

The Holy Trinity, year A

June 7, 2020 + Mount Olive Lutheran Church



Focus on the Season: The Holy Trinity, year A

Today's second reading includes the apostolic greeting that begins the liturgy: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Here the Triune God is described through God's work in the world and in the Church. More than a doctrine, the Trinity expresses the heart of our faith: we have experienced the God of creation made known in Jesus Christ, and with us always through the Holy Spirit. The Triune God is interwoven into the creation and in the lives of all people, and as Christ we are sent into the world to bear witness to our faith.

Everything for worship is included in one video. You may wish to print these pages before worship, as it would be helpful to have an order of service to follow along in the home.



Centering and Gathering

*Light your candle. **Start the video by clicking here**; it will continue through the Postlude.*

PRELUDE: Prelude in E-flat Major (The Trinity), BWV 552 J. S. Bach
Recorded on the Sunday of the Holy Trinity, year C, June 16, 2019.

ENTRANCE HYMNS: ELW 409, "Kyrie, God Father in Heaven Above"
ELW 410, "All Glory Be To God on High"
Sung at Mount Olive on the Sunday of the Holy Trinity, year C, June 16, 2019.

Word

GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY *(Apostolic greeting is on the video)*

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.
Amen

COLLECT FOR THIS TIME IN OUR LIVES AND OUR CITY AND OUR WORLD

Almighty God, in penitence we come before you, acknowledging the sin that is within us and in our society, where so many of your children are killed and oppressed because of the color of their skin. Give clarity of vision to us, to our city, to our nation, in this time of need. Open our ears to hear your voice and to hear the cries of your children. Open our hearts to obey your will, that true justice and wisdom may abound. Open our hands that violent resolution of conflict may cease, and all your children may breathe freely with justice in our city and in our world. We pray in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, whose face we see in our neighbors in pain. Amen

FIRST READING: Genesis 1:1 – 2:4; reader – Amy Thompson, lector

1 In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ² the 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. ³ Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶ And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” ⁷ So 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. ⁸ God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹ And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. ¹⁰ God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹ Then 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. ¹² The 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. ¹³ And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

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

²⁰ And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” ²¹ So 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. ²² God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” ²³ And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴ And 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. ²⁵ God 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. ²⁶ Then 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.”

²⁷ So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. ²⁸ God 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.” ²⁹ God 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. ³⁰ And 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. ³¹ God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

2 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. ² And 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. ³ So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. ⁴ These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

PSALM: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Sing along with the leaders in the video; the tone is there.

Recorded Holy Trinity Sunday, year A, June 11, 2017

Refrain: How majestic is your name in all the earth!

O | LORD our Lord, * how majestic is your name in | all the earth!—

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.
When I consider your heavens, the work | of your fingers, *
the moon and the stars you have set | in their courses,
what are mere mortals that you should be mind- | ful of them, *
human beings that you should | care for them?
Yet you have made them little less | than divine; * with glory and hon- | or you crown them.
You have made them rule over the works | of your hands; * you have put all things un- | der their
feet:
all | flocks and cattle, * even the wild beasts | of the field,
the birds of the air, the fish | of the sea, * and whatever passes along the paths | of the sea.
O | LORD our Lord, * how majestic is your name | in all the earth!
Refrain: How majestic is your name in all the earth!

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; reader – assisting minister Kathy Thurston

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

GRADUAL HYMN: ELW 413, “Holy, Holy, Holy”

Stanzas 1, 2 sung before reading; stanzas 3, 4 following the reading

Sung at Mount Olive on the Sunday of Holy Trinity, year A, June 11, 2017.

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 28:16-20

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

SERMON

Always

Vicar Bristol Reading

Silence for reflection

HYMN: ELW 412, “Come Join the Dance the Dance of Trinity”

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INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

*Our Assisting Minister for today, Kathy Thurston, has prepared intercessory prayers for us to pray this morning. As our prayers rise up from all over the metro area and beyond, once more we are joined together in Christ. (Our weekly prayer list is on the last page.) Response: **Hear our prayer.***

PEACE *Please greet one another with Christ's peace.*

OFFERING

There are ways to continue to give of your gifts to our shared work at Mount Olive during this time apart. The Olive Branch has suggested ways both electronic and by mail. See:

<https://www.mountolivechurch.org/resources/olive-branch-newsletter/>

Sending

LORD'S PRAYER AND BLESSING

Pray the Lord's Prayer together. The benediction is on the video. Response: Amen

HYMN: ELW 414, "Holy God We Praise Your Name"

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DISMISSAL *Someone may lead the dismissal for the others:*

☞ Go in peace to love and serve as Christ.

☞ **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE: Fugue in E-flat Major (St. Anne), BWV 552

J. S. Bach



In Our Prayers

• Please pray throughout the week for the following persons: Dan Adams; Joe & Elizabeth Beissel; Julie Erlandson; Nancy Flatgard; Victor Gebauer; Leanna Kloempken; Mary Lee; Kandi Jo Nelson; Jerry Ostlund; Pariann Schenk; Sue Ellen Zagrabelny; Jodi Royce, daughter of Dan & Julia Adams and daughter-in-law of Evelyn Royce; Kjell Thompson, Reba Zumberge, relatives of Nancy Anderson; Danna Nelson, Jacques, friends of Jim Bargmann; Tom McCarr, friend of Keith Bartz; Bill Hatten, Arthur Kaemmer, friend of David Bryce; Nancy Stelling, friend of Marcia & Dan Burow; Lela Frazier, sister of Irene Campbell; David & Ellen White, brother-in-law and sister of Allen Dundek; Greg Eklund, son of Harry & Jeanette Eklund; Kinndlee Lund, pastor of King of Glory Lutheran Church, Fountain Valley, CA, friend of Beth Gaede; Susan Bary, friend of Judy Graves; Dolores & David G. Gutierrez, Sr., Chris and David Gutierrez, Jr., parents and brothers of Consuelo Gutierrez-Crosby; Carol Halter (missionary in Hong Kong), friend of Eunice Hafemeister; Tami Huisinga, relative of Wes Huisinga; Craig Cunningham, brother-in-law of Brian Jacobs; Asher Strong, friend of Gene Janssen; Donald Johnson, father of Nicholas Johnson; Nicole Sanders and Ann Clark, daughter and friend of Mary Rose Kaliher; Toccata on "O Day Full of Grace" Danielle Pitzen, friend of Ellen Kormanik; Barbara Dahl, sister of Carla Manuel; Dani Olson, Harper Linqvist, Steve Camper, relatives and friend of Julie Manuel; Jan McCuen, mother of Matt McCuen; Mark, Lawanda, and Ramiyah Dean, friends of Matt McCuen & Katie Krueger; Martha & Dennis Johnson, sister and brother-in-law of Rhoda Nelson and aunt and uncle of Sherry Nelson; Janet Freeburg, friend of Lisa Nordeen; Michael Waechter, friend of Rod & Connie Olson; Kathleen Austad, sister of Jerry Ostlund; Jay Heffern, friend of Gary Pagel; Todd Erickson, friend of Jean & Doug Parish; Gloria Johnson, mother of Doug Parish; Becky Steinert, friend of Cynthia Prosek; Rudd Rayfield, Jolie Meshbesh Hassler, Katelyn Bowden, Cindy Williams, father and friends of Robin Rayfield; Richard Reyer, father of Chuck Reyer; Leila Jeffers, mother of Lynn and Lisa Ruff; Scott Kingman, father of Anna Scott; Carrie, friend of Paul & Melissa Stone; Norlene Bateman, aunt of Ted Thompson; Jennifer Kobylinski, cousin of Kathy Thurston; David Duran, friend of Kevin Vazquez; Andrew Weichman, Lydia Wiechman, Levi Boswell, son, mother-in-law, and nephew of Grace Wiechman; BJ Wilkes, Joshua Wilkes, Julius Underwood, and Lonnell Wilkes, son,

nephew, grandson and brother of James Wilkes; Becky Groska, Trisha Niemi-Haapoja, Diane Ristrom, Cathy Reid, Karen Swanson, Patrick Clark, Annie Hose-Ryan, Marcia Van Gorden, friends of Sue Ellen Zagrabelny; Anne-Marie Lundberg, cousin of Eric Zander; Judy Bonnes, Jan Harper (spouse of former Mount Olive vicar, the late Jean Hay); Barbara C. Johnson, friends of Mount Olive.

- **Prayers for all in the health care system here and around the world** who put their lives at risk to care for those infected with COVID 19 and caring for all others who are ill as well.
- **Our continual prayers are offered for peace:** We pray for all of the world's governments, leaders and peoples, especially for those who work overseas toward peace: Solveig & Philip, daughter and son-in-law of Karen Johnson; and Tyson Crosby, relative of the Crosby family.