

JUNE 4, 2023 | *The Festival of the Holy Trinity*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Welcome to our worship service today! We are glad to have you with us as we gather before our almighty and saving God to hear His holy and powerful Word and celebrate His life-giving Sacraments, offering our prayers and praises as He strengthens our faith and brings us ever closer to our eternal home with Him.

SERVICE NOTES

We believe in the Triune God. Over the years many have tried to minimize this teaching; many more have outright denied it. Yet the doctrine of the Trinity is not merely a logical exercise; it is central to our salvation. If we lose this teaching, we lose everything because a Jesus who is less than God is less than a true Savior. The Triune God—the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit—is our Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier.

If you need any assistance, please ask any of our ushers for help. In inclement weather, or if walking from your car is difficult, please make use of the carport. The ushers will gladly park and/or retrieve your car for you if needed.

If you are a visitor with us today, please sign the Guest Book before you leave today (the red binder in the front of church). If you would like to learn more about our church or are interested in church membership, please speak with Pastor Van Kampen.

If you have small children, please note that there is a Parents' Room at the rear of the sanctuary if you need to temporarily calm a child. From the Parents' Room you can still see, hear, and participate in the worship service.

For your convenience today's order of service is printed on the following pages.

Holy Communion: We hold to the ancient, biblical practice of "close communion," communing only confirmed members of our church or churches of our fellowship (ELS and WELS). Guests, please speak with the pastor prior to the service if you wish to commune. Thank you for your courteous respect of our beliefs and practices.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Minister	Rev. S. Piet Van Kampen
Organist	Deb Meyer
Elder on Duty	Sunday: Dan Lindquist; Monday Night: Rod Meves
Ushers on Duty	Dennis Barlament, Daniel Meves, Erik Van Kampen
Altar Guild	Barbara Hartwig & Sue Wallenfang

The Order of the Holy Communion

Please stand.

OPENING HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty | **246**

INVOCATION AND CONFESSION OF SINS

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

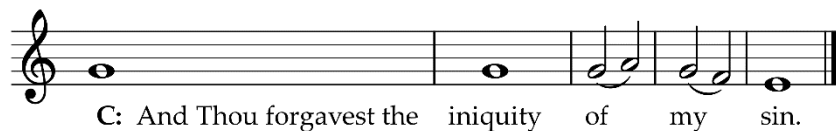


M: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.



M: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.



C: O almighty God, merciful Father, I a poor, miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

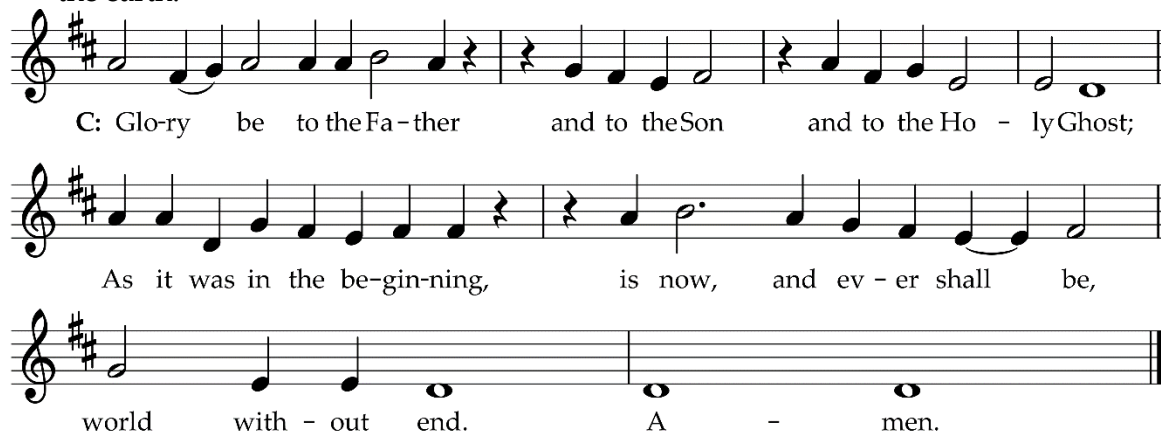
M: Upon this your confession, I by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



You may be seated.

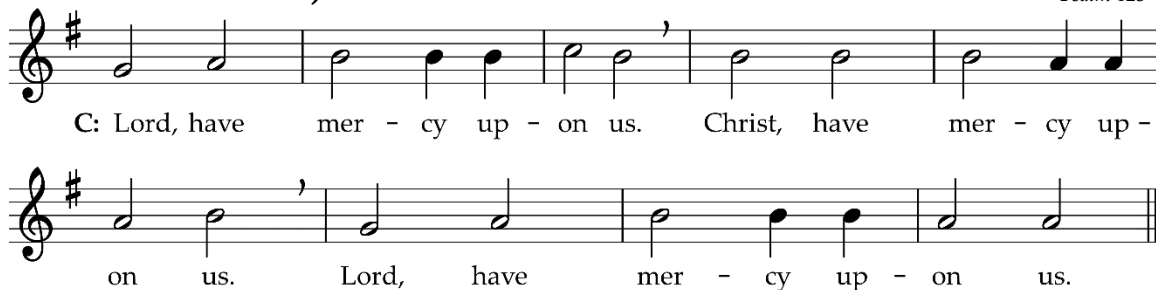
THE INTROIT & GLORIA PATRI

M: Blessed be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity; let us give glory to Him because He has shown mercy to us. O Lord, our Lord, how excellent is Your name in all the earth!



THE KYRIE—*LORD, HAVE MERCY*

Psalm 123



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS—"GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST"

Luke 2:14



C: Glory be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the
world, have mercy up - on us. Thou that takest away the sin of the
world, re - ceive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the

Father, have mercy up - on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou
on - ly art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly
Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spir - it.

Please stand.

M: Let us pray: Almighty God and Father, dwelling in eternal majesty and mystery, filling and renewing all creation by Your eternal Spirit, and manifesting Your saving grace through our Lord Jesus Christ: In mercy cleanse our hearts and lips, that, free from doubt and fear, we may ever worship You, one true immortal God, with Your Son and the Holy Spirit.

C: A - men.

You may be seated.

FIRST LESSON: Genesis 1:1-2:3

The Triune God created the world.

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. ² The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. ³ Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴ And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So the evening and the morning were the first day.

⁶ Then God said, "Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters." ⁷ Thus God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament; and it was so. ⁸ And God called the firmament Heaven. So the evening and the morning were the second day.

⁹ Then God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear"; and it was so. ¹⁰ And God called the dry land Earth, and the gathering together of the waters He called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹ Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb that yields seed, and the fruit tree that yields fruit according to its kind, whose seed is in itself, on the earth"; and it was so. ¹² And the earth brought forth grass, the herb that yields seed according to its kind, and the tree that yields fruit, whose seed is in itself according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ¹³ So the evening and the morning were the third day.

¹⁴ Then God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and seasons, and for days and years; ¹⁵ "and let them be for lights in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth"; and it was so. ¹⁶ Then God made two great lights: the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night. He made the stars also. ¹⁷ God set them in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth, ¹⁸ and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹ So the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

²⁰ Then God said, "Let the waters abound with an abundance of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the face of the firmament of the heavens." ²¹ So God created great sea creatures and every living thing that moves, with which the waters abounded, according to their kind, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ²² And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³ So the evening and the morning were the fifth day.

²⁴ Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, each according to its kind"; and it was so. ²⁵ And God made the beast of the earth according to its kind, cattle according to its kind, and everything that creeps on the earth according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶ Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." ²⁷ So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. ²⁸ Then God blessed them,

and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth." ²⁹ And God said, "See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food. ³⁰ "Also, to every beast of the earth, to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, in which there is life, I have given every green herb for food"; and it was so. ³¹ Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good. So the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

^{2:1} Thus the heavens and the earth, and all the host of them, were finished. ² And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. ³ Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.

SECOND LESSON: 2 Corinthians 13:11-14 *The God of love and peace will be with you.*

Finally, brethren, farewell. Become complete. Be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss. ¹³ All the saints greet you. ¹⁴ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.

GRADUAL

ISAIAH 6:3B

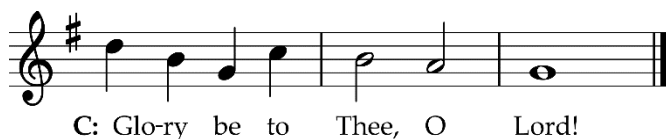
M: Alleluia. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of His glory. Alleluia.



Please stand.

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 28:16-20

All authority belongs to Christ.



Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, to the mountain which Jesus had appointed for them. ¹⁷ When they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ "Go therefore

and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ "teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, *even* to the end of the age." Amen.

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.



C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

CREED – THE ATHANASIAN CREED

- 1 Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith.
- 2 Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.
- 3 And the catholic¹ faith is this,
- 4 that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.
- 5 For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.
- 6 But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.
- 7 Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:
- 8 the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;
- 9 the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;
- 10 the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.
- 11 And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,
- 12 just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinites, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.
- 13 In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;
- 14 and yet there are not three Almightyies, but one Almighty.
- 15 So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;
- 16 and yet there are not three Gods, but one God.
- 17 So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;
- 18 and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.
- 19 Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord, so also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.
- 20 The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.
- 21 The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone.
- 22 The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.
- 23 Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

24 And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;
 25 but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal, so that in all things, as
 has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.
 26 Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.
 27 But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our
 Lord Jesus Christ.
 28 Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of
 God, is at the same time both God and man.
 29 He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages; and He is man, born from
 the substance of His mother in this age:
 30 perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh;
 31 equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His
 humanity.
 32 Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:
 33 one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the
 humanity into God;
 34 one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.
 35 For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ,
 36 who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,
 37 ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, God Almighty, from whence
 He will come to judge the living and the dead.
 38 At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their
 own deeds.
 39 And those who have done good² will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into
 eternal fire.
 40 This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.

You may be seated.

CHOIR

Glorify Thy Name

HYMN

Father Most Holy, Merciful, and Tender | 240

Please stand for the singing of the final stanza.

SERMON – MATTHEW 28:16-20

All Authority Belongs to Christ

1. We worship Him as our Lord.
2. We disciple all nations for Him.
3. We trust in His abiding presence.

Please stand.

THE OFFERTORY



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres-ence, and
take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re - store un-to me the joy of
Thy sal - va - tion; and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

You may be seated.

THE OFFERING

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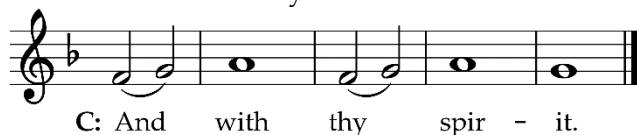
THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

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THE PREFACES & THE SANCTUS (“HOLY, HOLY, HOLY”)

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And with thy spir - it.

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.



C: It is meet and right so to do.

M: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God; who with Your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit are one God, one Lord. In the confession of the only true God we worship the Trinity in person and the Unity in substance, of majesty co-equal. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saving.:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo-ry; Ho - san-na, Ho - san-na, Ho - san-na in the



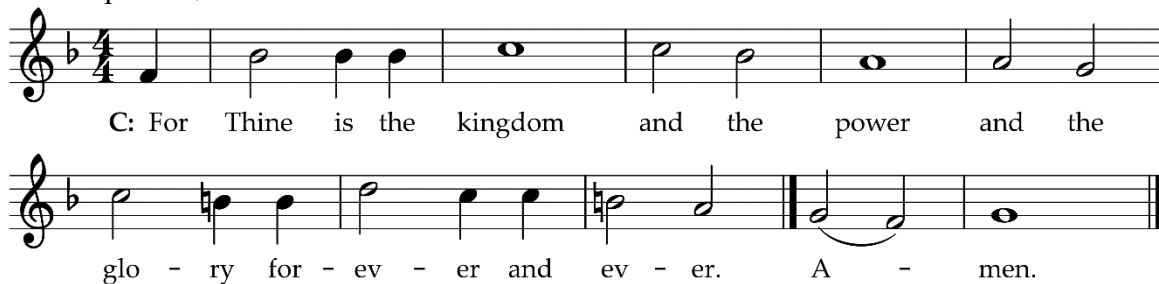
high-est. Bless-ed is He, Bless-ed is He, Bless-ed is He that com-eth in the



name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san-na in the high - est.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

M: 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.



THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples saying: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink of it all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you and for many, for the remission of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



THE LAMB OF GOD (*Agnus Dei*)



have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
 tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world,
 grant us Thy peace. A - - - men.

You may be seated.

THE DISTRIBUTION

During the distribution of the sacrament, communicants may come forward at the direction of the ushers.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table | 315

Please stand.

THE NUNC DIMITTIS ("Now Dismiss")

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in_ peace ac - cord-ing to Thy
 word, For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation: which Thou hast pre -

pared be - fore the face of all people,
a Light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
people Is - ra-el. Glo - ry be to the Father and to the
Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; As it was in the beginning is now, and
ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M: O, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

C: And His mercy en - dureth for - ev - er.

M: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through these salutary gifts, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through them in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

THE BENEDICTION

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And with thy spir - it.

M: Let us bless the Lord.



C: Thanks be to God.

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



C: A - men, a - men, a - men.

CLOSING HYMN

We All Believe in One True God | **252**
