THE HOLY TRINITY

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IN OUR PRAYERS we remember: Marcia Neelly and Beverly Baker

ORDER OF WORSHIP: Order of Service Hymns 802 507 953

THIS WEEK AT PEACE AND ENGLISH:

TODAY11:30 a.m. Confirmation MeetingJune 128:30 a.m. Worship at EnglishJune 1210:15 a.m. Worship at PeaceJune 1410:00 a.m. Bible Study ClassJune 146:30 p.m. Bible Study at EnglishJune 15Noon Bible Study ClassJune 18No 9:00 a.m. Women's Prayer Group

HYMN OF THE DAY: Today is Trinity Sunday, the day of the church year where we remember what makes the Christian faith distinctive, the Holy Trinity. The doctrine of the Trinity is the entirety of the Christian faith. Our sermon hymn, *We All Believe in One True God*, helps us to confess the truth of who God is. In verse one, we confess our faith in the Father as the one who upholds all creation and loves all that he has made. In verse two, we confess our faith in Christ, who won salvation for us. In verse three, we confess our faith in the Holy Spirit who sustains and comforts us in all trials, fears, and needs. We observe Trinity Sunday because this day reminds us of the deep truths of what we believe.

A WORD: Our Old Testament lesson presents the wisdom of God as someone who stood by God's side at creation. In our epistle lesson, we learn the truth of what the Old Testament could only hint at. Jesus is the Word of God and the Wisdom of God, the one who stood at the Father's side at the beginning of creation. All things were made through him and for him.

The Gospel lesson reveals to us that Jesus is true God. He is the "I am" that existed before Abraham was born. He is the one whose true father is God. It is also his word that gives life, because anyone who keeps his word will never see death. Though that person should die in this life, he will be raised on the last day to eternal life.

BIBLE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Isaiah 65:1-9 Galatians 3:23-4:7 Luke 8:26-39

ABOUT THE BULLETIN COVER: There is no one like our God, who has been revealed to us as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—one God, three persons. This we know and confess with the whole Church. Though our words about God are limited in terms of explanation, they abound in words of praise, which is doxology. We praise Him for what we know with certainty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God in three persons has created, redeemed, and sanctified us. Holy, holy, holy!

FROM THE PASTOR: Good morning. I would like to give everyone an update as to my goals for Peace over the next year. There are three projects, each of which depends on participation from Peace. First, I would like to reform confirmation before we resume classes in the fall. If you are interested in hearing more about that, please attend the confirmation meetings. Second, we need to reorganize our service teams. Finally, I will be working with the musicians and choir directors at Peace to improve the music of our services, adding more sung elements from our historic liturgy and incorporating special music. If you have any questions, please ask me. If you would like to get involved, check the calendar for meetings. I look forward to what God will do in us and for us over the next year.

THANK YOU: I would like to thank everyone for their contribution for another successful VBS! It truly takes all of us to make it work and am thankful for each of you. The students were able to spend quality time together learning about Jesus and the 'impossible' things he did. Thank you again, it means a lot! **Natalie Larson**

FELLOWSHIP: All members of Peace and English are invited to the Fellowship Hall following services on June 19th for cookies and coffee to celebrate the baptism of John Denton and Pastor Alex's 30th birthday. We hope to see you there! **Ashlie Sloter**

PICNIC AT THE PARSONAGE: Ashlie and I so enjoyed hosting at the parsonage last year that we plan to do it again. We will be hosting Picnic at the Parsonage the last Saturdays of June, July, and August at 5:30. There is a signup sheet for the June picnic in the fellowship hall. We look forward to seeing you there.

SERVICE TEAMS: One of my goals over the summer is to meet with every service team at Peace to learn what it is they do, why it is valuable, and how we can encourage more people to offer service to God in the church. I have scheduled an initial meeting to follow the service on July 17. I would like at least one member of every service team to plan on attending, ushers, altar guild, choir, Sunday School teachers, etc. Thanks! – **Pastor Alex**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Peace Lutheran will be delivering Meals on Wheels June 20-24 and June 27-July 1. If you are able to help with this project, please contact Lois Baatz at 472-3076.

CONFIRMATION: As announced at the last voter's meeting, I am rethinking how to do confirmation. But this task is simply too big, too important, and too meaningful in the life of the church for me to do it alone. Therefore, I am asking everyone at Peace to get involved. We will have two more forums over the summer to discuss the purpose of confirmation and how to do it better. We will meet after church today, June 12, and July 10. If you are a leader in the church, a parent of a confirmation age child, or passionate about forming faith in the next generation, you are invited and encouraged to come. **Pastor Alex**

ALTAR COMMITTEES: Altar Committee for June at Peace is Viola McKenney and Michelle Stewart and at English it is Wanda Wulf.

THIS MONTH Daughters of Peace will collect toilet paper, napkins, facial tissue, wet-ones, handiwipes, etc. for Atlas. Thank you all for your support in our monthly projects.

USHERING TODAY is Team 4: Wayne Ranschau, Brad Vogel, Gary Delfs, Marv Flier, Wayne Jepsen, John Schulte **Next Sunday is Team 5**: Lloyd Lupkes, Lowell Fick, Steve Wallenburg, Jeff Folkens, Adam Schwartze, Steve Anderson, Roger Baatz

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

HYMN 802: IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE

- \mathbf{P} In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- 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.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **G** who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Brief Silence for Inward Confession)

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- 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.
- 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.
- C 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.

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.
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.
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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.

P 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. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

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

GRADUAL

Romans 10:8b. 10

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart, **the word of faith that we proclaim.** For with the heart one believes and is justified,

and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

SECOND READING

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

Acts 2:14a, 22-36

VERSE

Alleluia. Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory! Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

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

Glory to You, O Lord.

After the Reading

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

 I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

> And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN 507: HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

SERMON

OFFERTORY

Isaiah 6:3b

John 8:48-59

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

BENEDICTION

- The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.
- C Amen.

HYMN 953: WE ALL BELIEVE IN ONE TRUE GOD

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