



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

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HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

June 16, 2019 – 10:45 a.m.
Worship with Holy Communion

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

What is the meaning and origin of the Festival of the Trinity?

The greatest doctrine of the Christian faith is the mystery of the Holy Trinity. Yet, during the first 1,000 years of Christianity, there was no special feast in honor of this mystery since every day of the liturgical year was devoted to the honor and praise of the Triune God. However, in response to the Arian heresy (320-380), which denied the full divinity of the Son, a special Mass in honor of the Holy Trinity was introduced into Roman liturgical books. This mass was not assigned a definite day but could be used on certain Sundays according to the discretion of the parish priest. Starting in the 9th century Bishops of several dioceses in Northern Europe promoted a special feast of the Holy Trinity on the Sunday after Pentecost, though Pope Alexander II in the 11th century and Alexander III in the 12th century regarded this unnecessary and discouraged the observance. Finally, in 1334, Pope John XXII accepted the festival into the official calendar of the Western Church and directed that it should be celebrated everywhere on the Sunday after Pentecost. Today, the feast of the Holy Trinity is among the great festivals of Christianity.

Prelude: “Borning Cry”

setting, David Christiansen

Welcome

We are delighted to have you with us as we celebrate God’s love for us in Jesus! If you have any questions or needs please feel free to ask an usher, Pastor Tom, or anyone here at St. John’s.

As We Worship

Prepare for worship in stillness and prayer.

Enjoy worship by lifting your voice and heart to God.

Close worship by enjoying the fellowship of one another.

After worship, the service begins! Go out and serve the Lord in all areas of life!

“I urge you, in view of God’s mercy to you, present yourselves as living sacrifices to God, this is your spiritual act of worship.” — Romans 12:1

Please silence all devices. If at any point you need to or prefer to sit, please feel free to do so.

Sharing of the Peace We take a moment to greet one another, as brothers and sisters in Christ (often with the words “God’s peace be with you”). We enjoy this part of our worship; however, you are free to participate, or not, in any manner with which you are comfortable. (*Please Remain Standing*)

(Please Rise)

Processional Hymn: #905 “Come, Though Almighty King”

Call to Worship

P: Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, He is One!

C: Father, Eternal,

P: Son, Most Gracious

C: Spirit of Life; to You, one True God, Blessed Trinity, Three-in-One, we give praise and glory, now and forever.

P: God the Father in heaven, who watches over Your children by night and by day,

C: Have mercy upon us.

P: God, the Son, Light and Redeemer of the World,

C: Have mercy upon us.

P: God, the Holy Spirit, Teacher, Comforter and Guide.

C: Have mercy upon us.

P: Holy, most blessed, most glorious Trinity, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, with all believers and the church worldwide,

C: We adore You, this hour, this day and forever. Amen.

(Please be seated)

Baptism of Remy Carolina Harkins (see insert)

First Lesson: Romans 8:12-17

¹² Therefore, brethren, we are debtors—not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. ¹³ For if you live according to the flesh you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, “Abba, [\[a\]](#) Father.” ¹⁶ The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with *Him*, that we may also be glorified together.

L: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

(Please Stand)

Holy Gospel: John 1:10-14

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 1st chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁰ He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. ¹¹ He came to His ^[a]own, and His ^[b]own did not receive Him. ¹² But as many as received Him, to them He gave the ^[c]right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: ¹³ who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ

(Be Seated)

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day: "I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry" John Ylvisaker

- "I was there to hear your borning cry,
I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized,
to see your life unfold.
I was there when you were but a child,
with a faith to suit you well;
In a blaze of light you wandered off
to find where demons dwell."
- "When you heard the wonder of the
Word
I was there to cheer you on;
You were raised to praise the living
Lord,
to whom you now belong.
If you find someone to share your time
and you join your hearts as one,
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme
from dusk 'till rising sun."
- "I was there to hear your borning cry,
I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized,
to see your life unfold."

Sermon Text: 1 John 3:1-2

Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of [\[a\]](#)God! Therefore the world does not know [\[b\]](#)us, because it did not know Him. ² Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.

Sermon: Number 6

Offer Unto the Lord! The Bible gives these guidelines on our financial giving:

- 1) *“First Fruits”*: i.e. Set aside a portion for God **FIRST**. He gets the best, not the leftovers.
- 2) *“Portion/Percentage giving”*: Give to God a percentage of our gross income; the Old Testament *“tithes”* was 10%; certainly *“this side”* of the cross we should be just as motivated, or more so, than the Old Testament believers!
- 3) *“God’s Blessings”*: God promises if we are faithful in our giving, He will pour out blessing/abundance to us overflowing!

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 Anthem: “O Come, Everyone that Thirsteth”
From [Elijah](#)

Felix Mendelssohn

(Please Stand)

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

(Sung to the tune of Hymn #465: “Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”)

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

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.
Please take a moment to sign the attendance pad in your pew.

† Service of the Sacrament †

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Forgiveness

P: Holy Lord, Most Holy Lord. You alone are worthy of praise.

C: We cry Holy is the Lamb that was slain, Holy is His name.

P: Who can enter into the presence of His glory? Who can bear to gaze upon the perfection of His holiness?

C: No one of unclean heart or lives can enter into His presence. How can we presume to enter today the Holy of Holies and stand before God?

P: Only those who have been cleansed by the Blood of Jesus, the Lamb of God, can enter into His presence.

C: Holy Lord, we fear standing before You because we know our sin has made us unworthy of You. We know what Your grace has done for us in Jesus Christ, who took the burden of our sin and guilt upon Himself. In His name we confess our sin and by faith we lay claim to the promise of forgiveness won for us by His sacrifice on the cross. Make us new, cleanse us from our sin and its guilt, and show us how to love and serve You.

P: Because of Jesus, our Holy and Righteous God has declared you not guilty. Because of Jesus, you may enter the Holy of Holies. Because of Jesus, a Holy God forgives you, loves you, and restores you as His sons and daughters.

C: Amen.

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



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

Agnus Dei



C 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; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

(Be Seated)

Distribution Hymns: #507 "Holy, Holy, Holy"
#506 "Glory Be to God the Father"
#822 "Alleluia! Let Praises Ring"

(Please Stand)

Thank the Lord



C 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.

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: #922 "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

Postlude: "Wie schon leuchtet"

Johan Christoph Bach

Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Gary Brake in memory of Nancy.

Today's Ushers: Larry Bowman, Holly Wilson, Stephanie Kiel, Bruce Sawicki

Worship Assistants: Early Service – Rich Essbach, Tom Baldwin; Late Service – Steve Anderson, Mark Meier

Lector: Early Service – Rachel Orsborn, Late Service – Nathan Kottlowski

Altar Guild for June: Michaela Montgomery, Clare Adamick, Sarah Strahm

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 Meat – salmon/tuna/beef/spam etc.

The Sermons are available on-line at <http://stjohnsww.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 Mierisch at wb9szl@triad.rr.com and include "St John's Prayer and Care Notes Subscription" in the subject line of your email.

(Restrooms: Exit the left-side door on the pulpit side. Go straight thru the Fellowship Hall and the two doors leading to our school building. Restrooms are on your right in the school lobby)



Our Sunday Worship - Services are at 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.
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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Church Office Hours Monday through Thursday,
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.