



Service of Word & Song

Trinity Sunday Δ 15 June 2025

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Organ Prelude

Welcome and Introduction

Today is the Festival of the Holy Trinity, a chance to recall that the one God is known to us as Father, Son and Spirit. We will recite the Athanasian Creed.

Pastors Terri and Michael are at the annual Assembly of the Virginia Synod.

Today's Service of the Word consists of psalms, hymns and prayers. Holy Communion will be celebrated again next weekend.

Hymns are from Evangelical Lutheran Worship, the red hardcover book in the pews.

Entrance Hymn **Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty ELW #413 Stand**

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!

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.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

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!

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783-1826, alt.

Greeting

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

C And also with you.

L The Word is near to you,

C on your lips and in your heart.

L If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord,

C and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

L Faith comes from what is heard,

C and what is heard comes through the word of Christ.

Word Song

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

ELW #517 *Stand*

Lord, keep us steadfast in your word;
curb those who by deceit or sword
would wrest the kingdom from your Son
and bring to naught all he has done.

Lord Jesus Christ, your pow'r make known,
for you are Lord of lords alone;
defend your holy church, that we
may sing your praise eternally.

O Comforter of priceless worth,
send peace and unity on earth;
support us in our final strife
and lead us out of death to life.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.

Prayer of the Day

Stand

L The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

L Let us pray.

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.

C Amen.

First Reading

L A reading from Proverbs.

(Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31)

- ¹ Does not wisdom call
and understanding raise her voice?
² On the heights, beside the way,
at the crossroads she takes her stand;
³ beside the gates in front of the town,
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:
⁴ "To you, O people, I call,
and my cry is to all who live.
- ²² "The Lord created me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of long ago.
²³ Ages ago I was set up,
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.
²⁴ When there were no depths I was brought forth,
when there were no springs abounding with water.
²⁵ Before the mountains had been shaped,
before the hills, I was brought forth,
²⁶ when he had not yet made earth and fields
or the world's first bits of soil.
²⁷ When he established the heavens, I was there;
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,
²⁸ when he made firm the skies above,
when he established the fountains of the deep,
²⁹ when he assigned to the sea its limit,
so that the waters might not transgress his command,
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,
³⁰ then I was beside him, like a master worker,
and I was daily his delight,
playing before him always,
³¹ playing in his inhabited world
and delighting in the human race.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Responsive Reading: Psalm 8

¹O 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.**

³When 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?**

⁵Yet 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;**

⁷all 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.**

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

Gospel

(John 16:12-15) **Stand**

L The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said,] ¹² “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

L The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Responses to the Word: Song, Creed and Confession

Hymn Sing (SUNDAY ONLY)

As a response to God's word, we will sing songs of praise and thanksgiving. Choose your favorite hymn and let the organist know – as long as it's in the book!

There is no sermon this morning. A meditation prepared by Bishop Phyllis Milton has been printed and is available in the narthex

The Hymn Sing concludes (and the Saturday service continues) with the Hymn of the Day:

Hymn of the Day

Holy Spirit, Truth Divine

ELW #398

As the singing concludes, the leaders may gather near the baptismal font for the Creed.

Holy Spirit, truth divine,
dawn upon this soul of mine;
breath of God and inward light,
wake my spirit, clear my sight.

Holy Spirit, love divine,
glow within this heart of mine;
kindle ev'ry high desire;
purge me with your holy fire.

Holy Spirit, pow'r divine,
fortify this will of mine;
by your will I strongly live,
bravely bear, and nobly strive.

Holy Spirit, peace divine,
still this restless heart of mine;
speak to calm this tossing sea,
stayed in your tranquility.

Holy Spirit, right divine,
king within my conscience reign;
be my guide, and I shall be
firmly bound, forever free.

Text: Samuel Longfellow, 1819-1892

The Athanasian Creed:

Quicumque Vult

This was not written by St Athanasius, but is called by his name as tribute to his strong defense of the doctrine of the Trinity. It is among the Lutheran confessions of faith.

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.**

(continued)

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.



The Confession of Sins

- L** God has given us the ministry of reconciliation.
Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

Silence for reflection and self examination.

- L** Gracious God,
C **have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**
L May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all our sins.

C **Amen**

Peace

Stand

- L** Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace.
L The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **And also with you.**

The ministers and assembly share a sign of Christ's peace.

Offering

- L** Let us offer to God what God has first given us: our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of his gracious love.

An offering is received to support the ministry of the church.

As the offering is brought forward, we stand to sing:

Offertory Hymn

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow ELW #884 *Stand*

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.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711

- A** Let us pray. Merciful God,
C **in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you embrace our lives with your great love for humanity. With joy and gladness we ask that these gifts may be for many a sign of that love, and that we may continue to share in your divine life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

The Prayers of Intercession

- A** As God's people called to love one another, let us pray for the needs of the Church, the human family, and all the world.

After each petition:

- A** Lord, in your mercy; **C** **hear our prayer.**

The prayers conclude with these or similar words:

- L** All these things and whatever else you see that we need, grant us, O God, for the sake of Christ who died and rose again, and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.
C **Amen**

Lord's Prayer

- L** 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**

Blessing

- L** May the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ fill you with every spiritual blessing.
C **Amen**
L May the God of faithfulness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.
C **Amen**
L May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen**

Sending Song

Come, Thou Almighty King ELW #408 *Stand*

Come, thou almighty King,
help us thy name to sing;
help us to praise;
Father all-glorious,
o'er all victorious,
come and reign over us,
Ancient of Days.

Come, thou incarnate Word,
merciful, mighty Lord;
our prayer attend.
Come and thy people bless,
and give thy word success,
and let thy righteousness
on us descend.

Come, holy Comforter,
thy sacred witness bear
in this glad hour!
Thou who almighty art,
rule now in ev'ry heart,
never from us depart,
Spirit of pow'r.

To thee, great One in Three,
eternal praises be
hence evermore!
Thy sov'reign majesty
may we in glory see,
and to eternity
love and adore.

Text: source unknown, c. 1757, alt.

Dismissal

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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