

Sunday Worship - Holy Trinity

Today is Trinity Sunday day. It's a day when we celebrate that God is one. Yet God has revealed himself to us in three Persons: As Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Christians often describe God as Triune. Tri- meaning three. One – meaning one. Three in one! Let's begin this time of worship at home by praising our Triune God by speaking out loud this call to worship:

Opening Sentences

Praise the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Praise and adore him forever.

Praise the Lord in the heights of heaven.

Praise and adore him forever.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty.

Praise and adore him forever.

He was and is and is to come.

Praise and adore him forever.

Hymn LHB 140 - Holy Holy Holy

Confession and Declaration of Grace

God did not send his Son Jesus into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. So as a household, we confess our sins to God, and ask him in the name of our lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

Lord have mercy

Christ have mercy

Lord have mercy

We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have failed to do. We have not loved you with our whole heart, and we have not loved our neighbour as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

God our heavenly Father has mercy on us and has given us his son Jesus Christ to die for us, to forgive us and make us his holy children. He has given us his Holy Spirit to work in us and through us each day. May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon and forgiveness of all our sins.

Amen.

Hymn LHB 373 - Lord speak to me that I may speak

Prayer of the day

Almighty and eternal God, since you have given us grace, by the confession of the true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and to worship the Unity by the power of your divine majesty:

Keep us firm in this faith, and defend us forever from all evil; for you live and reign, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading

Genesis 1:1 - 2:4a The Triune God creates the world through his word

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8

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

You have set your glory
in the heavens.

Through the praise of children and infants
you have established a stronghold against your enemies,
to silence the foe and the avenger.

When I consider your heavens,
the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars,
which you have set in place,
what is mankind that you are mindful of them,
human beings that you care for them?

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

You have made them a little lower than the angels
and crowned them with glory and honour.

You made them rulers over the works of your hands;
you put everything under their feet:

all flocks and herds,
and the animals of the wild,
the birds in the sky,
and the fish in the sea,
all that swim the paths of the seas.

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

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

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 13:11-13(14) The apostolic blessing in the name of the Triune God

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel

Matthew 28:16-20 The great commission in the name of the Triune God

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ.

Hymn - LHB 501 God himself is present

Sermon

Apostle's Creed

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

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into

heaven, and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty, from thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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.

Prayer of the Church

God our Father has created us. In his love, he sent his Son to redeem us. Now he calls us his holy people by the power of his Spirit. Whenever we pray we come to him in the Spirit, through the name of Jesus, and ask him for all our needs:

God our father, we praise you for you have made the earth and everything in it. You have made the universe and everything we can see and even the things we cannot see.

We pray for all humankind, made in your image. Help us to care for each other and the world in which you have placed us. Bring your healing to people of every tribe, nation, race and language. Limit the effect that the COVID19 is having on our world. Have mercy on us all. Reveal to our researchers a solution to this pandemic.

Thank you for your gift of community: families and friends, towns and cities, states and nations, reflecting the communal love of the Trinity. Help us to safely live and move under the remaining restrictions.

Thank you for making your holy name known to us through Jesus Christ our Lord. Thank you for given your Spirit to all help us believe in you. Bless your church around the world and all who live to disciple and lead others to know you.

Lord Jesus, we pray for those people we know who do not yet know you. Help us to love and listen, prepare the way for us to share our faith story with them so that they may one day know just how much you love us all.

We pray for all who have been baptised in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, as they witness to your love and action in the world. We pray for all parents who teach the true faith to their baptised children. Lord, bless these families for generations to come.

Lord God, you are the ground of our existence and the foundation of our faith. Support us in this faith as we live in your name, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing

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

Hymn - LHB 164 Love divine all loves excelling