

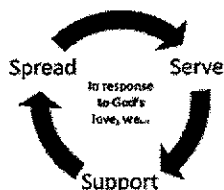
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THE HOLY TRINITY

Order of Worship -9:00 AM

AS WE GATHER – *The Sunday following Pentecost is always Holy Trinity. On this day we are confronted with who God is through what God does. He is the mighty God, the One in Three, before whom we sing “Holy, Holy, Holy.” He is also the Christ, the Savior who comes in flesh to redeem His fallen creation and restore the lost to Himself. He is also the Spirit who blows when and where He wills but breathes life into those dead in trespasses and sin and bestows faith where fear once lived. It all is expressed in the God who so loved the world—the most familiar and beloved Bible passage. Here, in this Gospel in a nutshell, is the triune God at work for us and our salvation.*

PRESERVICE MUSIC / DUET WELCOME

“Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart”

[♯] Means please stand; [♯] Means please be seated]

♯ OPENING HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy

LSB 507



1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore Thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide Thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee;
Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
Though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see,
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!
Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,
On - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!

(continued)



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
Which wert and art and ev - er - more shalt be.
Per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

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INVOCATION

P *In the name of the Father and of the \mp Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

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.**

[Silence for meditation and reflection.]

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 \mp Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

C **Amen.**

ATHANASIAN CREED

Part 1

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.**

P *And the catholic faith is this,*

C **that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.**

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

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

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

C **the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;**

P *the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;*

C **the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.**

P *And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,*

C **just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinities, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.**

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

C **and yet there are not three Almighty, but one Almighty.**

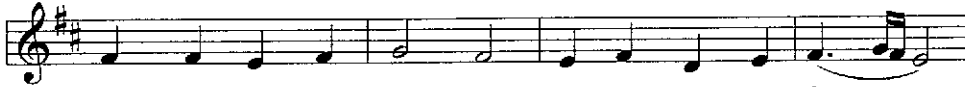
P *So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;*

- C** and yet there are not three Gods, but one God.
- P** So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;
- C** and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.

HYMN OF PRAISE

There Is A Redeemer

LSB 971



1 There is a Re - deem - er— Je - sus, God's own Son;
 2 Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, Name a - bove all names;
 3 When I stand in glo - ry, I will see His face;



Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Ho - ly One.
 Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Hope for sin - ners slain.
 There I'll serve my King for-ev - er In that ho - ly place.



Thank You, O my Fa - ther, For giv-ing us Your Son,



And leav - ing Your Spir-it Till the work on earth is done.

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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** Let us pray.

All: 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. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 6:1–8

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

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

SECOND READING

Acts 2:14a, 22–36

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

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

ALLELUIA VERSE

Isaiah 6:3b

All: Alleluia. Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory!
Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 3:1-17

P *The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.*

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

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

P *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

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

ATHANASIAN CREED

Part 2

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.**

P *The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone.*

C **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.*

C **And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;**

P *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 worshipped.*

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

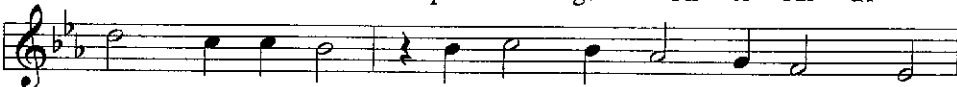
HYMN OF THE DAY

Alleluia! Let Praises Ring

LSB 822



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais-es ring! To God the Fa -
2 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais-es ring! Un - to the Lamb
3 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais-es ring! Un - to the Ho -
4 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais-es ring! Un - to our tri -



ther let us bring Our songs of ad - o - ra - tion.
of God we sing, In whom we are e - lect - ed.
ly Ghost we sing For our re - gen - er - a - tion.
une God we sing; Blest be His name for - ev - er!



To Him through ev - er - last - ing days Be wor - ship, hon -
He bought His Church with His own blood, He cleansed her in
The sav - ing faith in us He wrought And us un - to
With an - gel hosts let us a - dore And sing His prais -



or, pow'r, and praise, Whose hand sus - tains cre - a - tion.
 that bless - ed flood, And as His bride se - lect - ed.
 the Bride-groom brought, Made us His cho - sen na - tion.
 es ev - er - more For all His grace and fa - vor!



Sing - ing, ring - ing: Ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly;
 Ho - ly, ho - ly Is our u - nion And com - mu - nion.
 Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Joy e - ter - nal, Bliss su - per - nal;
 Sing - ing, ring - ing: Ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly;



Spread the sto - ry Of our God, the Lord of glo - ry.
 His be - friend - ing Gives us joy and peace un - end - ing.
 There is man - na And an end - less, glad ho - san - na.
 Spread the sto - ry Of our God, the Lord of glo - ry!

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SERMON

“GOD’S PURIFYING FIRE”

Isaiah 6:1-7

- I. Fire is used to purify metal, to remove impurities.
- II. God’s grace purifies us from sin.

ATHANASIAN CREED

Part 3

- P** *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 man, born from the substance of His mother in this age:*
- C** **perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh;**
- P** *equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.*
- C** **Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:**
- P** *one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God;*
- C** **one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.**
- P** *For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ,*
- C** **who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,**
- P** *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.*
- C** **At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.**

- P** *And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.*
- C** **This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** *Blessed be the kingdom of our God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,*
- C** **Blessed be His kingdom, now and forever, to the end of all the ages!**
- P** *Grant to us grace, O Lord, that we trust in You and confess without fear the name of the triune God with which we were marked in Baptism. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *Grant to us grace, O Lord, that we approach the mystery of Your presence with awe, confident of Your mercy that forgives our sins and comforted by Your power that delivers us from everlasting death. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *Grant to us grace, O Lord, that Your Church be firmly established in this faith, united in the truth of Your Word, and served by faithful pastors and church workers who will faithfully minister to us in Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *Grant to us grace, O Lord, that missionaries far and near be protected by Your power and blessed in their service so that many may hear, and hearing, believe in Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *Grant to us grace, O Lord, that those who suffer afflictions of body and mind be delivered according to Your will, sustained by Your presence, and delivered to everlasting life, [especially]. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *Grant to us grace, O Lord, that knowing Your goodness in creation, we use Your gifts wisely and for the benefit of all people and bring to You the tithes and offerings of a grateful heart. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *Grant to us grace, O Lord, to remember those who went before us with the sign of faith and now rest from their labors, and guide us that we faithfully confess Your name until we join them in Your nearer presence forevermore. Lord, in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *Grant to us grace, O Lord, that we find contentment of heart and that we know the riches of Your mercy as our greatest treasure in life and our hope in death. Lord in Your mercy,*
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *Blessed be the kingdom of our God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,*
- C** **Blessed be His kingdom, now and forever, to the end of all the ages!**

LORD'S PRAYER

- P** *O Lord Jesus Christ, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:*
- C** **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.

BENEDICTION

- P** *The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ~~+~~ give you His peace.*
G Amen.

DISMISSAL

- P** *Go in peace! Serve the Lord!*
G Thanks be to God.

CLOSING HYMN "How Shall They Year," Who Have Not Heard LSB 831



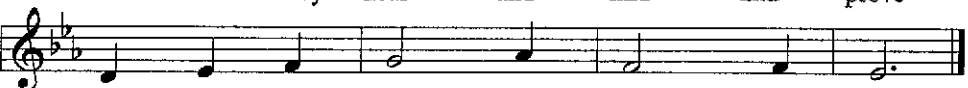
1 "How shall they hear," who have not heard
 2 "To all the world," to ev - 'ry place,
 3 "Whom shall I send?" Who hears the call,
 4 "Lord, here am I:" Your fire im - part
 5 Spir - it of love, with - in us move:



News of a Lord who loved and came;
 Neigh - bors and friends and far - off lands,
 Con - stant in prayer, through toil - and pain,
 To this poor cold self - cen - tered soul;
 Spir - it of truth, in pow'r come down!



Nor known His rec - on - cil - ing word,
 Preach the good news of sav - ing grace;
 Tell - ing of One who died for all,
 Touch but my lips, my hands, my heart,
 So shall they hear and find and prove



Nor learned to trust a Sav - ior's name?
 Go while the great com - mis - sion stands.
 To bring a lost world home a - gain?
 And make a world for Christ my goal.
 Christ is their life, their joy, their crown.

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P ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Birthday: Denton Kemerling]

POSTLUDE

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

by John B. Dykes

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