

The Holy Trinity

June 4, 2023

Outdoor Worship Service



Though the word *trinity* is not found in the scriptures, today's second reading includes the apostolic greeting that begins the liturgy: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. In the gospel Jesus sends his disciples forth to baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. More than a doctrine, the Trinity expresses the heart of our faith: we have experienced the God of creation made known in Jesus Christ and with us always through the Holy Spirit. We celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity in word and sacrament, as we profess the creed, and as we are sent into the world to bear witness to our faith.



Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Willem Lutter

Confession and Forgiveness

- P. Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.
- C. Amen

- P. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors. Merciful God,
- C. **we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P. Righteous God,
- C. **we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P. God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of Jesus Christ.
- C. **Amen**



O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the works thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!
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How great thou art! How great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;

Refrain

But when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
that on the cross my burden gladly bearing
he bled and died to take away my sin;

Refrain

Prayer of the Day

P. Let us pray

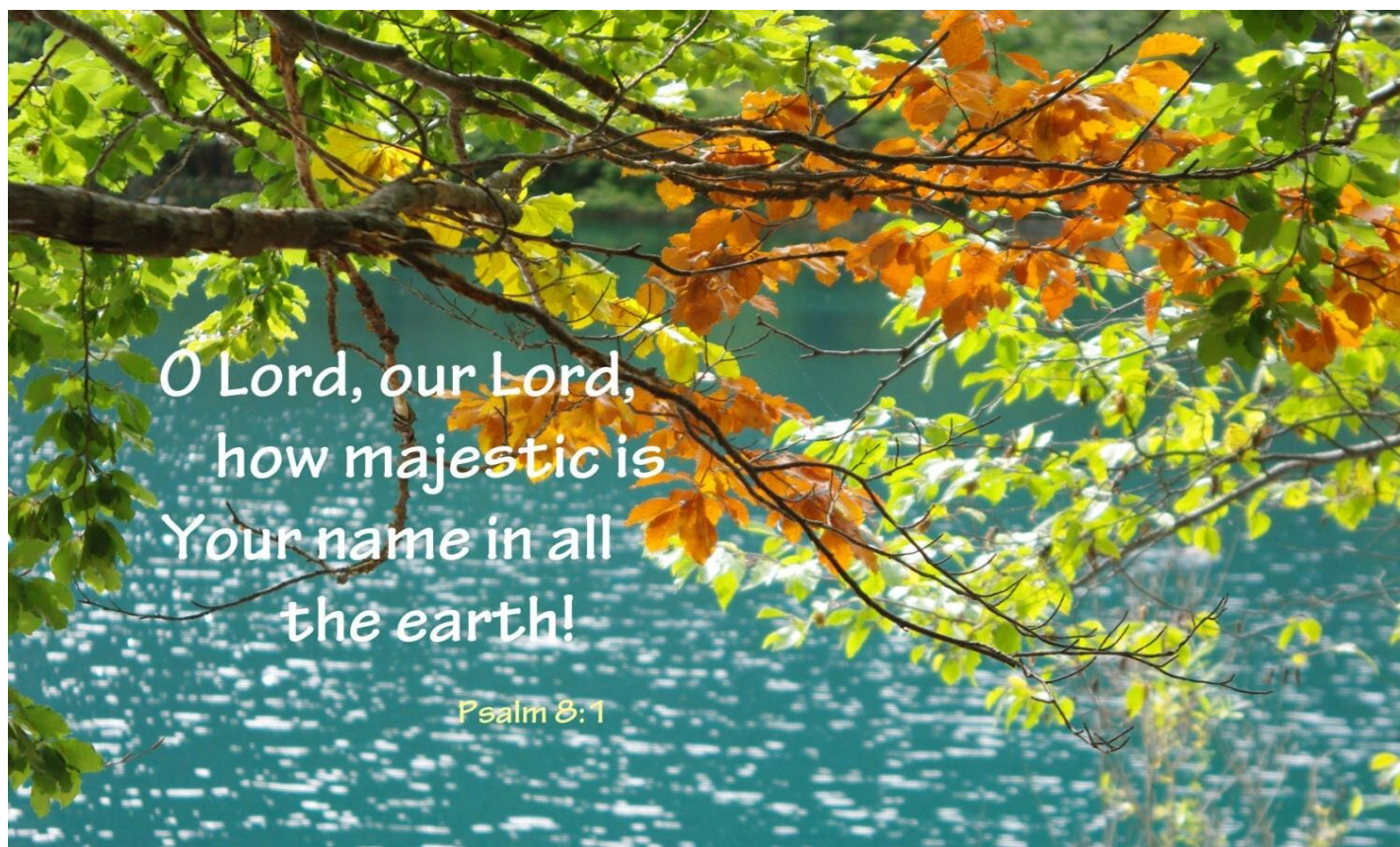
C. God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

O LORD our Lord,
 how majestic is your name in all the earth!—
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.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
 the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,
 human beings that you should care for them?
Yet you have made them little less than divine;
 with glory and honor you crown them.

You have made them rule over the works of your hands;
 you have put all things under their feet:
all flocks and cattle,
 even the wild beasts of the field,
the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
 and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

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



Gospel Acclamation

C. *Alleluia.* Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; God's glory fills the whole earth. *Alleluia.*

Gospel Reading

P. The holy gospel according to Matthew, chapter twenty-eight.

C. Glory to you, O God.

Reading on back of bulletin

P. The gospel of the Lord.

C. Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

John Petry, Interim Pastor



Hymn of the Day

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,
only thou are holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

The Nicene 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,
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man.

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 worshipped 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.



Prayers of Intercession

A. Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need.

A brief silence

Holy three, holy one, you call the church to make disciples of all nations. Encourage bishops, pastors, and deacons in their proclamation of the gospel and direct all the baptized into lives of humble service. God, in your mercy,

C. hear our prayer.

P. Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ.

C. Amen

The Peace

P. Jesus said, Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled. May His peace be with you always.

C. And also with you.



The Offering

Anthem

Thula (Listen)

Choir

Offertory Prayer

A. God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C. Amen



Words of Institution

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.



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

Invitation to Communion

P. All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.

C. Amen

Music for Communion

Willem Lutter

Post Communion Prayer

A. We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C. Amen

Benediction

P. The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed † bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

C. Amen



Sending Hymn

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:
Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.
For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,
hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:
Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.
For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,
for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight:
Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above; for all gentle thoughts and mild:
Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.
For each perfect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;
for thyself, best gift divine, to our world so freely giv'n:
Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

Dismissal

P. Go in peace. Share the harvest.

C. Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Willem Lutter

Reminder – After Worship Fellowship today will be
BBQ Chicken Plates from Angie's Restaurant
in support of Able to Serve.

Servers for Sunday, June 4th

Assisting Minister..... Alecia Harrison

Special Musician Willem Lutter

Candles in the sanctuary this month provided by Julie Bogle to the glory of God!

