

Trinity Sunday

May 31, 2026 at 10am



Saint Luke Lutheran Church & School

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Though the word trinity is not found in the scriptures, 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. In the gospel Jesus sends his disciples forth to baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. 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. We celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity in word and sacrament, as we profess the creed, and as we are sent into the world to bear witness to our faith.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

NICAEA
Intro, Variation I & IV, Finale
Piet Post (1919-1979)

WELCOMING & OPENING

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit:

Glory to you forever!

Speaker, Word, and Breath of Life:

Glory to you forever!

Font of Blessing, Living Water, Flowing River:

Glory to you forever!

Compassionate Mother, Beloved Child, Life-Giving Womb:

Glory to you forever!

Sun, Light, and Burning Ray:

Glory to you forever!

Giver, Gift, and Giving:

Glory to you forever!

Lover, Beloved, and Love itself:

Glory to you forever!

Rock, Cornerstone, and Temple:

Glory to you forever!

Consuming Fire, Dividing Sword, Overpowering Storm:

Glory to you forever!

Rainbow of Promise, Ark of Salvation, Dove of Peace:

Glory to you forever!

God who was, God who is, God who is to come:

Glory to you forever!

Almighty and ever-living God, you have given us grace, by our confession of faith, to acknowledge and worship your triune name in the majesty of your unity. Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your eternal glory, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y!
 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

Amen.

Please be seated.

THE WORD

FIRST READING

Psalm 8

- 1 O Lord our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!—
- 2 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.
- 3 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- 4 what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,
human beings that you should care for them?
- 5 Yet you have made them little less than divine;
with glory and honor you crown them.
- 6 You have made them rule over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet:
- 7 all flocks and cattle,
even the wild beasts of the field,
- 8 the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.
- 9 O Lord our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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.

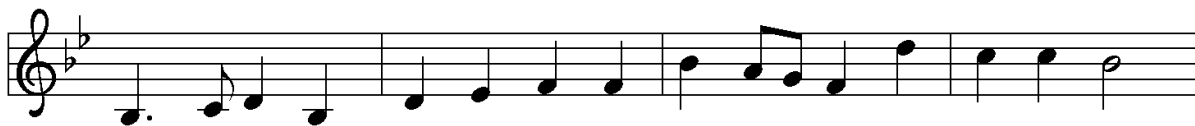
[Paul writes:] Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Be restored; listen to my appeal; agree with one another; live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW Setting Ten



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 28:16-20

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.

The holy gospel according to Saint Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

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

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

FAITH STATEMENTS

Jacob Akshat Bolleddu

Isaiah 12:2

*Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and will not be afraid,
for the Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.”*

Venith Ayush Bolleddu

Deuteronomy 31:8

*It is the Lord who goes before you. He will be with you;
he will not fail you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed.”*

Eli Michael Handwerker

Psalms 69:30

*I will praise the name of God with a song;
I will magnify him with thanksgiving.*

Ronan Fishel Shugert

Psalms 119:105

*Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path.*

Please stand as you are able.



1 We are peo - ple cre - at - ed, cho - sen by God.
 2 We are fed and we're nour - ished, filled and re - freshed.
 3 We are nour - ished by wa - ter, all liv - ing things,
 4 Now with praise and thanks - giv - ing, we join the song.



Then we're washed, ev - er gent - ly, in mer - cy and love.
 Then our hun - ger re - turns and a - gain we are blessed.
 and by life that the Spir - it a - bun - dant - ly brings.
 All are wel - come! We gath - er to sing loud and strong.



Sin has pow - er no more. Je - sus o - pened the door
 For what - ev - er the need, God is great - er in - deed:
 As we jour - ney toward home, may your pres - ence be known:
 Not en - slaved, but set free! From now on, all will be



to a foun - tain bring - ing heal - ing, and whole - ness and more.
 end - less o - cean, al - ways deep - er than all of our need.
 pre - cious riv - er, ev - er - flow - ing, now car - ry us home.
 one in Je - sus, one in wa - ter, bap - tized and set free!

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM— Presentation

I present the following persons, who desire to make public profession of their faith and assume greater responsibility in the life of our Christian community and its mission in the world Jacob Akshat Bolleddu, Venith Ayush Bolleddu, Eli Michael Handwerker and Ronan Fishel Shugert.

Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for this sister and these brothers, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

Amen.

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PROFESSION OF FAITH

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin,
and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

I renounce them.

APOSTLES' CREED

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

AFFIRMATION IN THE PRESENCE OF THE ASSEMBLY

You have made public profession of your faith.

Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Each person answers in turn:

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

The minister addresses the assembly:

People of God, do you promise to support these young people,
and pray for them in their life in Christ?

We do and we ask God to help and guide us.

PRAYER

Let us pray.

We give you thanks Oh God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

Amen.

Parents lays hands on the head of Confirmand and speak the prayer:

Father in heaven, for Jesus sake,
stir up in [name] the gift of your Holy Spirit
confirm his faith, guide his life, empower
him in his serving, give him patience in suffering,
and bring him to everlasting life.

Each person answers:

Amen.

*Each Confirmand receives an Affirmation of Baptism candle,
hearing the words of Jesus spoken at their baptism,
“[Name] let your light so shine before others.”*

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

All may share a sign of Peace.

Please be seated.

THE MEAL

OFFERING

We invite you to give your offering online at saintlukegive.us or place it in the offering plate, or use this QR code with your device to securely give your Offering.

You may also mail your checks to:

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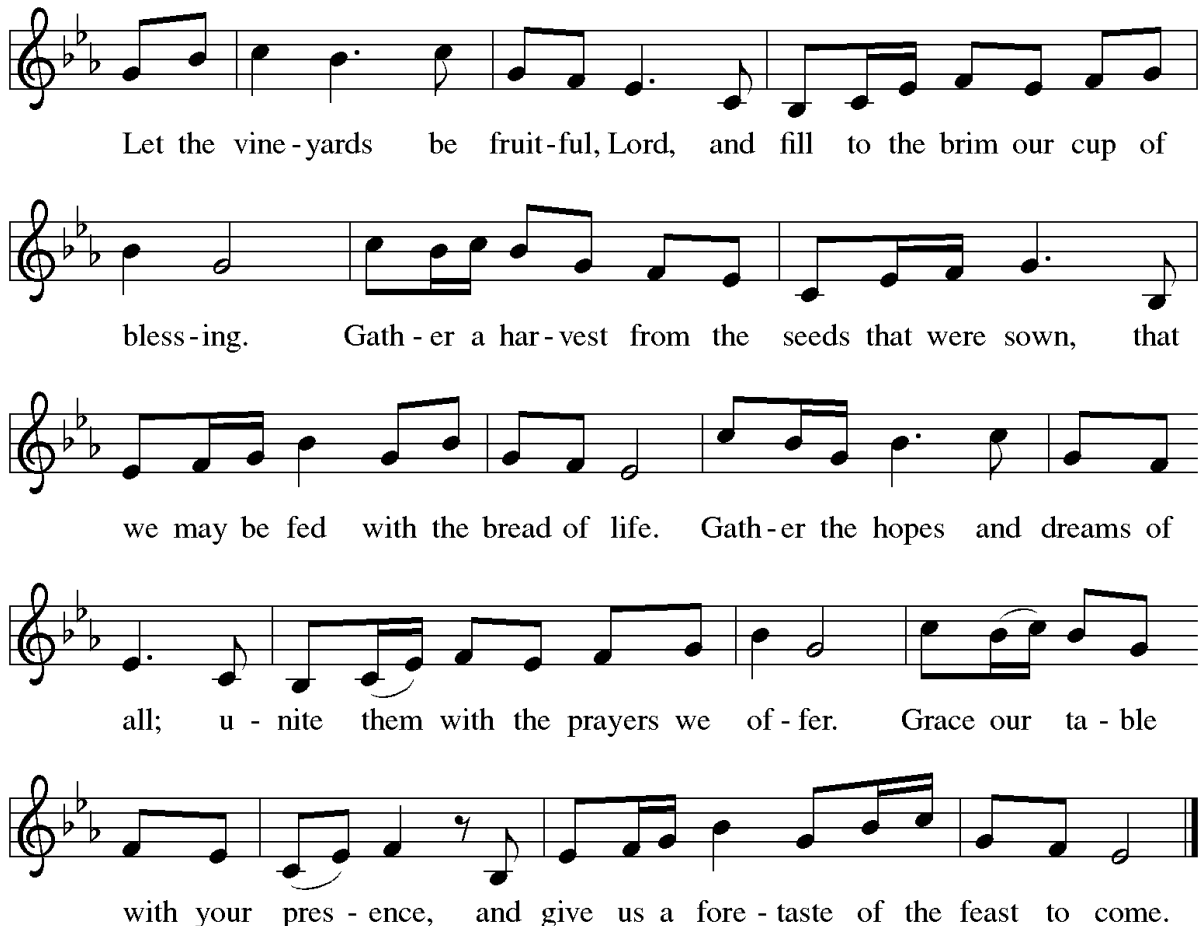
OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Be Still
Jane Holstein (b. 1958)

*The offering is received and is presented at the altar.
Please stand.*

OFFERING HYMN

ELW 184 – Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of
all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble
with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

Please stand as you are able.

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

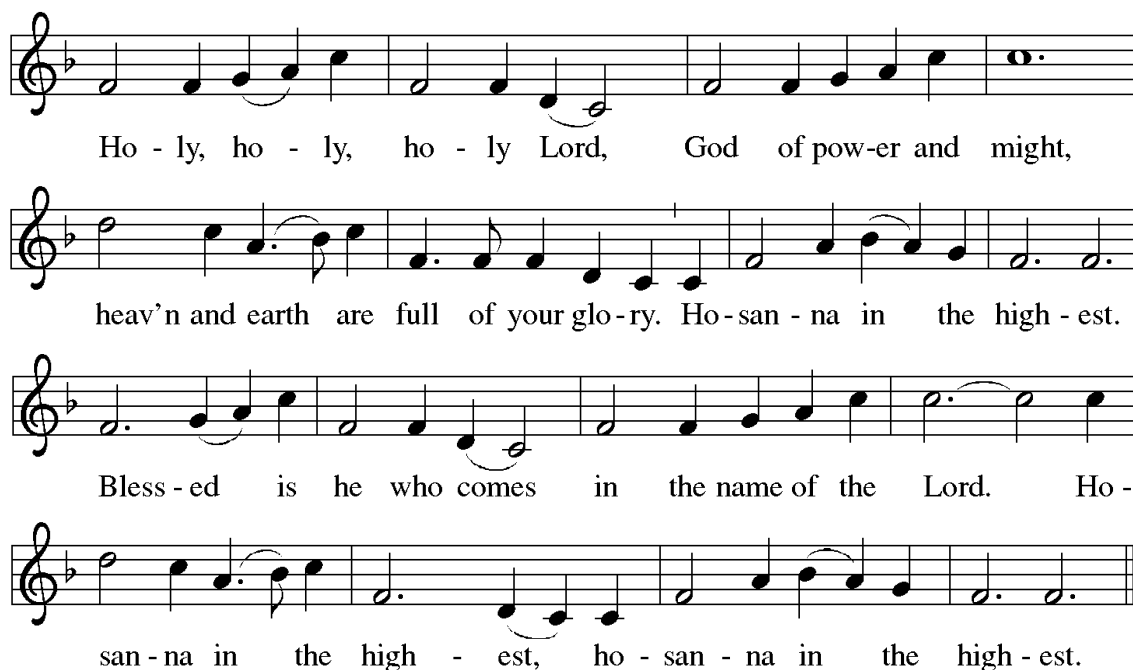
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three! Before all that is, you were God. Outside all we know, you are God. After all is finished, you will be God. Archangels sound the trumpets, angels teach us their song, saints pull us into your presence. And this is our song:

SANCTUS

ELW Setting Ten



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three! You beyond the galaxies, you under the oceans, you inside the leaves, you pouring down rain, you opening the flowers, you feeding the insects, you giving us your image, you carrying us through the waters, you hold us in the night; your smile on Sarah and Abraham, your hand with Moses and Miriam, your words through Deborah and Isaiah; you lived as Jesus among us, healing, teaching, dying, rising, inviting us all to your feast.

In the night in which he was betrayed, he 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.

Holy God, we remember your Son, his life with the humble, his death among the wretched, his resurrection for us all: Your wisdom our guide, your justice our strength, your grace our path to rebirth.

And so we cry, Mercy:

Mercy!

And so we cry, Glory:

Glory!

And so we cry, Blessing:

Blessing!

Holy God, we beg for your Spirit: Enliven this bread, awaken this body, pour us out for each other. Transfigure our minds, ignite your church, nourish the life of the earth. Make us, while many, united, make us, though broken, whole, make us, despite death, alive.

And so we cry, Come, Holy Spirit:

Come, Holy Spirit!

And so the church shouts, Come, Holy Spirit:

Come, Holy Spirit!

And so the earth pleads, Come, Holy Spirit:

Come, Holy Spirit!

You, Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three, our Life, our Mercy, our Might, our Table, our Food, our Server, our Rainbow, our Ark, our Dove, our Sovereign, our Water, our Wine, our Light, our Treasure, our Tree, our Way, our Truth, our Life. You, Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three! Praise now, praise tomorrow, praise forever.

And so we cry, Amen, amen:

Amen, amen!

LORD'S PRAYER

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

Please pray in your own preferred language.

**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.**

**Padre Nuestro, que estas en los cielos,
santificado sea tu nombre,
venga a nosotros tu reino,
hagase tu voluntad,
asi en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada dia;
perdona nuestras ofensas,
como nosotros perdonamos
a los que nos ofenden;
y no nos dejes caer en la tentacion,
mas libranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino,
el poder, y la gloria,
por los siglos de los siglos. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.
Come to the banquet.
Thanks be to God!

Please be seated.

COMMUNION

*All are invited to the Lord's table, a table of grace and mercy. There are stations at the foot of the chancel steps.
Please stretch out your hand, palm up, to receive the host, the body of Christ.
(Gluten-free wafers are available; please ask your server)*

Then receive in the individual cup the blood of Christ. You may deposit your cup in the basket near the side wall. Those who wish to receive a blessing instead of the Lord's supper are also encouraged to come forward. Those who wish to receive the sacrament in the pew, please inform an usher. All are welcome to the Lord's table.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say:

The body of Christ, given for you. / The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*The communicant may say: **Amen.***

AGNUS DEI

Setting Ten



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION HYMN

ELW 574 – Here I Am, Lord



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
 2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
 3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
 I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
 Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

Please stand as you are able.

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

Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

ELW 207–Thankful Hearts & Voices Raise



Thank-ful hearts and voic-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done. Let



ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re - joice and bear the name of Christ.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus,

Amen.

THE SENDING

BLESSING

The blessing of the living God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, surround and sustain you, keep you from harm, and fill you with courage.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

ACS 991 – Go to the World



1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.
 2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - 'ry place.
 3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray;
 4 "Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,



Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,
 Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.
 the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day.
 for I am with you till the age shall end,



bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.
 Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.
 As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.
 when all the hosts of glo - ry cry, A - men!"



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Go Ye Now in Peace
Joyce Eilers (1941-2009)

POSTLUDE

Suite in D Major, HWV 349 – No. 2 Hornpipe
George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)



WORSHIP LEADERS

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Senior Pastor

The Rev. Richard Zawistoski
Confirmation Pastor

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Jacob Bolleddu
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Schola Cantorum

Barbara Sanders
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A SINCERE THANK YOU to Pastor Zawistoski, Melissa Groen, and Affirmation of Baptism teachers, Annika Dodrill, Liz Garifo, Brooke Linsenhardt, and Willard Unkenholz.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SUMMER SCHEDULE HAS BEGUN **One morning worship service, 10:00 a.m.**

Today, May 31, Trinity Sunday

Affirmation of Baptism (Confirmation)

We rejoice with our young leaders who affirm their faith. We give thanks for all who make the Affirmation of Baptism program possible, pastors, staff, teachers, and the prayers and support of the congregation.

Sunday, June 7

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Saint Luke Annual Meeting, 11:00 a.m.

Christian Day School Summer Camp

Session I: May 26 – June 19

Session II: July 6 – July 31

Times offer: 8:50 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

8:50 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Vacation Bible School

June 29-July 2

TODAY'S MUSIC

ELW 413

Holy, Holy, Holy

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt.

Music: John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

Tune: NICAEA

ELW 453

Baptized and Set Free

Text: Cathy Skogen-Soldner, b. 1956

Music: Cathy Skogen-Soldner

Tune: BAPTIZED AND SET FREE

ELW 207

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980

Music: Ronald A. Nelson, b. 1927

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ELW 574

Here I Am, Lord

Text: Daniel L. Schutte, b. 1946

Music: Daniel L. Schutte

Tune: HERE I AM, LORD

ACS 991

Go to the World

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993

Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

Tune: SINE NOMINE

THIS WEEK AT SAINT LUKE

SUNDAY, May 31–Trinity Sunday

8:30am Tech Rehearsal
9:00am Schola Cantorum
**10:00am Worship (Hybrid) with
Affirmation of Baptism**
11:00am The Gathering

MONDAY, June 1

9:00am CDS Summer Camp

TUESDAY, June 2

9:00am CDS Summer Camp
1:30pm Program Staff Meeting (Zoom)
5:00pm Piano Lessons
7:00pm Reformation Bells

WEDNESDAY, June 3

7:00am Faith Connections (Zoom)
9:00am CDS Summer Camp

THURSDAY, June 4

9:00am CDS Summer Camp
7:30pm Centering Prayer (Zoom)

FRIDAY, June 5

9:00am CDS Summer Camp
1:00pm CDS Staff Meeting
6:00pm AA

SATURDAY, June 6

8:00am Metro DC Synod Assembly
9:30am Quilters
9:30am AA
11:00am Al-Anon
8:30pm AA

SUNDAY, June 7–Second Sunday after Pentecost

8:30am Tech Rehearsal
10:00am Worship (Hybrid)
11:00am Annual Meeting
1:00pm Worship (Spanish)
2:00pm The Gathering
2:00pm Cub Scout Pack 249