

Welcome to Worship
St. John's Evangelical
Lutheran Church
June 15, 2025



The Holy Trinity

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Trinity Sunday,

June 16, 2025

Welcome: Thank you to those who join us for Worship. We hope you will be blessed as we pray and sing together, as we hear God's Word read and proclaimed. We gather as equals in the sight of God, who loves us, forgives us, and is WITH US. Peace be with you.

Serving at Worship Today:

READER: Carol Cary

ACCOMPANIST: Linda Ross

Your Servant Leaders:

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Attendance Last Sunday: 18

Offering Last Sunday: \$610.00

Direct Deposit: \$20.00

Mile of Pennies: \$0.00

Prayers for the people affected by Hurricane Helene: We need to continually pray for these people, that they will receive the help they need. There are a lot of volunteers there, helping them, and they will be there for a longtime.

Food Pantry for June: We would like to collect Paper Towels, Small Bottles of Laundry Detergent and Small Bottles Dish Soap. Thank you for all the contributions for last month.

*Worship
Assistants*

Order of Worship

Trinity Sunday, June 15, 2025

God is glad you have joined us for worship today. At the symbol ✠ assembly members may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked upon us at baptism.

**please stand, sit, or kneel as you feel comfortable.*

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & PRAYER REQUESTS

PRELUDE WITH SILENT MEDITATIVE PRAYER

Use your breath as a form of prayer as you listen to the music. When you breathe in, pray, "Loving God." When you exhale, pray, "help me to love like Jesus."

THE GREETING

Leader: the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **ALL: and also with you.**

***GATHERING HYMN #413** HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD GOD ALMIGHTY

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

Leader: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Please take a moment for silent confession.

Leader: Merciful God,

ALL: you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

Leader: You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of ✠ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

ALL: Amen.

* KYRIE

Leader: In Peace let us pray to the Lord. **ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: 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. **ALL: Lord, have mercy.**


Leader: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise. **ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **ALL: Amen.**


* CANTICLE OF PRAISE

GLORY TO GOD

Refrain



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



I Lord God. heav-en - ly King. al - might-y God and Fa - ther. we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

Refrain



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of



God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are



seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



Refrain
Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.



Refrain
Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Leader: Let us join our hearts and voices together in the Prayer of the Day.

ALL: 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.

FIRST READING

PROVERBS 8:1-4, 22-31

Reader: Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice?

² On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand;
³ beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: ⁴ “To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.

²² The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago.

²³ Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

²⁴ When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water.

²⁵ Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth — ²⁶ when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world’s first bits of soil.

²⁷ When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, ²⁸ when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, ²⁹ 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, ³⁰ then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, ³¹ rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.”

Reader: Word of God, word of life. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM READING

(responsively)

PSALM 8

Reader: O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

ALL: you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.

Reader: When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

ALL: what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them?

Reader: Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.

ALL: You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:

Reader: all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,

ALL: the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

Reader: O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Reader: Word of God, word of life. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

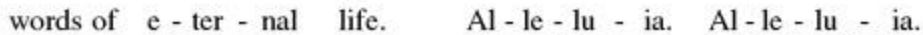
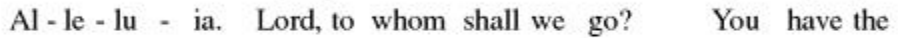
SECOND READING

ROMANS 5:1-5

Reader: Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint

Reader: Word of God, word of life. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

Setting 3 #142



JOHN 16:12-15

Leader: There is good news for us this day and it comes to us from the Gospel of John chapter 16. **ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Leader: The gospel of the Lord. **ALL: Praise to you, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY #408

COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING

***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

ALL: I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE INTRODUCTION**

Prayer Leader: Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Prayer Leader: Abiding God, your love pours into your whole church, creating faith and bestowing hope. Fill all the baptized with these good gifts in our various callings. Gather your church in every place and expression into the unity of your Spirit. God of grace, **ALL: hear our prayer.**

Prayer Leader: Creating God, your name is majestic in all the earth, and we are filled with awe at your creation. Renew this planet and all its wonders: springs abounding with water, earth and soil, beasts of the field, birds of the air, and fish of the sea. God of grace, **ALL: hear our prayer.**

Prayer Leader: Sovereign God, you delight in the whole human race. On this week of Juneteenth, bring an end to racial oppression and heal the wounds of racial trauma. Grant us your wisdom, so that all people,

especially those in authority, work for the life and freedom of others. God of grace, **ALL: hear our prayer.**

Prayer Leader: Compassionate God, your mindful care for us is everlasting. Give peace to all who are troubled, endurance to all who suffer, deliverance to all who are afflicted, and healing to all who are sick. Hear our prayers for those close to our hearts - Jo, John, Gary, Paul, Sue, Betty, David, LuAnn, Colene Eva, Eric, Lisa, Don, Ashley, Mary, Pat, Kelli, Gordon, Ellery, Ari, Josh, Eloise, Rose Marie, Mike, Nancy, John, Becky, JoLynn, Rick, Emily, Carl, Jim, Kolton, Ron, Cheryl, John, Shirley, Larry, Bob, Caroline, Marilyn, Bertha, Barb, Amy, Nickie, Eli, Riley, Mr. Doherty, Ron, Chase, Cheryl, A.J., Mavery, Caroline, Ethan, Brent, Richard, Laura, Michael, and Cindy. Reassure all who experience hopelessness or are in need your tender care. Wipe away every tear. God of grace, **ALL: hear our prayer**

Prayer Leader: Living God, your glory appears in our shared life. On this Father's Day, give to all fathers and father figures gentle hearts and strong spirits, heal the wounds in our families, and comfort those for whom this day brings pain. God of grace, **ALL: hear our prayer.**

Prayer Leader: Eternal God, your hope does not disappoint. We give you thanks for all who have died in the hope of the resurrection. Hold us in our grief, and bring us at last to fullness of life in you. God of grace, **ALL: hear our prayer.**

Prayer Leader: Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior, who taught us to pray saying,

***THE PRAYER OUR LORD TAUGHT US**

**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**

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

Please share God's peace with those worshiping around you.

INVITATION FOR OFFERINGS

Leader: As we present our tithes and offerings today, let us open our eyes, ears, and hearts to the mission of God's church in this community and worldwide. May we be empowered with the knowledge that our giving is an act of trust in God's unfailing promises.

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE #186**

CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART

***OFFERING PRAYER**

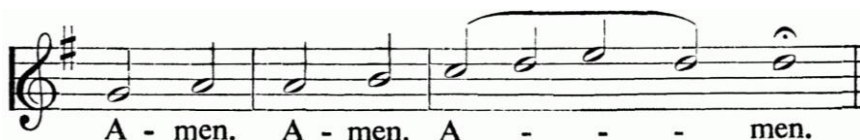
Leader: Let us pray.

ALL: Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

***BLESSING**

Leader: The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ✠ bless you and give you peace.

***The Amen**



*SENDING HYMN #813

FAITH OF OUR FATHERS

*DISMISSAL

Leader: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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Trinity Sunday is a Christian festival widely celebrated by Western Churches. It falls on the first Sunday after Pentecost, which is the 50th day after Easter. Trinity Sunday, in its essence, celebrates the mystery of faith and unity on and of the Holy Trinity: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**Calendar of Events:**

Sun. June 22 – 8:00 A.M. Worship Service

Sun. June 22 – 9:30 A.M. Adult Sunday School

Thur. June 26 – Reports are due to Sharon

July – No Council Meeting – No Newsletter in Jul - July & Aug. to be combined

July 6-10 - Adult Vacation Bible School Sun. thru Thur. 6 pm to 8 pm

**Readers for June & July:**

June 22 – Linda Ross

June 29 – Jerry McCullough

July 6 - David Sharninghouse

July 13 - Lori McDaniel

July 20 – Carol Cary

**In Our Prayers:** John Sharninghouse, Gary Kern, Paul & Sue Maki, Betty Hornbeck, David Cary, LuAnn Beverly, Colene Shoop, Eva George, Eric & Lisa Kreh, Don Edler, Ashley Edler, Brandt Edler, Mary Scroll, Pat Newell, Gordon Myers & Ellery Robinson, Ari & Josh, Pat Cary, Linda Hoops. Pray also for the victims of all natural disasters, our shut-ins, others absent from our worship this morning, all who grieve, and all others with special needs.

**Today is Father's Day!**

***Do something very nice for your Father!***



As we celebrate Fathers' Day, let us express gratitude for the sacrificial love and unwavering support of fathers. Ephesians 6:1-3 encourages us to honor and respect our fathers, recognizing their vital role in nurturing and shaping us. Let us also remember our Heavenly Father's boundless love and grace.

# **Sermon Notes**

Write 3 teachings or ideas you heard in today's sermon:

1.

2.

3.

Something I might do to put this sermon into practice.

Write a brief prayer relating to the sermon.

# Drawn into Relationship, Guided into Truth

The doctrine of the Trinity invites us to consider how a God constituted by relationship—the Father with the Son, the Son with the Spirit, the Spirit with the Father—draws us into that relationship with God and one another. Gradually or suddenly, through the work of the Spirit, we come to know our belonging to the Father and to Christ's body.

In such loving relationships, truth is discovered. But people cannot bear the truth all at once, so formation are gradual the Spirit's voice. as worship, learning, and people of all ages to be practices are rooted in draws us into a lifelong grow into truth and love over time—guided by the Spirit, accompanied by Jesus, and having peace with the Father.



discipleship and faith processes of listening for Christian practices such service are occasions for “guided into truth.” Such baptism, in which God relationship in which we

In Romans, we hear the truth of how love originates and grows in us: Poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, God's love gives us a hope that will never disappoint. Christian community offers the delightful opportunity to experience one's own growth in hope, faith, and love, and to witness others' growth as they too are drawn more deeply into relationship with the triune God. Trinity Sunday offers the delightful opportunity to celebrate that growth.

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