Milton Lutheran Parish



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Home Devotional- May 24th- 30th

Introduction

When we say God is the triune God, we are saying something about who God is beyond, before, and after the universe: that there is community within God. Our experience of this is reflected in Paul's words today. When we pray to God as Jesus prayed to his Abba (an everyday, intimate parental address), the Spirit prays within us, creating between us and God the same relationship Jesus has with the one who sent him.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Readings and Psalm

Isaiah 6:1-8

Isaiah's vision and call

Psalm 29

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. (Ps. 29:2)

Romans 8:12-17

Living by the Spirit

John 3:1-17

Entering the reign of God through water and the Spirit

Questions for Reflection

- 1. Isaiah believes his unworthiness is also communal. How might his purification affect the community? (Isa 6:1-8)
- 2. How should we put to death bodily deeds while upholding the honor of being an heir of God? (Rom 8:12-17)
- 3. Luther said John 3:16 is the gospel in miniature. What could you add to complete its message?

Pray the Lord's Prayer Together

Bless one another saying:

May God bless you this week and always. AMEN

Resources:

Text and Prayers: Sundaysandseasons.com - Questions- Workingpreacher.org