

TRINITY SUNDAY MAY 26, 2024 11:00a

CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH, CONOVER

As WE GATHER

We ponder today the great mystery of God—that God is one and that this one God is three persons. The liturgy in its proclamation focuses on the divine mystery of the triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Holy Trinity is not so much truth to be understood as it is truth to be confessed. We confess the Father from whom all things come, the Son who is the incarnate Lord Jesus Christ, and the Spirit who proceeds from the Father through the Son. Throughout the centuries of the Christian Church, the confession of the Holy Trinity has been a hallmark of faithful believers. Today we sing of the Trinity and, we confess the Holy Trinity to be the one true God.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We stand.

OPENING HYMN

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

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INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C** Amen.

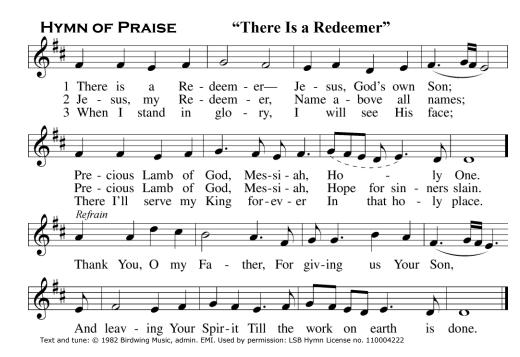
CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

- 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 declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.



SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, You are three persons yet one God. This is a mystery that is beyond our understanding. You ask us not to understand but simply believe. Give us the faith of a child, that what You have said in Your Word about Yourself we may believe in our hearts and live out by faith in our lives. We pray this in the name of Jesus, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, who was, who is, and who is coming, the Almighty.

C Amen.

We sit.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 6:1-8

- L This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 29

- L Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- C Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.
- L The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many waters.
- C The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.
- L The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
- C He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.
- L The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.
- C The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- L The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth and strips the forests bare,

C and in His temple all cry, "Glory!"

- L The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.
- C May the LORD give strength to His people! May the LORD bless His people with peace!

SECOND READING

Acts 2:14a, 22-36

- L This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

We stand.

ALLELUIA & VERSE



HOLY GOSPEL

John 3:1-17

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 3rd chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.
- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

We sit.

HYMN OF THE DAY "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" 940

SERMON

"The Chief Doctrine of the Church?"
Pastor Dennis Quackenboss

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

PREFACE

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also 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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P 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.

C Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

1 Cor. 11:26; Rev. 22:20

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P 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

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

We sit.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Your Table I Approach"	628
"God Loved the World So That He Gave"	571

We stand

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN "Now Thank We All Our God" 895

POSTLUDE

