

Evangelical Lutheran Worship — Setting 8

When we say God is the triune God, we are saying something about who God is beyond, before, and after the universe: that there is community within God. When we pray to God as Jesus prayed to his Abba (an everyday, intimate parental address), the Spirit prays within us, creating between us and God the same relationship Jesus has with the one who sent him.

PRELUDE GATHERING Please stand as you are able. GATHERING HYMN All Glory Be to God on High **ELW 410** All glo - ry to God on high, who has the world be -2 O Fa - ther, for your lord - ship true we give you praise Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God, cre - a - tion's Ho ly Spir it, per - fect gift, who brings us con so friend ed; to us no harm shall now come nigh, the hon or; we wor ship you; trust we in you; we thor, au re deem wan - d'ring ones, and er of your la tion: to men and wom en saved by Christ as strife last is end ed. God at shows good-will to you thanks give for ev er. Your will is per fect, all source of true plea O Lamb sure; of God. О your sure in spi ra tion. Through sick - ness, need, and peace one and all, and when trou bled sin ners call. Thank and your might re lent your less - ly con firms the right; Lord di - vine, con - form our lives to your de - sign, and ter death, grant life us your warm, giv ing breath; our God for grace and mer cy! lord - ship is our bless ing. all on us have mer cy. keep lives are in your ing. A men.

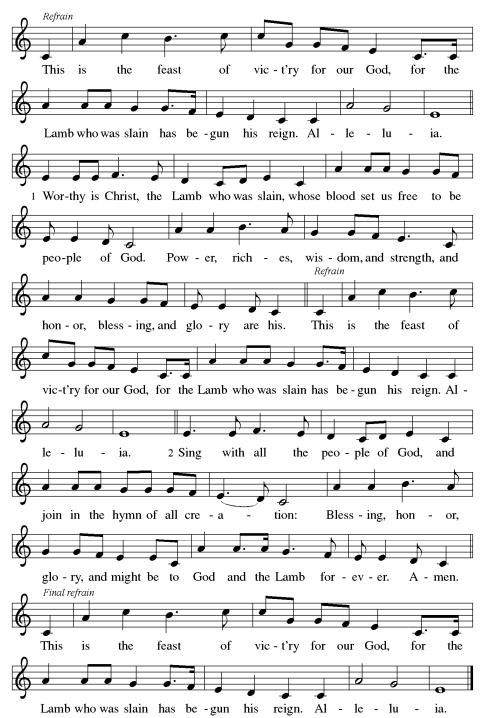
GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

KYRIE



HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Let us pray.

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.

C Amen. Please be seated.

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM OF BRAYDEN WINSOR

Those making affirmation may gather with the ministers at the font. They may be joined by others from the assembly. The presiding minister may note briefly the occasion for this affirmation.

The presiding minister leads the confirmand in publicly professing his faith. Then the presiding minister addresses the candidate and the assembly.

- P Do you believe in God the Father?
- C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
- **P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
- C 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.

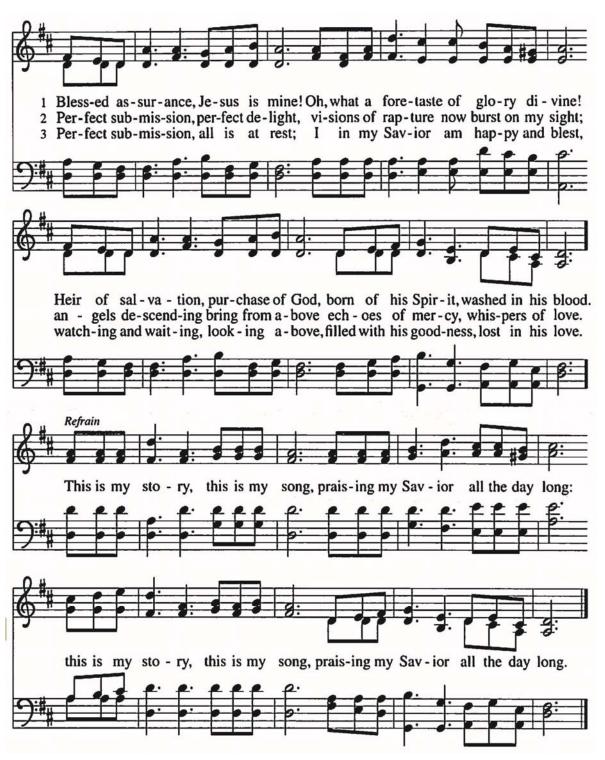
- **P** Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
- C I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Those making public affirmation stand and face the assembly. A representative of the congregation addresses the assembly.

- P Let us rejoice with this brother in Christ.
- C We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

HYMN Blessed Assurance ELW 638

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WORD

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 6:1-8

¹In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ²Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." ⁴The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" 'Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. 'The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." 'Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29 Spoken responsively

¹Ascribe to the LORD, you gods,

ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

²Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's name;

worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders;

the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

4The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice;

the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.

⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees;

the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

6the LORD makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

⁷The voice of the LORD

bursts forth in lightning flashes.

⁸The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;

the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

⁹The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, "Glory!"

¹⁰The LORD sits enthroned above the flood;

the LORD sits enthroned as king forevermore.

¹¹O LORD, give strength to your people; give them, O LORD, the blessings of peace.

SECOND READING: ROMANS 8:12-17

¹²Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



- P The Holy Gospel, according to John, the third chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: JOHN 3:1-17

¹Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." ³Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⑦Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' ®The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is

with everyone who is born of the Spirit." ⁹Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? ¹¹"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ¹⁷"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

PASTOR BARBARA JONES

HYMN OF THE DAY

Come, Join the Dance of Trinity

ELW 412

Please stand for the final verse of the hymn.



THE PRAYERS

A We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

A brief silence.

A Abba God, you have brought us into your family, claiming us as beloved children. Bless your family of faith with gifts of cooperation and graciousness. Shower your Spirit upon Sunday school students and confirmands, especially Brayden Winsor. Increase our hospitality toward all expressions of faith and teach us to honor our shared humanity. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Your love and power burst forth in the flashes of lightning, the dance of the wind, and the deeply rooted trees of the forest. Sustain fragile and interconnected ecosystems, that they flourish for generations to come. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Give your blessing of peace to the nations. Shelter all who risk life and livelihood to protect others from violence, conflict, and injustice. On this Memorial Day weekend, we remember those who have lost their lives in war and conflict. We offer our prayers for the German Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Ukraine, the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Urals, Siberia and the Far East, and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land as they face continuing conflict. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A You are a God of love and not of condemnation. Quiet the hearts of all who struggle with shame, regret, or questions of self-worth. Teach us to forgive ourselves and one another. Restore wholeness to all who seek hope and healing, especially Peggy Buchholz, Naomi Walker, Linda Longren, David McGinnis, Liz Utech, and Martha Nemeth. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A Strengthen bonds between parents, children, and families. We pray especially for adoptive and foster families, multi-generational households, and blended families. Grant gifts of nurture and patience to all caregivers. Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

A We offer our prayers for the ministries of Olsburg Lutheran Church in Olsburg and St. Paul Lutheran Church in Tescott, Kansas, Christ & Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Sedalia and the Lutheran School of Theology in St. Louis, Missouri, Merciful God.

C receive our prayer.

A God be with Larry McGinnis and Brayden Winsor as they remember their baptisms. Merciful God,

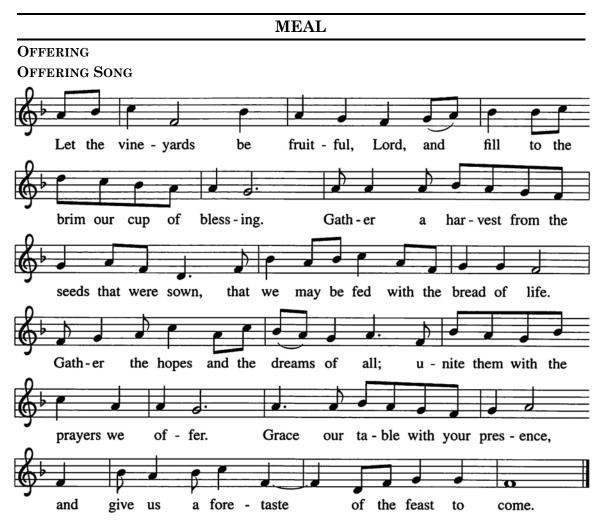
C receive our prayer.

- P The Spirit bears grateful witness to all children of God who have now come into their inheritance among the saints. As they lived with hope in your gift of eternal life, so strengthen us in faith, that we recognize your eternal presence even in this mortal life. Merciful God,
- C receive our prayer.
- P Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.
- C Amen.

THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

Let us greet one another with God's peace. Please be seated.



OFFERTORY PRAYER

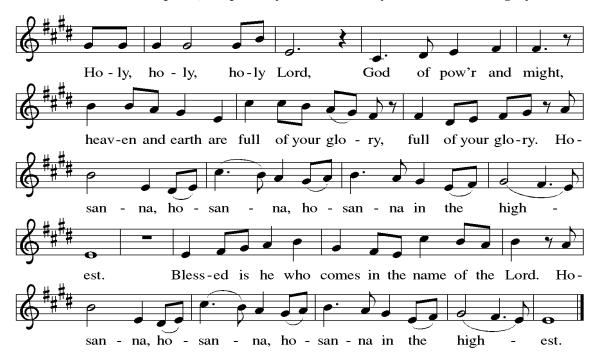
A Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

C Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- 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, through our Savior Jesus Christ. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
- 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,

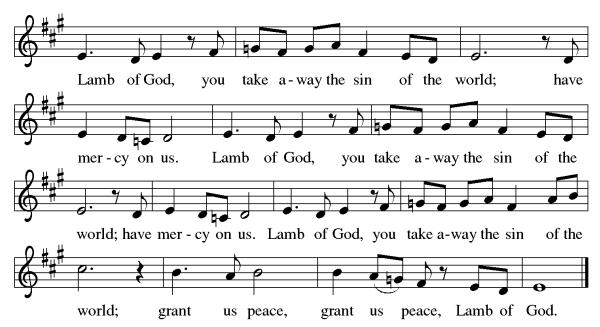
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

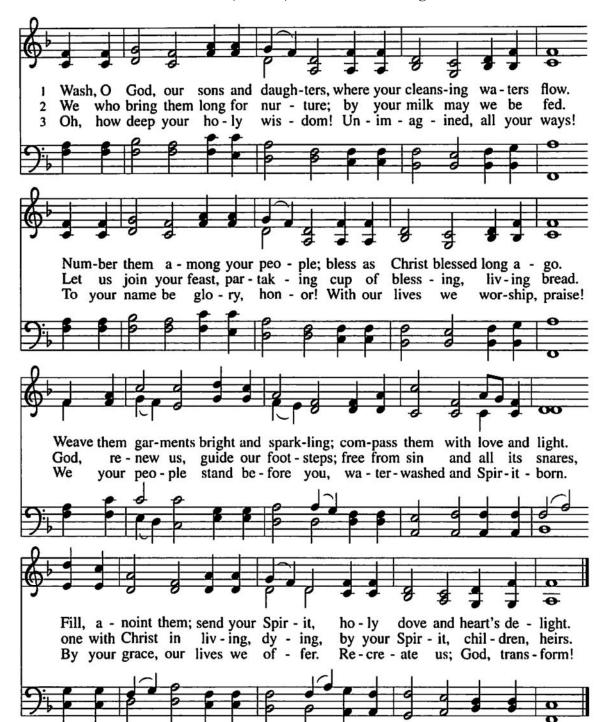
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

but deliver us from evil.

P Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

LAMB OF GOD





Please stand as you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING

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

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

C Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

- P The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever.
- C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!

ELW 413

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DISMISSAL

- A Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
- C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



Welcome to worship at Trinity!

Thank you for joining us for worship. We hope that you, members and visitors, found the Spirit of God in our midst.

If you are interested in becoming a member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, or have other questions, please contact the church office at 785.233.0767



The May 2024 Trinity Lutheran Church directory is now available. You may pick up a copy in the narthex.

Many thanks to Diane Bottorff and Debbie Pomeroy for their help with checking and double-checking names and addresses.

Hymn Sing Along = Food for Our Soul Food Donation for Doorstep = Food for Our Neighbors



Along with our Hymn Sing Along, the first Sunday of each month is now also a day to bring food to church, which will then be taken to Doorstep to help keep their shelves stocked with food for our neighbors.



Please add a few items to your grocery list and make a note on your calendars for June 2nd to remember to bring food to church.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT TRINITY									
Today, May 26									
Tues., May 28Quilters									
Sunday, June 2Food for Doorstep Day									

Worship Assistants												
Date	Acolytes	Ushers	Musician	Lector	Altar Guild	Asst. Minister	Presiding Minister	Coffee Hosts				
May 26	Curt Lewis, Bosch	Diane Bottorff, Marcy Carlson	Mitchell Bean	Shelley Andrews	Janeen Horton & Team 2	Bob Horton	Pr. Barb Jones	Dean McGinnis				
June 2	Brayden Winsor	Duane Pomeroy, Howard Reece		Marcy Carlson	Pam Kobbeman & Team 3	Marcy Carlson	Pr. Barb Jones					
June 9	Parker Jackson	Diane Bottorff, Bob Horton		LaVell Winsor	Pam Kobbeman & Team 3	Ted Murphy	Pr. Barb Jones					

OFFERING, ATTENDANCE, and FINANCIAL STATUS											
Date	General	Other	Total Weekly Income	Average Weekly Expense	Weekly Income Minus Average Weekly Expense	Attendance/ Communion					
Apr. 28	\$956.00	\$0.00	\$956.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$1,255.54	24/23					
May 5	\$2,751.53	\$0.00	\$2,751.53	-\$2,211.54	\$539.99	27/26					
May 12	\$618.00	\$0.00	\$618.00	-\$2,211.54	-\$1,593.54	31/30					
May 19	\$2,421.00	\$20.00	\$2,441.00	-\$2,211.54	\$229.46	28/28					
		Apr. 2024	\$9,871.00	-\$10,650.72	-\$779.72						
		Jan Apr.	\$42,704.29	-\$41,564.38	\$1,139.91						

Current Doorstep Needs ~ May 2024

Donations Accepted:

Monday - Friday

9am – 2pm

1119 SW 10th Ave

(10th & Buchanan)

Use the South Door

<u>Clothing Room Needs</u>: (Gently Used, Not New)

Men's Jeans, Slacks & Underwear

Men's Shoes (All Sizes)

Boys Jeans & Pants (All Sizes)

Boys Shorts & Shirts (All Sizes)

Girls & Teens Jeans (All Sizes)

Girls & Teens Clothing (Sizes 18-mo. - 12)

Teen Girls Tops - (All Sizes)

Sheet Sets - Twin, Queen & King

Comforters - All Sizes

Small Appliances – Toasters, Coffee Pots &

Blenders

Tampons & Maxi Pads (Greatly Needed)

Bar Soap, Combs & Toothbrushes

Hygiene Items: (Full Size)

Food Room Needs:

The need for food assistance remains high. Doorstep provided 704 food orders in the first quarter of 2024, giving out 38,800 pounds of food. Please help us stock our pantry shelves to continue to provide for our neighbors in need.

We need the following food items:

Spaghetti O's & Ravioli Jelly (any flavor) Tuna

Oatmeal (packets & canisters) Powdered Milk Canned Milk

Cream of Mushroom Soup Vegetable Soup Rice
Boxed Potatoes Pancake Mix & Syrup Peas

Spaghetti Sauce Baked Beans



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OFFICE HOURS

10:00AM-3:30PM, Monday through Thursday

Together in Community

Living with Christ

Caring for Neighbors

Together in Community

We are a faith community brought together to worship God and to be of service to the needs of the world as the Great Commandment is our guide in our lives (Matthew 22:36-39, Mark 12:29-31, and Luke 10:26-27). We are a congregation that seeks to reach all those in our county with members spread throughout Topeka area, while being rooted in Historic Old Town. In our faith, we hope to be a symbol of Christ's love in the world (John 15:12), to be a community of support and care (Galatians 6:2), and to proclaim the good news that Jesus Christ came to be a Savior for all people (Colossians 1:13-14).

CONGREGATION COUNCIL

President Diane Bottorff
Vice-President Curt Lewis (Maintenance)
Secretary Shelley Andrews (Administration)

Parker Jackson (Administration)

Carol Marker (Spiritual Care)

Janelle Meredith (Community Relations)

Dean McGinnis (Congregational Life)

Duane Pomeroy (Spiritual Care)

Treasurer Bob Kobbeman