

The Holy Trinity

May 26, 2024

Lord of Life Lutheran Church, North Pole, AK (907) 488-6720 www.lordoflifeak.com

Assistant Minister = Blue

Welcome! Words in **bold** are said together.

Confession and Forgiveness

Leader: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. Congregation: Amen.

L: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin. (silence for reflection)

L: God, our provider, C: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

L: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from Heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **C: Amen.**

Gathering Song [intro] – Awesome God by Rich Mullins

- When He rolls up His sleeves, He ain't just putting on the ritz (Our God is an awesome God) There's thunder in His footsteps and lightning in His fists (Our God is an awesome God)
- 2. And the Lord wasn't joking when He kicked 'em out of Eden It wasn't for no reason that He shed His blood His return is very close and so you better be believing that our God is an awesome God

Refrain: Our God is an awesome God. He reigns from heaven above with wisdom, power, and love. Our God is an awesome God (sing twice)

- 3. And when the sky was starless in the void of the night (Our God is an awesome God)

 He spoke into the darkness and created the light (Our God is an awesome God)
- 4. Judgment and wrath He poured out on the Sodom Mercy and grace He gave us at the cross I hope that you have not too quickly forgotten that our God is an awesome God (*Refrain x4*)

Ending: Our God is an awesome God (Our God is an awesome God)

He reigns from heaven above (He reigns from heaven above)

With wisdom, power, and love (With wisdom, power, and love)

Our God is an awesome God, our God is an awesome God Our God is an awesome God

Prayer of the Day

Almighty Creator, 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.

Scripture Readings

Isaiah 6:1-8 p. 553

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ²Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." ⁴The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" ⁶Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." ⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

<u>Psalm 29</u> p. 438

¹Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

²Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy splendor.

³The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters.

⁴The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

⁵The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

⁶He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.

⁷The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.

⁸The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

⁹The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

¹⁰The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.

¹¹May the Lord give strength to his people! May the Lord bless his people with peace!

Romans 8:12-17 p. 919

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, 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.

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

<u>John 3:1-17</u> p. 863

Now 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 Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. 17"Indeed, God did not send the Son 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.

Children's Message

Sermon David Ingram

Song of the Day – Holy, Holy, Holy (lyrics on screen)

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of God's People

Each petition ends "Lord, in your mercy," please respond: hear our prayer.

Sharing the Peace — L: The love of God poured into our hearts, the saving grace of Jesus Christ, and the abundant life of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C: And also with you.

Offering

Offering Song – Your Grace is Enough

1. Great is Your faithfulness, oh God. You wrestle with the sinner's heart.

You lead us by still waters into mercy and nothing can keep us apart.

Refrain: So remember Your people, remember Your children
Remember Your promise, oh God.
Your grace is enough, your grace is enough for me.

2. Great is Your love and justice God; You use the weak to lead the strong. You lead us in the song of Your salvation, and all Your people sing along. *Refrain x2*

Final: Your grace is enough, I'm covered in Your love, Your grace is enough for me.

Offering Prayer

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving ELW p. 152

Holy, Holy, Holy ELW p. 108

Christ's Words of Institution and Communion

L: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

Post Communion Prayer

L: Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. C: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

We pray together with confidence the prayer our Lord Jesus taught us to pray,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom 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 kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Announcements

- Got computer knowledge? we need to get the worship computer to read a DVD and create detailed instructions
- New Member classes Sundays 9:30-10am before worship
- Please check church mailboxes; contact the office if you need one
- Coming up: June 9 Lord of Life spring Clean Up Day; June 24 Bishop Shelley's retirement potluck @ Kincaid Chalet

Closing Song – America the Beautiful (O Beautiful for Spacious Skies #888)

 O beautiful, for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain, for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain: America! America! God shed his grace on thee, and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

- 2. O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife, who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life: America! America! May God thy gold refine, till all success be nobleness and ev'ry gain divine.
- 3. O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears: America! America! God mend thine ev'ry flaw, confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

Blessing

L: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever. C: Amen.

Dismissal

L: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. C: Thanks be to God!

Special Thanks to...

Assistant Minister, Brenda Sadler
Video,
Usher(s),
Communion Prep, Margi Ungrodt
Greeter(s),
Reader, John Warnke
PowerPoint,
Acolyte,
Fellowship,

Birthdays & Anniversaries...

5-26 Barb Thoma

5-30 Michelle & Kevin Powers

All music used with permission, CCLI #1899551-A and ONE License #733900-A