



TRINITY SUNDAY

The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs – heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ.

Romans 8:16-17, ESV

HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

May 26, 2024

Peace Lutheran Church

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We welcome you in the name of the Lord Jesus. We are honored with your presence. If you do not have a church home, you are invited to join us regularly. Please introduce yourself to Pastor Jeremy Lucke or one of the Ushers as you leave today and sign the guest book in the entryway. We continue to observe the guidelines for health safety. If you have any questions, please see an usher. Everyone is welcome.

The ringing of the bell and the lighting of the Christ candle mark the beginning of our service and a time for quiet meditation, prayer and inward reflection as we begin our worship.

Children are welcome at our worship services. If you prefer, Peace Lutheran has a playroom equipped for children three years old and younger. The room is unstaffed and can be accessed in the fellowship hall where the service is also being live streamed for your convenience and enjoyment.

Holy Communion is celebrated every first and third Sunday and will follow the order of service in the bulletin. If you are a baptized Christian and share our faith in Jesus as Savior and have been instructed in the meaning and use of the Lord's Supper, you are invited to partake. We have pre-wrapped communion wine or juice and wafers. We also have gluten-free wafers available. If you desire a gluten-free wafer, ask the server. May the body and blood of Jesus, present in the bread and wine, be a blessing to you.

There are times during the service when you will be asked to stand if you are able. Please feel free to remain seated if standing is difficult.

Offering. Peace Lutheran Church understands and teaches that Offerings are voluntary and to be from the heart. Whether we give or do not give does not determine our salvation. Whether we give much or little does not determine our standing before God. Sharing an Offering is an opportunity to quietly practice generosity with our neighbors.

Serving You

Pastor	Pastor Jeremy Lucke
Music Director	Colleen Schulze
Choir Director	Diane Crocker
Supt. Of Sunday School	Anne Schroeder & Karyn Stanley
Admin Assistant	Daniel Dusek
Parish Nurse	Kathy Durling
Webmaster	Jim Holroyd
Audio-Visual	Johnathon Holroyd, George Abele, Nicholas Abele, Merv Munster, Callie Santora, Caleb Santora, Joyce Long, Oscar Gutbrod, Sam Worth, Rick Durling, Jim Holroyd, Debbi Weiler, Daniel Dusek
Praise Team	Rick Durling, Patrick Kamins, Karyn Stanley, Nora Stanley, Diane Crocker, Kaia Lucke, Sarah Grassel, Caleb Santora

Today, May 26, 2024

Musician	Colleen Schulze
Reader 1	Lindy Young
Reader 2	Dan Dusek
Flowers	Lindy Young

[PRE-SERVICE MUSIC](#)

AS WE GATHER..... There are times in our life when we have wondered if God cares about us or not. On this festive Sunday of Holy Trinity, we find the answer—yes! There has been a divine plan in place for this world. More than that, there is a divine plan and purpose for you. Rejoice on this special day, for God not only created you but has a definite plan for your life.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

Text: Bishop Reginald Heber, 1783-1826, alt. Tune: John B. Dykes, 1823-1876; ©1978 published by Augsburg Publishing House, Minneapolis & Board of Publication, Lutheran Church in America, Philadelphia.

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!

. . .
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.

. . .
Holy, holy, holy! Though the
darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man
Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy'
there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in pow'r in love and purity.

. . .
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!

OPENING BLESSING

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

OPENING UP TO GOD AND ONE ANOTHER

Leader: We join in confessing our sins to God in order to hear once again his forgiveness that frees us from the guilt of our sin and allows us to live in joy and hope following Christ:

People: Dear Lord, we come to you in all honesty and humility, admitting that we are sinners—we have sinned in our evil thoughts, in our hurtful words, and in our destructive actions. We also admit that we have at times been exclusive in thinking that Christ’s salvation is just for a few of us, rather than a gift for all people. Help us, Lord, to hold on to that simple, pure Gospel of your gracious gift of salvation, and to share that good news with others in whatever ways we can, so that others may come to know you and your gracious gift.

SONG OF CONFESSION

“White as Snow”

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White as snow, white as snow,
though my sins were as scarlet
Lord I know, Lord I know,
that I’m clean and forgiven.

Through the power of your blood,
Through the wonder of your love
Through faith in you I know that I can be.....white as snow.
(Repeat)

RECEIVING PEACE FROM GOD

Leader: God knows our brokenness, and he knows our hearts, he knows our desire to live as his people day by day. So he frees us from the guilt of our sin by assuring us of his forgiveness. In God’s name and by his command, I proclaim to you the forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

CREED (Part 1)

Leader: As an expression of our faith, we confess the words of the Athanasian Creed, the longest and most recent of the three Ecumenical Creeds of the Church. Because of its length, we will be dividing the Creed into two sections and will be assisted by readers in speaking it.

People: Whoever desire to be saved must, above all, hold the universal faith. Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.

Reader 1: And the universal faith is this, that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance. For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another. But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.

Reader 2: Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit: the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated; the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite; the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.

People: And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal, just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinites, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.

Reader 1: In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty; and yet there are not three Almightyies, but one Almighty.

Reader 2: So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God; and yet there are not three Gods, but one God. So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord; and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.

People: Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord, so also are we prohibited by the universal church to say that there are three Gods or Lords.

Reader 1: The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone. The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone. The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.

Reader 2: Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

Reader 1: And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;

Reader 2: but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal, so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.

People: Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE READINGS

Leader: Today is Holy Trinity, the First Sunday after Pentecost. The festival half of the Church Year, which has taught the saving events in the life of our Lord, now gives way to that part of the Church Year in which we hear His teaching. From the Old Testament Reading from Isaiah, we witness a glimpse of the glory of the Lord, the God of Sabbath, whose power is chiefly known in showing mercy. In the Gospel according to John, we hear Jesus' conversation with Nicodemus and within this we hear the most beloved and familiar verse of Scripture.

Old Testament:

Isaiah 6:1-8

The prophet Isaiah is given a vision of the Lord

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."

Reader: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL:

John 3:1-17

The love of God is shown to the world in Jesus

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.

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

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Immortal, invisible,
God only wise,
In light inaccessible
hid from our eyes,
Most blessed,
most glorious,
the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious,
thy great name we praise!

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Unresting, unhasting,
and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting,
thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains
high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains
of goodness and love.

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To all, life thou givest,
to both great and small;
In all life thou livest,
the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish
like leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish,
but naught changeth thee.

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Thou reignest in glory;
thou dwellest in light;
Thine angels adore thee,
all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render;
oh, help us to see
'Tis only the splendor
of light hideth thee!

Sermon
Pastor Jeremy Lucke

[Part 1](#)

[Part 2](#)

[Part 3](#)

[CREED \(Part 2\)](#)

Leader: We continue and conclude the confession of our faith today with the second part of the Athanasian Creed.

People: But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is at the same time both God and man.

Reader 1: He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages; and He is man, born from the substance of His mother in this age: perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh;

Reader 2: equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.

People: Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:

Reader 1: one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God; one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.

Reader 2: For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ, who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead, ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, God Almighty, from whence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

Reader 1: At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.

Reader 2: And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.

People: This is the universal faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.

OFFERING

We offer our thanksgiving for what God has first given us—ourselves, our time, our possessions.

OFFERTORY

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Leader: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. As we grow in the Christian faith, we pray for an increase of the Word, that it be freely shared and bring the good news of sins forgiven through Christ to every place. Triune God in mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for the world in which we live, asking that there would be times of peace and security in our days and that we know days of blessings and joy. Triune God in mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for the Church and for this household of faith, that we be the radiant Bride of Christ, daily growing in love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. We also pray for the churches in Philomath, that they continue to be salt for the community of Philomath and a light to those who need Your grace. Triune God in mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: We lift our petitions now for the sick, the homebound, and all who this day are in need of our intercession, (especially.....), that their prayers soon be answered and that they be supported by God's people as they honor Christ. Triune God in mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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**

CHORAL ANTHEM

“Hear Our Prayer”

Arranged and orchestrated by Marty Parks.

Hear our prayer.
O Father, hear our prayer,
In mercy please forgive us,
As your blessing we share.
And heal our land,
O Father, heal our land;
And grant to us Your vision
And the courage to stand (Courage to stand).

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Your precepts are holy and right;
And Your Word gives radiant light.
So, hear our prayer,
Lord, hear our prayer.

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America! America!
God shed His grace on thee.
And crown they good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea.

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Hear our prayer.
O Father, hear our prayer,
In mercy please forgive us,
As your blessings we share.
And heal our land,
O Father, heal our land;
And grant to us Your vision
And the courage to stand.

Your precepts are holy and right;
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Hear our prayer.
In mercy please forgive us,
Lord, hear our prayer.

MEMORIAL DAY PRAYER

Leader: As we pray, this Memorial Day weekend, we remember with gratitude those valiant people of the armed forces of our nation who have fought and died to protect the liberties that are central to our way of life. (Moment of silence). We ask You this with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Leader: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and+ give you peace.

People: Amen.

DISMISSAL

Leader: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

POST-SERVICE MUSIC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- June 1 – Memorial Service for Jerry Wylie
- June 2 – Jazz Trio in the Fellowship Hall after service
- June 9 – Church Picnic & BBQ
- June 16 – Peace Men doing a Potato Bar for Fellowship
- June 23 – First Outside Worship Service on the Patio
- June 30 – Confirmation Sunday

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR JERRY WYLIE. The memorial service for Jerry will be Saturday, June 1 at noon with a lunch reception to follow. Everyone is welcome to attend.

PASSING OF DONNA KING. John King shared with us the news that his wife, Donna, passed away two weeks ago. Donna's Memorial Service will be on Tuesday, June 11th at 2 pm at Oakville Presbyterian Church in Shedd, Oregon.

Another way to support John is to share a card. His address is:
John King, 1240 NW 16th, Corvallis, OR 97330

JAZZ TRIO PLAYING DURING FELLOWSHIP. Please stay after the worship service next Sunday June 2 to listen to an amazing group of young men from the Philomath High School who have assembled a Jazz Trio. This is the same group that played during the Salmon & Jazz dinner, and they were very well received.

SUMMER PICNIC KICKOFF. Mark your calendars to attend church on Sunday, June 9, for our annual spring/summer picnic. We will be having our annual BBQ celebration with hamburgers, hot dogs, potato salad, chips, ice cream, and all the fixings, plus music, balloons, popcorn, and games for the kids. Everything is provided – no need to bring side dishes. And don't forget to join in the fun at our cake walk! Bring your family and invite your friends!

CAKES FOR THE CAKEWALK DURING THE PICNIC. Sunday, June 9, during our spring picnic after church (in the Fellowship Hall), we will be having an old-fashioned cake walk. Please consider bringing a cake, cupcakes, etc. Cakes can be just one layer, homemade or store bought or whatever you wish. Thank you.

FATHER'S DAY POTATO BAR. The men of Peace will be preparing a baked potato bar for fellowship after the service on June 16. We hope you can attend and partake in a wonderful opportunity to socialize with our church family.

OUTSIDE WORSHIP SERVICE. Does the nice weather we have been having this past week make you want to get outside? Our first opportunity for an outside worship service this year will be on June 23. Mark your calendars and pray for pleasant temperatures on that day.

TABLES OF PEACE. The sign-up sheets for Tables of Peace are in the hallway to the Fellowship Hall. Tables of Peace is a great way to socialize and get to know others in the congregation and share a great meal in the process.

