

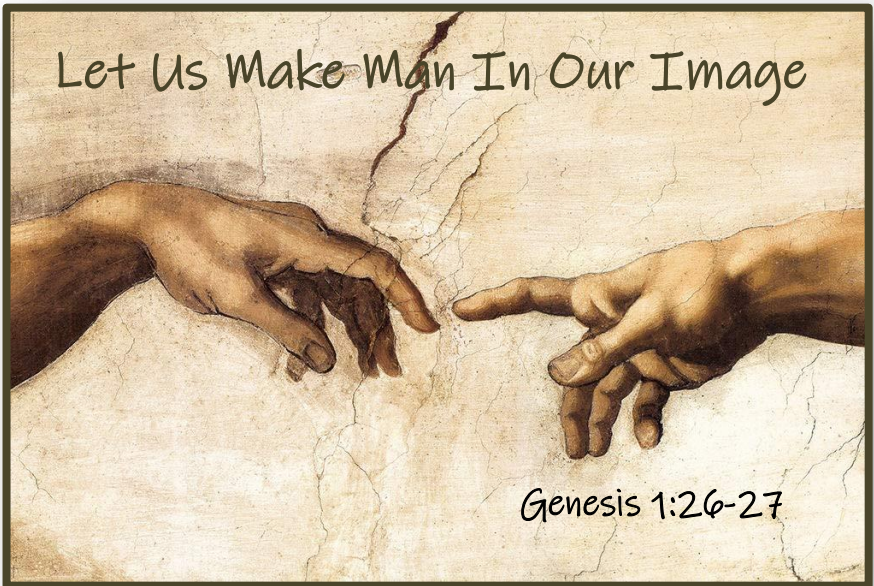
Holy Cross Lutheran Church

(Lutheran Church Missouri Synod)

Divine Service Four

The Festival of the Holy Trinity

June 4, 2023





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8:00 and 10:30 AM

Prayer for the Festival of the Holy Trinity

"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of His glory." On this festival Sunday celebrating Trinity Sunday, we come to sing Your praise, O Lord God. Let us find joy in humbly bowing to the mystery of Your essence. You have clearly revealed that You are one God, yet three distinct persons: the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit are one in nature, essence, operation, and mission. May we be reminded of our catechism instruction wherein we learned that each of the three persons is God and in each person God is completely present. Also, the Athanasian Creed instructs us: "There are three persons in the Godhead and this one God is to be adored in the three persons." How this can be, we leave to You. Grant us the faith to accept who You are based on what You say, not on what we understand. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we sing Your praise today. Amen.



The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm (1 Cor. 11:17-34), and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked to speak with the Pastor prior to communing with us for the first time. We thank you for respecting our belief and practice regarding the Lord's Supper.



Confession and Absolution

794 The Lord, My God, Be Praised

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

- P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

Exhortation

Psalm 124:8; Psalm 130:3–4; Luke 18:13

- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C** **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**
- P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Confession of Sins

- C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Absolution

[John 20:19–23]

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

G Amen.



Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 16:8–11; antiphon: Liturgical Text



Blessèd be the Holy Trinity and the undivided | Unity.*

Let us give glory to him because
he has shown his mer- | cy to us.

I have set the LORD always be- | fore me;*
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be | shaken.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being re- | joices;*
my flesh also | dwells secure.

For you will not abandon my soul | to Sheol,*
or let your holy one see cor- | ruption.

You make known to me the | path of life;*
in your presence there is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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Kyrie

Mark 10:47



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good - will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 1:1—2:4a

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

And God said, "Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth." And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth." And it was so. And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, "Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens." So God created the great sea creatures and every

living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds." And it was so. And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

So God created man in his own image,
in the image of God he created him;
male and female he created them.

And 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 heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth." And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens 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. And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

These are the generations
of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Psalm 145:3, 5b, 6b



**Great is the LORD, and greatly | to be praised,*
and his greatness is un- | searchable.**

**On your wondrous works, I will | meditate,*
and I will declare your | greatness.**

Second Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22–36

Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, . . .

“Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know—this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. For David says concerning him,

“‘I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken;
therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
my flesh also will dwell in hope.
For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One see corruption.
You have made known to me the paths of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

“Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his

descendants on his throne, he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,

“The Lord said to my Lord,
Sit at my right hand,
until I make your enemies your footstool.”

Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



John 20:31



Holy Gospel: Matthew 28:16–20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 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, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G Praise to You, O Christ.



Athanasian Creed

Spoken Responsively

Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith.

Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.

And the catholic faith is this,

that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.

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

But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.

Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:

the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;

the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;

the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.

And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,

just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinities, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.

In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;

and yet there are not three Almightyies, but one Almighty.

So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;
and yet there are not three Gods, but one God.

So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;
and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.

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.

The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.

The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father
alone.

**The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made
nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.**

Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three
Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

**And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is
greater or less than another;**

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.

**Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about
the Trinity.**

But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully
believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**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.**

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:

**perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and
human flesh;**

equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father
with respect to His humanity.

Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:

one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by
the assumption of the humanity into God;

**one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of
person.**

For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ,

who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,

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.

At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.

And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.

This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.

Sit

498 Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest

Sermon

“Let Us Make Man in Our Image”

Text: Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Stand

Prayer of the Church

After each portion of the prayer:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Sit

Offering

(Please add your name to the red fellowship book and pass it to your fellow worshippers.)



Service of the Sacrament



Please read our Statement on Holy Communion on the inside cover of the bulletin before communing with us.



Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



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



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

You once revealed Your name to Moses in the burning bush; and through Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, You unveiled the mystery of Your holy name in the Trinity of persons and the Unity of being.

Grant that we, who have been baptized and instructed in the triune name, may faithfully eat and drink of Your Son's body and blood and worship You in spirit and truth, O Father, through Your Son in the Holy Spirit.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

- 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.**

The Words of Our Lord

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24;
Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "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, and when He had given thanks, He 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 for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

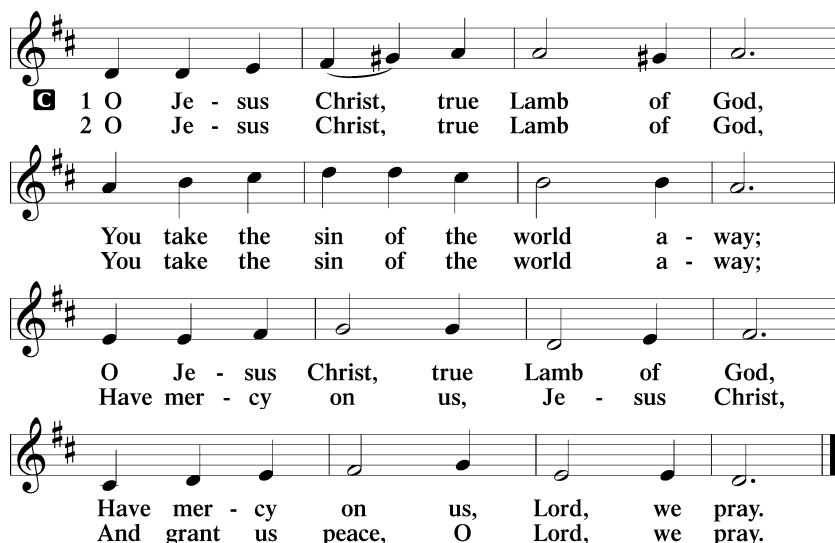
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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

G Amen.

Agnus Dei

John 1:29



G 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Sit

Personal prayer before Communing

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen



Distribution

Personal prayer of thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

507 Holy, Holy, Holy

504 Father Most Holy

601 All Who Believe and Are Baptized

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29–32

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in lead the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same 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 God, now and forever.

G Amen.

Benedicamus

Psalm 103:1

P Let us bless the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

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

G Amen.

940 Holy God, We Praise Thy Name



Soli Deo Gloria!

(To God alone be the glory.)

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The Feast of the Holy Trinity

On the Sunday after Pentecost, the Church celebrates the Holy Trinity and teaches us to confess the mystery of who God is. We are baptized into the name of the only true God: the name "Father, Son and Holy Spirit." There is only one name, only one true God – but God is three persons. This is the great mystery of the Holy Trinity.

On Trinity Sunday, we confess the triune God by reciting the Athanasian Creed. At most Divine Services, we recite the Nicene Creed or the Apostles' Creed. These creeds state what we believe about God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Athanasian Creed goes into great detail to confess the catholic [universal] faith: "that we worship one God in three Persons, and three Persons in one God."

Taken from Ordering Our Days in His Peace;

An introduction to the Christian Church Year by H.R. Curtis, p. 39, published by CPH



The Time of the Church

The time after Pentecost is the third division of the church year; it comprises about one half of the calendar year and is called the Time of the Church. This time begins with the Feast of the Holy Trinity, a celebration of the mystery of God, three in person but united in substance. The color of the paraments for Trinity Sunday is white, since that is the color of divinity and perfection.

The color of the paraments for the remaining Sundays after Pentecost is green, signifying life, refreshment, and regeneration.

Announcements



Assisting Elders:
8 a.m. – Scott Schlapkohl
10:30 a.m. – Andy Olson



Upcoming

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

**Voters' Meeting
Sunday
June 25, at 9 am
(between services)**

**Prayerfully consider
serving on a board or
as an officer. Contact
Greg Allan.**



ALTERNATIVES
PREGNANCY CENTER

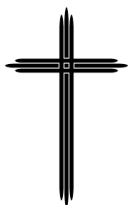
As one of our chosen Mission Projects for May and June 2023 we are collecting items for the Alternatives Pregnancy Center (Denver). Below is a list of requested items that they need. Place your items in the container on the table in the narthex.

ALL ITEMS MUST BE NEW

*** Items needed the most**

- * Toiletries—baby shampoo, body wash and lotion
- * 3 – 12 month Onesies
- * 6 – 12 month Outfits
- * Hooded towels
- * Baby wash cloths
- * Baby wipes
- * Burp cloths
- * Bibs
- * Teethers/rattles
- * Baby toys
- * Baby books
- Infant mittens
- Baby hats (knit of cotton)
- Pacifiers
- Bottles





The Sign of the Cross

"Pastor, I don't know how to pray; there isn't a single word that comes to my head." Alice's son lay dying. Dread and tears were the only things that came easily to her right now.

"Alice," the pastor answered, "what you need then is a wordless prayer. When you don't know what to pray, make the sign of the cross."

Her eyes opened as wide as her grief-swollen lids would allow. "I've never really done that. I don't think I know how."

The Pastor's hand traced a cross in the air, touching his forehead, heart and shoulders. "The person who makes the sign of the cross is simply saying, 'I am God's child. My baptism makes that sure. Whatever happens, I will rest securely knowing my heavenly Father is watching over me. Even if I cannot pray, Christ my Savior is interceding for me, and the Holy Spirit will keep me safe by His grace.'"

"But isn't that a Catholic thing?" Alice asked.

"No," said the Pastor, "it comes from a time before there were Lutherans and Catholics. People have been doing this in the church since at least the second century. Some people think it was even done during the time of the apostles."

Alice looked puzzled. "Then why don't Lutherans do it?"

The Pastor laughed. "They do! At every service I make the sign of the cross over the congregation at the Invocation and Benediction. It's even in the *Small Catechism*. Luther taught that, in the morning, when you rise up, make the sign of the holy cross and say, 'In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.' That reminds us that, in spite of our sin, God will hear our prayers because Jesus has died for us."

Alice stood, and made the sign of the cross. Then, she reached over and signed the cross in the air above her son. "He is baptized, too, Pastor. The promise is for both him and for me. His Father will take care of him."

The Pastor laughed again, but this time to hold back tears. "Alice, you are very wise."

Trinity Sunday Word Search

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N K G Z L R T N A N E V O C C O Y F E A P U Y Y
B K S P M Y S A E I C A Q O F S Z E P T R R J T
S L G K L R W D J K T K F J T K K Q I M X M P I
Q R T D C O I D Z X O F C M X W U S M E K T J N
S E F V S L T I R I P S J U H X M B T Y L R Q I
I A X M E G C M W I K P P P E Z W I G D A R N R
C B D O W L F R E C E P T I O N I A T S U S A T

Almighty
Confirmation
Father
Love
Relationship
Sustain
Unity of Being

Baptism
Covenant
Glory
One
Send
Three
Welcome

Christ
Creating
God
Perfect
Song
Trinity of Persons
Worship

Communion
Empower
Holy Spirit
Reception
Spirit
Truth

Trinity Sunday

But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. John 16:13 (NIV)



The puzzle is based on John 16:12-15

The words below have been written in code. Use the hints in the decoder at the top of the page to help break the code (the letters on top are the correct answers, the letters on the bottom are the code). Write the correct word on the line provided beside each code word.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

- 19-16-9-18-9-20 _____
- 2-5-12-15-14-7 _____
- 7-12-15-18-25 _____
- 7-21-9-4-5 _____
- 20-18-21-20-8 _____
- 11-14-15-23-14 _____
- 19-16-5-1-11 _____
- 3-15-13-5 _____
- 6-1-20-8-5-18 _____
- 8-5-1-18-19 _____

SPIRIT
KNOWN

BELONG
SPEAK

GLORY
COME

GUIDE
FATHER

TRUTH
HEARS

Petitions and Prayers: Jesus invites us to come to Him through prayer, and promises that He will give us “rest.”



Health concerns:

Precious Lord and Savior, You alone are able to help us. Be with those people who are physically sick and in need of Your healing touch. We ask You to guide their doctors so that they receive the best possible care. Heal and restore them to health as suits Your wisdom. Amen.

Please keep the following in your prayers:

- Devon Hanson (grandson of Connie and Terry Mitchell) – mental health issues
- Dillon (grandson of Connie and Terry Mitchell - health issues
- Roger Frank (brother of Connie Mitchell) cancer
- Mary (relative of Tabris') pray for protection and wisdom for her family concerning special needs.
- Angela (single mother in Illinois) friend of Helen Tabris –waiting for heart transplant
- Jamie (is missing and has mental health issues) and young daughter Jade (is being adopted by family in Colorado)

Prayer of intercession:

Holy Trinity Sunday

Father in heaven, You are the Creator and Preserver of all. Lord Jesus Christ, You are our only Savior and Redeemer. Holy Spirit, You are our Comforter, Counselor, and Advocate. O triune God, Three in One and One in Three, receive our humble and heartfelt thanks and praise for Your glory, for Your mystery, for Your sustaining love, and for Your saving mercy and grace. Amen.

“Life Quotes” from Lutherans for Life June 4, 2023

“Almighty Triune God, thank You for Your amazing love for us. Thank You that You have rescued us from ourselves and that You have made us Yours through Christ dying on the cross for our sin and rising again to give us eternal life. Thank You for Your Holy Spirit, which calls us and opens our eyes and minds and hearts to respond in faith to Your message of salvation. And bless us this day as we cling to You and as You hold us up in the palm of Your hand and in the grip of Your grace.”

*Rev. Roland Syens, Guest Speaker on “The Lutheran Hour”
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***The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.***

2 Corinthians 13:14

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