

TRINITY SUNDAY

JUNE 7, 2009

CHRIST'S TRUE BODY AND BLOOD, given and shed in His passion for the forgiveness of sins, are really present in, with, and under the bread and the wine in the Sacrament of the Altar and are given to and received by those who commune. Confirmed church members who are of one faith with us are invited to the Lord's table.

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Divine Service III LSB pages 184-202

L = Liturgist

* = Stand

C = Congregation

PRELUDE 10:30 String Ensemble *I Know that My Redeemer Lives*

Violin: Sarah Hopfer, Tyler Rainey, Allison Maschhoff; Viola: Ben Zaretsky; Accompanist: Sherry Bierwagen, DMM

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***OPENING HYMN**

Holy, Holy, Holy

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***INVOCATION AND GENERAL CONFESSION**

L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen. (Sung)

BAPTISM (10:30)

L: In the name of God the Father, source of all hope and light and life:

C: Who has loved us with an everlasting love, who is faithful to His word and to His promises.

L: In the Name of Jesus Christ,

C: The living word of God, the one who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

L: In the name of God, the Holy Spirit,

C: Who brings us into the way, teaches the truth, and works faith within us.

L: Let us confess our sins before God and in the presence of one another.

C: Merciful Father, we pray for pardon, peace and forgiveness for all our sins. Because of the person and work of Jesus Christ, who suffered and died to pay the penalty of death for our sins, grant us Your mercy, forgive us and release us from our guilt for His sake. Amen.

***THE ABSOLUTION**

C: Amen. (Sung)

***THE GLORIA PATRI** (Taken from LSB, page 186)

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. (Sung)

***THE KYRIE**

C: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us. (Sung)

***THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit. (Sung)

L: Let us pray.

C: Amen. (Sung)

THE FIRST READING for Holy Trinity Sunday is from Deuteronomy 6:4-9, page 135:

4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. 5 Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. 6 These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. 7 Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. 8 Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. 9 Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God. (Sung)

THE EPISTLE READING is from Acts 2:14, 22-24, 32-36, page 811:

14 Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. 22 "Men of Israel, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. 23 This man was handed over to you by God's set purpose and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. 24 But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. 32 God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of the fact. 33 Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear. 34 For David did not ascend to heaven, and yet he said, " 'The Lord said to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand 35 until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet." ' 36 "Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ."

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

***ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

C: Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. (Sung)

*THE HOLY GOSPEL - according to St. John, the third chapter, verses 5-17, page 790-791:

C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord. (Sung)

⁵Jesus answered, "I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit. ⁶Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. ⁷You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You must be born again.' ⁸The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit." ⁹"How can this be?" Nicodemus asked. ¹⁰"You are Israel's teacher," said Jesus, "and do you not understand these things? ¹¹I tell you the truth, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. ¹²I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? ¹³No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven—the Son of Man. ¹⁴Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, ¹⁵that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ. (Sung)

***THE ATHANASIAN CREED** (Complete Creed LW p. 134) (5:00, 8:00)

... We worship one God in three persons, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance. For there is one person of the Father, another of the Son and another of the Holy Spirit. But the Godhead ... is all one; the glory equal, the majesty coeternal ... In this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another, ... He, therefore, that will be saved is compelled thus to think of the Trinity. Furthermore, it is necessary to everlasting salvation that we also believe faithfully the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ for the right faith is that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is God and man; ... who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead. He ascended into heaven, He sits at the

right hand of the Father, God Almighty, from whence He will come to judge the living and the dead. This is the Christian faith. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY *Father Most Holy* **504**

THE SERMON “Trust the Trinity” (Acts 2:33 & 36)

THE OFFERING - *During the offering all worshipers are asked to fill out the blue or ivory cards found in the pew rack. Please pass cards down to center aisle. They will be collected immediately after the offering.*

VOLUNTARY

***THE OFFERTORY** (LSB pg 192)

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH/*LORD'S PRAYER**

ADULT CONFIRMATION (5:00)

***THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen. (Sung)

***THE AGNUS DEI** (sung)

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O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN *Sing Praise to God*

1. **Sing praise to God, the highest good, The author of creation,
The God of love who understood Our need for His salvation.
With healing balm our souls He fills And every faithless murmur stills.
To God all praise and glory!**
2. **We sought the Lord in our distress; O God, in mercy hear us.
Our Savior saw our helplessness And came with peace to cheer us.
For this we thank and praise the Lord, Who is by one & all adored:
To God all praise and glory!**
3. **All who confess Christ's holy name, Give God the praise & glory,
Let all who know His power proclaim A-loud the wondrous tory.
Cast ever idol from its throne, For God is God, and He alone:
To God all praise and glory!**

8:00 String Ensemble *I Know that My Redeemer Lives*

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OTHER DISTRIBUTION HYMNS **948, 810, 727**

NUNC DIMITTIS (Sung) - Song of Simeon Luke 2:29-32 LSB page 199

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the

Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

L: Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.

C: **And His mercy endureth forever. (sung)**

L: Let us pray. C: **Amen. (Sung)**

L: The Lord be with you. C: **And with Thy Spirit. (sung)**

L: Bless we the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God. (sung)**

*THE BENEDICTION

C: **Amen. Amen. Amen. (sung)**

*THE CLOSING HYMN *O Jesus, blessed Lord, to Thee* 632

1. **Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit: Great Jehovah, Three in One!
Glory, glory, While eternal ages run!**

2. **Glory, blessing, praise eternal! Thus the choir of angels sings;
Honor riches, power, dominion! Thus its praise creation brings.
Glory, glory, glory to the King of kings!**

*SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE + + + + +

SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Pastor Dennis A. Kastens

Liturgist 5:00, 8:00 & 10:30 - Pastor Jon C. Furgeson; 9:20 - Rev. E. Winker

Organist: Alice Kastens

NEWS AND NOTES

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TODAY'S EDUCATION HOUR: 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Adult Bible Class (Lower Commons) "The Truth Project"

Women's Bible Class (Office Conf. Rm.): led by Janice McCreary

Youth Bible Class: led by Christina Stackle, DCE

8th Grade Youth: led by Rick Goodman

7th Grade Youth: led by Greg Wirtel

ALTAR FLOWERS are from sons Michael, Bryan and David Dressel, in honor and celebration of their parents Lorin and Carol Dressel's 52nd wedding anniversary on June 8th. To God be the Glory! Also from Glenn and Jacqueline Uthoff in honor of, and from their children and grandchildren in celebration of, their 50th wedding anniversary on June 6th.

ADULT CONFIRMATION (5:00) W. Lawrence Work.

BAPTISM (10:30) Chen "Jenny" Jao, of Taiwan, LHSS exchange student, with Bill/Terri Dalton as hosts. God's blessings.

VBS BEGINS TOMORROW, 9:00-12:30 Monday - Friday. Register 8:30 a.m.

ALTAR CANDLES (of same size, height & color) are needed to replace existing ones which are leaking. Total cost \$1,112. Please consider making a donation / memorial gift.

LADIES GUILD PICNIC at Volk's, 4773 Oakbrier Dr., 63128, Thursday, June 18th at 12 noon. For more information call Jean 487-4050. Husbands are welcome to attend! - Jean Volk, Pres.

ISSUES, ETC. features the 10 Commandments in June (4:00 - 5:00 p.m.) over KSIV, 1320 AM radio or www.issuesetc.org.

ATTN: YOUTH VBS HELPERS - A **mandatory meeting for youth VBS helpers** has been scheduled for **TODAY, 10:15 a.m. in the Meeting Room**. See you there!

YOUTH NEWS: If interested in attending our Six Flags fellowship event on Wed., June 10, 12:30 - 9:00 p.m., you must be signed up TODAY. Parents are needed to help drive. Sign up sheets are located at the Youth Ministry desk.

ARTS CAMP

Space is still available to register for the **"No Strings Attached" Arts Camp** coming on June 15-19. Times are from 9:00 a.m.—12:15 p.m. All students (members and non-members) entering grade 4 through grade 7 (fall of 2009) are invited to attend. Classes include vocal choir, handbells, recorders, creative movement, puppets and crafts, and cooking. For more information and to register call Sherry Bierwagen, DMM, 314-892-5610.

EARLY CHILDHOOD has openings for the upcoming school year for Preschool, Parent's Day Out, and Daycare. Contact Sue Velten, 892-8844.

NEW MEMBER CLASSES on Sundays, 6:00-7:30 p.m., start June 28. Sign up sheet is posted on the Commons' bulletin board. (Or you today may indicate desired enrollment on your worship attendance card.) Auditors welcome.

COUPLES CLUB Riverboat Dinner Cruise, Sat., June 20th, 7:30—9:30 p.m. \$40.00 per person. RSVP to Karen Mathany, 487-5618.

WANTED: Your unwanted (useable, unbroken, clean) items for August 8, Saturday, Couple's Club Garage Sale! Items may be dropped off at the lower level storage room on the West side. Clean clothing brought on hangers would be greatly appreciated. Call Fred Seiller, 631-4650 or Rich Bahnke, 398-1288.

HURRY, HURRY, HURRY! - Vacation Bible School (June 8-12) could use your help. Contact Maureen Bryan, 892-5610.

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF JUNE 7, 2009:

Today:10:30	VBS (Mandatory) Youth Meeting
Mon:9-12:30	VBS
7:00	Pack 584 Committee Mtg
Tue:9-12:30	VBS
7:00	Eagle Scout Bd of Rvw
Wed:9-12:30	VBS
12:30	Youth of Six Flags
7:00	Wed. Bible Study
Thur:9-12:30	VBS
7:00	Puleo/Williams Rehearsal
Fri:9-12:30	VBS
Sat:	Youth leaves for Wisconsin
	Servant Event
7:00am	Boys Scout Leader Training
2:00	Puleo/Williams Wedding

	5:00	Worship
Sun:	10:30	Mission Outreach Mtg.
	6:00	Father/Sun Bible Study