

A graphic for Trinity Sunday. The background features several lit candles in shades of orange and red, with a white cross in the center. The text is overlaid on a white rectangular area.

TRINITY SUNDAY

MAY 31 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

 **GRACE
LUTHERAN
CHURCH**

Prelude & Confession & Absolution

WL: In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit
C: Amen

A: Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us gather with true hearts that confess our sins to God, that earnestly ask for forgiveness and that trust in our renewal through the work of our Savior Jesus the Christ.

A: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C: who made heaven and earth. [Psalm 124:8]

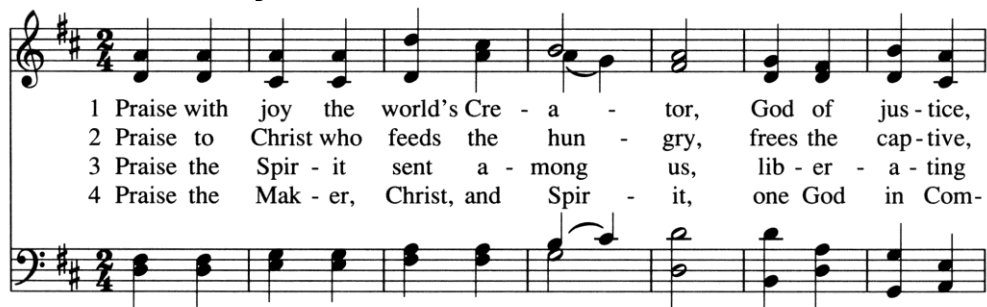
A: I said I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.
C: And you forgave the iniquity of my sin. [Psalm 32:5]

A: Almighty God, merciful Father:
C: I confess to you all my sins with which I have offended you and my neighbors. I am sorry for them. I devote myself to repentance and pray for your mercy. In your boundless grace and compassion, send me your Holy Spirit that I may be strengthened in my faith and made ready for a life obedient to your will and your way.

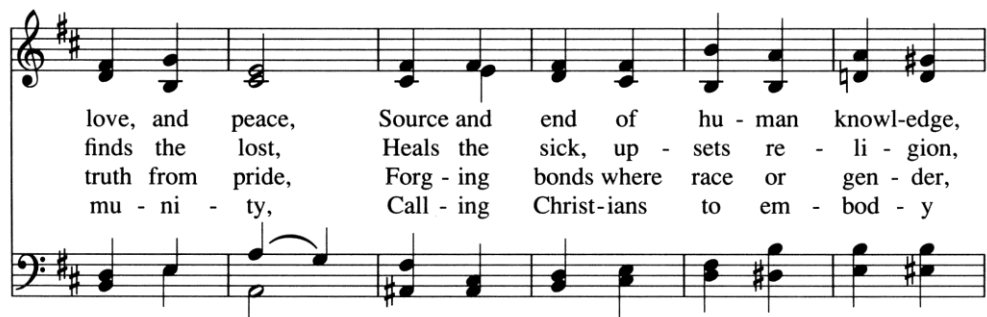
WL: God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and full of steadfast love. [Exodus 34:6] Therefore, we trust in the grace and forgiveness won for us through the faithfulness of our Lord and Savior, Jesus, the Christ.

C: Amen.

Entrance Hymn



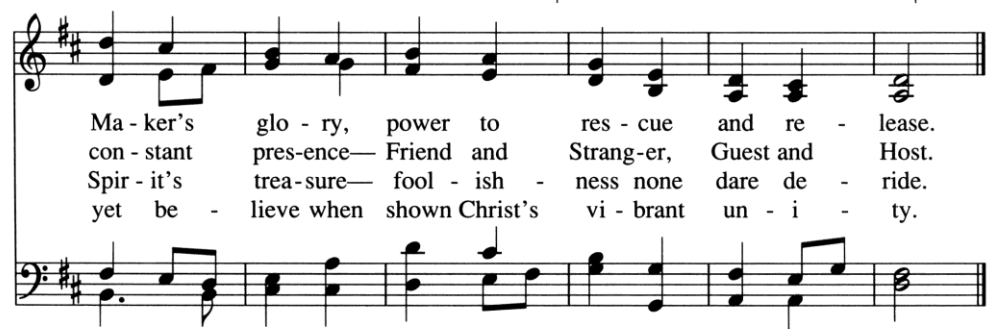
1 Praise with joy the world's Cre - a - tor, God of jus - tice,
2 Praise to Christ who feeds the hun - gry, frees the cap - tive,
3 Praise the Spir - it sent a - mong us, lib - er - a - ting,
4 Praise the Mak - er, Christ, and Spir - it, one God in Com -



love, and peace, Source and end of hu - man knowl - edge,
finds the lost, Heals the sick, up - sets re - li - gion,
truth from pride, Forg - ing bonds where race or gen - der,
mu - ni - ty, Call - ing Christ - ians to em - bod - y



grace be - stow - ing with - out cease. Cel - e - brate the
fear - less both of fate and cost. Cel - e - brate Christ's
age or na - tion dare di - vide. Cel - e - brate the
one - ness and di - ver - si - ty. Thus the world shall



Ma - ker's glo - ry, power to res - cue and re - lease.
con - stant pres - ence— Friend and Strang - er, Guest and Host.
Spir - it's trea - sure— fool - ish - ness none dare de - ride.
yet be - lieve when shown Christ's vi - brant un - i - ty.

Greeting

WL: 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.

Hymn of Praise

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Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



God; to make all things new.

Prayer of the Day

WL: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you.

WL: You are the treasured people of the Lord,

C: A people holy to the Lord our God.

WL: We have seen what our God has done

C: We declare His faithfulness from age to age for all time.

WL: We hear and keep His Word,

C: And all that God has spoken we will do.

WL: Let us pray:

C: God of gods and Lord of lords, you have revealed yourself to us in the mystery of the Trinity, One God in three Persons. While we may neither comprehend nor apprehend this mystery of Your identity, still, send us the Spirit, that we may faithfully acclaim You as our God. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Lesson

Deuteronomy 4:32-40

So, go ahead and ask this question now about former ages, long before your own, ever since the day that God created human beings on the earth; ask from one end of heaven to the other: “has anything so great as this ever happened or has its’ like ever been heard of? Has any people ever heard the voice of a god speaking out of a fire, as you have heard, and lived? Or has any god ever attempted to go and take a nation from the midst of another nation, by trials, by signs and wonders, by war, by a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, and by terrifying displays of power, as the Lord your God did for you in Egypt before your very eyes?”

To you all this was shown so that you would acknowledge that the Lord is God; there is no other besides this God. From heaven God made you hear God’s voice to discipline you. On earth God showed you God’s great fire, while you heard God’s words coming out of the fire. And because God loved your ancestors, God chose their descendants after them. God brought you out of

Egypt with God's own presence, by God's great power, driving out before you, nations greater and mightier than yourselves, to bring you in, giving you their land for a possession, as it is still today. So, acknowledge today and take to heart that the Lord is God in heaven above and on the earth beneath; there is no other. Keep God's statutes and God's commandments, which I am commanding you today for your own well-being and that of your descendants after you, so that you may long remain in the land that the Lord your God is giving you for all time.

Reader: The Word of the Lord! **C: Thanks be to God!**

Psalm

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

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

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

**What are human beings that you are mindful of them,
mortals that you care for them?**

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

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

*All sheep and oxen,
and also the beasts of the field,*

**The birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,
whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**

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

If, then, there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any fellowship in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make me [*the author of this letter*] completely joyful by sharing the same evaluative point of view, sharing the same love, sharing a one-ness of mind – a single evaluative point of view. Don't do anything out of selfish ambition or conceit, but let humility guide you to regard others as "above" yourself. Don't be completely self-centered! Think about others. Let Christ's evaluative point of view on things be yours, too – Christ, who, existed as God, but did not exercise the privilege of his godliness. Instead, Christ voided that privilege and received the status of being a slave – becoming like the rest of us. And as one of us, Christ humbled his "self" in obedience to God's plan – even when that plan was for him to die – even when it was death on a cross! Because of Christ's obedience, though, God raised him up to the level of the highest authority, putting his name above all other names, so that everyone will bend their knee before him, whether they are in heaven or earth, or even under the earth! And, so, every tongue may now confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and by this confession, glorify God, the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only when I come to you, but so much more now even when I am away, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for God's good pleasure.

Reader: *The Word of the Lord!* **C: Thanks be to God!**

Verse

Come, Thou Almighty King

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The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff at the top and a bass clef staff at the bottom. The treble staff contains the melody, and the bass staff contains the accompaniment. The music is in a 4/4 time signature and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the treble staff, with four lines of text corresponding to the four parts of the hymn. The lyrics are: 1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy name to sing; 2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, mer - ci - ful, might - y Lord; 3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear 4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal prais - es be

help us to praise; Fa - ther all - glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -
 our prayer at - tend. Come and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy
 in this glad hour! Thou who al - might - y art, rule now in
 hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - 'reign maj - es - ty may we in

to - ri - ous, come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
 word suc - cess, and let thy righ - teous - ness on us de - scend.
 ev - 'ry heart, nev - er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.
 glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

Gospel Acclamation

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 28th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

Gospel

Matthew 28

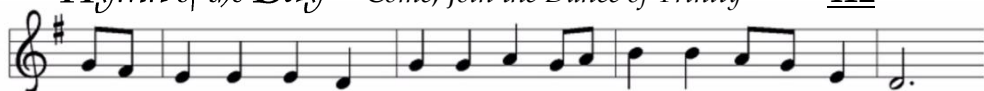
Now the eleven disciples did as the resurrected Jesus had instructed them; they went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had told them to go to. And when they saw him there, they worshiped him; but they also had doubts.

And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go out and disciple all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you in all the days to come, until the culmination of this age."

P: The Gospel of the Lord! C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

Hymn of the Day *Come, Join the Dance of Trinity* **412**



1 Come, join the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun—
2 Come, see the face of Trin - i - ty, new - born in Beth - le - hem;
3 Come, speak a - loud of Trin - i - ty, as wind and tongues of flame
4 With - in the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun,



the in - ter - weav - ing of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son.
then blood - ied by a crown of thorns out - side Je - ru - sa - lem.
set peo - ple free at Pen - te - cost to tell the Sav - ior's name.
we sing the prais - es of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son.



The u - ni - verse of space and time did not a - rise by chance,
The dance of Trin - i - ty is meant for hu - man flesh and bone;
We know the yoke of sin and death, our necks have worn it smooth;
Let voic - es rise and in - ter - weave, by love and hope set free,



but as the Three, in love and hope, made room with - in their dance.
when fear con - fines the dance in death, God rolls a - way the stone.
go tell the world of weight and woe that we are free to move!
to shape in song this joy, this life: the dance of Trin - i - ty.

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 communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers & Passing of the Peace

Offering / Offertory

We praise you, O God

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1 We praise you, O God, our re - deem - er, cre - a - tor;
2 We wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers and mo - thers;
3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer

in grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.
through tri - al and tem - pest our guide you have been.
and glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.

We lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you;
When per - ils o'er - take us, you will not for - sake us,
With you, Lord, be - side us, your strong arm will guide us.

we bless your ho - ly name; glad prais - es we sing.
and with your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.
To you, our great re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

A: Let us Pray

C: Living God, we praise you for the abundant blessings of this life. In humble recognition of the love you always show to us, we bring these gifts and ourselves as our thanks. Use them and us to bear the fruit of goodness and grace so that your glory will be known to all. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

The 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. 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 now and forever. Amen.

Benediction

WL: The God of hope fill you all with joy and peace, so that you may live in harmony with God and with one another all the days of your life.

C: Amen.

Recessional

Voices Raised to You

845

1 Voic - es raised to you we of - fer; tune them, God, for
2 All cre - a - tion joins to praise you; earth and sky your
3 Christ, the song of love in - car - nate, touch - ing earth with
4 Spir - it, flam - ing through cre - a - tion, kin - dle faith with -
5 How can an - y praise we of - fer mea - sure all the

songs of praise. Hearts and hands we bring in trib - ute
works dis - play. Art and mu - sic, gifts you lend us,
heav - en's grace, for your liv - ing, suf - f'ring, dy - ing,
in each heart. Lift our voic - es high in cho - rus;
thanks we owe? Take our hearts and hands and voic - es—

for your gifts through all our days. Al - le - lu - ia!
 we re - turn to you to - day. Al - le - lu - ia!
 for your ris - ing, hear our praise! Al - le - lu - ia!
 through our hands your love im - part. Al - le - lu - ia!
 gifts of love we can be - stow. Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Tri - une God, to you we sing!
 Al - le - lu - ia! God, cre - a - tor, source of life!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, re - deem - er, Lord of life!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Spir - it, help - er, breath of life!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Tri - une God, to you we sing!

Dismissal A: Go in peace, serve the Lord! C: Thanks be to God!



Sunday, May 31

- Trinity Sunday*
- 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 9:45 a.m. No Confirmation Class
- 9:45 a.m. Post-Confirmation Student

Group Meeting

Tuesday, June 2

- 6:30 a.m. Early Birds Bible Study & Breakfast
- 4:30 p.m. No Confirmation class

Wednesday, June 3

- 9:00 a.m. Peacemakers Quilting Group Meeting

Sunday, June 7

- Name Tag Sunday*
- 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School

9:45 a.m. No Confirmation Class

9:45 a.m. Post-Confirmation Student Group Meeting



Midnight Run is happening on June 19th! Check your weekly emails for requested donation items that are needed. Donation bins are located outside the church office.

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