that we must take to dwell with God
ter - nal rest, to be with God for - ev - er blest.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Now may the body and blood of our lord and savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together.

Compassionate God,
through the gifts of bread and wine
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.
Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
✠ one God,
bless, heal, and hold you
today and always.
Amen.

Thou art He who commandeth the Cherubim...Amen.
Thou hast existed with the Father in truth always...Amen.
Thou rulest the Angels...Amen.
Thou art the power of the Heavens...Amen.
Thou art the crown of the Martyrs...Amen
Thou art the deep counsel of the Saints...Amen.
Thou art He in whom the deep counsel of the Father is hidden...Amen.
Thou art the mouth of the Prophets...Amen.
Thou art the tongue of the Angels...Amen.

Thou art Jesus, my Life...Amen.

Dying Prayer of Saint Athanasius
373 AD, Traditional

SENDING HYMN:

Come, Join the Dance of Trinity (ELW 412)

 = 135



1 Come, join the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun—
2 Come, see the face of Trin - i - ty, new - born in Beth - le - hem;
3 Come, speak a - loud of Trin - i - ty, as wind and tongues of flame
4 With - in the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun,



the in - ter-weav - ing of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son.
then blood - ied by a crown of thorns out - side Je - ru - sa - lem.
set peo - ple free at Pen - te - cost to tell the Sav - ior's name.
we sing the prais - es of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son.



The u - ni - verse of space and time did not a - rise by chance,
The dance of Trin - i - ty is meant for hu - man flesh and bone;
We know the yoke of sin and death, our necks have worn it smooth;
Let voic - es rise and in - ter-weave, by love and hope set free,



but as the Three, in love and hope, made room with - in their dance.
when fear con - fines the dance in death, God rolls a - way the stone.
go tell the world of weight and woe that we are free to move!
to shape in song this joy, this life: the dance of Trin - i - ty.

DISMISSAL

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

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Contact Cards available in your pew!

Trinity Happenings:

Sun, May 31:

9:00am
10:15am

Holy Trinity Sunday Worship
Fellowship in Gruver Rm

Mon, Jun 1:

9:00am

Becoming in Gruver Rm

Tue, Jun 2:

5:30pm

TheologyPUB
@ Front Street Tavern

Wed, Jun 3:

11:30am

Campus Cabinet Hours til 1:30pm

Sun, Jun 7:

9:00am
10:15am

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Fellowship in Gruver Rm