The Holy Trinity June 15, 2025

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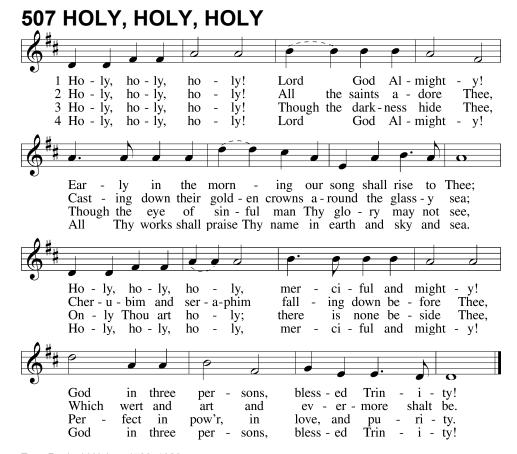
PRELUDE Processional March in A Major. by. Alexandre Guilmant

AS WE GATHER

Trinity Sunday is set aside for us to assent to the witness of Scripture about the nature of God. We mere creatures cannot say that we understand the divine nature, but we can at least use the human words to which God limited Himself as He revealed what we need to know. All three persons of the Trinity work as one, although we recognize the Father as Creator, the Son as Savior, and the Holy Spirit as Sanctifier. We join the rest of creation in praising His great name, as we speak of our being made, saved from our sins, and given faith to trust our incredible God.

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INVOCATION

Pastor In the name of the Father and of the Holy

Spirit.

Congregation Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 8:1, 3-4

Pastor When I look at Your heavens, the work of Your fingers,

Congregation the moon and the stars, which You have set in place,

Pastor what is man that You are mindful of him,

Congregation and the son of man that You care for him?

Pastor O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!

Congregation You have set Your glory above the heavens.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor

It is easy to sing God's praises; it is more difficult to comprehend His eternal majesty. It is easy to look through a telescope; it is more difficult to look in a mirror. Let us go to our great Three-in-One God, confessing our sins.

Silence for reflection on the Word of God and our sinful condition

Pastor

Heavenly Father, Creator of all that exists, in deep humility we approach Your presence, for though You shower us with blessings, we have rebelled against Your just reign over us and You.

Congregation We have sinned against You, one another, and even Your good creation in our thinking, speaking, and acting. Forgive us, and teach us again to be Your true sons and daughters.

Pastor

Lord Jesus, Savior sent from the Father, in deep humility we confess that we have neglected to appreciate Your great sacrifice, entering time and space to die for us.

Congregation We have failed to love You with our heart, soul, and mind, and we have failed to love our neighbors as ourselves. We have failed to live as Your loving brothers and sisters. Forgive us, and grant us Your own determination to love our neighbors in Your name.

Pastor Holy Spirit, giver of every good gift,

Congregation in deep humility we confess that we have let the faith You have planted within us to be covered with our own wants and desires. Without Your help we cannot be free; we are bound to sin. Forgive us, and renew in us clean and upright spirits.

Pastor

The eternal God, our Creator, Savior, and Sanctifier, has not forsaken us in our sin. For the sake of the Son, who became one of us to die for us, God offers full and free pardon. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation Amen.

+ WORD +

KYRIE

Pastor In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation Lord, have mercy.

Pastor For the peace coming to us from beyond creation and for our

salvation let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation Lord, have mercy.

Pastor For the peace of all people around the planet, for the well-being

of the Church of God in time and space, and for the unity of all

let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation Lord, have mercy.

Pastor For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and

praise to our majestic God let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation Lord, have mercy.

Pastor Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Congregation Amen.



SALUTATION

Pastor The Lord be with you. Congregation And also with you.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor 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.

Congregation Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT

¹Does not wisdom call?

Does not understanding raise her voice?

²On the heights beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand;

³beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries aloud:

⁴"To you, O men, I call, and my cry is to the children of man. . . .

²²"The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old.

²³Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

²⁴When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water.

²⁵Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth,

²⁶before he had made the earth with its fields, or the first of the dust of the world.

²⁷When he established the heavens, I was there; when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,

²⁸when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep,

²⁹when 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. 30then I was beside him, like a master workman, and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always,
 31rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the children of man."

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Leader Out of the mouth of babes and infants, You have established strength

Congregation because of Your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger.

Leader When I look at Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, Congregation the moon and the stars, which You have set in place,

SECOND READING

Acts 2:14a, 22-36

¹⁴Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, .

²²"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— ²³this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. ²⁴God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. ²⁵For David says concerning him,

"I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken;

²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope.

²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption.

²⁸You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

²⁹"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. ³⁰Being 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, ³¹he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. ³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. ³³Being 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. ³⁴For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,

"The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, ³⁵until I make your enemies your footstool.'

³⁶Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

Leader This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation Thanks be to God.

VERSE

Pastor Alleluia! Praise to the Holy Trinity: Congregation Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Alleluia!

GOSPEL John 8:48–59

Pastor The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter. **Congregation Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁴⁸The Jews answered [Jesus], "Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?" ⁴⁹Jesus answered, "I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. ⁵⁰Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge. ⁵¹Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death." ⁵²The 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.' ⁵³Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?"

⁵⁴Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, 'He is our God.' ⁵⁵But 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. ⁵⁶Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad." ⁵⁷So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" ⁵⁸Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." ⁵⁹So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

Pastor This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation Praise to You, O Christ.

ATHANASIAN CREED

Pastor

Today we are marveling at the grace of God in paying attention to us and saving us, although we are a seemingly insignificant part of His creation. The grace of God is also apparent as the Church has sought to confess the witness of Scripture. As we cannot comprehend the vastness of space, so we cannot understand God's nature as three persons in one Godhead. As you profess truths about our majestic God, I will follow with the offsetting realities that also must be true. We cannot explain God; we can only confess our faith within the limits of human understanding.

Pastor

Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith. Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.

Congregation And the catholic faith is this, that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity,

Pastor neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.

Congregation For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.

Pastor But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.

Congregation Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:

Pastor

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.

Congregation And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,

Pastor just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinites, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.

Congregation In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;

Pastor and yet there are not three Almighties, but one Almighty.

Congregation So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God; and yet there are not three Gods, but one God. So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;

Pastor

and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord. 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.

Congregation 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.

Pastor

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; 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 Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.

Congregation Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.

Pastor

But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Congregation 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.

Pastor

He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages; and He is man, born from the substance of His mother in this age: 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.

Congregation Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:

Pastor

one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God; 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,

Congregation who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead, 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. At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds. And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.

Pastor

This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.

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SERMON

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor Let us go to our triune God in praise and with prayer for ourselves and all people in their various needs and conditions.

O worship the King, all-glorious above.

Congregation Grant strong faith and willing obedience to the Church here and around the globe, heavenly Father. Through Your Word and Sacraments grant the Holy Spirit to move us all to humble praise and adoration.

Pastor O tell of His might, O sing of His grace.

Congregation Open doors of opportunity that clergy and lay leaders spread the good news of Your might in creation and our Savior's power over sin and death.

Pastor This earth, with its store of wonders untold!

Congregation Lord God, give good weather and bountiful harvests to all who tend fields and manage livestock, safety and prosperity to all who discover and distribute the resources of this blue marble, and guidance and wisdom to all who protect Your marvelous creation for the good of everyone.

Pastor Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?

Congregation Lord Jesus, be with all professional and volunteer caregivers, that they tend the sick with loving care and devise beneficial programs for the disadvantaged and forgotten in society, and help medical personnel on all levels to make wise decisions in emergencies.

Pastor Frail children of dust and feeble as frail,

Congregation we nevertheless call out to You, triune God, in confident faith, trusting that Your answers are better than our prayers. Assure of Your presence those who are dealing with long-term ills and sudden crises, all who are in social, emotional, or financial distress, and all who are in mourning.

Pastor We pray especially for those near and dear to us, [including . . .]. Visit, restore, strengthen, and console them that we may rejoice together in Your grace and mercy.

O measureless Might, ineffable Love,

Congregation protect all who make, administer, and adjudicate our laws, accompany those who maintain order in society and defend freedom abroad, and surround with faithful caring friends and family those who feel depressed, isolated, or vulnerable. Grant that they see how Your majestic power is surpassed by Your infinite love and grace for all people in time and space.

Pastor Into Your hands, heavenly Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who is with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation Amen.

OFFERING / SOLO Now Thank We All Our God. by Sigfrid Karg-Elert





+ SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

Pastor The Lord be with you.

Congregation And also with you.

Pastor Lift up your hearts.

Congregation We lift them to the Lord.

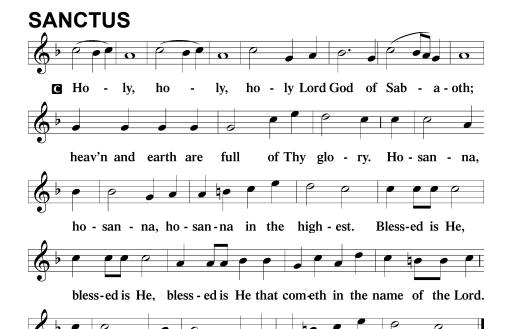
Pastor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, who with Your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit are one God, one Lord. In the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in person and the Unity in substance, of majesty coequal. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

Congregation Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor

O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

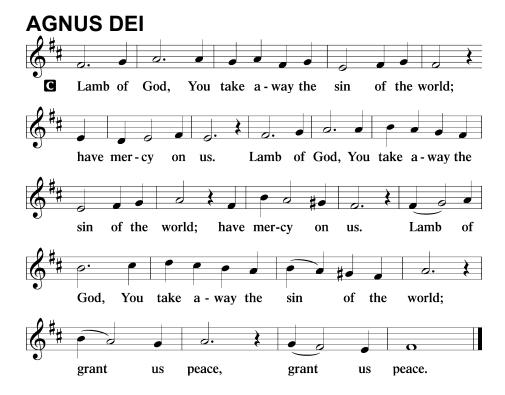
Congregation Our Father who art in heaven,

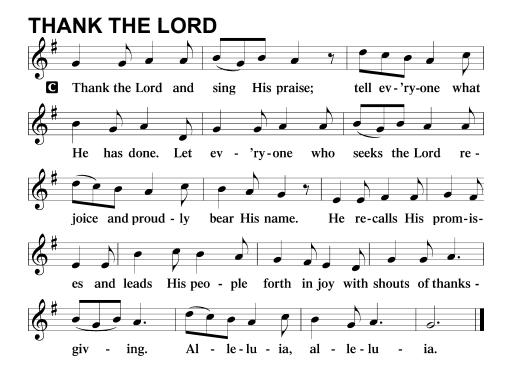
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory

forever and ever. Amen.

PAX DOMINI

Pastor The peace of the Lord be with you always. **Congregation Amen.**





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POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Congregation Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor 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.

Congregation Amen.



POSTLUDE

This Is My Father's World. arr John Behnke

JUNE CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays:

Jane Klemp 6/13 David Olsson 6/15 Amy Anderson 6/19 Debbie Dunne 6/23 Michele Leone 6/27

Anniversaries:

Michele and John Leone 6/16 Erik and Christina Olsson 6/29

Confirmation Sunday Holy Spirit

June 22nd 10am
Fellowship Celebration after the Service **There will be just one service**

For those with medical problems:

Janet Young Howard Cohen

Sally Sparling Marianne McFarlane, Bill's friend Lilli Beier

Renata Vondohlen, Henry's friend Mark, Dulcie's son-in-law Ann, Pastor's mother

Harry Byrnes Stephanie, Henry' granddaughter Helga Ziegler, Henry's friend

Scott, Arie & Karen's son-in-law Hanna Steinbronn Hildy D'Marzio, Karen & Arie's friend

Gus, Martha's Brother Debbie Dunne Jan Mulraney

Paul, brother-in-law of Jutta Kaiser & Rita Pascrell.

For those fighting cancer:

Dulce Samuelson

Pam Starkel

Joan Trutneff, Karin and Arie's friend

Debbie Caputo, Genie's cousin

Amy Young, Meghan Burke's friend

Elaine Dougherty

Alida Womer, Arie's sister

Tracy, Dulcie's daughter-in-law

Paul, Pastor's brother-in-law

Bruce Pueschel

For those who want general prayer:

Patti Mabey
Jon Trutnoff
Timothy Skaar, Lynne's friend
For those dealing with addiction
For our troops who have been deployed and their families
For peace for the people of Ukraine, Russia and the Middle East

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