



Calvary Lutheran Church  
Confirmation Sunday  
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# TRINITY SUNDAY

June 4, 2023  
9:30 a.m.

## INTRODUCTION

*"O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!" Today we celebrate the name of God: holy blessed Trinity. There is no other day quite like this one in the church's year. There is no other god like ours. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!*

## PRELUDE

## WORDS OF WELCOME

## CALL TO WORSHIP *(face entrance of the church please)*

**P** On this Holy Trinity Sunday we gather in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit,

**C** Amen

**P** May the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad as we worship God our Creator this day.

**C** May God the Savior bless us with forgiveness and strength.

**P** Come Holy Spirit, as we gather in this place for Word and Sacrament. Bless our five confirmands as they affirm their baptism today

**C** Amen! Amen!

## ↑ PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Come, Join the Dance of the Trinity”

ELW #412

### GREETING

**P** From God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, grace and peace be with you all.

**C** And also with you.

### SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** 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, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

↓ <b>FIRST READING: Psalm 8</b> <i>(done responsively)</i>
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**A** A READING FROM PSALM THE 8<sup>TH</sup> CHAPTER

<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? R**

<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,

<sup>8</sup>the birds of the air, the fish<sup>1</sup> of the sea,  
and whatever passes along the paths<sup>1</sup> of the sea.

<sup>9</sup>O<sup>1</sup> LORD our Lord,  
how majestic is your name in<sup>1</sup> all the earth! **R**

**A** THE WORD OF THE LORD.

**C** Thanks be to God.

↓ **SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13**

**A** A READING FROM 2 CORINTHIANS THE 13<sup>TH</sup> CHAPTER

[Paul writes:] <sup>11</sup>Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. <sup>12</sup>Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

<sup>13</sup>The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

↑ **GOSPEL VERSE**

*Congregation:*

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we  
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal  
life. Al - le - lu - ia! *Repeat optional*

↓ <b>GOSPEL: Matthew 28:16-20</b>
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**P** THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. MATTHEW THE 28<sup>TH</sup> CHAPTER

**C** Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>16</sup>Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. <sup>17</sup>When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup>And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup>Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup>and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

**P** THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.

**C** Praise to you, O Christ.

## SERMON

### ↑HYMN OF THE DAY

**“Womb of Life and Source of Being”**

*ACS #948*

*(to the melody of Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee)*

## AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM, P. 234

### THE PRAYERS

**A** Trusting in God’s abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need.

*A brief silence.*

**A** Holy three, holy one, you call the church to make disciples of all nations. Encourage bishops, pastors, and deacons in their proclamation of the gospel and direct all the baptized into lives of humble service. God, in your mercy,

**C** Hear our prayer.

**A** Holy three, holy one, you spoke creation into being and called it good. Protect lands and waters threatened by human misuse and sustain living creatures of every kind: wild animals, birds, fish, and every creeping thing. God, in your mercy,

**C** Hear our prayer.

**A** Holy three, holy one, you have given humankind authority over the earth. Raise up leaders who listen earnestly, speak honestly, and govern thoughtfully. Heal divisions between nations, that we might agree with one another and live in peace. God, in your mercy,

**C** Hear our prayer.

**A** Holy three, holy one, you promise to be with us always, to the end of the age. Surround those most in need of your healing presence: any who are lonely, all who are grieving, and those who are sick (*especially*) **Russell Dawson, Emily Freely, Joanne Paras, Dick Peterson, Mabel Rapp, Nisha Ribardo, Carl Swenson and Carolyn Swenson** and those we name aloud, and in our hearts (*pause*). We also pray today, Lord for those struggling with mental health issues and persons facing abuse. God, in your mercy,

**C** Hear our prayer.

**A** Holy three, holy one, you set the earth on its axis, and we experience the seasons. Strengthen those enduring challenges this summer: those who suffer in the heat, parents overwhelmed by childcare responsibilities, and children experiencing food insecurity outside of school. God, in your mercy,

**C** Hear our prayer.

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

**P** Holy three, holy one, you give rest when our work is done. We give thanks for all the saints who now rest in you, confident in the promise of resurrection life in the age to come. God, in your mercy,

**C** Hear our prayer.

**P** Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ.

**C** Amen.

## ⇌PEACE

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us share the peace.

## ↓ OFFERING

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

**A** God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** Amen.

### GREAT THANKSGIVING

1991 Supplement

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff is for the Presider, and the second is for the Congregation. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise." The score includes a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 4/4. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words split across lines. The Congregation parts are marked with "Congregation:" above the staff.

*Presider:* The Lord be with you. And al - so with

*Congregation:* you. Lift up your hearts. We

*Presider:* lift them to the Lord. Let us give

*Congregation:* thanks to the Lord our God. It is

right to give God thanks and praise.



## PROPER PREFACE

**P** It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God. You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

1991 Supplement

*Congregation:*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and

might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the

One who comes in your name. Ho - san - na in the

high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.  
Your mercy is everlasting  
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.  
Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.  
Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.  
Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness  
to the land of milk and honey.  
Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.  
Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.  
Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup  
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

O God of resurrection and new life:  
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us  
and on these gifts of bread and wine.  
Bless this feast.  
Grace our table with your presence.  
**Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.  
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.  
Breathe new life into us.  
Send us forth,  
burning with justice, peace, and love.  
**Come, Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places,  
with the earth and all its creatures,  
with sun and moon and stars,  
we praise you, O God,  
blessed and holy Trinity,  
now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is 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.**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**P** All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good  
**C** Amen.

## ↓ DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*In Christian fellowship you are welcome to the Lord's table. Come forward by the center aisle to receive the host and wine. (The pulpit side of the congregation communes first). If you prefer grape juice, the cups in the center of the tray are filled with juice. Wine is on the outside. Return to your pew using the side aisle after you have communed. Children are encouraged to come forward to receive a blessing.*

## AGNUS DEI

1991 Supplement

*Congregation:*      *Congregation or Assistant:*



Lamb of God,      you take a - way the sin of the  
you broke the bonds of sin and of

*Congregation:*



world:  
death:      have mer - cy on us,      mer - cy on us,

*Congregation:*      *Congregation or Assistant:*



mer - cy on us.      Lamb of God, you

*Congregation:*



take a - way the sins of the world:      grant us peace,



grant us peace,      grant us peace.

## HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

**“Holy God, We Praise Your Name”**

*ELW #414*

**“Come, Thou Almighty King”**

*ELW #408*

## POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

**P** The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C** Amen

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

**P** Lord God of our ancestors, we thank you for feeding us at your holy table. As this service closes, we thank you for what you have done and will continue to do with our daughters and sons. Walk with them in life, and keep the evil one from obstructing their path. You see all; you know where the water is deep. Keep them from danger. Order their steps and guide their feet while they run the race of faith. May the good work that you have begun in them be brought to completion at the day of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray.

**C** Amen.

## BLESSING

**P** The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed  
✠ bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

**C** Amen.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ↑ SENDING HYMN

**“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!”**

*ELW #413*

## DISMISSAL

**A** Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

### *Prayers for the homebound*

✝ Pray for our elderly members who are unable to attend worship and help us to minister to them faithfully especially Meta Brockmann, June Kaiser, Jean Kissack, Eddie Leicht, Nancy Leicht, Rocky Metroka, Fred Miller, Helene Miller and Chuck Sherrick.

### *Prayers for the military*

✝ Protect and comfort our servicemen and women as they stand in harm's way (*especially*), Steven Bobrowski, Jeff Hill and Phillip Spatz. We pray for families and countries in conflict throughout the world.



*God's Love*  
has been  
poured  
into our  
*Hearts*



through the  
*Holy Spirit*  
that has been  
given to us.

*Romans 5:5, NRSV*