

# THE HOLY TRINITY

May 31<sup>st</sup>, Anno Domini (The Year of Our LORD)  
2026

## ✠ Preparation ✠

### Welcome and Connection Cards

*Stand*

### Cross Processional

*At the beginning of the hymn, the congregation stands, turns and faces the Cross, turning to follow as it moves to the place of prominence at the front of the sanctuary.*

### Opening Hymn - Father, I Adore You

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

### Invocation

**P** In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and**

**deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.**

**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.

**C** 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 mercy to us.

I have set the LORD always before me;

because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;

my flesh also dwells secure.

For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,

or let your holy one see corruption.  
You make known to me the path of life;  
in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your  
right hand are pleasures forevermore.

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

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

**Let us give glory to him because he has shown  
his mercy to us!**

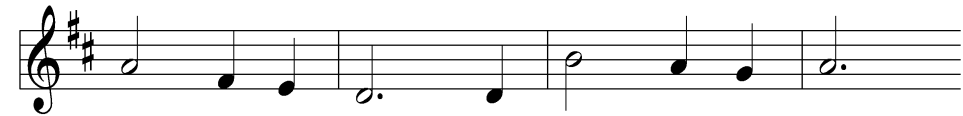
## Kyrie

- P** In peace let us pray to the LORD.
- C** **LORD, have mercy.**
- P** For the peace from above and for our salvation  
let us pray to the LORD.
- C** **LORD, have mercy.**
- P** 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.
- C** **LORD, have mercy.**
- P** For this holy house and for all who offer here  
their worship and praise let us pray to the  
LORD.
- C** **LORD, have mercy.**
- P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious  
LORD.
- C** **Amen.**

## This Is the Feast



**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



**C** Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -



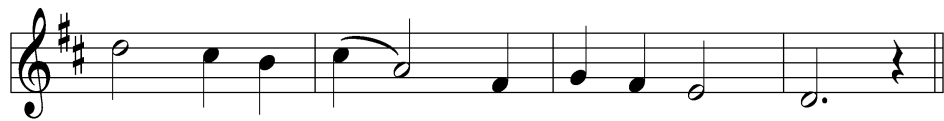
lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to



God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,



for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

### 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.

*Sit*

### First Reading

*Genesis 1:1—2:4a*

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Gradual

**All:** Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,  
and his greatness is unsearchable.

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

### Second Reading

*Acts 2:14a, 22 - 36*

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Verse of the Day

**All:** Alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in us the fire of your love. Alleluia!

### Holy Gospel

*Matthew 28: 16 -2 0*

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

**C** Glory to You, O LORD.

- P** This is the Gospel of the LORD.
- C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

## Hymn of the Day -Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

Sermon                    *"No Holding Back"*                    *Acts 2: 22 - 36*

*Stand*

### Athanasian Creed

- P** 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.
- C** **And the catholic\* faith is this, that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity,**    \*catholic means universal
- P** neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.
- C** **For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.**
- P** But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.
- C** **Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:**
- P** 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.

- C** **And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,**
- P** just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinites, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.
- C** **In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;**
- P** and yet there are not three Almightyies, but one Almighty.
- C** **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;**
- P** 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.  
\*catholic means universal
- C** **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.**
- P** 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.

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

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

**C** 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.

**P** 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.

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

**P** 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,

**C** 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.**

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

\*catholic means universal

## Prayer of the Church

*The congregation now greets one another in the Name of the LORD, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).*

*(11 a.m. only) Please wave to all the worshipers online!*

## Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the LORD be with you always.

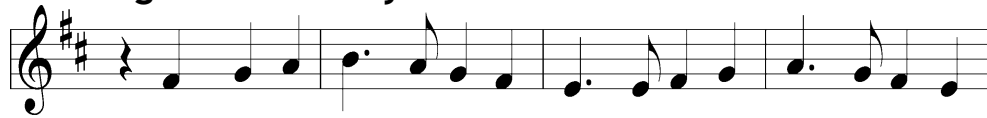
**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## Connection Cards

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## Offering and Offertory



**C** What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to



me? I will of - fer the sac - ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal -



va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo - ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## Benediction

**P** The grace of our LORD ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## Announcements

*(11 a.m. only) Children are invited to come forward and assist in leading the Closing Song with percussion instruments*

*Stand*

## Cross Recessional

*At the beginning of the hymn, the congregation stands and turns to follow the Cross as it moves to the back of the sanctuary.*

## Closing Hymn - LSB 507 - Holy, Holy, Holy