

WATER OF LIFE

LUTHERAN CHURCH



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THE HOLY TRINITY & RITE OF CONFIRMATION

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† *As We Gather* †

Today we celebrate the doctrine of the mystery of the one true God. The feast of the Holy Trinity is about the one true God who has revealed Himself in three persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Word became flesh and suffered death in order to bestow life by the preaching of His Gospel to the children of man. Jesus honors the Father, and the Father glorifies Him by raising Him from the dead, so that all who keep His Word will never see death. As He received the Holy Spirit, so it is by and through the Son that God the Father pours out the Holy Spirit upon His Church. All praise to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Please follow the service in the worship folder. Portions of the service will be projected on the video screen.

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† *Preparation* †

WORDS OF WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

Lift High the Cross

LSB 837

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim Till
all the world a - dore His sa - cred name.

The image shows two lines of musical notation in treble clef. The first line is labeled 'Refrain' and contains the melody for the first part of the hymn. The second line continues the melody. The lyrics are written below the notes.



1 Come, Chris-tians, fol - low where our Cap - tain trod,
 2 Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
 3 All new - born sol - diers of the Cru - ci - fied
 4 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,



Our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
 The hosts of God in con - qu'ring ranks com - bine.
 Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died.
 As Thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to Thee.

- 5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell
 Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. *Refrain*
- 6 So shall our song of triumph ever be:
 Praise to the Crucified for victory! *Refrain*

INVOCATION

Pastor In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
 People **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCES

LSB 820:1

Pastor My soul, now praise your Maker!
 People **Let all within me bless His name.**

Pastor Forget Him not whose meekness still bears with all your sin.
 People **Who leaves no suff'rer friendless but rights the wronged at last.**

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Pastor Let us confess our sins to God our Father. O almighty God, merciful Father,
 People **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

Pastor Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People **Amen.**

✠ *Word* ✠

INTROIT

Psalm 16:8-11; antiphon; Lit. Text

Pastor Blessed 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.

**ALL 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.**

KYRIE

Mark 10:47

**ALL Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

This Is The Feast

LSB 155

Refrain

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

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

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). It contains a series of notes: a quarter rest, followed by quarter notes G, A, B, and C, then a half note D, and finally a quarter note E. The lyrics 'This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.' are written below the notes. A square box containing the letter 'G' is positioned at the start of the first line of lyrics. The second staff also begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. It contains a series of notes: quarter notes G, A, B, and C, then a half note D, followed by quarter notes E, D, C, and B, and finally a quarter note A. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' are written below the notes.

1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -
 blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

SALUTATION

Pastor The Lord be with you.
 People And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor Let us pray together the Prayer of the Day.
 People **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. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 1:1—2:4a

Lector

¹In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ²The 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. ³And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. ⁶And God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." ⁷And 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. ⁸And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. ⁹And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹And 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. ¹²The 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. ¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. ¹⁴And 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, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth." And it was so. ¹⁶And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. ²⁰And God said, "Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens." ²¹So 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. ²²And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. ²⁴And 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. ²⁵And 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. ²⁶Then 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." ²⁷So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. ²⁸And 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." ²⁹And 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. ³⁰And 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. ³¹And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. ¹Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. ²And 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. ³So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation. ⁴These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Lector This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

1 John 2:12-17

Lector

¹²I am writing to you, little children, because your sins are forgiven for his name's sake. ¹³I am writing to you, fathers, because you know him who is from the beginning. I am writing to you, young men, because you have overcome the evil one. I write to you, children, because you know the Father. ¹⁴I write to you, fathers, because you know him who is from the beginning. I write to you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of God abides in you, and you have overcome the evil one. ¹⁵Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. ¹⁶For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world. ¹⁷And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.

Lector This is the Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

(Please rise for the reading of the Holy Gospel)

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 28:16-20

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

People Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Pastor This is the Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to You, O Christ.**

ATHANASIAN CREED (Portions)

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 worshipped.

SERMON HYMN

Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain

LSB 865

1 Lord, help us ev - er to re - tain The Cat - e -
2 Help us Your ho - ly Law to learn, To mourn our
3 Hear us, dear Fa - ther, when we pray For need - ed
4 Lord, when we fall or go a - stray, Ab - solve and

chism's____ doc - trine plain As Lu - ther taught the
sin and from it turn In faith to You and
help from day to day That as Your chil - dren
lift us up, we pray; And through the Sac - ra -

Word of truth In sim - ple style to ten - der youth.
to Your Son And Ho - ly Spir - it, Three in One.
we may live, Whom You bap - tized and so re - ceived.
ment in - crease Our faith till we de - part in peace.

SERMON

Rev. Shawn Deterding

† Rite of Confirmation †



† **Sara Belle Brand**

You did not choose me, but I chose you. ~ John 15:16

† **Nathaniel Burleson**

But in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect.

~ 1 Peter 3:15

† **Ezekiel Deterding**

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. ~ Psalm 46:1

† **Morgan Matthews**

Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. ~ Romans 12:12

† **Xana Ortiz**

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go. ~ Joshua 1:9

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

† Sacrament †

PREFACE

Pastor The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

People And also with you.

Pastor Lift up your hearts.

Colossians 3:1

People We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Psalms 136

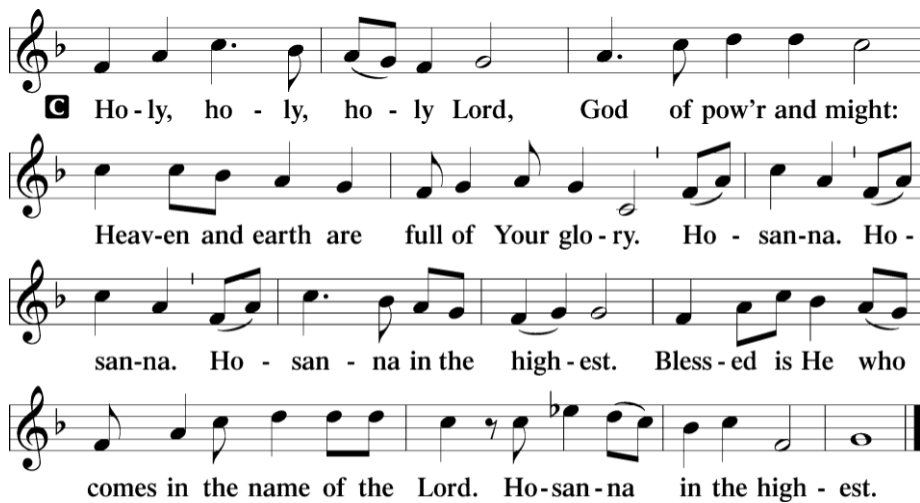
People It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor 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, who with Your only-

begotten Son and the Holy Spirit are one God, one Lord. In the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in person and the Unity in substance, of majesty coequal. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

LSB 161



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. 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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor 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.

People **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

ALL **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


PAX DOMINI

Pastor The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People Amen.

AGNUS DEI

LSB 163



♩ Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

(Confirmands and their immediate families will commune one family unit at a time. Please follow the instructions given.)

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus

LSB 685



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, Fol - low His ex -
2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus And with pa - tience
3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death He
4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en



am - ple pure, Through a world that would de-ceive us And to
bear our cross. Joy will fol - low all our sad-ness; Where He
con - quered death, He will free us from de-struction, Give to
from the dead That to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus,



sin our spir - its lure. On - ward in His foot-steps tread - ing,
is, there is no loss. Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter,
us im - mor - tal breath. Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion
You are now our head. We are Your own liv - ing mem - bers;



Pil - grims here, our home a - bove, Full of faith and
We shall reap ce - les - tial joy; All dis - com - forts
That would lead us in - to sin; And the grave that
Where You live, there we shall be In Your pres - ence



hope and love, Let us do the Fa - ther's bid - ding. Faith - ful
that an - noy Shall give way to mirth here - af - ter. Je - sus,
shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heav - en. Je - sus,
con - stant - ly, Liv - ing there with You for - ev - er. Je - sus,



Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where You guide.
here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.
here with You I die, There to live with You on high.
let me faith - ful be, Life e - ter - nal grant to me.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor 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

Number 6:24-26

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

Thy Strong Word

LSB 578



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At Thy
2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as
3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ - teous; Bright with
4 From the cross Thy wis - dom shin - ing Break - eth



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed
night and deep as death, Broke the light of
Thine own ho - li - ness, Glo - rious now, we
forth in con - qu'ring might; From the cross for -



light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.
Thy sal - va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - breath - ing breath.
press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes con - fess.
ev - er beam - eth All Thy bright re - deem - ing light.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to



Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!

5 Give us lips to sing Thy glory,
Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,
Throats that shout the hope that fills us,
Mouths to speak Thy holy name.
Alleluia, alleluia!
May the light which Thou dost send
Fill our songs with alleluias,
Alleluias without end!

△ 6 God the Father, light-creator,
To Thee laud and honor be.
To Thee, Light of Light begotten,
Praise be sung eternally.
Holy Spirit, light-revealer,
Glory, glory be to Thee.
Mortals, angels, now and ever
Praise the holy Trinity!

Go in peace

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THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

The sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated at Water of Life often as commanded by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins. We believe that as we eat and drink the bread and wine that Christ's true body and blood are present. This is an invitation, not only from Christ, but also from this

congregation, to all those who have been baptized in faith, repent of their sins, and who set aside any refusal to forgive and love just as Christ demonstrated to us through his death and resurrection.

Holy Communion is a confession of faith, therefore taking it in an unworthy manner can cause great spiritual harm. For this reason, we ask that if you have not been instructed, have concerns, or believe differently from the beliefs of this congregation, and yet wish to partake in Holy Communion, please speak with our Pastor or an Elder.

Please kneel at the rail to receive the body and blood of Christ. All children, and adults not communing, are invited to come forward with arms crossed to receive a blessing.

** If you are unable to consume alcohol, please alert the pastor before the service. You may also receive diluted wine in the individual cups at the center of the tray.*



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