

Our Savior Lutheran Church Holy Trinity Sunday - June 4, 2023 9:00 a.m. Worship Service

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer Concerns

Sharing of the Peace

Call to Worship

A: When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established;

C: what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?

A: Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor.

C: You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet, O Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Gathering Hymn - Holy God, We Praise Your Name - ELW #414

Invocation

L: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

C: Amen.

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection and thanksgiving.

L: Merciful God,

All: we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

L: Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of +Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven. We are free to love as God loves.

C: Amen.

Greeting

L: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Litany for Trinity Sunday

L: Lord God, Creator of all; you created us to be your People; a people free to love and to serve you with all our minds, with all our hearts and with all our strength.

C: So, we come to worship our God, leaving behind all that binds us: our doubts and our fears; our darkness and our hopelessness.

L: Lord Jesus Christ, Savior of all: you came as a child, gathered into the loving embrace of a family. As an adult, you shared love, laughter and tears with those whom you knew as friends and the love of the Father with all who would receive it.

C: So, we come to love and to honor you, celebrating the companionship of those you have called to be your disciples.

L: Gracious Spirit, Inspirer of all; brooding over us gathered here; eternally breathing Life into all of creation; endlessly giving, endlessly comforting.

C: So, we come to be still in your presence; to hear in the silence the whisper of God breathing life into our souls; deepening our unity in the very life of God.

Hymn of Praise - Come, Join the Dance of Trinity - ELW #412

Prayer of the Day

A: God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God:

C: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom.

A: Guide us to all truth by your Spirit,

C: that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us.

A: Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

C: now and forever. Amen.

The Word

First Reading: Genesis 1:1-2:4a

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.

³Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." ⁷So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. ¹²The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. ¹⁶God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." ²¹So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. ²⁵God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." ²⁷So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. ²⁸God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth."

²⁹God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so.

³¹God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. ²And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done.

³So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

⁴These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8

¹O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.

²Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger.

³When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established;

⁴what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?

⁵Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor.

⁶You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet,

⁷all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field,

8the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

⁹O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

¹¹Finally, 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. ¹²Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. ¹³The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. Glory to you, O Lord.

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

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

Message – Tim Leitner, SAM

https://youtu.be/mEj9zOVgfLE

Hymn of the Day - Father Most Holy - ELW #415

The Apostles' 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 holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Petition for God's Church – Lord listen:

C: Lord, listen to Your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place;

Lord, listen to Your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.

Petition for God's Creation – Lord listen:

C: Lord, listen to Your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place;

Lord, listen to Your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.

Petition for God's Help – Lord listen:

C: Lord, listen to Your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place;

Lord, listen to Your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.

Petition for God's Guidance and Strength – Lord listen:

C: Lord, listen to Your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place;

Lord, listen to Your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.

Offering

Offertory Hymn - Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful- ELW #182

Offertory Prayer

A: God of abundance:

C: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all,

A: in the name of Jesus.

C: Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

L: In the beginning there was only God: the Creator dreamed, giving birth to a vision; the Word spoke, calling the universe into being; the Breath swept through all things, bringing life.

C: Breathe on us, O Breath of God. Give us the promise of life through Christ Jesus our Lord.

L: In the beginning, O God, there was only you. Be our guide, our hope and our joy. As you led your people Israel, as you led Sara and Abraham, Jacob and Isaac, Moses and David, Mary and Joseph, lead us.

C: Breathe on us, O Breath of God. Send us your light, our hope and our salvation. Send us your Son, Jesus.

L: In the beginning, O God, there was only you: Creator, Word and Breath. And from that beginning we see our birth. From that beginning we see our source of life.

C: Come loving Parent. Come Lord Jesus. Come Holy Spirit. Come to us now.

L: For the promise of our salvation, the ember of life still burning, is Christ Jesus who comes as one of us, who comes to save us, who sends us the fire of your Spirit, who comes to lead us into the light.

C: Stay with us loving God. Stay with us Lord Jesus. Stay with us Holy Spirit. Be with us now.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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.

Communion Distribution

Post Communion Blessing

L: Now may the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

C: Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

A: Life-giving God,

C: through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friends and stranger, that all may come to know your love.

A: This we pray in the name of Jesus.

C: Amen.

Benediction

L: The God of peace, Father, +Son and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn - Rise, Shine, You People! - ELW #665

Dismissal:

A: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude