

SUNDAY, MAY 30, 2021
THE HOLY TRINITY
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9:30 AM

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.

PRELUDE

"Kingsfold"

Robert J. Powell

+ Gathering +

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING HYMN

Come, All You People, ELW 819



U - ya - i - mo - se, ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri;
1 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Most High;
2 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Sav - ior;
3 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Spir - it;



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u - ya - i - mo - se Zvi - no.
come now and wor - ship the Lord.
come now and wor - ship the Lord.
come now and wor - ship the Lord.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

You Are Holy, ELW 525

1*



Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer
You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more



än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.



Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here



väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

2



Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,



du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!



Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!



ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

* May be sung in canon.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

God of heaven and earth,
before the foundation of the universe
and the beginning of time
you are the triune God:

Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom.

Guide us to all truth by your Spirit,
that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed
and rejoice in the glory he shares with us.

Glory and praise to you, Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit,
now and forever.

Amen.

+ **Word** +

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Derek Stienmetz

READING

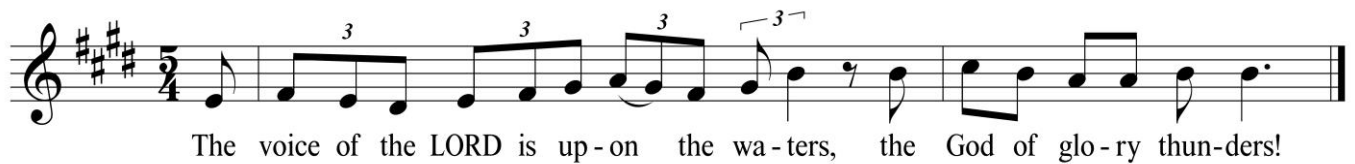
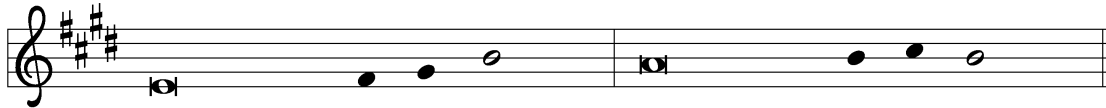
Romans 8:12-17

A reading from Romans.

Siblings, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—¹³for 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. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Antiphon*Psalm Tone*

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- ¹Ascribe to the | LORD, you gods,
ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.
- ²**Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due God's name;
worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.**
- ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of | glory thunders;
the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.
- ⁴**The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;
the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor. *Antiphon***
- ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar trees;
the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;
- ⁶**the LORD makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,
and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.**
- ⁷The voice | of the LORD
bursts forth in | lightning flashes.
- ⁸**The voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh. *Antiphon***
- ⁹The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the | forests bare.
And in the temple of the LORD all are | crying, "Glory!"
- ¹⁰**The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king for- | evermore.**
- ¹¹O LORD, give strength | to your people;
give them, O LORD, the bless- | ings of peace. *Antiphon*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia (Zimbabwe)

1
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

2
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu,

3
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

John 3:1-17

The holy gospel according to John.
Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” ³Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” ⁴Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” ⁵Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

⁹Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” ¹⁰Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

¹¹“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of God. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of God be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶“For God so loved the world that God gave God’s only Child, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷“Indeed, God did not send Jesus into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Allison Bengfort

HYMN OF THE DAY

Come, Join the Dance of Trinity, ELW 412



1 Come, join the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun—
2 Come, see the face of Trin - i - ty, new - born in Beth - le - hem;
3 Come, speak a - loud of Trin - i - ty, as wind and tongues of flame
4 With - in the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun,



the in - ter - weav - ing of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son.
then blood - ied by a crown of thorns out - side Je - ru - sa - lem.
set peo - ple free at Pen - te - cost to tell the Sav - ior's name.
we sing the prais - es of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son.



The u - ni - verse of space and time did not a - rise by chance,
The dance of Trin - i - ty is meant for hu - man flesh and bone;
We know the yoke of sin and death, our necks have worn it smooth;
Let voic - es rise and in - ter - weave, by love and hope set free,



but as the Three, in love and hope, made room with - in their dance.
when fear con - fines the dance in death, God rolls a - way the stone.
go tell the world of weight and woe that we are free to move!
to shape in song this joy, this life: the dance of Trin - i - ty.

Text: Richard Leach, b. 1953

Music: KINGSFOLD, English folk tune

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+ Meal +

OFFERING MUSIC

We give thanks for your ongoing support of the ministry of St. John's! Gifts may be made online at stjohnswilmette.org/give. You may also write a check made out to St. John's Lutheran Church and mail it to 1235 Wilmette Avenue, Wilmette, IL 60091.

"Today I Awake"

John Bell and Graham Maule

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

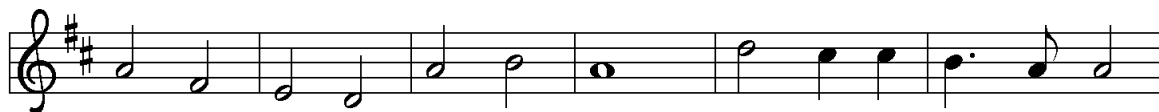
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

**God our Mother, God our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your kin-dom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kin-dom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.
Wellspring of joy,
through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts.
Satisfy the hunger still around us,
and send us as joyful witnesses,
that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

+ Sending +

SENDING HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty, ELW 413



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 - ness 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!



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!

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt.
Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

BLESSING

May our glorious God grant you the freedom
found in the risen Lord Jesus.

God of new life,
Creator, † Christ, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God!

VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR

SERVING TODAY

<i>Preaching & Presiding Minister:</i>	The Rev. Allison Bengfort
<i>Music Director & Organist:</i>	Dr. Robert McConnell
<i>Cantor:</i>	Zachary Kurzenberger
<i>Children's Message:</i>	Derek Stienmetz
<i>Minister of the Word:</i>	Alla Ruz
<i>Virtual Usher:</i>	Luke Rasmussen

IN OUR PRAYERS

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| <p>† The family & friends of Peter Labbe, cousin of Bill Kaspar and former member, who died 5/15/21.</p> <p>† Pastor John Lang, recovering from a stroke</p> <p>† Erik & Mary Kastman, son & daughter-in-law of Ken & Diane Kastman, on the birth of a baby boy</p> <p>† Candace(Witt) & Mike Yurkonis on the birth of a baby girl</p> <p>† Alla Rusz, recovering from surgery.</p> <p>† Frank Ziegler, recovering from eye surgery</p> <p>† Karen Brunn, daughter of Dave & Lyn Brunn, recovering from spinal cord injury</p> <p>† Dana & Alex Salazar, daughter and son-in-law of Millie Burek, on the birth of a baby daughter, Lorena</p> <p>† Family of Judi, sister of Millie Burek, who passed away 2/14/21</p> <p>† Stephen Tschaikowsky, son of Alla Rusz, recovering from surgery</p> <p>† The family of John Genovese, father of Courtney Radde, who died 12/17/20</p> <p>† Barry and Hope Kellman, friends of Diane Kastman, for healing for Barry and comfort for Hope</p> <p>† Jeremiah Allen, student of Stephanie Abudayeh, recovering from injuries after being hit by a car</p> <p>† Norma Adkerson, stepmother of Courtney, diagnosed with COVID</p> <p>† The family of Doris Regan, who died 11/25/20</p> <p>† The family and friends of Carolyn Rasmussen, grandmother of Luke Rasmussen, who died 10/9/20</p> <p>† Art Garcia, friend of Chad Johnson, recovering from a heart attack and pneumonia</p> <p>† Tony & Alissandra Swanson, friends of the Abudayeh family, as they mourn the death of their 7-year-old son</p> <p>† Alan Williams, stepfather of Christi Wise, recovering from surgery</p> <p>† Lani Mill</p> | <p>† The families of Salwa Sous and Kevin Anderson, family members of Stephanie & Elias Abudayeh, as they mourn the loss of their loved ones</p> <p>† Iden Nowlin, friend of the Abudayeh family, recovering from cancer surgery</p> <p>† The family and friends of Pastor Bob Stout, former pastor of the Abudayeh family, who died 9/12/20</p> <p>† Rachel Cordts, recovering from cancer surgery</p> <p>† Cam Wise, for physical and emotional health</p> <p>† The family and friends of Matt Dossa, nephew of Jim Dossa, who died 6/7/20</p> <p>† Sylvia Cushing, cousin of Olga Domchenko, in need of healing</p> <p>† Doug Peters, who died 11/19/20</p> <p>† Linda Bengfort, mother of Pastor Allison, ongoing back pain</p> <p>† Greyson Nester</p> <p>† Margaret (Maggie) Oxland, sister of Lyn Brunn, who died 2/11/21</p> <p>† The family and friends of Marty Anderson, family friend of Dave & Lyn Brunn, who passed away 11/15/20</p> <p>† Ellie Basnik, mother-in-law of Chad Johnson, cancer diagnosis</p> <p>† Gil Basnik, father-in-law of Chad Johnson, in need of healing</p> <p>† The family of Paul Escamilla, friend of Elias & Stephanie Abudayeh</p> <p>† Sydney Johnson, her work</p> <p>† Mark Voosen</p> <p>† Margaux Tauszig, granddaughter of Wolf Peddinghaus</p> <p>† Ed Price, friend of Sarah Rink</p> <p>† Jodi Kretzman, friend of Peter Knobel</p> <p>† Jessica Sandoval, friend of the Radde family</p> <p>† The family and friends of Helene Tadros, Olga Domchenko's sister, who died 4/6/20, and especially for William Sciarrino, Helene's caretaker</p> <p>† Natalie Domchenko & Hilaire Sainson, sister of Olga Domchenko and sister's husband, in need of healing</p> |
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Return to In-Person Worship with Re-gathering Party on June 6th

We are so happy to be returning to in-person worship next weekend! All are invited to join us on Saturday night and Sunday morning for socially-distanced services that include singing and communion. All participants will be required to wear masks in order to keep everyone as safe as possible. As is typical during the summer season, Children’s Church and the nursery will not be available. Instead, children are asked to remain with their household in worship. Following the service on Sunday, June 6th, we will have an outdoor party to celebrate our re-gathering. Hope to see you there!

Video Streaming Project: Honor Your Loved One

As we move back to in-person worship, we would like to continue offering an online option for worshippers who are homebound, out of town, or concerned about COVID. In order offer a high-quality experience for anyone who joins us online, we are installing a new video streaming system that will also record all our services, including baptisms, confirmations, weddings, funerals, etc. The total cost of the project is \$27,000, and we are looking for 30 gifts from family and friends of St. John’s to reach our goal. **Gifts can be made in honor of a loved one, especially loved ones who would have appreciated being able to worship with their church community from home or their hospital bed.** The chart below shows the number of gifts needed at different giving levels. So far, we have received 11 gifts totaling \$8,454, which means we are 31% of the way to our goal! Many thanks to all who have given! To contribute online, [click here](#) and place your gift amount in the box labeled "Video Streaming System." To contribute by mail, please send a check made out to St. John's with "Video Streaming System" printed in the memo line. Be sure to also let us know the name of the loved one you would like to honor. Thank you for your generosity!

# of Gifts Needed	Value of Gift
1	5,000
1	3,000
2	2,000
3	1,500
3	1,000
5	750
4	500
4	300
4	120
3	60
30	27,110

<p>So far, gifts have been made in honor of:</p> <p>The Rev. E.C. Franke Irene Franke Tom Wendel</p>

Hidden Stories of the North Shore Discussion Series & Juneteenth Walk

Healing Everyday Racism in our Schools (HEROS) is hosting a multi-part community event leading up to Juneteenth, an American holiday celebrating the emancipation of those enslaved in the U.S. The multi-part event includes four Zoom conversations designed to raise awareness about the history of race in New Trier neighborhoods, all leading up to a community walk in Winnetka on June 19th (specific location TBA). Register for the Zoom events [here](#).

- Wednesday, June 2, 7-8 pm: Houses of Worship - features Pastor Allison as one of the panelists!
- Wednesday, June 9, 7-8 pm: Education

- Wednesday, June 16, 7-8 pm: Community Action
- Saturday, June 19, 9:00-10:30 am: Community Walk

Wednesday Bible Study

Wednesday Bible is now on break for the summer months. We will resume in September.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY

- 9:15-9:30 AM Children’s Social Time Online
- 9:30 AM Online Worship with Children’s Message
- 10:30-11:00 AM Virtual Coffee Hour

MONDAY

Church Office Closed – Memorial Day

THURSDAY

- 12:00-1:00 PM Men’s Lunch Online

SATURDAY

- 5:00 PM In-Person Contemplative Service

SUNDAY, JUNE 6

- 9:30 AM In-Person Worship with Children’s Message
- 10:30-11:00 AM Re-Gathering Party Outside

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