



# Sunday, June 7, 2020

## The Holy Trinity

### Introduction

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.

### Opening Hymn....."Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!"



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,



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,



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,



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.

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt.  
 Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

## Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✙ one God,  
whose steadfast love is everlasting,  
whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

**Amen.**

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Reconciling God,

**we confess that we do not trust your abundance,  
and we deny your presence in our lives.**

**We place our hope in ourselves  
and rely on our own efforts.**

**We fail to believe that you provide enough for all.**

**We abuse your good creation for our own benefit.**

**We fear difference and do not welcome others  
as you have welcomed us.**

**We sin in thought, word, and deed.**

**By your grace, forgive us;**

**through your love, renew us;**

**and in your Spirit, lead us;**

**so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.**

Beloved of God,

by the radical abundance of divine mercy

we have peace with God through ✙ Christ Jesus,

through whom we have obtained grace upon grace.

Our sins are forgiven.

Let us live now in hope.

For hope does not disappoint,

because God's love has been poured into our hearts

through the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## Prayer of the Day

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.**

## **First Reading: Genesis 1:26—2:4a**

*At the beginning of time, God the Creator, God the powerful Word, and God the life-giving Spirit form the earth and all its inhabitants. God sees that all this created work is good and then rests on the seventh day.*

Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

**Here ends the reading.**

## **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.*

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, 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.

**Here ends the reading.**

## **Gospel: Matthew 28:16—20**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*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.*

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some 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.**

# Sermon

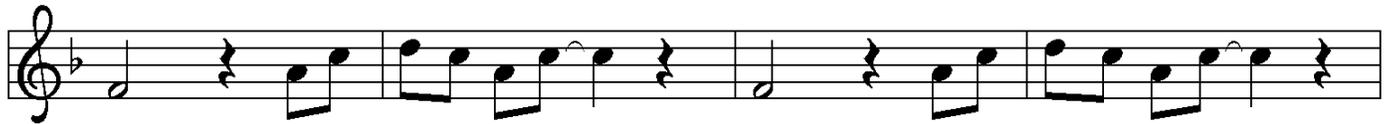
## Sermon Song....."Go, Make Disciples"



"Go, make dis - ci - ples, bap - tiz - ing them, teach - ing them.



Go, make dis - ci - ples, for I am with you till the end of time.



Go, be the salt of the earth. Go, be the light for the world.



Go, be a cit - y on a hill, so all can see that you're



serv - ing me. Go, make dis - ci - ples."

Text: Handt Hanson, b. 1950

Music: GO, MAKE DISCIPLES, Handt Hanson

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## Prayers of Intercession

Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world.

*A brief silence.*

God of community, you form us as your church. Guide our bishops, pastors, deacons, and all the baptized in sharing your life-giving good news with all the world. Strengthen us to be bold in our proclamation. Lord in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

God of creation, you called everything into being. Sustain this world with your renewing care. Inspire us to see waterways, plant life, birds, fish, insects, and mammals and call them good. Lord in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

God of counsel, all authority belongs to you. Encourage the leaders of this and every land to seek peace, equality, and unity. Instill wisdom in advocates who work toward justice. There is much work to do, but help us to be understanding and understood recalling our identity as both sinner and saint. Lord in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

God of care, you created us in your image. Help us see your likeness in one another. Open our eyes to see and attend to all who face oppression and suffering. Console, heal, and nourish all in need (*especially Cy, Judi, Don, Becky, Nancy, Barbara, Doug, Christi, Jeff, Vicki, Bernie, Ethan, Joy, Melody, Jason, Sharon, Al, Kathryn, Mike, Michael, Dorie, Dee, Tad, Lynne, Annika, Beth, Jack, Dustin & Anastasiya, Gene, Richard, Ruth, Jay, Gil, Joan, Lew, and Chuck*). Lord in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

God of companionship, you accompany this body of faith. As the rhythms of summer begin, protect all who travel, renew all who will enjoy a time of sabbath, and shelter all who will not be protected from the sun's heat. Lord in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

God of compassion, you comfort us in our grief with the promise of the resurrection. We give you thanks for the saints of all time and in our lives. Lord, in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **Thanksgiving at the Table**

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus 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.

## **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.

## **Invitation to Communion**

Friends of Jesus, come to the table. Receive nourishment for your journey.

## **Distribution of Communion**

*At this time take the elements you have with you saying these words:*

**The Body of Christ given for you. The Blood of Christ shed for you.**

## **Post Communion Prayer**

God of the welcome table, in this meal we have feasted on your goodness and have been united by your presence among us. Empower us to go forth sustained by these gifts so that we may share your neighborly love with all, through Jesus Christ, the giver of abundant life.

**Amen.**

# Closing Hymn....."How Great is Our God"

**VERSE**



1. The splen - dor of \_\_\_\_\_ the King, \_\_\_\_\_  
 (2. And) age to age \_\_\_\_\_ He stands, \_\_\_\_\_ and



clothed in maj - es - ty; \_\_\_\_\_ Let all the earth re - joice, \_\_\_\_\_  
 time is in \_\_\_\_\_ His hands; \_\_\_\_\_ Be - gin - ning and \_\_\_\_\_ the End, \_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_\_\_ all the earth re - joice. \_\_\_\_\_ He wraps \_\_\_\_\_ Him - self \_\_\_\_\_ in light, \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Be - gin - ning and \_\_\_\_\_ the End. \_\_\_\_\_ The God - head, three \_\_\_\_\_ in one, \_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_\_\_ and dark - ness tries \_\_\_\_\_ to hide, \_\_\_\_\_ and trem - bles at \_\_\_\_\_ His voice, \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son, \_\_\_\_\_ the Li - on and \_\_\_\_\_ the Lamb, \_\_\_\_\_

**CHORUS**



\_\_\_\_\_ and trem - bles at \_\_\_\_\_ His voice. \_\_\_\_\_ How great \_\_\_\_\_ is our God! \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ the Li - on and \_\_\_\_\_ the Lamb. \_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_\_\_ Sing with me: \_\_\_\_\_ How great \_\_\_\_\_ is our God! \_\_\_\_\_ And all \_\_\_\_\_ will see how



great, how great \_\_\_\_\_ is our God! \_\_\_\_\_ 2. And

*Continued.....*

2. BRIDGE

Name a - bove \_\_\_\_\_ all names, \_\_\_\_\_

wor - thy of \_\_\_\_\_ all praise. \_\_\_\_\_ My heart will sing: \_\_\_\_\_ How great \_\_\_\_\_

1.

\_\_\_\_\_ is our God! \_\_\_\_\_

2. D.S. al Fine

\_\_\_\_\_ is our God! \_\_\_\_\_ How great

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## Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**