

THE HOLY TRINITY
Order Created, Order Restored
June 11, 14 & 15, 2014

AS WE GATHER

Today, we come face to face with the great mystery of God - that God is one and that this one God is three persons. The Holy Trinity is not so much truth to be understood as it is truth to be confessed. We confess the Triune God. We confess the Father from whom all things come, the Son who is the incarnate Lord Jesus Christ, and the Spirit who proceeds from the Father through the Son. This great festival begins a whole new chapter of the Church Year in which the focus shifts from the events in the life of our Lord Jesus to His teachings in which He reveals the Triune God and His kingdom. This year, we start with the story of the order created by God, destroyed by sin, and restored in Jesus Christ.

WELCOME

“Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.” Colossians 3:17

HANDSHAKES & HUGS

+ PREPARATION +

(Rise)

ENTRANCE HYMN #507 “Holy, Holy, Holy”

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 sinful man 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!
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APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

People: And also with you.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

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

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: 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.

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

"This is the Feast"

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Pastor: This is the feast of victory of our God. Alleluia.

People: (sung)

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of god.
Power and riches and wisdom and strength
and honor and blessing and glory are His.**

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

**This is the feast of victory for our God,
for the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia, alleluia.**

SALUTATION & PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty God, look with favor upon your people as they live out their callings to your glory. Bless all fathers, grandfathers, and great-grandfathers as they give expression to their faith in you through the witness of their words and the testimony of their lives. Give courage, patience, and strength to all with special cares and responsibilities that your people may pass from generation to generation in joy and peace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.
(Be seated)

+ WORD +

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING *Genesis 1:1–2:4a* (In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.) In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. God saw that the light was good, and he 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 between the waters to separate water from water." So God made the expanse and separated the water under the expanse from the water above it. And it was so. God called the expanse "sky." And there was evening, and there was morning - the second day. And God said, "Let the water under the sky be gathered to one place, and let dry ground appear." And it was so. God called the dry ground "land," and the gathered waters he called "seas." And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let the land produce vegetation: seed-bearing plants and trees on the land that bear fruit with seed in it, according to their various kinds." And it was so. The land produced vegetation: plants bearing seed according to their kinds and trees bearing fruit with seed in it according to their kinds. 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 sky to separate the day from the night, and let them serve as signs to mark seasons and days and years, and let them be lights in the expanse of the sky to give light on earth." And it was so. God made two great lights - the greater light to govern the day and the lesser light to govern the night. He also made the stars. God set them in the expanse of the sky to give light on the earth, to govern the day and the night, and to separate light from darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening, and there was morning - the fourth day. And God said, "Let the water teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the sky." So God created the great creatures of the sea and every living and moving thing with which the water teems, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the water in the seas, and let the birds increase on the earth." And there was evening, and there was morning - the fifth day. And God said, "Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: livestock, creatures that move along the ground, and wild animals, each according to its kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move

along the ground." So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground." Then God said, "I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds of the air and all the creatures that move on the ground - everything that has the breath of life in it - I give every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning - the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were completed in all their vast array. By the seventh day God had finished the work he had been doing; so on the seventh day he rested from all his work. And God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done. This is the account of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING *Acts 2:14a, 22–36* (Let all know that God has made Him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus who is crucified.) Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Men of Israel, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. This man was handed over to you by God's set purpose and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him, David said about him: " 'I saw the Lord always before me, Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will live in hope, because you will not abandon me to the grave, nor will you let your Holy One see decay. You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence.' "Brother, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day. But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendants on his throne. Seeing what was ahead, he spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to the grave, nor did his body see decay. God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of the fact. Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear. For David did not ascend to heaven, and yet he said, " 'The Lord said to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet." ' "Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ."

(Rise)

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 28:16–20* (Go and make disciples of all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit) Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."
(Be seated)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN #656 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

A mighty fortress is our God, A trusty shield and weapon;
He helps us free from every need That hath us now o'er taken.
The old evil foe Now means deadly woe; Deep guile and great might
Are his dread arms in fight; On earth is not his equal.

With might of ours can naught be done, Soon were our loss effected;
But for us fights the valiant One, Whom God Himself elected.
Ask ye, Who is this? Jesus Christ it is, Of Sabaoth Lord,
And there's none other God; He holds the field forever.

Though devils all the world should fill, All eager to devour us,
We tremble not, we fear no ill; They shall not overpow'r us.
This world's prince may still scowl fierce as he will, He can harm us none.
He's judged; the deed is done; One little word can fell him.

The Word they still shall let remain Nor any thanks have for it;
He's by our side upon the plain With His good gifts and Spirit. And take they our
life, Goods, fame, child, and wife, Though these all be gone, Our vict'ry has been
won' The Kingdom ours remaineth.

SERMON "Three Mountains" Matthew 28:16-20

(Rise)

NICENE CREED *(found on the inside back cover of the hymnal)*

(Be seated)

OFFERINGS As your offering is collected, **please sign our attendance book** located at the end of the pew. If you are a visitor, please leave your address and phone. After you are finished, please pass the book along to others in your pew, and return the book to the center aisle. You may check the register to see the names of those to greet after the service.

(Rise)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty. We bless your name. As you have called us out of darkness into your marvelous light, guard your Church whom you have purchased with the precious blood of Jesus.

People: Keep her in the true faith, without division or compromise until that day when you welcome her home as Your spotless bride.

Pastor: Almighty Father, as the Holy Spirit hovered over the deep, you spoke your Word and the world was created. In the waters of Holy Baptism, you have spoken our names and declared us righteous in your sight. We rejoice with the Burch family as Gavin Riley is baptized into Christ.

People: As you have drawn us to Jesus, the Light of life, let His light shine through us that others may see our good works and give glory to you in heaven.

Pastor: Gracious Father, this day we thank you for the gift of our earthly fathers.

People: Bless all fathers that they would care for their families, lead their children to Jesus and reflect your love.

Pastor: O Eternal Son, you declare that no one can come to you unless the Father draws him, and that no one can come to the Father except through you. Though the world is offended by this truth, cause us to speak it with clarity, passion and without wavering.

People: Bless us all to speak the Truth in love, that all flesh might hear the only name given under heaven by which we must be saved.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus, who commanded your apostles to spread the Gospel beginning in Jerusalem, grant us passion to reach those who are Jewish and do not yet believe in you.

People: Through the ministry of your Church, let all Israel know for certain that your Father has made you both Lord and Christ.

Pastor: Lord Jesus Christ, all authority in heaven and on earth has been given to you. You have commanded us to make disciples of all nations by baptizing them and teaching everything that you have commanded. Bless the work of all pastors and missionaries. Empower your servants who head to Camp SonRise to share and grow in the love of Christ.

People: Give zeal to your Church to reach the nations of the world with your Gospel. Draw many people to your light and Your Church, that they, too, may be saved.

Pastor: Lord of the nations, your authority extends over the earth. Therefore, grant all civil leaders strength, competence and wisdom as they rule over us.

People: Bless the efforts of our armed forces serving at home and abroad, keep them safe and use their efforts to bring peace to the world.

Pastor: Almighty Father, as you continue to uphold your creation, be with us as we still suffer under the curse of sin. Bless especially those who have asked for our prayers; Mark, Richard, Carol, Susan, Virginia, Rosalie, Dorothy, Ruth, Warren, Dorothy and Sarah. Fill Dave and Diane with comfort and joy as they remember their fathers Bill and Ralph, and bless

the family & friends of Joe Orth, Jr. as they grieve his passing from this life to the next.

People: In accordance with your will, grant healing to the sick, comfort to the lonely, relief to those whose hearts are heavy with grief and to all who suffer in any other way.

Pastor: God of eternal blessings, we rejoice in all your goodness toward us. We rejoice with the Reynolds who celebrate Taylor and Danny's graduation, with Vern and Norma as they celebrate 63 years together, with Elenor upon her 90th birthday, Mary Anne who is thankful for our radio ministry, and also bless Gerry and Pat with safety as they bike across the nation.

People: Fill our hearts with thankfulness for every blessing from your hand.

Pastor: Lord Jesus, you have declared to your Church that you will be with us to the very close of the age. As we gather together around your table, come to us in your true body and blood, given and shed for us.

People: Cause us to rejoice in the forgiveness of sins, and give us the strength and hope that your presence always grants.

Pastor: All honor and glory are yours, O blessed Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, now and ever and unto the ages of ages.

People: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

+ SACRAMENT +

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI (Tune: #571 "God Loved The World So That He Gave")

O Lamb of God, who takes away The whole world's sin, now hear us pray:

Have mercy on us, grant us peace, From all our sins give us release.

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(Be seated)

DISTRIBUTION Those guests who desire to commune who are members of another LCMS congregation may do so; if you are coming from another church background, please see the pastor or an elder first.

HYMN #835 "On Galilee's High Mountain"

On Galilee's high mountain Christ gave the great command
In words of strength and promise Which all can understand:
"All pow'r to Me is given To do what I shall choose;
Therefore I send My children, Their witness I will use."

The Lord who, born of Mary, Came down as man and died,
Who preached to all who listened, For us was crucified-
This Lord, our living brother, In pow'r at God's right hand,
Has chosen us to carry His truth to ev'ry land.

His strength within my weakness Will make me bold to say
How His redeeming power Transforms my stubborn clay;
His touch of fire ignites me, With courage I am sent,
My tonguetied silence broken, With grace made eloquent.

And not alone to nations In faraway retreats,
But ev'rywhere I broadcast His love through crowded streets;
The lives that my life touches, However great or small-
Let them through me see Jesus, Who served and saved us all.

That ev'ryone He chooses, For reasons of His own,
Will find in Christ his calling To live His love alone.
His presence always leads us Till time no more shall be;
Christ's strength, His love, His comfort Give us His victory.

Lord, gather all Your children, Wherever they may be.
And lead them on to heaven To live eternally
With You, our loving Father, And Christ, our brother dear,
Whose Spirit guards and gives us The joy to persevere.

HYMN #611 "Chief Of Sinners Though I Be"

Chief of sinners though I be, Jesus shed His blood for me,
Died that I might live on high, Lives that I might never die
As the branch is to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.

Oh, the height of Jesus' love, Higher than the heavens above,
Deeper than the depths of sea, Lasting as eternity!
Love that found me wondrous thought!
Found me when I sought Him not.

Only Jesus can impart Balm to heal the wounded heart,
Peace that flows from sin forgiven, Joy that lifts the soul to heaven,
Faith and hope to walk with God In the way that Enoch trod.

Chief of sinners though I be, Christ is all in all to me;
All my wants to Him are known, All my sorrows are His own.
He sustains the hidden life Safe with Him from earthly strife.

O my Savior, help afford By Your Spirit and Your word!
When my wayward heart would stray, Keep me in the narrow way;
Grace in time of need supply While I live and when I die.

HYMN #826 "Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling"

Hark, the voice of Jesus crying, "Who will go and work today?
Fields are white and harvests waiting- Who will bear the sheaves away?"

Loud and long the Master calleth; Rich reward He offers thee.

Who will answer gladly saying, "Here am I, send me, send me?"

If you cannot speak like angels, If you cannot preach like Paul,

You can tell the love of Jesus, You can say He died for all.

If you cannot rouse the wicked With the judgment's dread alarms,

You can lead the little children To the Savior's waiting arms.

If you cannot be a watchman, Standing high on Zion's wall,

Pointing out the path to heaven, Off'ring life and peace to all,

With your prayers and with your bounties You can do what God commands;

You can be like faithful Aaron, Holding up the prophet's hands.

Let none hear you idly saying, "There is nothing I can do,"

While the multitudes are dying And the Master calls for you.

Take the task He gives you gladly, Let His work your pleasure be;

Answer quickly when He calleth, "Here am I, send me, send me!"

COMMON DISMISSAL

(Rise)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN #506 "Glory Be to God the Father"

Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit: Great Jehovah, Three in One!
Glory, glory While eternal ages run!

Glory be to Him who love us, Washed us from each spot and stain;

Glory be to Him who bought us, Made us kings with him to reign!

Glory, glory To the Lamb that once was slain!

Glory to the King of angels, Glory to the Church's King,

Glory to the King of nations; Heav'n and earth, your praises bring!

Glory, glory To the King of glory sing!

Glory, blessing, praise eternal! Thus the choir of angels sings;

Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion! Thus its praise creation brings.

Glory, glory, Glory to the King of kings!

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Summer Worship

Wednesdays 6:00pm

Saturdays 5:00pm

Sundays 9:00am

Visiting Pastor: The Rev. Dr. R. John Buuck will be our guest preacher for this coming Wednesday and next weekend's worship services. He will be sharing with us God's Word and information about the ministry of **Food For The Poor**, which feeds hundreds of thousands of people in 17 countries every day. A brochure describing their work will be included in next week's worship folder. Dr. Buuck was president of Concordia University in Mequon from 1979 until his retirement in 1987, the period during which Pastor Stanton attended that institution.

Camp SonRise Servant Event All youth and adults should have received two mailings: one from Camp SonRise and one from church. All necessary information is found in these letters. Rooming request sheets are due now! Don't forget a sleeping bag/bedroll! Don't forget your Bible. Don't forget that we **meet in the church on June 15 at 2:30 p.m.** (not 2:45) so we can get on the road by 3:00 p.m. If you have further questions, give Pastor Bender a call (church: 541-6250; cell: 217-779-7985).

