



# *Summer Worship*

*June 4, 2023*

*Full Service Bulletin*

**Welcome to Faith and thank you for worshipping with us!**

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## **GATHERING**

### **Prelude**

### **Call to Worship**

**Gathering Hymn** “Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!” ELW #413

- 1 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
- 2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.
- 3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,  
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,  
perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.
- 4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

*Faith is a family of God built on love: worshipping, welcoming, serving and learning in Christ's name.*

## Greeting

A: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the unity of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you!**

A: You are the treasured people of the LORD,

**C: a people holy to the LORD our God.**

A: Keep the words of the LORD in your heart; teach them to your children.

**C: Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.**

A: One does not live by bread alone,

**C: but by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.**

## Prayer Requests

A: Any prayer requests?

## The Hymn of Praise

“Let the Whole Creation Cry”

ELW #876

- 1 Let the whole creation cry,  
"Glory to the Lord on high!"  
Heav'n and earth, awake and sing,  
"Praise to our almighty king!"  
Praise God, angel hosts above,  
ever bright and fair in love;  
sun and moon, lift up your voice;  
night and stars, in God rejoice.
- 2 Servants striving for the Lord,  
prophets burning with the word,  
those to whom the arts belong  
add their voices to the song.

- Pow'rs of knowledge and of law,  
to the glorious circle draw;  
all who work and all who wait,  
sing, "The Lord is good and great!"
- 3 Men and women, young and old,  
raise the anthem loud and bold,  
and let children's happy hearts  
in this worship take their parts;  
from the north to southern pole  
let the mighty chorus roll:  
"Holy, Holy, Holy One;  
glory be to God alone!"

## Prayer of the Day

A: The Lord be with you.      **C: And also with you.**

A: Let us pray.

**C: Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

## WORD

### First Reading

Genesis 1:1--2:4a

*At the beginning of time, God the Creator, God the powerful Word, and God the life-giving Spirit form the earth and all its inhabitants. God sees that all this created work is good and then rests on the seventh day.*

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

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

<sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. <sup>11</sup>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. <sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

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

<sup>20</sup>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.” <sup>21</sup>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.

<sup>22</sup>God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” <sup>23</sup>And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

<sup>24</sup>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. <sup>25</sup>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.

<sup>26</sup>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.”

<sup>27</sup>So God created humankind in his image,  
in the image of God he created them;  
male and female he created them.

<sup>28</sup>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.” <sup>29</sup>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.

<sup>30</sup>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. <sup>31</sup>God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

<sup>2:1</sup>Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. <sup>2</sup>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. <sup>3</sup>So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

<sup>4a</sup>These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

## Psalm 8

<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?**

<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 of the sea, and whatever passes along the  
paths of the sea.**

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

## **Second Reading**

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

*Paul closes a challenging letter to the Corinthians with an appeal to Christian  
fellowship grounded in the triune harmony of Christ's grace, God's love, and the  
Spirit's partnership.*

[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.

L: Holy wisdom, holy word.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **Kid's Time**

**Gospel Acclamation** "Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God"

WOV #783 vs 1&2

1 Seek ye first the kingdom of God  
and its righteousness,  
and all these things shall be added unto you.  
Allelu, alleluia.

2 Ask and it shall be given unto you;  
seek and you shall find;  
knock and the door shall be opened unto you.  
Allelu, alleluiah!

## Gospel

Matthew 28:16-20

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

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

*After his resurrection, Jesus summons his remaining disciples and commissions them to baptize and teach all nations in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

<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: **Thanks be to God!**

## Sermon

### Sermon Song

“Come, Join the Dance of Trinity”

ELW #412

1 Come, join the dance of Trinity,  
before all worlds begun—  
the interweaving of the Three,  
the Father, Spirit, Son.  
The universe of space and time  
did not arise by chance,  
but as the Three, in love and hope,  
made room within their dance.

2 Come, see the face of Trinity,  
newborn in Bethlehem;  
then bloodied by a crown of thorns  
outside Jerusalem.  
The dance of Trinity is meant  
for human flesh and bone;  
when fear confines the dance in death,  
God rolls away the stone.

3 Come, speak aloud of Trinity,  
as wind and tongues of flame  
set people free at Pentecost  
to tell the Savior's name.  
We know the yoke of sin and death,  
our necks have worn it smooth;  
go tell the world of weight and woe  
that we are free to move!

4 Within the dance of Trinity,  
before all worlds begun,  
we sing the praises of the Three,  
the Father, Spirit, Son.  
Let voices rise and interweave,  
by love and hope set free,  
to shape in song this joy, this life:  
the dance of Trinity.

### **Response to the Word** (*Creed*)

WOV p.49

A: In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

**C: We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.** (*Ephesians 1:13-14*)

A: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

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

### *Confession & Forgiveness*

P: Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;

*Jude 20*

**C: pray in the Holy Spirit.**

P: Keep yourselves in the love of God;

*Jude 21*

**C: look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

P: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

*2 Cor. 5:17*

**C: Everything old has passed away; behold everything has become new!**

*Stand*

P: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

*Silence for reflection and self examination.*

P: Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

P: The almighty and merciful God grants you pardon, forgiveness, and release from all your sins.

**C: Amen**

## **The Prayers of the Church**

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

*A brief silence.*

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,

**hear our prayer.**

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,

**hear our prayer.**

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,

**hear our prayer.**

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*). God, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**



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, **hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

Holy three, holy one, you give rest when our work is done. We give thanks for (*name/s and*) all the saints who now rest in you, confident in the promise of resurrection life in the age to come. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

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

**Amen**

### **Passing of the Peace**

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.     **C: And also with you.**

### **The Offering**

“Praise and Thanksgiving”

ELW #689

1 Praise and thanksgiving, God, we would offer  
for all things living, you have made good:  
harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard,  
hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.

2 God, bless the labor we bring to serve you,  
that with our neighbor we may be fed. Sowing or tilling, we would work with you,  
harvesting, milling for daily bread.

3 Father, providing food for your children,  
by Wisdom's guiding teach us to share one with another, so that, rejoicing with us, all others may know your care.

4 Then will your blessing reach ev'ry people,  
freely confessing your gracious hand. Where you are reigning, no one will hunger;  
your love sustaining showers the land.

### **Offering Prayer**

A: Let us pray. Merciful God,

**C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

## MEAL

### Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, ...  
... almighty Father, now and forever.

C: Amen

### The Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13 & Luke 11:2-4

P: Lord Jesus, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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**

### Distribution

“Lamb of God”

ELW #195

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

ELW #471

- 1 Let us break bread together on our knees;  
let us break bread together on our knees.

### *Refrain*

When I fall on my knees,  
with my face to the rising sun,  
O Lord, have mercy on me.

- 2 Let us drink wine together on our knees;  
let us drink wine together on our knees. *Refrain*

- 3 Let us praise God together on our knees;  
let us praise God together on our knees. *Refrain*

“As the Grains of Wheat”

ELW #465

*Refrain*

As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill  
were gathered into one to become our bread;  
so may all your people from all the ends of earth  
be gathered into one in you.

- 1 As this cup of blessing is shared within our midst,  
may we share the presence of your love. *Refrain*
- 2 Let this be a foretaste of all that is to come  
when all creation shares this feast with you. *Refrain*

## SENDING

### Post-Communion Blessing

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ nourish your soul and fill  
you with his grace now and forever!

C: Amen

### Post-Communion Canticle (*sung*)

WOV p.40

**Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell everyone what God has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name.  
Send us with your promises, O God, and lead us forth in joy  
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia.**

### Post-Communion Prayer

A: Let us pray.

**C: Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament  
of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be  
filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever. Amen**

## **Benediction**

P: Go from this meal knowing that God blesses you and keeps you.  
That God's face shines on you and is gracious to you.  
That God looks on you with great favor and gives you peace.

**C: Amen**

## **Announcements**

### **Sending Song**

“Rise, Shine, You People!”

ELW #665

- 1 Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered  
our human story; God in him is centered.  
He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded,  
with grace unbounded.
- 2 See how he sends the pow'rs of evil reeling;  
he brings us freedom, light and life and healing.  
All men and women, who by guilt are driven,  
now are forgiven.
- 3 Come, celebrate; your banners high unfurling,  
your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling.  
To all the world go out and tell the story  
of Jesus' glory.
- 4 Tell how the Father sent the Son to save us.  
Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us.  
Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation  
God's new creation.

## **Dismissal**

A: Go in peace and serve the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Postlude**

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