



May 31st, 2026 – Trinity Sunday

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Welcome! Thank you for joining us this morning for worship. In our service, we gather to praise our God who in his great love for us has bought us back from sin, death, and the devil through the blood of his Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

About the Picture: All three persons of the Trinity are represented: the hand of the Father, the dove of the Spirit, and the Son as the lamb.

Offering: The offering is collected as you enter into the sanctuary, in an offering plate located on a small table. Guests and visitors do not need to feel obligated to make an offering, though you are welcome to do so.

[Online Offering Portal](#)

Morning Praise

p. 45

Stand

Morning Hymn p. 45

1 Father, we praise you, now the night is over
Active and watchful, standing now before you.
Singing, we offer prayer and meditation;
Thus we adore you.

2 Monarch of all things, fit us for your mansions;
Banish our weakness, health and wholeness sending.
Bring us to heaven, where your saints united
Joy without ending.

3 All-holy Father, Son, and equal Spirit,
Trinity blessed, send us your salvation.
Yours is the glory, gleaming and resounding
Through all creation.

(sung)

Pastor: O Lord, open my lips.

Congregation: And my mouth shall declare your praise.

Hasten to save me, O God.

O Lord, come quickly to help me.

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world: let us worship him.

Oh, Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord Venite, sung (p. 46)

Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord, let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving, let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise. For the Lord is a great God and a great king above all gods. The deep places of the earth are in his hand; the heights of the hills are also his. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hand formed the dry land. Oh, come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

Be seated

THE WORD

First Reading: Genesis 1:1—2:3

¹In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. ²Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

³And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. ⁴God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light “day,” and the darkness he called “night.” And there was evening, and there was morning—the first day.

⁶And God said, “Let there be a vault between the waters to separate water from water.” ⁷So God made the vault and separated the water under the vault from the water above it. And it was so. ⁸God called the vault “sky.” And there was evening, and there was morning—the second day.

⁹And God said, “Let the water under the sky be gathered to one place, and let dry ground appear.” And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry ground “land,” and the gathered waters he called “seas.” And God saw that it was good. ¹¹Then God said, “Let the land produce vegetation: seed-bearing plants and trees on the land that bear fruit with seed in it, according to their various kinds.” And it was so. ¹²The land produced vegetation: plants bearing seed according to their kinds and trees bearing fruit with seed in it according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good. ¹³And there was evening, and there was morning—the third day.

¹⁴And God said, “Let there be lights in the vault of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them serve as signs to mark sacred times, and days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth.” And it was so. ¹⁶God made two great lights—the greater light to govern the day and the lesser light to govern the night. He also made the stars. ¹⁷God set them in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth, ¹⁸to govern the day and the night, and to separate light from darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening, and there was morning—the fourth day.

²⁰And God said, “Let the water teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the vault of the sky.” ²¹So God created the great creatures of the sea and every living thing with which the water teems and that moves about in it, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²God blessed them and said, “Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the water in the seas, and let

the birds increase on the earth.”²³ And there was evening, and there was morning—the fifth day.

²⁴And God said, “Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: the livestock, the creatures that move along the ground, and the wild animals, each according to its kind.” And it was so. ²⁵God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶Then God said, “Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.”

²⁷So God created mankind in his own image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

²⁸God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.”

²⁹Then God said, “I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. ³⁰And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds in the sky and all the creatures that move along the ground—everything that has the breath of life in it—I give every green plant for food.” And it was so.

³¹God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day.

¹Thus the heavens and the earth were completed in all their vast array.

²By the seventh day God had finished the work he had been doing; so on the seventh day he rested from all his work. ³Then God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8 (p. 67)

Refrain: I will praise your name forever, my King and my God.

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

You have set your glory above the / heavens.

When I consider your / heavens,
the work of your / fingers,

what is man that you are mind- / ful of him,
the Son of Man that you / care for him?

Refrain: I will praise your name forever, my King and my God.

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

You made him ruler over the works / of your hands;

you put everything un- / der his feet.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen.

Refrain: I will praise your name forever, my King and my God.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11–14

¹¹Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you.

¹²Greet one another with a holy kiss. ¹³All God's people here send their greetings.

¹⁴May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Sermon

Stand

Gospel: Matthew 28:16–20

¹⁶Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. ¹⁷When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and

on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you O Christ.

Be seated

Hymn of the Day: 195 – Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

*The offering is brought to the altar during the final verse.
Our online [giving portal can be found here.](#)*

1 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!

2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
Who was and is and evermore shall be.

3 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.

4 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!

Sermon: Matthew 28 – In the Name of the Triune God

Stand

Hymn: 256—How Great Thou Art

Be seated

Athanasian Creed

Whoever wishes to be saved must, above all else, hold to the true Christian faith. Whoever does not keep this faith pure in all points will certainly perish forever.

Now this is the true Christian faith: We worship one God in three persons and three persons in one God, without mixing the persons or dividing the divine being. For each person—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—is distinct, but the deity of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is one, equal in glory and coeternal in majesty.

What the Father is, so is the Son, and so is the Holy Spirit. The Father is uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;

the Father is infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite; the Father is eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal;

yet they are not three who are eternal, but there is one who is eternal, just as they are not three who are uncreated, nor three who are infinite, but there is one who is uncreated and one who is infinite.

In the same way the Father is almighty, the Son is almighty, and the Holy Spirit is almighty; yet they are not three who are almighty, but there is one who is almighty.

So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God; yet they are not three Gods, but one God.

So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord; yet they are not three Lords, but one Lord. For just as Christian truth compels us to confess each person individually to be God and Lord, so the true Christian faith forbids us to speak of three Gods or three Lords. The Father is neither made nor created nor begotten of anyone. The Son is neither made nor created, but is begotten of the Father alone. The Holy Spirit is neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeds from the Father and the Son.

So there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

And within this Trinity none comes before or after; none is greater or inferior, but all three persons are coequal and coeternal, so that in every way, as stated before, all three persons are to be worshiped as one God and one God worshiped as three persons.

Whoever wishes to be saved must have this conviction of the Trinity.

It is furthermore necessary for eternal salvation truly to believe that our Lord Jesus Christ also took on human flesh. Now this is the true Christian faith:

We believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son, is both God and man.

He is God, eternally begotten from the nature of the Father, and he is man, born in time from the nature of his mother, fully God, fully man, with rational soul and human flesh, equal to the Father as to his deity, less than the Father as to his humanity; and though he is both God and Man, Christ is not two persons but one, one, not by changing the deity into flesh, but by taking the humanity into God; one, indeed, not by mixture of the natures, but by unity in one person; for just as the rational soul and flesh are one human being, so God and man are one Christ.

He suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose the third day from the dead. He ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty, and from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

At his coming all people will rise with their own bodies to answer for their personal deeds. Those who have done good will enter eternal life, but those who have done evil will go into eternal fire.

This is the true Christian faith. Whoever does not faithfully and firmly believe this cannot be saved.

Be seated

THANKSGIVING

Prayer of the Church

Triune God, you are the one eternal God, whose name we praise forever. We could not have known you, our only Savior, if you had not revealed yourself to us as Father, Son, and Spirit – three persons, yet one God. Remove from us all unbelief, and grant us humble faith as we contemplate this high and holy mystery.

Scatter all those who are wise in their own conceits, and give us a simple, childlike trust to worship you as Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity.

God our Father, whatever is good in us, whatever good things we have, and whatever good we do comes from you alone. In you we live and move and have our being. **Open our eyes to see the gifts you shower down on us daily – purely out of your own fatherly love and care.**

Lord Jesus our Savior, you came into our world to make the Father known to us; you joined yourself to us by taking on our humanity; you brought us back to God by shedding your blood. In love you walked the way of suffering and bore alone the wrath of God, the wrath that we by our sins deserved. Help us believe that all you did, all you suffered, and all you endured you did for us, to rescue us and set us free.

In the bright new hope of your resurrection, teach us to offer our lives each day in praise to God and in love to our neighbor.

Creator Spirit, you have opened our eyes by the bright light of your Word; you have burst through our deafness

with the clear sound of your voice in the Scriptures; you have breathed into us new life by the power of the gospel. Through Word and sacrament, help us grow in understanding the breadth and depth and height of the love of God. Make us firm in our resolve to do battle with our sin.

In every weakness be our strength, that we may show ourselves to be God's true children: faithful in prayer, constant in hope, and fervent in love.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

O Holy Trinity, you are the God of glory, the God of grace, the God of every comfort. From you and through you and to you are all things.

We rejoice to call you Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and so to praise your holy name forever. Amen.

Stand

Lord, Have Mercy Kyrie, sung (p. 50)

In the morning, O Lord, I call to you; be merciful to me and hear my prayer.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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.

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger; and in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Amen.



M: Let us praise the Lord.



C: Thanks be to God.



M: The grace of our Lord + Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the fellowship of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



C: A - men.

Be seated

326—May the Grace of Christ Our Savior

1 May the grace of Christ our Savior
And the Father's boundless love
With the Holy Spirit's favor
Rest upon us from above.

2 So may we abide in union
With each other and the Lord,
Gathered here in blest communion
By the power of his Word.

3 Now with all the saints in heaven
Thanks and praise to you we sing,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
Three in One, our triune King.

“Service of the Word” and all hymn lyrics

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THIS WEEK AT PEACE:

Today, May 31: Bible Study, Worship, Fellowship (Youth Group breakfast fundraiser)
Acolyte: Larisa Schwark

Wednesday, June 3: Adult Bible Study, 10 am

Sunday, June 7: Bible Study, Worship, Fellowship
Acolyte: Liam Dibelius

COMING UP:

June 14: Youth Group HyVee Brat Fry

June 21: Educating for Eternity Anniversary Sunday

June 25-28: LWMS Convention

July 4: Parade

July 14-17: Youth Rally

August 12: Golf Outing

November 1: 125th Anniversary Festival Worship

May Birthdays! Happy birthday to our May members: Kelley Riggs, Lydia Haasch, Lauren Pulice, Lane Lemke, Susie Menk, Vivian Stephenson, Marcel Mildebrandt, and Chelsie Stocker!

Did we miss a birthday? Fill out a friendship register, leave a note in Pastor's box, or email

PeaceChurchGL@gmail.com.

Favorite hymns!

Please help us pick favorite hymns for our upcoming anniversary services! You can record them on paper on the insert (place in the box in the narthex when complete) or email a list to the secretary email (peacechurchgl@gmail.com). Since we are working out of two different hymnals, please include which hymnal you mean! You can write titles or numbers, but be aware that

some titles have more than one melody as well. Best option: "RED # 369, 451..., BLUE # 510..." etc.

Anniversary RSVP!

Don't forget to RSVP so we can plan for bulletin printing and seating space for lunch. You can sign up in the fellowship hall [or HERE](#).

Got Bulletin Announcements?

OFFERINGS 5-24-26

Towards Budgeted Expenses

General Fund \$3,035.00

Meditations \$31.00

Pentecost \$635.00

Plate Offerings \$256.00

Total \$3957.00

Our weekly budgeted need is \$10,492.00

Church Special Funds

Roof Fund \$50.00

WLA Forward in Trust/Faith/Building \$25.00

Worker Training Support Fund \$100.00

Total \$175.00

School Special Funds

School Misc. Fund \$25.00

School Music Fund \$20.00

Total \$45.00

In Memory of Jean Murphy
To: School Music

From: Ken & Karleen Wolff

[Anniversary service RSVP Link](#)