



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

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**THE HOLY TRINITY
June 11, 2017 – 10:45 a.m.**

Divine Service Setting One with Holy Communion

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

Today the Church celebrates Trinity Sunday. It is a day to bask in the wonder of knowing the triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—who has been revealed to us in the Scriptures. While we often think about the three persons of the Trinity having their own areas of expertise (the Father creates, the Son redeems, the Spirit sanctifies), the three persons of the Trinity work together in every task. All three persons were present and active in the creation of the world. All three persons were active in the salvation of the world. And all three persons are active in the new life we have as baptized children of God.

† Prayer Before Worship †

Heavenly Father, You sent Your Son to be both Lord and Messiah for us. By Your Holy Spirit, keep us in the one true faith which professes the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity; through our Lord and Messiah, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prelude “*Variations on Fairest Lord Jesus*”

James Woodman

Welcome & Sharing of the Peace

(Please Stand)

Processional Hymn #905 “**Come, Thou Almighty King**”

Invocation

P: To God the Holy Spirit let us pray most of all for faith upon life’s way, that He may protect us, His power defending, and that He may preserve us till life’s ending.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Shine in our hearts, O Spirit and Light; teach us Jesus Christ to know aright that we may abide in the Lord who bought us, till to our eternal home You have brought us.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Come, gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove, with light and power from above. Plant holy faith within our hearts that we from God may never depart.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Lead us to Christ, Who is the Way. By His dear side teach us to stay. Lead us to heaven, that we will share fullness of joy forever there.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son

C: and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

P: I, Paul, say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature.

C: The sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit,

P: and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature.

C: They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want.

P: If you are led by the Spirit, you are not under law. The acts of the sinful nature are obvious:

C: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery;

P: idolatry and witchcraft;

C: hatred, discord, jealousy.

P: Fits of rage, selfish ambition.

C: Dissensions, factions and envy;

P: drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you . . .

C: those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

P: But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace,

C: patience, kindness, goodness,

P: faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

C: Against such things there is no law.

P: Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passion and desires.

C: Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

Introit *Ps. 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: Blessèd be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity. Let us give glory to him because he has shown his mercy to us.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

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.

C: Amen.

Hymn of Praise - *This Is the Feast*

Refrain



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



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



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.

(Be Seated)

Old Testament Reading

Zechariah 4:1-10

(Vision of the Lampstand and Olive Trees)

4 Now the angel who talked with me came back and wakened me, as a man who is wakened out of his sleep. ² And he said to me, "What do you see?"

So I said, "I am looking, and there is a lampstand of solid gold with a bowl on top of it, and on the stand seven lamps with seven pipes to the seven lamps. ³ Two olive trees are by it, one at the right of the bowl and the other at its left." ⁴ So I answered and spoke to the angel who talked with me, saying, "What are these, my lord?"

⁵ Then the angel who talked with me answered and said to me, "Do you not know what these are?"

And I said, "No, my lord."

⁶ So he answered and said to me:

"This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' says the Lord of hosts. ⁷ 'Who are you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel you shall become a plain! And he shall bring forth the capstone with shouts of "Grace, grace to it!"'"

⁸ Moreover the word of the Lord came to me, saying:

⁹ "The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this temple; his hands shall also finish it. Then you will know that the Lord of hosts has sent me to you. ¹⁰ For who has

despised the day of small things? For these seven rejoice to see the plumb line in the hand of Zerubbabel. They are the eyes of the Lord, which scan to and fro throughout the whole earth.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual *Ps. 145:3, 5b, 6b*

All: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable. On your wondrous works I will meditate, and I will declare your greatness.

Epistle Reading

Ephesians 3:14-21

(Appreciation of the Mystery)

¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵ from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, ¹⁶ that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, **to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man,** ¹⁷ that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸ may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height— ¹⁹ to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

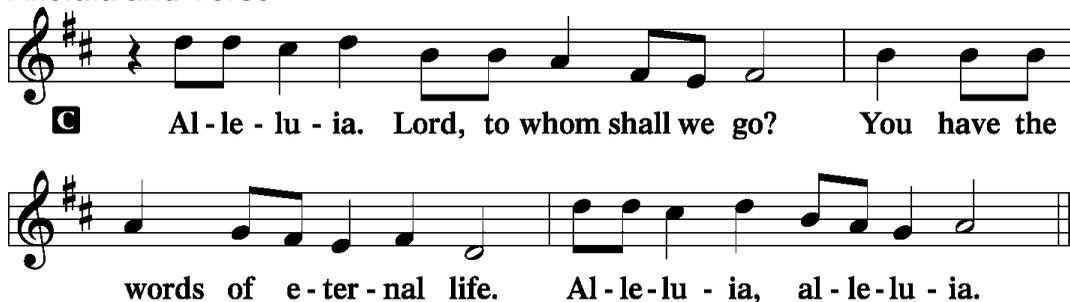
²⁰ **Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us,** ²¹ to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please Stand)

Alleluia and Verse



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

John 14:15-17

(Jesus promises another Helper)

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



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹⁵“If you love Me, keep My commandments. ¹⁶And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever— ¹⁷the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Confession of Faith – Third Article of Creed with Meaning

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

What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.

In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.

On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.

This is most certainly true.

(Be Seated)

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day #700 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Sermon

Offering

Please take this time to sign the Pew Pads in your row and pass them down. We thank God for our visitors and guests. Please share your e-mail with us so that you can receive a weekly note of activities/announcements. Thank you for worshiping with us!

Offertory Solo "O Rest in the Lord"

Felix Mendelssohn

Jerotich Yegon, mezzo soprano

(Please Stand)

Offertory Hymn #805 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

TODAY WE 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? (Please use pages 329-330 in the front of your hymn book to examine yourself.) Children are invited forward to receive a blessing.

† Service of the Sacrament †

Preface

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.

Sanctus



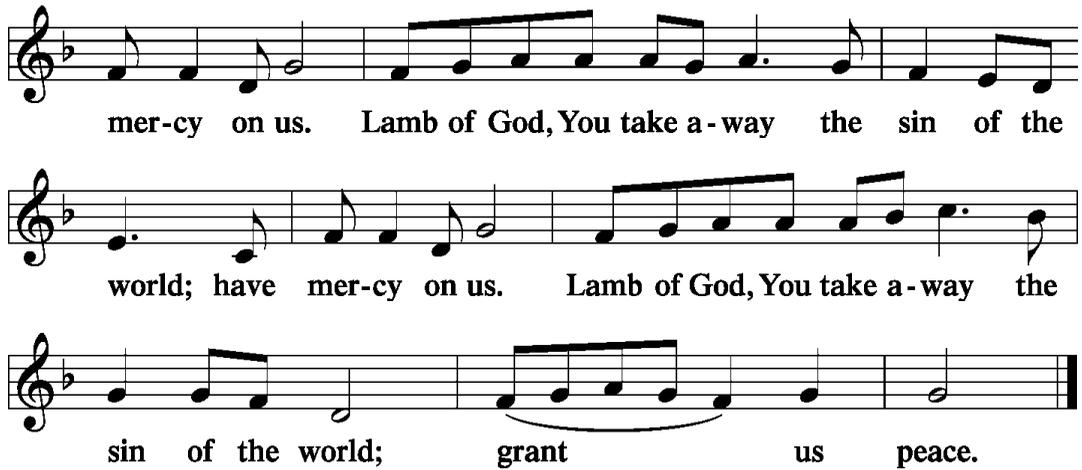
C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



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



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.

(Be Seated)

- Distribution Hymns:** #622 "Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared", verses 1-4
 #637 "Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord"
 #622 "Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared", verses 5-8

(Please Stand)

Post-Communion Canticle - *Thank the Lord*



☪ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice 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-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Post-Communion Prayer

A: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty Father, that You have refreshed us through this foretaste of the feast to come. Strengthen our faith and unity through this Meal, so that we may lead others to the truth and joy of Your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord and Messiah, 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 A - men.

Recessional Hymn #794 “The Lord, My God, Be Praised”

Dismissal

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude “Nun danket alle Gott”

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Kathy & Rob Schwabe for their 31st wedding anniversary.

Today's Ushers: Ryan Davidson, Bob Hoisington, Stephanie Kiel, Holly Wilson

Worship Assistants: Dave Lundmark, Dale Mierisch

Altar Guild for June: Gayle Barcio, Stephanie Guelzow, Sue Frake, Ted Frake

Lock-ups for June: Brad Honeycutt, John Williams

Pew Pads: Please remember to sign the pew pads. Thank you.

Nursery is available in Preschool Room 106 during the 10:45 Worship Service for children ages 3 and under.

Crisis Control Item for June: Canned meats (salmon, beef, tuna, chicken, ham, etc.). The Crisis Control Collection basket is in the Narthex.

The Sermons are available on-line at <http://stjohnsws.com/weekly-sermons-2/>

St. John's Prayer and Care Notes are distributed each Saturday. If you would like to receive this document and be listed on the email distribution, please send a request to:

- Dale Mieresch at wb9szl@triad.rr.com and include "St John's Prayer and Care Notes Subscription" in the subject line of your email.



St. John's LUTHERAN

Church & School

Our Sunday Worship - Services are at 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.
*Holy Communion is celebrated at 8:30 a.m. on the first and third Sundays,
at 10:45 a.m. on the second and fourth Sundays, and at both services
if there is a fifth Sunday in the month.
Sunday School and Adult Bible Class both begin at 9:30 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 8th grade.
All programs/grades have full-time care available.*

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