

# **The Holy Trinity** June 15, 2025

WELCOME! We are blessed to worship with you today!

If you are visiting, we are delighted that you're here. If you have any questions, please ask anyone near you. To find out everything going on at St. Paul's, visit <u>www.stpaulsokc.com</u>.

**SERVING TODAY:** 

Reader: Tom Todd

Ushers: Robert Adair, Russ Bainbridge, Brandon Carey, Steve Krause,

Benji Sitton & Kenrick Veit

Children's Message: Romi Behrens Altar Guild: Susi Laflin

Communion Assistants: Susi Laflin, Linda Allison, Ann Caine, Luke Green, Ann Lawton,

Abby Moeller & Tom Todd

Video assistant: Tracy Caine

Acolyte & Crucifer: Maelee & Evelyn Moeller

**PRELUDE:** Ron Wallace

#### **BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your Holy Name, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.** 

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. (Pause for silent reflection) Gracious God,

Have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned away from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion, forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may serve you in the newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

God who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together in Christ. By grace we have been saved and in the name of Christ your sins are forgiven. **Amen.** 

**OPENING HYMN:** #413 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty v 1, 3 & 4

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, Though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see, Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.



Let us pray. God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe 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, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. *Amen*.

### FIRST READING Prov 8:1-4, 22-31

8 Does not wisdom call and understanding raise her voice?

<sup>2</sup> On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand;

<sup>3</sup> beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out:

4 "To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all who live.

22 "The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago.

<sup>23</sup> Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

<sup>24</sup> When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water.

<sup>25</sup> Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth, <sup>26</sup> when he had not yet made earth and fields or the world's first bits of soil.

<sup>27</sup> When he established the heavens, I was there; when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,

<sup>28</sup> when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep,

- <sup>29</sup> when 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,
- <sup>30</sup> then I was beside him, like a master worker, and I was daily his delight, playing before him always, <sup>31</sup> playing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.

PSALM 8

<sup>1</sup>O LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!—

<sup>2</sup>you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children;

you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe | and avenger.

<sup>3</sup>When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

<sup>4</sup>what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,

human beings that you should | care for them?

<sup>5</sup>Yet you have made them little less than divine;

with glory and honor you crown them.

<sup>6</sup>You have made them rule over the works of your hands;

you have put all things under their feet:

<sup>7</sup>all flocks and cattle,

even the wild beasts of the field, 8the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,

and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

<sup>9</sup>O LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

#### **SECOND READING** Romans 5:1-5

5 Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup>through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia!

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord

GOSPEL READING John 16:12-15

<sup>12</sup> "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SPECIAL MUSIC MESSAGE Romi Behrens Draw Near to the Lord Pastor Stefanie Rowinski

**SPLC Adult Choir** 

**HYMN** #408

Come Thou Almighty King

Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing; help us to praise; Father all glorious, o'er all victorious, come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, thou incarnate Word, merciful, mighty Lord; our prayer attend. Come and thy people bless, and give thy word success, and let thy righteousness on us descend.

Come, holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour! Thou who almighty art, rule now in ev'ry heart, never from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be hence evermore! Thy sov'reign majesty may we glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

#### **Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake, he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. AMEN.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We come boldly to the throne of grace, praying to the almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit for mercy and grace.

We gather before your throne in heaven.

Father of heaven, whose love profound a ransom for our souls has found: We pray for the world, created by your love, for its nations and governments (*pray for the world and the nations*) Extend to them your peace, justice, and pardoning love.

We trust in your mercy and grace.

Almighty Son, incarnate Word, our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord: We pray for the Church, created for your glory, for its ministry to reflect your works (*pray for St. Paul's and churches everywhere*) Extend to us your salvation, growth, mercy and grace.

We trust in your mercy and grace.

Eternal Spirit, by whose breath the soul is raised from sin and death: We pray for families and individuals, created in your image, for the lonely, the bereaved, the sick and the dying (*pray for those in need or distress*). Breathe on them the breath of life.

We trust in your mercy and grace.

Thrice holy! Father, Špirit, Son, Mysterious Godhead, Three in One: We pray for ourselves, for your Church, for all whom we remember before you (*lift your personal needs and thanksgiving to God*). Bring us all share in your unity and love, to receive life and pardon, mercy and grace for all eternity, as we worship you, saying,

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your

glory. Hosanna in the highest. Amen.

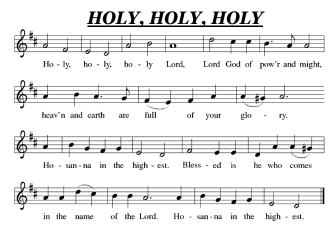
#### **COMMUNION**

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 him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to the glory of your Name:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to all of them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

...By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.** 

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. AMEN

#### **DISTRIBUTION OF ELEMENTS**

Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

#### THE BLESSING

May the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life. Amen.

## **POSTLUDE Ron Wallace SENDING**

Go in Peace. Share the good news. Thanks be to God.

Please note there is no offertory during service, our offering plates are located at the back of the sanctuary, or you can give online using the link on our website, <u>www.stpaulsokc.com</u>.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

"BACK FORTY" PREP WORK "PARTY"
Our fencing across the back of the property is in need of replacement. We will be removing the brush, old fencing and "Volunteer" trees. Most help would be moving brush to the pile or loading the dumpster. So find your work gloves and sunscreen and come out for a "fun time". Due to safety concerns, no children under 15 years old. We plan on working 4-5 hours each Saturday, June 21 and 28th.

#### **USHERS NEEDED**

We are looking for a few more people to join our usher team! Please contact Luke Green if you are interested in helping out Sunday mornings!

#### **JUNE ACTIVITIES**

**6/15-** Worship 6/18- WOW- Leonardo's

**6/22-** Worship **6/25-** WOW- Jasmine Moran

6/28-29- HS Mission Trip Lake Retreat

**6/29-** Worship