

# Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church



Sunday, May 27, 2018  
The Holy Trinity

# *Welcome to Trinity!*

- Nursery attendants are available for children ages 5 years and younger. If you arrive and no one is in the nursery, please ask an usher to get the attendant.
  - Pew pads are located at the end of each pew. Please sign in and pass them down to the end of the row, then return them to the center aisle.
  - Prayer request cards are in the pew racks. Please hand to an usher during the hymn following the sermon.
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## **PRELUDE**

## **WELCOME**

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the minister begins.*

In the name of the Father, and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sins to the One who gives life eternally.

Holy God,

**We know that you are always there to lead us, yet we somehow lose our way and fall back in fear. We confess that we have stumbled, and we recognize our need for you to lift us up and help us start again. Forgive us our failings, restore us to strength, and reconcile us with you, ourselves, and each other, through the power of Christ and the gift of your Spirit. Amen.**

Sisters and brothers, hear the good news: We did not receive the spirit of slavery, but rather the spirit of adoption. Your guilt has departed; your sin is blotted out, for you are God's beloved children — ✙ forgiven, loved, and free.

**Thanks be to God.**

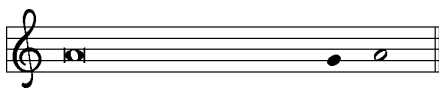
## **GATHERING HYMN: *Lift High the Cross* (ELW 660)**

## **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



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



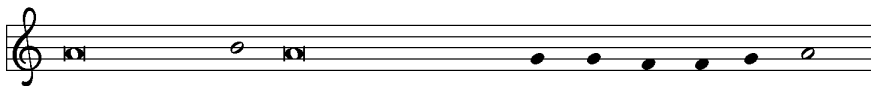
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

# CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Assisting minister



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.  
And also with you.

Let us pray together.

**Holy God, source of all goodness, you gave your Son for the life of the world, and you sent your Spirit that your love might abide within us. Teach us how to love each other this day, that we may have life, and have it abundantly, with you, in Christ, and through the Holy Spirit.**

**Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

## FIRST READING: Isaiah 6:1-8

A reading from Isaiah.

<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

<sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

<sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” <sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM: Psalm 29

*The psalm is sung responsively.*

<sup>1</sup>Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,  
ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

<sup>2</sup>**Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due God’s name;  
worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.**

<sup>3</sup>The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;  
the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

<sup>4</sup>**The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;  
the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.**

<sup>5</sup>The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;  
the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;  
<sup>6</sup>**the LORD makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,  
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.**  
<sup>7</sup>The voice | of the LORD  
bursts forth in | lightning flashes.  
<sup>8</sup>**The voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;  
the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.**  
<sup>9</sup>The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the | forests bare.  
And in the temple of the LORD all are | crying, “Glory!”  
<sup>10</sup>**The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;  
the LORD sits enthroned as king for- | evermore.**  
<sup>11</sup>O LORD, give strength | to your people;  
give them, O LORD, the bless- | ings of peace.

## SECOND READING: Romans 8:12-17

A reading from Romans.

<sup>12</sup>Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—<sup>13</sup>for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.*

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

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

## GOSPEL: John 3:1-17

The holy gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.”

<sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup>What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” <sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

<sup>11</sup>“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup>“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The assembly is seated.*

## SERMON

**HYMN OF THE DAY: *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!* (ELW 413)**

## ATHANASIAN CREED

*The Athanasian Creed, created in the late 5th—early 6th centuries, is one of the ecumenical creeds contained in the Book of Concord. The other two, the Nicene and Apostles’ creeds, lend themselves more readily to liturgical use. Custom suggests the liturgical use of the Athanasian Creed on the festival of The Holy Trinity.*

**Whoever wants to be saved**

**should above all cling to the catholic faith.**

**Whoever does not guard it whole and inviolable**

**will doubtless perish eternally.**

**Now this is the catholic faith:**

**We worship one God in trinity**

**and the Trinity in unity,**

**neither confusing the persons**

**nor dividing the divine being.**

**For the Father is one person,  
the Son is another,  
and the Spirit is still another.**

**But the deity of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit  
is one, equal in glory,  
coeternal in majesty.**

**What the Father is,  
the Son is,  
and so is the Holy Spirit.**

**Uncreated is the Father;  
uncreated is the Son;  
uncreated is the Spirit.**

**The Father is infinite;  
the Son is infinite;  
the Holy Spirit is infinite.**

**Eternal is the Father;  
eternal is the Son;  
eternal is the Spirit:**

**And yet there are not three eternal beings,  
but one who is eternal;  
as there are not three uncreated and unlimited beings,  
but one who is uncreated and unlimited.**

**Almighty is the Father;  
almighty is the Son;  
almighty is the Spirit:**

**And yet there are not three almighty beings,  
but one who is almighty.**

**Thus the Father is God;  
the Son is God;  
the Holy Spirit is God:**

**And yet there are not three gods,  
but one God.**

**Thus the Father is Lord;  
the Son is Lord;  
the Holy Spirit is Lord:**

**And yet there are not three lords,  
but one Lord.**

**As Christian truth compels us to acknowledge  
each distinct person as God and Lord,  
so catholic religion forbids us  
to say that there are three gods or lords.**

**The Father was neither made  
nor created nor begotten;**



the Son was neither made nor created,  
but was alone begotten of the Father;  
the Spirit was neither made nor created,  
but is proceeding from the Father and the Son.  
Thus there is one Father, not three fathers;  
one Son, not three sons;  
one Holy Spirit, not three spirits.  
And in this Trinity, no one is before or after,  
greater or less than the other;  
but all three persons are in themselves, coeternal and coequal;  
and so we must worship the Trinity in unity  
and the one God in three persons.  
Whoever wants to be saved should think thus about the Trinity.  
It is necessary for eternal salvation that one also faithfully believe  
that our Lord Jesus became flesh.  
For this is the true faith that we believe and confess:  
That our Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son,  
is both God and man.  
He is God, begotten before all worlds  
from the being of the Father,  
and he is man, born in the world  
from the being of his mother—  
existing fully as God,  
and fully as man  
with a rational soul and a human body;  
equal to the Father in divinity,  
subordinate to the Father in humanity.  
Although he is God and man,  
he is not divided,  
but is one Christ.

He is united because God  
has taken humanity into himself;  
he does not transform deity into humanity.  
He is completely one in the unity of his person,  
without confusing his natures.  
For as the rational soul and body are one person,  
so the one Christ is God and man.  
He suffered death for our salvation.  
He descended into hell  
and rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**At his coming all people shall rise bodily  
to give an account of their own deeds.  
Those who have done good will enter eternal life,  
those who have done evil will enter eternal fire.  
This is the catholic faith.  
One cannot be saved  
without believing this firmly and faithfully.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Let us offer our prayers, knowing that it is God's Spirit bearing witness with our spirit, that we are children and heirs of God.

*A brief silence.*

Eternal God, we pray for the world, that through the reconciling love of Christ, our destructive and violent ways may cease, as you bless your human family with peace. Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the mission of your church, that empowered by your Spirit, we may proclaim the good news of the age in the world you so dearly love. Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who suffer, that together with Christ in his suffering, we may find healing as he did, as he was raised and exalted in you. Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for your creation, that as it groans for its redemption, we may care for its well-being through the power of your life-giving Spirit. Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

We remember before you those who have died and pray for those who will die today, that through your glorious redemption that ends all suffering, they may rest with you eternally. Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Through Christ, with Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, we praise you, O God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## **PEACE**

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.*  
The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*The assembly is seated.*

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Brief announcements will be made by the presiding minister and thanks given for what our offerings provide towards the church's mission.*

## OFFERING

### OFFERTORY HYMN: *Create in Me a Clean Heart* (ELW 188)

*The assembly stands for the presentation of the gifts.*

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

**Holy God, your love overflows in the gift of your Spirit. Bless these gifts that we offer, that they may spread your blessing in a world of hurt and need; in Christ's name. Amen.**

## 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.**

## BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✚ give you peace.

**Amen.**

### SENDING HYMN: *To Be Your Presence* (ELW 546)

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

# Trinity Happenings

Sunday, May 27	9:00 am 10:15 am	Worship Fellowship
Monday, May 28	<b>OFFICE CLOSED — MEMORIAL DAY</b>	
Saturday, June 2	4:00 pm	If Teacups Could Talk
Sunday, June 3	9:00 am 10:15 am	Worship Fellowship
Sunday, June 10	9:00 am 10:15 am	Worship Fellowship

**THOSE NEEDING OUR PRAYERS:** Please keep the following members in your prayers this week: Ed Dolan, Bob Thymian, Jane Kidwell, Addie Hopper, Marilyn Moen, JoAnn Merrill, and Gladys Crane. If there is someone that could be added to the Trinity Prayer Chain, please inform Jennie Lawrence by email at missjennae@yahoo.com.

**TRUMPET DEADLINE:** Please submit any items for the weekly Trinity Trumpet **in writing** by 9 am on Wednesday. The Trumpet is emailed at noon each Wednesday.

**MINISTRY PARTNERS NEEDED:** During Vacation Bible School we need three families to house camp counselors from Sky Ranch, we need 5 people to bring lunch for the three counselors M-F, and we need 5 people to bring snacks for the youth who attend VBS. Please join this ministry and sign up in the Gruver Room.

**SKY RANCH LUTHERAN CAMP:** It is time to sign up your youth to attend Sky Ranch Lutheran Camp. Sky Ranch is a Lutheran outdoor ministry that provides your child with an outdoor mountain faithful experience. Sky Ranch Lutheran Camp is in the Rocky Mountain Synod, ELCA, located 55 miles west of Fort Collins, Colorado. It is surrounded by Roosevelt National Forest and is three miles north of Rocky Mountain National Park. Sky Ranch is a 117-acre site which includes a main lodge, cabins, a historic backpacking center and a campground. Camperships and scholarships are available to Trinity's youth. Please connect with Pastor Nate. Please register your child at [www.skyranchcolorado.org](http://www.skyranchcolorado.org)

**LIVING LUTHERAN MAGAZINE IS NOW ONLINE ONLY:** Trinity Lutheran is now offering the Lutheran Magazine called the Living Lutheran with free online access for all members. Simply go to [www.telclaramie.com](http://www.telclaramie.com) and click on the Living Lutheran icon on the right side of the page. You will no longer receive the print edition of Living Lutheran from Trinity. If you would still like to receive a printed copy please go to [www.livinglutheran.org](http://www.livinglutheran.org) to register.

**IF TEACUPS COULD TALK:** "If Teacups Could Talk; Sharing a Cup of Kindness with Treasured Friends" is the theme of the Tea Party taking place at Trinity on June 2nd beginning at 4 pm. Don't be nervous about a tea party, it's not the tea that makes teatime special; it's the spirit of the tea party. It's what happens when women or men or children make a place in their life for the rituals of sharing. It's what happens when we bother with the little extras that feed the soul and nurture the senses and make space for unhurried conversation. And when that happens, it doesn't really matter what fills the cups or holds the liquid. It really isn't the tea. It's the spirit of the tea party. And, it is in that spirit that I hope you will join us. Please bring your favorite tea cup, mug, coffee cup, whatever to our party and wear a hat for fun! Be prepared to share your story about your "cup" and why it is special to you. For non tea drinkers, lemonade will be available! So we know how many people to expect, please RSVP on the sign-up board in the Gruver Room or online at <https://tinyurl.com/TELCTeacups2018>

**SEEKING A FAITH FORMATION DIRECTOR:** Trinity Lutheran is looking for a Faith Formation Director to provide the planning and implementation of Faith Formation along with the pastor and ministry teams. This is part time ministry, expect 10-15 hours a week. Apply in person or send your resume to [pastornate3421@gmail.com](mailto:pastornate3421@gmail.com). Go to [www.telclaramie.com](http://www.telclaramie.com) or [bit.ly/2rs3GOH](http://bit.ly/2rs3GOH) for the job description.

**FREEDOM HAS A BIRTHDAY:** Trinity will be hosting a booth at Freedom Has a Birthday, held on Wednesday, July 4, in Washington Park. If you are interested in helping organize this, please contact Pastor Nate.

**Readings for Next Sunday, June 3, 2018 — 2nd Sunday after Pentecost**

Deuteronomy 5:12-15; Psalm 81:1-10; 2 Corinthians 4:5-12; Mark 2:23-3:6

**\*\*\*Find the weekly lectionary readings and more at [www.textweek.com](http://www.textweek.com)**

# Vacation Bible School!

Led by staff from Sky Ranch Lutheran Camp

**Where:** Trinity Lutheran Church — 107 S. 7th St.

**When:** June 11-15  
K-5th grade —  
9:00 am to 2:00 pm Mon-Thurs  
9:00-noon Friday  
Preschool — 9:00-noon Mon-Fri

**Ages:** Preschool through 5th grade (completed)

**Cost:** \$30 per child

**Sign up:** [www.telclaramie.com/vbs-2018](http://www.telclaramie.com/vbs-2018)

**Contact:** Trinity Church Office—307-745-4222  
Email: [telcofficermanager@gmail.com](mailto:telcofficermanager@gmail.com)

# Consider IT PURE JAMES 1:2-4 joy

Congratulations and blessings to our  
newly confirmed young women!



*Psalm 18:2 ~ 1 John 4:18 ~ 3 John 4*



As an experiment, we streamed last Sunday's Pentecost and Confirmation worship service on Facebook Live. The video has been archived and is available for public viewing, even if you don't have a Facebook account!

<https://tinyurl.com/TELCCconfirm2018>

# Serving the Church

**THIS WEEK — May 27, 2018**

**Lector:** Diane Fiedler  
**Ushers:** Mike Smith  
Denise Greller  
**Greeters:** The Witte Family  
**Nursery:** **OPEN**  
**Stewards:** Kris Oolman  
Martin Greller  
**Altar Guild:** Judy Moline  
**Fellowship:** **OPEN**  
**Flowers:** **OPEN**

**NEXT WEEK — June 3, 2018**

**Lector:** Maia Anderson  
**Communion Assistant:** **OPEN**  
**Ushers and Greeters:** Barb Rouse  
Georgia Mitchell  
Janet Talbott  
**Nursery:** **OPEN**  
**Stewards:** Jennifer Zenor  
**Altar Guild:** Diane Fiedler and Mike Smith  
**Fellowship:** **OPEN**  
**Flowers:** **OPEN**

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