

**WELCOME TO  
ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL**

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**Traditional Service  
Holy Trinity Sunday**  
*(Divine Service Setting Two)*  
**May 22, 2016 – 10:45 a.m.**

***St. John's Mission: To help one more person get to Heaven  
by pointing them to Jesus Christ.***

**HOLY! HOLY! HOLY!** Our great Triune God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit unites us together to celebrate His love and grace as we worship. We are blessed by our gracious Triune God so that we may share His love with others. Remember His loving acts in your life that you may tell others about Him.

### † Prayer Before Worship †

Almighty and triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, on this Trinity Sunday I praise and magnify Your Holy Name for the good news that by Your grace I am saved through faith in Jesus Christ. Help me, O Holy Spirit, to serve You joyfully by letting the Word and love of Jesus flow through me to others that they also may praise You. In Jesus' name I come. Amen.

**Prelude**

***Now Thank We All Our God***

Johann Sebastian Bach

**Welcome**

*(Please Stand)*

**Processional Hymn #507 *Holy, Holy, Holy***

**Confession and Forgiveness**

P: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

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

**C: 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.

**C: Amen.**

**Introit** *Psalm 16:8–11; antiphon: Liturgical Text*

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity. Let us give glory to Him because He has shown His mercy to us.

**C: I have set the LORD always before me; because He is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

P: Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure.

**C: For You will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let Your holy one see corruption.**

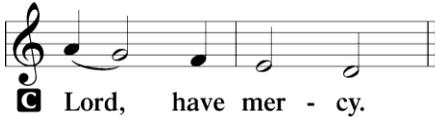
P: You make known to me the path of life; in Your presence there is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

**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.**

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity. Let us give glory to Him because He has shown His mercy to us.

**Kyrie**

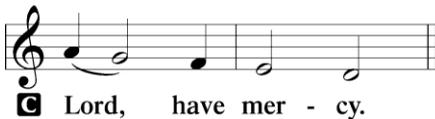
Cantor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.



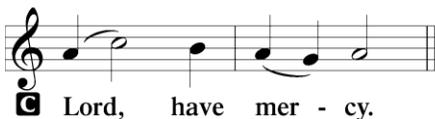
Cantor: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



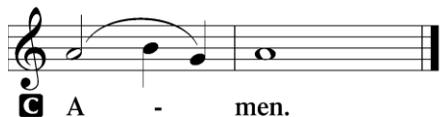
Cantor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



Cantor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



Cantor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



**C** A - men.

## Hymn of Praise – This is the Feast

No Introduction



**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



**C** Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.



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



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to  
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.  
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,  
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.** (*Sung*)

P: Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, Your delight is to love us with the never failing love of the Father, expressed through the Son, and revealed by the light of the Spirit. Grant us to know You in the mystery of the Trinity and to confess the saving work of the Unity to all the ends of the earth, that others may know with us the delight of Your will and rejoice in the salvation Your mercy has accomplished; for You, Lord, are one God whom we know as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

(*Be Seated*)

### Old Testament

### Proverbs 8:1-4a, 22-31

(*Wisdom is personified as an attribute of God who witnessed the creation of the world.*)

<sup>1</sup>Does not wisdom call? Does not understanding raise her voice? <sup>2</sup>On the heights beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; <sup>3</sup>beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries aloud: <sup>4</sup>"To you, O men, I call, and my cry is to the children

of man. <sup>22</sup>“The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old. <sup>23</sup>Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. <sup>24</sup>When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. <sup>25</sup>Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth, <sup>26</sup>before he had made the earth with its fields, or the first of the dust of the world. <sup>27</sup>When he established the heavens, I was there; when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, <sup>28</sup>when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, <sup>29</sup>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, <sup>30</sup>then I was beside him, like a master workman, and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, <sup>31</sup>rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the children of man.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **Gradual**

P: The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart,  
the word of faith that we proclaim.  
For with the heart one believes and is justified,  
and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

### **Epistle**

**Acts 2: 14a, 22-36**

*(A portion of the Pentecost sermon of St. Peter in which he testifies to Jesus as Lord and Christ who is seated at the right hand of the Father and has received the promised Holy Spirit poured out for us to see and hear.)*

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. <sup>22</sup>“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— <sup>23</sup>this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. <sup>24</sup>God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. <sup>25</sup>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; <sup>26</sup>therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope. <sup>27</sup>For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption. <sup>28</sup>You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’ <sup>29</sup>“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. <sup>30</sup>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, <sup>31</sup>he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. <sup>32</sup>This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. <sup>33</sup>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. <sup>34</sup>For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, “The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, <sup>35</sup>until I make your enemies your footstool.’ <sup>36</sup>Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

*(Please Stand)*

### Alleluia and Verse

One note Introduction



The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a square symbol and contains the lyrics: "Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?". The second staff contains the lyrics: "You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia." The music consists of simple quarter and eighth notes.

### Holy Gospel

**John 8:48-59**

*(Jesus identifies Himself as the pre-existent Son of God who was even before Abraham and who fulfills the promise of the Father.)*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>48</sup>The Jews answered him, “Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?” <sup>49</sup>Jesus answered, “I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. <sup>50</sup>Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge. <sup>51</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death.” <sup>52</sup>The Jews said to him, “Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, ‘If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.’ <sup>53</sup>Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?” <sup>54</sup>Jesus answered, “If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, ‘He is our God.’ <sup>55</sup>But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. <sup>56</sup>Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad.” <sup>57</sup>So the Jews said to him, “You are not yet fifty years old, and have you

seen Abraham?"<sup>58</sup> Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am."<sup>59</sup> So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

### **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 . And the catholic faith is this, that we worship One God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the person nor dividing the substance.**

P: For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another. But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.

**C: Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit: the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated; the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite; the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.**

P: And yet there are not three Eternals but one Eternal, just as there are not three Uncreated nor three Infinities, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.

**C: In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty; and yet there are not three Almightyies, but one Almighty.**

P: So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God; and yet there are not three Gods, but One God.

**C: So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord; 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. 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.**

- P: 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;
- C: 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 the Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.**
- P: Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity. 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 born from the substance of His mother in this age:
- C: perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh; equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.**
- P: Although He is God and man, yet He is not two, but one Christ: one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by assumption of the humanity into God;
- C: one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person. For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ,**
- P: who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,
- C: 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.**
- P: At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and will give an account concerning their own deeds.
- C: And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into everlasting fire.**
- All: This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.**

*(Be Seated)*

**Children's Message – Mark Meier**

Hymn of the Day #822 *Alleluia! Let Praises Ring*

Sermon

*“The Fountain of Youth”*

John 8: 51

Offering

Offertory Anthem

*When the Saints Go Marching In*  
Oh, when the saints go marching in,  
Oh, when the saints go marching in:  
Oh, Lord I want to be in that number,  
When the saints - go - marching - in - - - !

arr. John Rutter

*(Please Stand)*

**Prayer of the Church**

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

*(Silence for personal prayer)*

P Holy, holy, holy are You, Lord God Almighty, Your majesty is reflected throughout Your creation, but especially in the Word of the revelation of Yourself in all Your grace and mercy for Your whole creation.

**C: We praise You Lord Jesus for coming to us in the flesh of the Son of Mary to redeem us and liberate all people from the slavery of sin and death. We give You thanks O Holy Spirit for the gift of saving faith, created in our hearts through Your means of grace. All praise to You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit for Your gift of life.**

P: Bless Your powerful Word as it is preached, read, and taught in Your holy Church throughout the world. Inspire pastors and leaders in the Church to rightly divide and boldly proclaim Your saving Word and to administer Your holy sacraments.

**C: Strengthen all who serve You and Your people in the Church.**

P: Guide all leaders of nations throughout the world to perform their duties according to Your will, that they may promote justice, freedom, and peace, and care especially for all who are in need.

**C: Bless all vocations that Your grace may abound.**

P: Bless and preserve all those who are weakened by sickness or distress of any kind (*especially* \_\_\_\_\_). To all who look to You for help,

**C: grant healing, strength, faith, and peace.**

P: Give us true repentance of heart as we come at Your invitation to Your holy table to receive the very body and blood of Christ for our forgiveness, life, and salvation.

**C: Draw us close to You, O Holy Trinity!**

P: Grant your church at St John's wisdom, guidance and insight as we meet today to extend a call to Your chosen servant, our next Pastor.

**C: Open our hearts and minds that Your holy will may be accomplished and the mission of St. John's may bring glory to You.**

*(Other Petitions offered here.)*

P: Glory to You, O God,

**C: glory to You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**TODAY WE WILL CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER...**

St. Paul wrote, "Let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup". Ask yourself: Am I sorry for my sins? Do I believe that Jesus died for my sins? Am I resolved, by the work of the Holy Spirit, to use the power of Christ which is offered in this Sacrament, to amend my sinful life? St. Paul also wrote, "He who eats and drinks, eats and drinks judgment to himself, if he does not judge the body rightly". Do you believe that you receive the TRUE/REAL BODY AND BLOOD of Christ in, under and with the bread and wine for the full pardon of sins? This is judging it rightly. This is what scripture teaches. (Please use pages 329-330 in the front of your hymn book to examine yourself.)

**† Service of the Sacrament †**

**Preface**

One note Introduction

P: The Lord be with you.



**C** And al-so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

### Proper Preface

P: And now we give You thanks because You have revealed Your glory as the glory of Your Son and of the Holy Spirit: three persons equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be worshiped and adored. 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

No Introduction



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of



pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your



glo - ry. 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

P: Blessed are You, eternal Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son. Baptized in His sacrificial death and resurrection, we rejoice in the sure knowledge that the Son of the Father from eternity gives us life and that the Holy Spirit, working through the Means of Grace, brings us to faith in Christ and keeps us in Him to life eternal. Grant that we faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us





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, grant us peace.

*(Be Seated)*

**Distribution Hymns: #617 *O Lord, We Praise Thee*  
 #506 *Glory Be to God the Father*  
 #500 *Creator Spirit, By Whose Aid***

*(Please Stand)*

**Post-Communion Canticle - *Thank the Lord***

Two measure introduction



Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what  
 He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -  
 joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-  
 es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -



### **Post-Communion Prayer**

P: O Triune God, blessed be Your name in all the earth; You have refreshed us through this salutary gift of Your Son's body and blood for our forgiveness; receive our thanks. You have revealed Yourself to us as One God yet Three Persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We wear Your name by baptism and faith. Give us such grace that we may boldly confess the Holy Trinity and live so that our words and actions bring glory to You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **Benediction**

P: 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.

**C: Amen.**

### **Recessional Hymn #794 *The Lord, My God, Be Praised***

### **Dismissal**

P: Go in peace and Serve the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

### **Postlude**

*Wie schön leuchtet*

Johann Christoph Bach

## **Call Service today in Sanctuary**

May 22, 2016 at 2:30pm  
Pastor Dave Tessmann will lead  
the service.



# St. John's

## LUTHERAN

Church & School

***Our Sunday Worship*** - Morning services are at  
8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Sunday School and  
Adult Bible Class both begin at 9:45 a.m.

***A Great Place to Grow in Christ***

*As a part of our outreach ministry, we have a  
Preschool/Pre-K program and Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade.  
All programs/grades have full-time care available.*

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**Altar Flowers** are given to the Glory of God by Mark Meier in honor  
of Mark & Beth thirty years of marriage.

**May Ushers:** Larry Bowman, Lisa Little, Bob Sparks & John Williams

**Worship Assistants** Steve Anderson & Don Henderson