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May 30, 2021 Trinity Sunday **Service Notes:** - The following psalms in the front of the hymnal (page 64f) will aid you in your meditation before receiving the Lord's Supper: Psalms 34, 42-43, 51, 84, 116, 150. Prayers for preparation for worship are on pages 10 and 11 in the hymnal. A form for preparation for Communion is on page 156.

- Please sign the friendship registry in the pews before the service or during the offering. If you have a prayer request or would like Pastor Schaefer to visit or call you, please note your request.

Holy Communion will be celebrated today. Our guests are kindly asked to note that it is our practice to first become a member of our communion fellowship before communing with us. Please speak to our pastor about becoming a member of our communion fellowship. Please note: Guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has changed. Their guidance for fully vaccinated persons is that masks are not necessary indoors or outdoors. When you attend church (as an individual) you may choose to wear or not wear a mask. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Schaefer (734)658-5735 directly.

THE COMMON SERVICE (page 15)

OPENING HYMN: #181 "Come, Oh, Come, Life-Giving

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Come, Oh, Come, Life-Giving Spirit



Text: Heinrich Held, 1620-59, abr.; tr. Charles W. Schaeffer, 1813-96, alt.

Tune: KOMM, O KOMM, DU GEIST DES LEBENS (87 87 77) Neu-vermehrtes . . . Gesangbuch, 3rd ed., Meiningen,

1693, alt.

M: In the name of the Father and of (+) the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

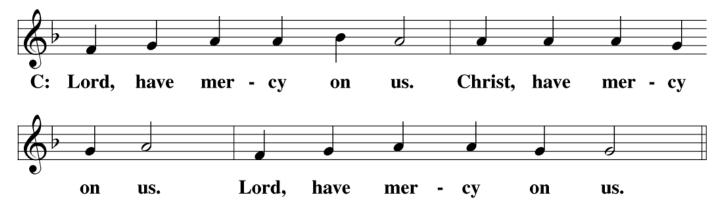


CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

LORD, HAVE MERCY (Kyrie)



M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his

authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.





PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Let us pray.

Almighty God and Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, filling and renewing all creation by your eternal Spirit, and manifesting your saving grace through our Lord Jesus Christ: in mercy cleanse our hearts and lips that, free from doubt and fear, we may ever worship you, one true immortal God, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, living and reigning, now and forever.



BE SEATED



FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 6:1-8

6 In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. ² Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³ And one called to another and said:

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

- ⁴ And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"
- ⁶ Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar.

 ⁷ And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."
- ⁸ And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here I am! Send me."

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 150 – The congregation sings **TLH #41** "Wondrous King, All Glorious" (See next page.)

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SECOND LESSON: Romans 8:14-17

¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶ The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

VERSE OF THE DAY (sung by the soloist)

Alleluia! Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory. Alleluia! (Isaiah 6:3b)

STAND

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



GOSPEL: John 3:1-17

3 Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ² This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." ³ Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." ⁴ Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵ Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶ That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' ⁸ The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it

comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

⁹ Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰ Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? ¹¹ Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. ¹² If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? ¹³ No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴ And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

16 "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.
 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.



THE ATHANASIAN CREED (page 132 in hymnal)

This creed is named after St. Athanasius, a staunch defender of the Christian faith in the fourth century. It was prepared to assist the Church in combating two errors that undermined Bible teaching. One error denied that God's Son and the Holy Spirit are of one being or Godhead with the Father. The other error denied that Jesus Christ is true God and true man in one person. The Athanasian Creed continues to serve the Christian Church as a standard of the truth. It declares that whoever rejects the doctrine of the Trinity and the doctrine of Christ is without the saving faith.

M: Whoever wishes to be saved must, above all else, hold to the true Christian faith.

C: Whoever does not keep this faith pure in all points will certainly perish forever.

M: Now this is the true Christian faith:

C: We worship one God in three persons and three persons in one God,

without mixing the persons or dividing the divine being.

M: For each person—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—is distinct,

C: but the deity of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is one,

equal in glory and coeternal in majesty.

M: What the Father is, so is the Son, and so is the Holy Spirit.

The Father is uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;

the Father is infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite; the Father is eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal;

C: yet they are not three who are eternal, but there is one who is eternal,

just as they are not three who are uncreated, nor three who are infinite,

but there is one who is uncreated and one who is infinite.

M: In the same way the Father is almighty, the Son is almighty, the Holy Spirit is almighty;

C: yet they are not three who are almighty, but there is one who is almighty.

M: So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;

C: yet they are not three Gods, but one God.

M: So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;

C: yet they are not three Lords, but one Lord.

M: For just as Christian truth compels us to confess each person individually to be God and Lord,

C: so the true Christian faith forbids us to speak of three Gods or three Lords.

M: The Father is neither made nor created nor begotten of anyone.

The Son is neither made nor created, but is begotten of the Father alone.

The Holy Spirit is neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeds from the Father and the Son.

C: So there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons;

one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

M: And within this Trinity none comes before or after; none is greater or inferior,

C: but all three persons are coequal and coeternal,

M: so that in every way, as stated before, all three persons are to be worshiped as one God

and one God worshiped as three persons.

C: Whoever wishes to be saved must have this conviction of the Trinity.

M: It is furthermore necessary for eternal salvation truly to believe that our Lord Jesus Christ also took on human flesh. Now this is the true Christian faith:

C: We believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son,

is both God and man.

M: He is God, eternally begotten from the nature of the Father, and he is man, born in time from the nature of his mother, fully God, fully man, with rational soul and human flesh,

C: equal to the Father as to his deity, less than the Father as to his humanity;

M: and though he is both God and man, Christ is not two persons but one,

C: one, not by changing the deity into flesh, but by taking the humanity into God;

M: one, indeed, not by mixture of the natures, but by unity in one person;

C: for just as the rational soul and flesh are one human being,

so God and man are one Christ.

M: He suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose the third day from the dead.

C: He ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty,

and from there will come to judge the living and the dead.

M: At his coming all people will rise with their own bodies to answer for their personal deeds.

C: Those who have done good will enter eternal life, but those who have done evil will go into eternal fire.

M: This is the true Christian faith.

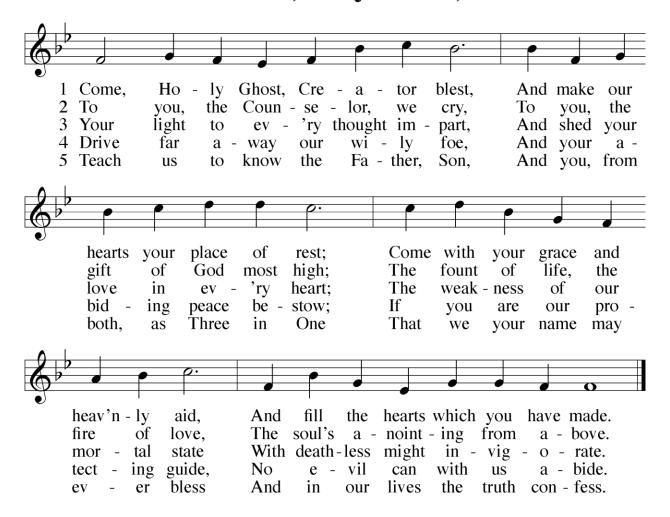
C: Whoever does not faithfully and firmly believe this cannot be saved.

BE SEATED

HYMN OF THE DAY: #177 "Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest" Text: attr. Rhabanus Maurus, 776–856, abr.; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–78, alt.

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Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest



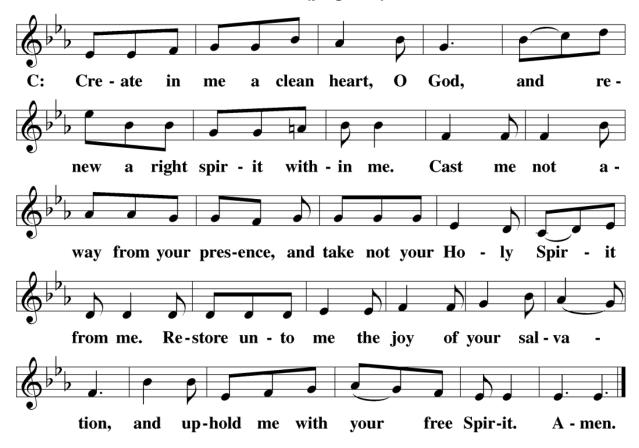
6 Praise we the Father and the Son And Holy Spirit, with them One, And may the Son on us bestow The gifts that from the Spirit flow!

Text: attr. Rhabanus Maurus, 776–856, abr.; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–78, alt.

Tune: KOMM, GOTT SCHÖPFER (LM) Klug, Geistliche lieder auffs new gebessert, Wittenberg, 1533.

SERMON

PSALM 51 RESPONSE (page 20)



PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR THE SUNDAYS AFTER PENTECOST (Page 127)

M: O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

C: We praise you for every grace and blessing.

M: Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere. C: Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.

M: We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state, and local governments.

C: Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.

M: Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.

C: Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.

M: Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.

C: Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.

M: Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

C: Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions. *Silent prayer.*

M: Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

C: Amen.

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LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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 and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

BE SEATED

Please use this time for personal preparation or meditation before the Lord's Supper. A form to assist you is on page 156 in the front part of the hymnal.

NOTE: Please be prepared to receive the host in your outstretched hand, rather than in your mouth.

STAND



PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.

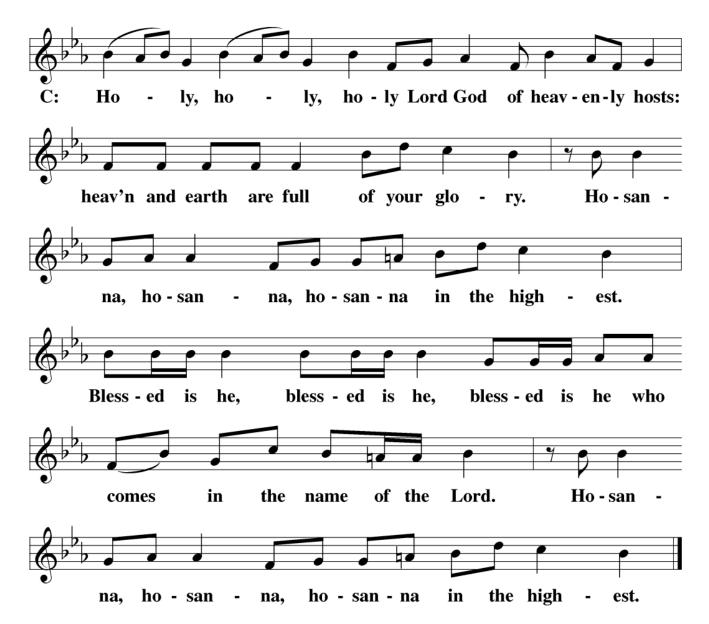


M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



M: M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, and now we confess that you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, are one God and one Lord, and we acknowledge you as our Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (Sanctus)



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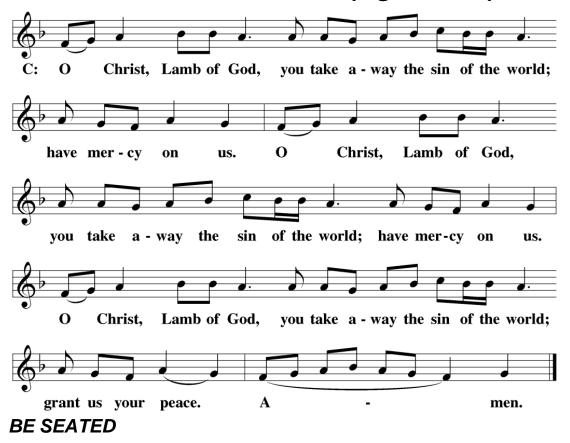
M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is the new testament in my (+) blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace (+) of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (Agnus Dei)



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1 Voices raised to you we offer; Tune them, God, for songs of praise. Hearts and hands we bring in tribute For your gifts through all our days. Alleluia! Alleluia! Triune God, to you we sing!

- 2 All creation joins to praise you; Earth and sky your works display. Art and music, gifts you lend us, We return to you today. Alleluia! Alleluia! God, Creator, source of life!
- 3 Christ, the song of love incarnate, Touching earth with heaven's grace. For your living, suff'ring, dying, For your rising, hear our praise! Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ, Redeemer, Lord of life!
- 4 Spirit, flaming through creation, Kindle faith within each heart. Lift our voices high in chorus; Through our hands your love impart. Alleluia! Alleluia! Spirit, Helper, breath of life!
- 5 How can any praise we offer Measure all the thanks we owe! Take our hearts and hands and voices—Gifts of love we can bestow. Alleluia! Alleluia! Triune God, to you we sing!

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

#195 "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty" Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt.

#192 "Triune God, Oh, Be Our Stay"

Text: German litany, 14th century, adapt.; tr. Richard Massie, 1800-87, alt.

195 Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783-1826, alt.

Tune: NICAEA (11 12 12 10) John B. Dykes, 1823-76.

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Triune God, Oh, Be Our Stay



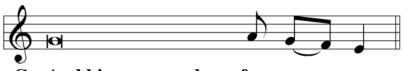
THANKSGIVING (page 24)

STAND

SONG OF SIMEON (Nunc Dimittis)



M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



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THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service

- 10:45 AM Lemonade on the Lawn (No Bible Class)

Tuesday - 7:00 PM Board Meetings: Trustees and

Education/Stewardship

8:00 PM Church Council Meeting

Wednesday

- 10:00 AM Online Bible Class

Sunday

- 9:30 AM Divine Service

10:45 AM Lemonade on the Lawn

Serving next week: Altar Guild - Thea Bude; Ushering - Sunday: Team 2

Altar Flowers were donated by Richard and Deborah Cording to the glory of God and in loving memory of their son Logan for his birthday; and in honor of the Huron Valley Lutheran High School graduating class of 2021.

REDFORD PREGNANCY CARE CENTER – HOTLINERS NEEDED The Redford Pregnancy Care Center (RPCC) could use more hotliners. This involves being on call for anyone who might contact the RPCC. Often it is just letting people know the hours for the RPCC. If you could help or know someone who would be willing, contact Carol Beeskow (cbeeskow@gmail.com). Carol will be able to assist with training and more information for hotliners.

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN will be starting today, **May 30.** There is a signup sheet in the narthex for those who care to provide refreshments. Please join your fellow Christians for treats and fellowship after divine services. **Sunday Adult Bible Class** will be discontinued for several weeks. **Monday night services** will start on June 14.

PASTORAL CARE & MERCY – Please remember with prayers, cards and visits those whose needs have been reported.

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