

8:00AM DIVINE SERVICE

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The Holy Trinity 12 June 2022

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AS WE GATHER

Holy Trinity, a time we commemorate and celebrate, is different than any other recognized time in the Church Year. Unlike Christmas, Easter, or last week's Pentecost, where we rejoice in and reflect upon an action of God for our salvation, Holy Trinity is a time to rejoice in and reflect upon a *doctrine*. We gather around our shared confession of God as we know Him to be in the Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Even in the mystery of things we cannot fully understand or comprehend by our own reason, we trust God's revelation through His Word made known to us of who He is and what He has done, that apart from Him there is no other.

PRELUDE	"Holy, Holy, Holy"	arr. Lani Smith

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN "Glory Be to God the Father"

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+ Service of Preparation +

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION	pg. 184	
INVOCATION (Stand)	Matthew 28:19b; [18-20]	
 In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. 		
EXHORTATION	Hebrews 10:22	

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

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P C	Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.	Psalm 124:8
P C	I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord, and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.	Psalm 32:5

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

CONFESSION OF SINS

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- **C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment.

But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

ABSOLUTION OF SINS

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. John 20:19-23

С Amen.

+ SERVICE of the WORD +

INTROIT

Psalm 16:8-11; antiphon: Liturgical Text

Blessèd be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity. Let us give glory to Him because He has shown His mercy to us.

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I have set the Lord always before me: because He is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure.

For You will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let Your holy one see corruption.

You make known to me the path of life; in Your presence there is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.



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CLOSING HYMN "Holy, Holy, Holy"

POSTLUDE — *NICAEA*

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arr. Noel Rawsthorne

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. 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.
- ▶ 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.
- **C** Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.
- **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.
- ▶ 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.
- **C** Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:
- 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,
- **C** 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.

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

HYMN OF THE DAY "Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest"

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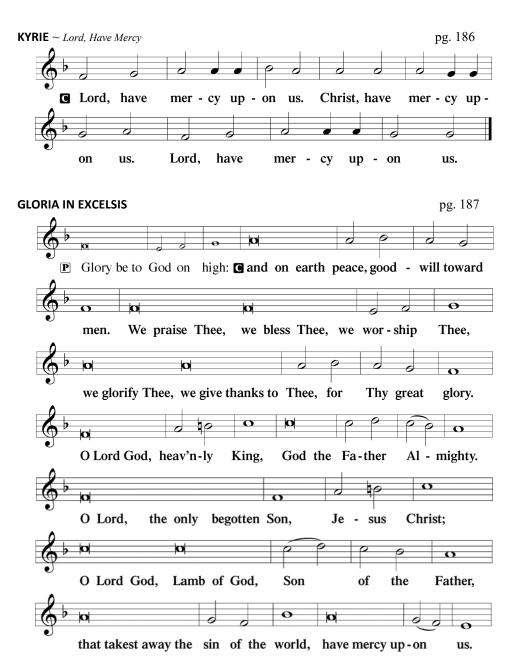
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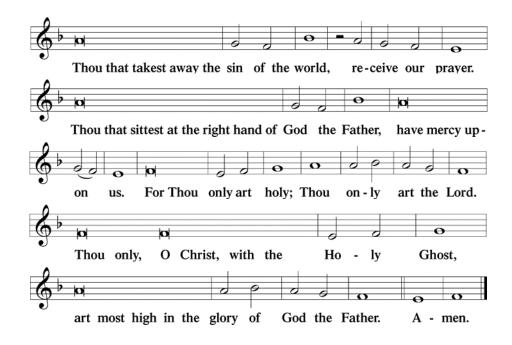
OFFERING — ALL' EHR' UND LOB

George Th. Miles

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Blessèd be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity. Let us give glory to Him because He has shown His mercy to us.





SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

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▶ 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.



OLD TESTAMENT READING (The ble

(The blessings of wisdom)

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

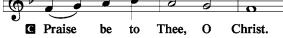
¹Does not wisdom call?

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:

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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
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- ▶ As the more commonly confessed Apostles' and Nicene Creeds were written and doctrinally accepted according to God's Word in defense to the heresies of the time and applicable still today, so also the Athanasian Creed was written and doctrinally accepted to refute false teachings regarding the Scripturally revealed identity and work of the one true God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. As we hold the "catholic faith," the Athanasian Creed refers to "catholic" as the true Church of all times and places who faithfully confess the true Christ as Lord and Savior.
- P 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.
- **C** And the catholic faith is this, that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity,
- **P** neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.
- **C** For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.
- P But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.
- **C** Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:
- 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.
- **C** And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,
- **P** just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinites, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.
- **C** In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;
- **P** and yet there are not three Almighties, but one Almighty.
- 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;
- e 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

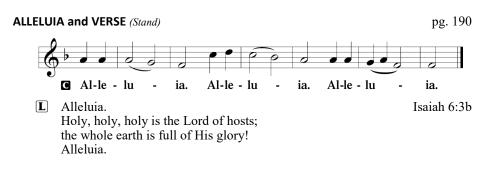
²⁹"Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that He would set one of his descendants on his throne, ³¹He foresaw and spoke 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."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



HOLY GOSPEL

("Before Abraham was, I am.")

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 8th chapter.



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

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

SECOND READING

John 8:48-59

Acts 2:14a, 22-36

(Peter's Pentecost sermon affirming all the Lord's work)

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.'