

The Festival of THE HOLY TRINITY



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The Gathering

GATHERING MUSIC

GATHERING SONG

Shout for Joy Loud and Long – WOV 793

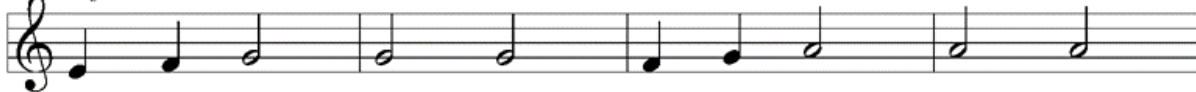


1 Shout for joy loud and long, God be praised with a song! To the Lord
2 By God's word all was made, heav'n and earth, light and shade, na-ture's won -
3 Yet our pride makes us fall; so Christ came for us all— not the righ -
4 Now has Christ tru - ly ris'n, and his Spir - it is giv'n to all those



we be - long: chil-dren of our mak - er, God the great life giv - er.
ders dis-played, we to rule cre - a - tion from its first foun-da - tion.
teous to call— by his cross and pas - sion, bring - ing us sal - va - tion.
un - der heav'n who now walk be - side him, though they once de - nied him.

Refrain



Shout for joy, joy, joy! Shout for joy, joy, joy!



God is love, God is light, God is ev - er - last - ing!

GATHERING PRAYER

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

And also with you.

Let us pray.

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
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.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Genesis 1:1 – 2:3

READING

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth,
the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep,
while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.
Then 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 a dome in the midst of the waters,
and let it separate the waters from the waters.”
So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome
from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky.
And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, “Let the waters under the sky 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.
Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation:
plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth
that bear fruit with the seed in it.”
And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation:
plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind
bearing fruit with the seed in it.
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 dome of the sky
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 dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.”
And it was so. God made the two great lights—
the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars.
God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon 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 bring forth swarms of living creatures,
and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.”
So God created the great sea monsters
and every living creature that moves, of every kind,
with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind.
And God saw that it was good. 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 of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. 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 air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon 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 air, 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. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, 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 their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Come, Join the Dance of Trinity – ELW 412



CREED

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

AN ORDER FOR BLESSING

Friends in Christ: Today we give thanks to God and we seek God's blessing as we bless these quilts and care kits, and dedicate these worship furnishings and appointments to the praise and glory of the Triune God.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe.

You made the whole earth for your glory; all creation praises you.

We lift our voices to join the songs of heaven and earth, of things seen and unseen.

You blessed your people through all generations and guided them in life and death:

Abraham and Sarah; Moses and Miriam; Isaiah and all the prophets;

Mary, the Virgin Mother of our Lord; Peter, James, John, and all the apostles;

together with all the saints and witnesses in your church of ages past,
in whom your Spirit spoke and moved.

QUILTS & CARE KITS

We give you thanks, O God, for those who make these quilts and care kits,
and we ask you to bless the fruits of their labor.

May those who receive them find dignity in their use and comfort in their warmth,
and may these gifts be a sign of your love to all people.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

PARAMENTS

Send your blessing on these paraments, which we set apart today;
may they adorn this house, show us the beauty of holiness,
and so proclaim the glory of your majesty.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

CANDLESTICKS

Bless us as we set apart these candlesticks for use in this place;
may they be to us a sign of Christ, the Light of the world,
the light no darkness can overcome.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

CRUCIFIX

Bless this crucifix, which we dedicate to your praise and honor;
may it be for us a sign of Christ's love for the whole world,
and may it draw us to follow him who leads us with this banner of salvation.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

SCULPTURE

Pour out your blessing on this sculpture of your Son our Risen Lord;
may the material things of your creation, shaped by human hands,
draw our hearts to things that can be seen only by the eye of faith.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

CHALICE, PATEN & FLAGON

Bless us as we set apart this flagon, paten and chalice, to your glory;
may we make use of them in reverence and love, giving praise to your holy name.
May all who receive from them the bread of heaven and the cup of salvation
be sustained by the power of your mercy and grace.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

To you, O God, be all glory and honor through your Son, Jesus Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also 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.

. . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION SONG

Holy, Holy, Holy – ELW 413

BLESSING & PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Sending

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

The blessing of the Triune God,
the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,
come upon you and remain with you forever.

Amen.

We go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SENDING SONG

Let All Things Now Living – ELW 881

SENDING MUSIC

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY & SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS

Presiding Minister: Pr. John Dietz

Assisting Minister: Lynn Schweiberger

Ushers/Greeters: NEEDED

Audio-Visual: Forrest & Cathy Koland, Dawson Peterson

Musician: Elaine Sweeney

Reader: Linda Smith

Altar Guild: Connie Bryant

Fellowship Hosts: Linda S. & Sandy H.

Parish & Community Announcements for the week of June 4 – June 11, 2023

TODAY

Holy Trinity Celebration

On Sunday, April 30, our sister congregation Holy Trinity Lutheran Church closed with the celebration of their final Service of Holy Communion. The members of Holy Trinity decided to donate some of the items from their church and sanctuary to First Lutheran so that they could continue to be used and appreciated. We will dedicate those items in worship on this most appropriate day — the Festival of the Holy Trinity. Thank you to the members of Holy Trinity for their beautiful contributions to our life together.

WELCA Quilts and Kits

Thanks to all the donations, volunteers, and quilters, First Lutheran Church is blessing and sending out a number of quilts and personal care kits today. The quilts in the sanctuary today are the fruit of their labor. Remember, if you'd like to be involved in quilting in any way, you are welcome!

Fellowship

After worship you are all invited and encouraged to gather in the fellowship hall for a time of conversation over coffee and treats. If there are name tags and pens at the table, please use them to get to know other people's names and so they can get to know yours!

Summer Worship at Chapel of the Pines

You are welcome to worship at Chapel of the Pines, an ecumenical chapel just outside of McCarthy Beach State Park, each Sunday (Memorial Day – Labor Day) at 11:15 am. Pastor John will be at the Chapel today.

THIS WEEK

Office Hours

Our parish secretary Rian Johnson will be on vacation for the next couple of weeks, so please be patient with us if the office hours need to be adjusted occasionally or if your calls don't get answered immediately. If you are coming into the office, best to call ahead and make sure it will be open or someone will be here to help you.

Pollinator Plotting – Saturday, June 10

Our EcoFaith Ministry has moved from the idea to the work phase. On Saturday, June 10, we'll meet at 9:00 am to get our hands dirty and plant the seeds and other vegetation that will become home to the bees, butterflies, bugs, and birds that rely on native plants in our Pollinator Plot (the area in front of the church by the ramp). All are welcome!

NEXT SUNDAY

Church Cleaning & Lunch: June 11

We're holding a "Spring Cleaning" of the church following worship next Sunday, June 11. After a cup of coffee, we'll get busy with projects until we enjoy a noon lunch together. Thanks for helping with this!

Noisy Offering: June 11

Next Sunday in worship we'll be collecting a "noisy offering" so bring some coins to clang into the kids' buckets, and help make a difference in ending hunger locally and around the world.

Care Cupboard: June 11

You are encouraged to bring non-perishable food and personal care items to the office or to the church on the Second Sunday of the month.