

Peace Lutheran Church
"Peace Through Christ"

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THE HOLY TRINITY
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AS WE GATHER There is only one day in the Church Year that intentionally identifies and expounds upon a specific doctrine of the Church---that day is the Feast of the Holy Trinity. On Trinity Sunday the liturgy in its proclamation focuses on the divine mystery of the Triune God---Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Throughout the centuries of the Christian Church the confession of the Holy Trinity has been a hallmark of faithful believers. In the order of worship today we sing of the Trinity and, in the profound words of the Athanasian Creed, confess the Holy Trinity to be the one true God.

WELCOME CHILDREN- A cry room is located near the church entryway. Please see an usher for guidance.

HEARING AIDS and LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE.
If you would like a hearing aid or large print bulletin please see an usher.

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE

WELCOME

+PREPARATION+

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Holy, Holy, Holy”



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 man 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!

INVOCATION and OPENING SENTENCES

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: Blessed be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity;

People: Let us give glory to Him because He has shown mercy to us.

Pastor: Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;

People: The whole earth is full of His glory.

PSALM 8

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

People: From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.

Pastor: When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

People: what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him?

Pastor: You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor.

People: You made him ruler over the works of your hands; you put everything under his feet:

Pastor: all flocks and herds, and the beasts of the field,

People: the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.

Pastor: O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

CONFESSION (based on Psalm 16)

Pastor: Heavenly and gracious Father, how majestic You are! In Your presence there is fullness of joy. Yet we humble ourselves before You and admit our struggles with sin and evil.

People: We have inherited a sinful nature that still plagues us.

Pastor: We do not always choose to walk on the paths of life that You give us; rather we so often follow paths of our own choosing, paths that lead to the sorrows of those who run after another god.

People: Father, we have regularly followed paths of sin, rebellion, and darkness.

Pastor: Hear our silent confessions of the heart as we acknowledge our self-centered focus, our selfish thoughts, words, and deeds.

(Silence for personal reflection and confession.)

Pastor: Preserve me, O God, for in You I take refuge.

People: You are my God; I have no good apart from You.

Psalm 16:1

ABSOLUTION

Pastor: It is good to take refuge in the Lord, for all those who repent of their sins and find their refuge in Him will know the fullness of joy that is in His presence. Remember your Baptism, the day you were united to Christ in His perfect life, His death, burial, and resurrection. We declare those words spoken over us in Baptism---

People: in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Pastor: Be glad and rejoice today with all your being for through water and the Word, you have a beautiful inheritance in Christ. The lines have fallen for you in pleasant places. Be assured today that in Him your sins are forgiven and you have fullness of joy here and in eternity.

People: Amen. You are my God; I have no good apart from You.

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the blood of peace. *Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3*

HYMN OF PRAISE "We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God"



1 We praise You and ac-knowl-edge You, O God, to be the Lord,
2 The band of the a-pos-tles in glo-ry sing Your praise;
3 You, Christ, are King of glo-ry, the ev-er-last-ing Son,
4 You sit in splen-did glo-ry, en-throned at God's right hand,



The Fa-ther ev-er-last-ing, by all the earth a-dored.
The fel-low-ship of proph-ets their death-less voic-es raise.
Yet You, with bound-less love, sought to res-cue ev-'ry-one:
Up-hold-ing earth and heav-en by forc-es You com-mand.



To You all an-gel pow-ers cry a-loud, the heav-ens sing,
The mar-tyrs of Your king-dom, a great and no-ble throng,
You laid a-side Your glo-ry, were born of vir-gin's womb,
We know that You will come as our Judge that fi-nal day,



The cher-u-bim and ser-a-phim their prais-es to You bring:
Sing with the ho-ly Church through-out all the world this song:
Were cru-ci-fied for us and were placed in-to a tomb;
So help Your ser-vants You have re-deemed by blood, we pray;



"O ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord God of Sab-a-oth;
"O all-ma-jes-tic Fa-ther, Your true and on-ly Son,
Then by Your res-ur-rec-tion You won for us re-prieve—
May we with saints be num-bered where prais-es nev-er end,



Your maj-es-ty and glo-ry fill the heav-ens and the earth!"
And Ho-ly Spir-it, Com-fort-er— for-ev-er Three in One!"
You o-pened heav-en's king-dom to all who would be-lieve.
In glo-ry ev-er-last-ing. A-men, O Lord, a-men!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty God, Your goodness and mercy are ever with us. This day we bless You for creating and preserving us with nurturing fatherly care. We thank You for the gift of Jesus, Your Son, who is our loving Savior. Grant that we may ever follow Him, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. May the Holy Spirit enlighten us with His gifts that we may reflect Your glory in all that we say and do. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

+THE WORD OF GOD+

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 6:1-8

(The prophet's vision of the Lord.)

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE Acts 2:14a, 22-36

(Peter's sermon at Pentecost.)

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA



HOLY GOSPEL John 3:1-17

(God's love for the world leads Him to give His Son.)

Pastor : The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 3rd chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord!**

(After the Gospel is read.)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord

People: **Praise to You, O Christ!**

(Children are dismissed for Sunday School)

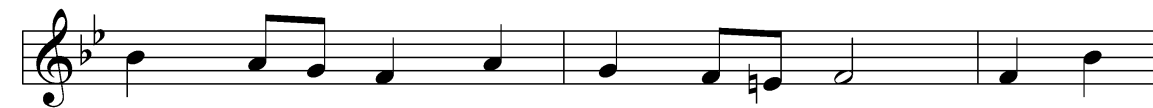
HYMN OF THE DAY "Glory Be to God the Father"



1 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to
2 Glo - ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each
3 Glo - ry to the King of an - gels, Glo - ry to the



God the Son, Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it:
spot and stain; Glo - ry be to Him who bought us,
Church's King, Glo - ry to the King of na - tions;



Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,
Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo - ry,
Heav'n and earth, your prais - es bring! Glo - ry,



glo - ry While e - ter - nal a - ges run!
glo - ry To the Lamb that once was slain!
glo - ry To the King of glo - ry sing!

MESSAGE

“Post Tenenbras Lux”

Under Cover of Darkness He Came to the Light”

John 3:1-17

Pastor Mike Schultze

CONFESSION OF FAITH Athanasian Creed

Early in the fourth century, a north African pastor named Arius began teaching that Jesus Christ was not truly God. The Church responded decisively in AD 325 with a statement of faith (The Nicene Creed), which confessed that Jesus is, in fact, true God. Toward the end of the fifth century, another creed was written that delved further into the mystery of the Trinity. Though attributed to Athanasius, a fourth-century opponent of Arius, this anonymous creed clearly came at a later stage in the debate. The Athanasian Creed declares that its teachings concerning the Holy Trinity and our Lord’s incarnation are “the catholic faith.” In other words, this is what the true Church of all times and all places has confessed. More than fifteen centuries later, the Church continues to confess this truth, confident that the triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, has given Himself for our salvation.

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

And the catholic faith is this,

People: that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.

Pastor: For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.

People: But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.

Pastor: Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:

People: the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;

Pastor: the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;

People: the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.

Pastor: And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,

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

Pastor: In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;

People: and yet there are not three Almighty, but one Almighty.

Pastor: So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;

People: and yet there are not three Gods, but one God.

Pastor: So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;

People: and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.

Pastor: Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord,

People: so also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.

Pastor: The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone. The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone.

People: The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.

Pastor: Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits. And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;

People: 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.

Pastor: Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord,

People: so also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.

Pastor: Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity. But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: 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.

Pastor: 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:

People: perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh; equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.

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

People: one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God;

Pastor: one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person. For as the rational soul and flesh is one man,

People: 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.

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

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

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

OFFERING Please sign the red fellowship book located at the aisle seat in each row and pass it down your pew. When finished, pass it back down your pew to the center aisle seat and the ushers will pick it up after the service.

VOLUNTARY

OFFERTORY

CREATE IN ME

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new
a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way
from Thy pres - ence; and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion;
and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious onto You. The Lord look upon You with favor and + give you His peace.
People: Amen.



CLOSING HYMN “Sent Forth by God's Blessing”

1 Sent forth by God's bless-ing, Our true faith con - fess-ing,
 2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing To God ev - er - liv - ing,

The peo - ple of God from His dwell - ing take leave.
 The tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face.

The Sup - per is end - ed. O now be ex - tend - ed
 Our faith ev - er shar - ing, In love ev - er car - ing,

The fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.
 Em - brac - ing His chil - dren of each tribe and race.

The seed of His teach - ing, Re - cep - tive souls reach - ing,
 With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;

Shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
 U - nite us as one in this life that we share.

His grace did in - vite us, His love shall u - nite us
 Then may all the liv - ing With praise and thanks - giv - ing

To work for God's king - dom and an - swer His call.
 Give hon - or to Christ and His name that we bear.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS
 POSTLUDE**

ALTAR FLOWERS Given by to the glory of God by Diana Wanke and also given in memory of Rhoda Mahlke by Dick Mahlke.

ATTENDANCE ON 5/19/24: 10am: **99**
 Sunday School: **8**



THIS WEEK AT PEACE MAY 26, 2024

- Sunday: 8:00 am New Life Christian Church
 10:00 am Traditional Service
 10:15 am Sunday School
 11:15 am Adult Bible Study
 4:00 pm Boy Scouts (FH)
- Monday: Office closed
- Tuesday: 10:00 am Ladies Bible Study
- Wednesday: 10:00 am Luther's Attic Volunteers
 6:00 pm Confirmation Class
 6:30 pm A.C.A. Women's Support Group (PH)
- Thursday: 10:00 am Lighthouse Bible Study
 6:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal
 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
- Friday: 4:00 pm Girl Scouts
- Saturday: **9:00 am CPR Class**

THOSE WHO SERVE US TODAY, May 26, 2024

10am

Elder: Tom Waddell
Greeter: Luci Pommers
Reader: Brian Nomi
Acolyte: Samuel Williamson
Ushers: Mike McCracken
Tom La Jeunesse
Rick Poore

Altar Care: Irene Hutchison & Marsha Larson

Cookie & Coffee Service: L. Pommers, S. McCracken

Piano Accompanist: Sandy Haven

THOSE WHO SERVE US NEXT WEEK, June 2, 2024

10am

Elder: Dave Hutter
Greeter: Luci Pommers
Reader: Don Haven
Acolyte: Noah Ylizaliturri
Ushers: Gary Taylor
Bill Young

Altar Care: Linda Young & Marta Shamblin

Cookie & Coffee Service: L. Pommers, C. Klittich, S. Fraser

Piano Accompanist: Sandy Haven

Handbell Director: Linda La Jeunesse

A WORD FROM OUR TRUSTEES... A replacement light is on order for our defective sanctuary light. Also in the works are new parts on order and rewiring to operate our fans at a more comfortable speed. The Trustees have been working the problems and will see it to completion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF May 26, 2024

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS is held, in the Proverbs House, our class will meet 15 minutes after service. We will begin our study of "Recovering the Joy of Theology" watching Pastor Bryan Wolfmuller present theological content in an interesting way. More info, call Kevin Krumdieck @ 805-551-8507

PRAYER CHAIN- If you have a prayer request, please call *Sandi Stepp* at: 805-625-0479 or e-mail: footstepps@verizon.net.

THE 2024 FLOWER CHART is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. There are 2 signups available each Sunday, please sign up for the Sunday(s) of your choice. Each arrangement is \$40.00, and the donation can be placed in an envelope in the offering plate. If you do write a check, please note on the check or envelope that the donation is designated for "Flowers". After service, you may take your arrangement home, or they may be donated to our shut-ins.

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS: Donations for the food pantry taken to the Episcopal Church for distribution are needed. Just a reminder that there is food insecurity here in Camarillo and your donations help our neighbors. Please put your items in the box in the narthex. The Food Pantry values our partnership, and is appreciated by the recipients of your generosity!

Board of Social Concerns

ALTAR CARE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The Altar Committee is still in need of volunteers for 2024. If you've never done this job and are interested in learning about it, there are mentors to assist you. The signup sheet is in the Narthex. Contact Linda Young @ 805-236-4820 or by email @ nephronurse@verizon.net.

CPR – AED CLASS – An American Heart Association CPR / AED Class is scheduled for **next** Saturday June 1, 2024 at 9:00 in the Fellowship Hall. To assure adequate training materials, register outside the door after service or contact Linda Young at nephronurse@verizon.net or 805-236-4820 by Thursday May 30th. The cost of the card is \$50.00 per attendee payable at the class. Your card is available online at the end of the class.

BLOOD DRIVE – Thank you to all who participated in the Blood Drive last weekend. Fourteen units of blood were collected. Save the date for the next Blood Drive, scheduled for Saturday, September 21, 2024.

VBS REGISTRATION BEGINS TODAY! A volunteer **staff meeting** will be **NEXT SUNDAY** on **June 2nd & June 16th** following service, 11:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Materials will be distributed. See Linda La Jeunesse for more info.



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V.B.S.

June 17-21st

9am-noon

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\$20 per child \$40 max per family

+Bible Stories

+Games

+Crafts

+Songs