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**The Holy Trinity**

**June 12th, 2022**

**Bells**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude**

**Mvt. I "Grave" (Sonata II, Op. 65, 2) by Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

*Please stand.*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C: Amen.**

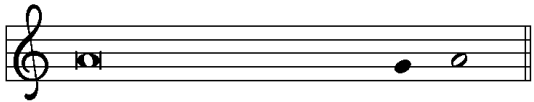
**Gathering Hymn**

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty! (ELW 413)**

**Greeting**

P: 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.**



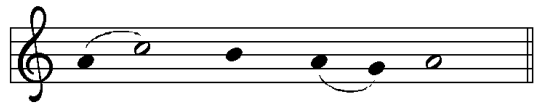
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



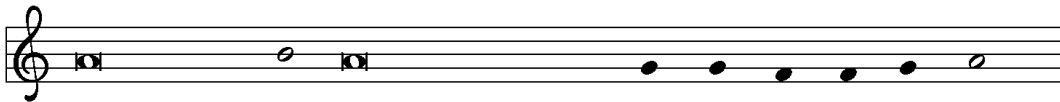
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - - men.

## **Prayer of the Day**

P: 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.**

*Please be seated.*

## **Blessing for Graduates**

P: O God, give Sarah grace to set a good example to all among whom she lives, to be just and true in all her dealings, to be strict and conscientious in the discharge of every duty; pure and temperate in all enjoyment, gracious and generous and courteous toward all; so that the mind of Jesus Christ may be formed in her and all may know that she is his disciple; in whose name we pray.

**C: Amen.**

## **First Reading: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31**

L: <sup>1</sup>Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? <sup>2</sup>On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; <sup>3</sup>beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: <sup>4</sup>“To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.

<sup>22</sup>The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. <sup>23</sup>Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. <sup>24</sup>When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. <sup>25</sup>Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth— <sup>26</sup>when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world’s first bits of soil. <sup>27</sup>When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, <sup>28</sup>when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, <sup>29</sup>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, <sup>30</sup>then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, <sup>31</sup>rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.”

The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

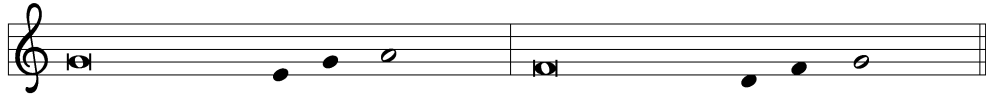
## Psalm: Psalm 8



Psalm 8:2

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<sup>1</sup>O | LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in | all the earth!—

<sup>2</sup>**you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of in- | fants and children;**  
**you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe | and avenger. R**

<sup>3</sup>When I consider your heavens, the work | of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars you have set | in their courses,

<sup>4</sup>**what are mere mortals that you should be mind- | ful of them,**  
**human beings that you should | care for them? R**

<sup>5</sup>Yet you have made them little less | than divine;  
with glory and hon- | or you crown them.

<sup>6</sup>**You have made them rule over the works | of your hands;**  
**you have put all things un- | der their feet:**

<sup>7</sup>all | flocks and cattle,  
even the wild beasts | of the field,

<sup>8</sup>**the birds of the air, the fish | of the sea,**  
**and whatever passes along the paths | of the sea.**

<sup>9</sup>O | LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in | all the earth! **R**

## Second Reading: Romans 5:1-5

L: <sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup>through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Refrain:**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

**GOSPEL: John 16:12-15**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

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

P: [Jesus said,] <sup>12</sup>“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>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. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

The gospel of the Lord.

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

**Refrain:**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Please be seated.*

**Youth Sermon**

**Pastor Mel Antonio**

**Sermon**

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*Please stand.*

**Hymn of the Day**  
**PROFESSION OF FAITH**

**Come, Join the Dance of Trinity (ELW 412)**

A: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Athanasian Creed:

**C: 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

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.  
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

**each distinct person as God and Lord,  
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.  
Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### **Prayers of Intercession**

A: United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

A: One God, giver of life, you established peace through your Son and gave your church the hope of sharing in your glory. Enliven us by your Spirit to speak and act in love for the sake of the world. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Creator of all, you rejoice in creation and have given humankind responsibility for the works of your hands. Instill in everyone your Spirit of care for the earth, especially in areas threatened by ecological devastation. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Loving Redeemer, you delight in the human race. Move the hearts of world leaders to seek wisdom, speak truth, and care for all endangered by poverty, prejudice, or violence. Further the work of international collaboration and peacemaking. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Abiding Comforter, you call out to all who live. Restore severed relationships and protect children who lack trustworthy caregivers. Grant hope to those who are experiencing fear, pain, or grief (*especially*). God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Holy Three, you are community and you create community. Build up ministries that support those who are isolated or lonely. Give endurance as we nurture vital relationships in our congregation and beyond. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Holy God, we remember your saints for their strong faith and witness, even unto death (*especially the victims from Uvalde*). Console grieving families. Stir up in us the resolve to end the sin hatred and apathy toward human life and help us pursue the courageous path of justice. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Lord of mercy we pray for the people of Ukraine. We ask for a speedy end to the conflict. We pray for those that have lost loved ones. May your mercy surround them. God, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace, with special care in our hearts for Muriel Leafstedt, Ruth Haas, Chris Gates, Gloria Boenisch, Ernie Clauss, Beverly R., Lauren, Cheri and Kenny

Knippa, Albert Tietze, Marvin Echte, Cheryl Miller, Malton Luddeke, Lisa Warren, Laura Baker, Sharon Blackburn, Dora Esquivel and Carol Wendel. God, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.

**C: Amen.**

*Please stand.*

## Peace

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

**C: And also with you.** (*Please greet those nearest you with these or similar words: "Peace be with you."*)

*Please be seated.*

## Offering

### Offertory

*Laus Trinitati* by Hildegard of Bingen  
St. John's Choir

*Praise to the Trinity, which is sound and life and the creator of all things in their own lives; and which is the praise of the angelic host and the wondrous splendour of the hidden things that are unknown to men and which is life in all things.*

*Please stand.*

### Offertory Response

*Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful* (ELW 184)

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that  
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of  
all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble  
with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

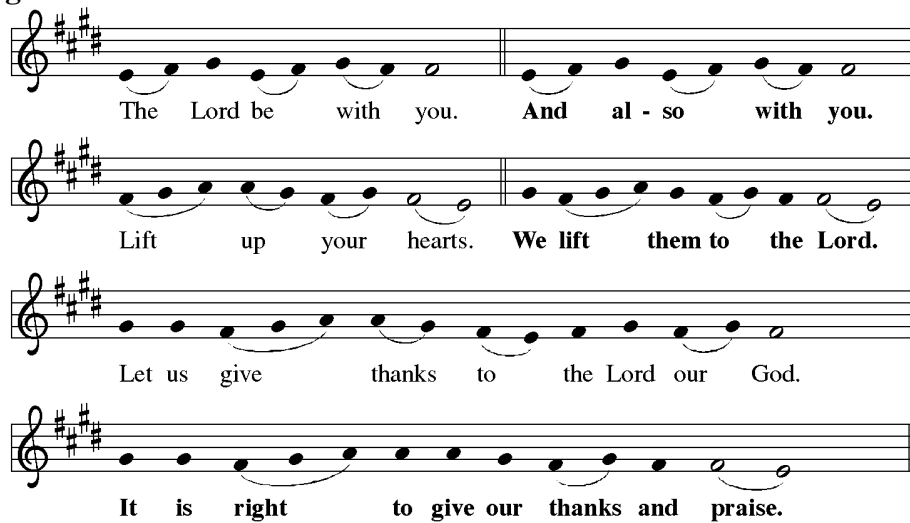
### Offering Prayer

A: Let us pray. Blessed are you, O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and



redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

### Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is . . .  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

P: You are indeed holy . . .

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

P: Remembering . . .  
To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

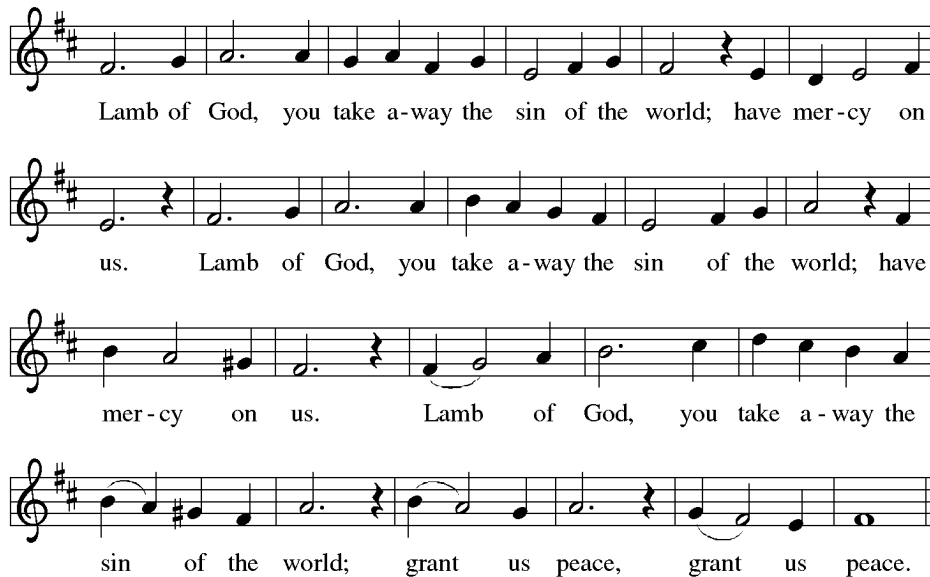


**LORD'S PRAYER**

P: 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.**

P: When we eat this bread we share in the body of Christ. When we drink this cup we share in the blood of Christ. These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Welcome to the table of the Lord.



*Please be seated.*

### **Hymns During Holy Communion**

O Bread of Life from Heaven (*ELW 480*)

As the Grains of Wheat (*ELW 465*)

Come With Us, O Blessed Jesus (*ELW 501*)

### **Holy Communion**

*Please stand.*

### **Communion Prayer**

A: Let us pray. Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**C: Amen.**

### **Sending Hymn**

**Come, Thou Almighty King (*ELW 408*)**

### **Benediction**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

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

**C: Amen.**

### **Dismissal**

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **Postlude**

*Psalm 19 – The Heavens Declare the Glory of God by Benedetto Marcello*

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