



Munster, Indiana 2026

Welcome

Trinity Sunday



WORSHIP FOLDER

LCMS

May 31 • June 1
The Holy Trinity

Members and Guests:

Please silence cell phones.

Please be advised that St. Paul's services may be live-streamed and recorded.

Before the service begins, some people choose to pray and meditate in the sanctuary, while others choose to catch up with their church family and friends in the narthex. Please respect both options by keeping food, drink, and conversation in the narthex, so the joyful noise of Christian conversation can coexist with the contemplative silence and sacred music prior to the service.

Our sanctuary is equipped with receivers for hearing assistance. Please speak with an usher if you would like to use one. We also have large print hymnals available in the narthex.

We appreciate infants and young children in worship and encourage parents to keep their children in the pew despite occasional distracting behavior as they learn and grow. Feel free to borrow a book or Quiet Bag from the racks by the sanctuary doors. If, however, you decide you need a quiet place, you may use our Quiet Room located in the rear left of the sanctuary.

Holy Communion:

In accordance with the historic practice of the Christian Church, our congregation practices closed communion, meaning that normally our members and members of our sister (LCMS) congregations commune here. Please speak to one of the pastors about exceptions to this general practice. This practice in no way intends to comment on the state of anyone else's faith; we simply believe our communing together is also a public profession of what we as a congregation teach and confess.

Prelude "God Whose Almighty Word" (Pearce)

Today's worship service is **Matins**, beginning on page 219 in the Lutheran Service Book. Those who wish may bookmark hymns prior to the service. The hymns for this service are: 498, 941, 506, 628, 507, 876 and 833.

Congregants may wish to say or read the following prayer (which is found among others in the front cover of your hymnal) prior to the worship service: **O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.**

Welcome & Ringing of the Bell

Opening Hymn—979 God, Whose Almighty Word



1	God,	whose	al-	might	-y	word	Cha-	os	and
2	Lord,	who	once	came	to	bring,	On	Your	re-
3	Spir-	it	of	truth	and	love,	Life-	giv-	ing,
△ 4	Ho-	ly	and	bless-	ed	Three,	Glo-	ri-	ous



dark-	ness	heard	And	took	their	flight:	Hear	us,	we
deem-	ing	wing,	Heal-	ing	and	sight,	Health	to	the
ho-	ly	dove,	Speed	forth	Your	flight;	Move	on	the
Trin-	i-	ty,	Wis-	dom,	love,	might!	Bound-	less	as



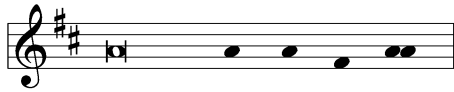
hum-	bly	pray,	And	where	the	Gos-	pel	day
sick	in	mind,	Sight	to	the	in-	ly	blind:
wa-	ter's	face,	Bear-	ing	the	lamp	of	grace,
o-	cean's	tide,	Roll-	ing	in	full-	est	pride,



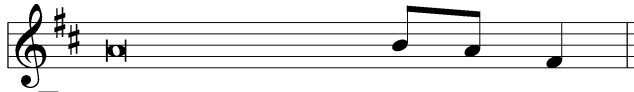
Sheds	not	its	glo-	rious	ray,	Let	there	be	light!
Oh,	now	to	hu-	man-kind	Let	there	be	light!	
And	in	earth's	dark-	est	place	Let	there	be	light!
Through	the	earth,	far	and	wide,	Let	there	be	light!

Text: John Marriott, 1780–1825, Tune: Felice de Giardini, 1716–96

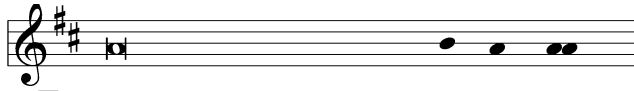
+ MATINS SERVICE +



L O Lord, o - pen my lips,



C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



C make haste to help me, O Lord.



C Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.



L Blessed be God, the Fa - ther, the Son, and the Ho - ly Spir - it.

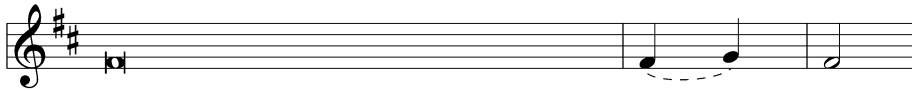


C O come, let us wor - ship Him.



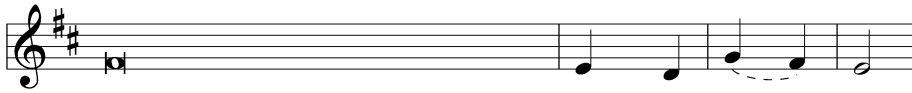
Matins, derived from the Latin "matutinus" meaning "of or in the morning" was originally sung by the ancient church in the wee hours of the morning, i.e. in the middle of the night. By the 6th Century it became more of a pre-dawn service. It was modified at the time of the Reformation to be a morning prayer service since it was no longer primarily monks but the common people with families, households, and secular jobs singing it. It has often served as the primary school chapel service and in some places even as the Sunday liturgy on non-communion Sundays.

Venite



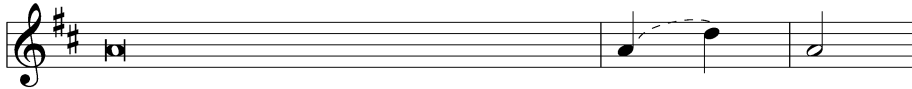
C 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
2 For the Lord is a great God
3 The sea is His, for He made it,

5 Glory be to the Father and to the Son

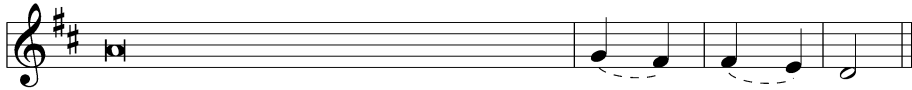


1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
2 and a great king a - bove all gods.
3 and His hand formed the dry land.

5 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,
2 The deep places of the earth are in His hand;
3 O come, let us worship and bow down,
4 For He is our God,
5 as it was in the be - gin - ning,



1 let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.
2 the strength of the hills is His al - so.
3 let us kneel before the Lord, our mak - er.
4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.
5 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.



L Blessed be God, the Fa - ther, the Son, and the Ho - ly Spir - it.



C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

“Venite” (pronounced vay-NEE-tay) just means “O come” in Latin, named for the first words of the song. The song is simply Psalm 98;1-7 set to music.

The pastor will indicate when to sit and when to stand throughout the service, but those who prefer to remain seated may do so.

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 1:1 – 2:4

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.

The account of God creating the world sets up the theme of Trinity Sunday. In Gospel proclamation, it is critical that the God the Creator, God the Redeemer, and God the Sanctifier are in fact One God.

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.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Here we see the Trinity at work, as God is both singular and plural. It is an internal discussion among the persons of the Trinity about making mankind in the image of God. Notice that it says "Let us..." which is plural, but also different from what happened in all the other acts of creation. God did not say, "Let us make light," and then make light. But the persons of the Trinity confer before making mankind.

Second Reading: *Acts 2:14, 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.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel: *Matthew 28: 16 - 20*

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

C **Glory be to Thee, 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.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Responsory (*sung together*)

LSB 221

P Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

P Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

P Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

St. Peter makes the case that Jesus is the promised Messiah by pointing out that the promises made to David were not fulfilled for David, but the resurrection demonstrates those promises being fulfilled by a descendant of David.

Athanasian Creed

(found on back page of bulletin; spoken responsively by verse Pastor/Congregation)

Sermon Hymn—498 Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest

9:30 Soloist sings stanzas 3 and 5

Sermon: Pastor Peter Speckhard

Recognition of 2026 Graduates:8th Grade, High School & College

Hymn—941 We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God



1 We praise You and ac-knowl-edge You, O God, to be the Lord,
2 The band of the a-pos-tles in glo-ry sing Your praise;
3 You, Christ, are King of glo-ry, the ev-er-last-ing Son,
4 You sit in splen-did glo-ry, en-throned at God's right hand,



The Fa-ther ev-er-last-ing, by all the earth a-dored.
The fel-low-ship of proph-ets their death-less voic-es raise.
Yet You, with bound-less love, sought to res-cue ev-'ry-one:
Up-hold-ing earth and heav-en by forc-es You com-mand.



To You all an-gel pow-ers cry a-loud, the heav-ens sing,
The mar-tyrs of Your king-dom, a great and no-ble throng,
You laid a-side Your glo-ry, were born of vir-gin's womb,
We know that You will come as our Judge that fi-nal day,



The cher-u-bim and ser-a-phim their prais-es to You bring:
Sing with the ho-ly Church through-out all the world this song:
Were cru-ci-fied for us and were placed in-to a tomb;
So help Your ser-vants You have re-deemed by blood, we pray;



“O ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord God of Sab-a-oth;
“O all-ma-jes-tic Fa-ther, Your true and on-ly Son,
Then by Your res-ur-rec-tion You won for us re-prieve—
May we with saints be num-bered where prais-es nev-er end,



Your maj-es-ty and glo-ry fill the heav-ens and the earth!”
And Ho-ly Spir-it, Com-fort-er— for-ev-er Three in One!”
You o-pened heav-en's king-dom to all who would be-lieve.
In glo-ry ev-er-last-ing. A-men, O Lord, a-men!

Text: Stephen P. Starke, 1955, Tune: Gustav Holst, 1874–1934, alt.

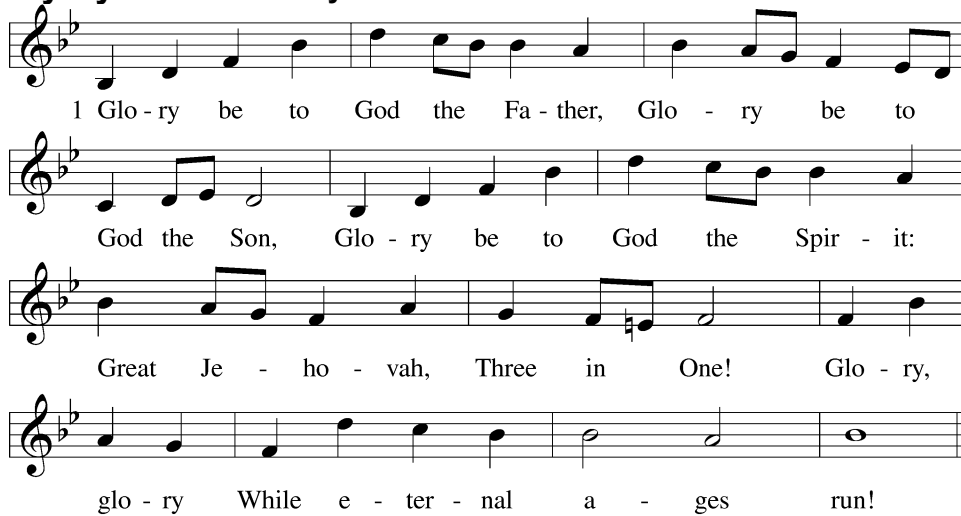
The Athanasian Creed is the longest and latest (Fifth Century) Creed. It is accepted by Catholics, Lutherans, and other Protestants, though generally only used in worship once a year, on Trinity Sunday. The word catholic means “whole” or “universal” though Lutheran churches often use the word “Christian” because of confusion between the adjective catholic and the proper name Roman Catholic.

The point of the Creed is not to say that anyone who doesn't understand the Trinity can't be saved; that would be terrible news for us all! Rather, the Creed describes the God Who Saves; it is faith in this God and only this God that saves a person. The key teachings are that the true God is Triune (one God in three persons—Father, Son, Holy Spirit) and that Jesus Christ is both fully God and fully Man.

The condemnations contained in the Creed apply only to those who reject Christ after learning the Christian faith, and thus do not “keep” it.

Te Deum (short for *Te Deum laudamus*, which means “You, O Lord, we praise”) is a song of all Creation praising its Creator, especially the Church Triumphant and the hosts of heaven. It addresses each person of the Trinity. This hymn version of the *Te Deum* is set to the melody of the famous seven-part orchestral work called “The Planets” by Gustav Holst, specifically from the middle part of the piece on Jupiter. In words and music, it seeks to convey the sheer majesty of God as perceived by all that He has made, allowing us as redeemed sinners to join in the hymn of all creation.

Offertory Hymn—506 Glory Be to God the Father



I Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to
God the Son, Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it:
Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,
glo - ry While e - ter - nal a - ges run!

Kyrie



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

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Each petition ends with "Lord, in Your mercy," and the congregation responds:

C hear our prayer.

The prayers end with:

P ...live as those who have died and risen with Him in Holy Baptism; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Prayer for St. Paul's

C Dear God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, as You have been faithful through all generations, please continue to bless this congregation by the power of the Holy Spirit. Bless the work of our school as we teach Your Word to the next generation. Bless our town and region through all the changes of this world. Bless our members who cannot be present with us today. And especially bless our proclamation of the Gospel to those who don't know You, that many more people in our area would be drawn into Your family here at St. Paul's. We pray in the Name of Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

Collects



L O Lord, hear my prayer.
C And let my cry come to You.

Those wishing to make an offering can find the collection plate on the table in the narthex before and after the service. Donations can also be made securely online at our website.

God's rich blessings on all members of our congregation celebrating birthdays this week: Garrett Bottiger, Duke Oar, Tonya O'Mara, Bryan Chovanec, Kenneth Rodda, David Andersson, Scott Buuck, Mariah Alicea, Nathaniel Kaptur, Rita Carlson, Bill Cundiff, Christian Cruz, Tyler Kutansky, Doris Wieland, Dave Milan, Loree Suda, Jennifer McIntire, Gus Burian, Lyla Fisher and Debra Rosado.

God's continued grace and blessings to couples who celebrate their wedding anniversaries this week: Joe and Kathy Lash (25 years), Jesse and Bobbi Reyes, Joseph and Maxine Kolarczyk, Jorie and Bill Hazel, Kenneth and Lisa Tatina, Charles and Sherry DeMars, Chantel and John Carson, Daniel and Dana Maul and Nicole and Peter Gladstone.

Collect of the Day

P 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.

G Amen.

Collect for Grace

P O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

Preparation for Holy Communion

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

G **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.

G Amen.

Preface

LSB 194

P The Lord be with you.

G **And with thy spirit.**

P Lift up your hearts.

G **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

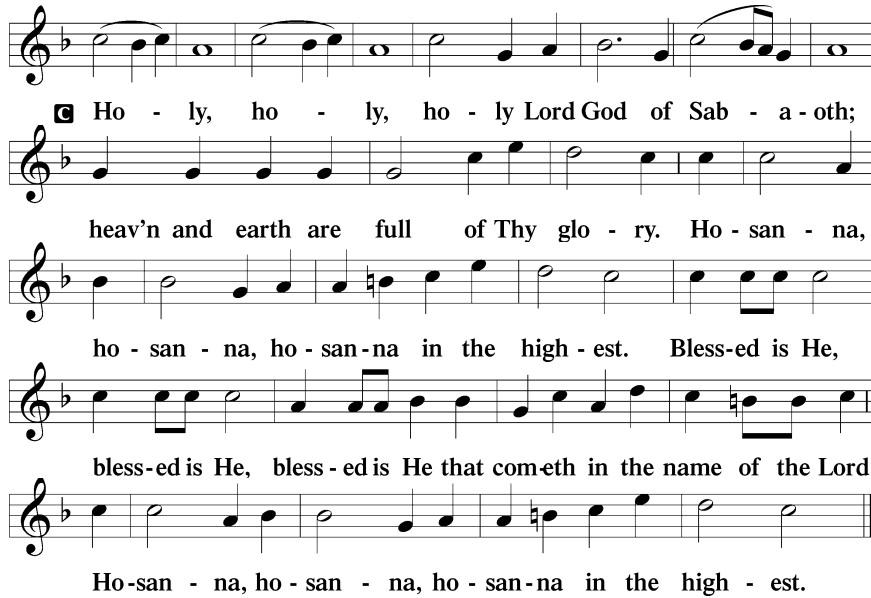
G **It is meet and right so to do.**

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who ascended above the heavens and, sitting at Your right hand, poured out on this day the promised Holy Spirit on His chosen disciples. For all this the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

Service of the Sacrament from Divine Service III begins in the hymnal on page 194.

Matins (from the Latin word for "of the morning") is a Service of the Word that usually does not include a rite of Confession and Absolution because it is a non-Communion service. As we transition from the Service of the Word to the Service of the Sacrament, we prepare ourselves to receive the body and blood of Christ by confessing our sins and receiving forgiveness.

Sanctus



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.

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.

Words of Institution

LSB 197

Pax Domini

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

Agnus Dei



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, 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.

Distribution

- Hymn—628 Your Table I Approach
Hymn—507 Holy, Holy, Holy
Hymn—876 O Blessed, Holy Trinity

As we come forward to receive Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of sins, we remember also the "sin of the world" which is on constant, ongoing display, and remember that Jesus as the Lamb of God has taken it all upon Himself.

Those who are not communing today are encouraged to come forward to receive a blessing. Please fold your arms with your hands on your shoulders to indicate your desire to receive a blessing.

After returning to the pew, congregants may wish to say the following 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.

Nunc Dimittis



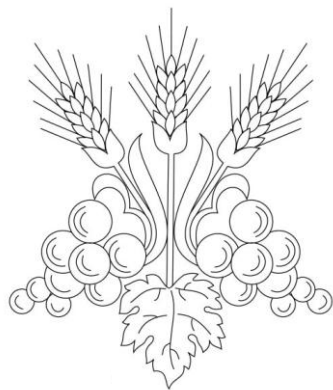
Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to 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.

Thanksgiving

- P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth forever.

Post-Communion Collect

- P** 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.
- C** Amen.



Salutation

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus and Benediction

- P** Bless we the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

- P** 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** Amen, amen, amen.

Hymn to Depart—833 Listen, God is Calling

Refrain
Leader All

Lis - ten, lis - ten, God is call - ing Through the Word in - vit - ing,

Of - fer - ing for - give - ness, Com - fort, and joy. joy.

Leader All

1 Je - sus gave His man - date: Share the good news
2 Let none be for - got - ten Through - out the world.
3 Help us to be faith - ful, Stand - ing stead - fast,

Leader All *Refrain*

That He came to save us _____ And set us free.
In the tri - une name of God Go and bap - tize.
Walk - ing in Your pre - cepts, _____ Led by Your Word.

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Announcements

Postlude “Sent Forth By God’s Blessing” (Hildebrand)

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Athanasian Creed

- P** Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith.
- C** **Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.**
- P** And the catholic faith is this,
- C** **that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.**
- P** For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.
- C** **But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.**
- P** Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:
- C** **the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;**
- P** the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;
- C** **the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.**
- P** And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,
- C** **just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinities, but one Uncreated and one Infinity.**
- P** In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;
- C** **and yet there are not three Almighty's, but one Almighty.**
- P** So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;
- C** **and yet there are not three Gods, but one God.**
- P** So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;
- C** **and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.**
- P** 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.
- C** **The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.**
- P** The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone.
- C** **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.
- C** **And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;**
- P** 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:
- C** **perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh;**
- P** 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;
- C** **one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.**
- P** 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,**
- P** 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.
- C** **At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.**
- P** And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.
- C** **This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.**

Serving us this Week:

Preaching: Rev. Peter Speckhard

Organ: Mrs. Karen Foote

Soloist: John Lee

Percussion: Dave Milan

Lay Reader: Nikki Kutansky (9:30)

Greeters: Joe & Nina Witt (9:30)

Altar flowers today are dedicated

To the Glory of God

*for a blessed wedding anniversary and
in honor of Doris Wieland's 102nd birthday
from Bobbi & Jesse Reyes.*

Last Week at St. Paul's:

Attendance: 172

Communed: 144

Cedarhurst/Hartsfield: 26

Plate Offering: \$4,040

Online Offering: \$5,338

Total: \$9,378

Weekly Budget: \$18,077

This Week at St. Paul's:

Sunday, May 31:

8:00 am Adult Bible Study

10:30 am Special Voter's Meeting

Monday, June 1:

Church Office Summer Hours 8am-1pm

9:00 am Faculty Meeting

7:00 pm Basketball Clinic

7:00 pm Board of Stewardship Meeting

Tuesday, June 2:

Church Office Summer Hours 8am-1pm

8:30 am Garden Crew

9:00 am Faculty Meeting

9:30 am Cedarhurst Worship Service

10:30 am Hartsfield Worship Service

6:00 pm Board of Deacons Meeting

7:00 pm Men's Basketball

Wednesday, June 3:

Church Office Summer Hours 8am-1pm

10:00 am Bible Study

11:30 am End of School Year Staff Luncheon

Thursday, June 4:

Church Office Summer Hours 8am-1pm

10:00 am Bible Study

Friday, June 5:

Church Office by Appointment

Pastor Speckhard on call (219) 741-6270

Saturday, June 6:

8:00 am AA

10:30 am AA, Al-anon & Al-ateen

Next Week's Readings:

Hosea 5:15-6:6, Psalm 119:65-72,

Romans 4:13-25, Matthew 9:9-13

Go In Peace ✠ Serve the Lord