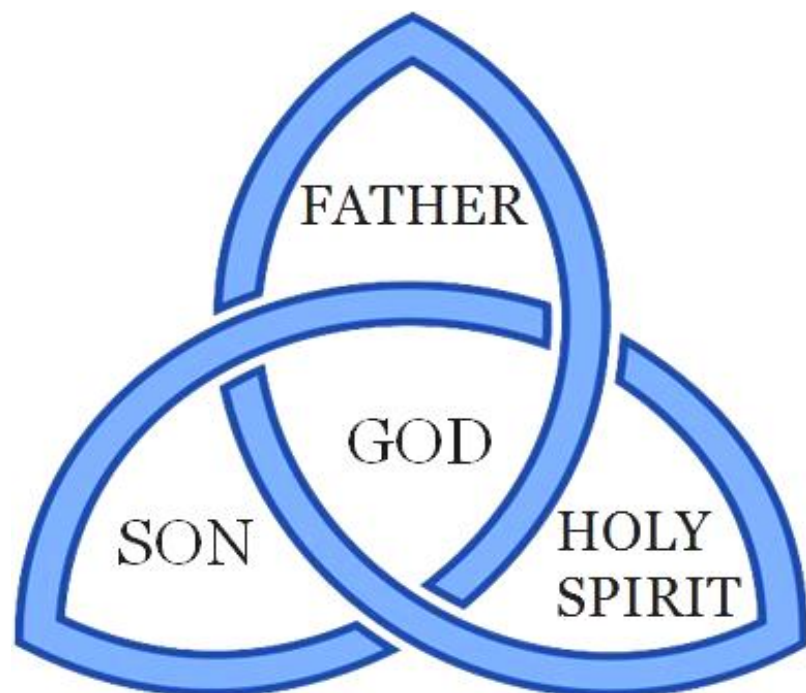


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## Trinity Sunday



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**Ascension is a family of Christians intent on sharing the Good News of  
Jesus Christ and His victory over death**

*“Through the Lord’s mercies we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness.” (Lamentations 3:22-23)*

**PRESERVICE MEDITATION: Psalm 148, pp. 156-157 (The Lutheran Hymnal)**

**HYMN 246 (TLH) “Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty”**

**Service Of Word And Sacrament, setting 2, p. 12 (Worship Supplement)**

**FIRST LESSON: 1 Peter 1:1-9**

Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To the pilgrims of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace be multiplied. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, receiving the end of your faith – the salvation of your souls.

**PSALM OF THE DAY (*responsively*) – from Psalm 115**

**M: Not unto us, O LORD, not unto us, but to Your name give glory,**

**C: BECAUSE OF YOUR MERCY, BECAUSE OF YOUR TRUTH.**

**M: Why should the Gentiles say, “So where is their God?”**

**C: BUT OUR GOD IS IN HEAVEN, HE DOES WHATEVER HE PLEASES.**

**M: Their idols are silver and gold, the work of men’s hands.**

**C: YOU WHO FEAR THE LORD, TRUST IN THE LORD; HE IS THEIR HELP AND THEIR SHIELD.**

**M: The LORD has been mindful of us; He will bless us.**

**C: HE WILL BLESS THOSE WHO FEAR THE LORD, BOTH SMALL AND GREAT.**

**M: May you be blessed by the LORD, Who made heaven and earth.**

**C: WE WILL BLESS THE LORD FROM THIS TIME FORTH  
AND FOREVERMORE. PRAISE THE LORD!**

**SECOND LESSON: Mathew 28:16-20 *rise***

Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, to the mountain which Jesus had appointed for them. When they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

Apostles' Creed, page 15 (Worship Supplement)

**HYMN 250** (The Lutheran Hymnal) *"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"*

**SERMON: Numbers 6:22-27**

**THE TRIUNE GOD BLESSES US**

1. We have our Heavenly Father's protection
2. We have our Savior's grace
3. We have our Comforter's peace

And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying: "Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, 'This is the way you shall bless the children of Israel. Say to them: "The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace."'" "So they shall put My name on the children of Israel, and I will bless them."

The Offertory, page 16 (Worship Supplement)

Offerings from grateful hearts

**HYMN 39** (The Lutheran Hymnal) *"Praise To The Lord, The Almighty"*

Prayer Of The Church

The Lord's Prayer, page 17 (Worship Supplement)

The Benediction, page 21 (Worship Supplement)

**HYMN 800** (Worship Supplement) *"Go, My Children, With My Blessing"*

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**WELCOME, VISITORS!** Please leave a record of your visit in our guest book in the entryway.

**TODAY** our USHER is Greg Suwanski. After church we continue our BIBLE STUDY at Revelation 3:1ff. NORTH AURORA CARE CENTER SERVICE: 3:00 PM; BATAVIA REHAB SERVICE: 4:00 PM.

**TUESDAY – THURSDAY:** Your pastor will be attending the CLC General Pastoral Conference on the campus of Immanuel Lutheran College in Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

**FRIDAY:** NORTH AURORA CARE CENTER BIBLE STUDY: 10:00 AM.

**SUNDAY:** WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:00 AM; SUNDAY SCHOOL and BIBLE STUDY: 11:15 AM.

**NEXT SUNDAY** our USHER is Tyler Louderman.

**MISSION FESTIVAL:** ILC professor Paul Naumann will be our guest speaker for our Mission Festival IN TWO WEEKS, on SUNDAY, JUNE 25. Professor Naumann will also speak to us about outreach during our Bible Study.

**ASCENSION FRUITS OF FAITH:** Last Sunday's attendance was 29, and our offering was \$830.00.

**BIBLE STUDY & SUNDAY SCHOOL** will be held through the summer.

**CLC NEWS:** Carly Meyer of Living Hope Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI, has returned the call to teach grades 3-4 at Messiah Lutheran School, Eau Claire, WI. Teacher Neil Bernthal of Immanuel Lutheran School, Winter Haven, FL, has returned the call to Faith Lutheran School, Markesan, WI.

**THE HOLY TRINITY** – Having celebrated the greatest event in God's history of salvation, the death and resurrection of the Son of God, we pause a bit at the Feast of the Holy Trinity to consider the essence of God. Certainly the essence of God is beyond our weak comprehension, but He has graciously revealed Himself to us as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. When we want to summarize all the Holy Scripture says about God as our Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier, we call Him the Holy Trinity. Even beyond the glorious summary of the persons and work of God found in the Creeds, to speak of God as the Holy Trinity says at one time all the many things that the Scriptures say about God. Our worship never ceases confessing our faith in the triune God and giving glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.  
(from the Treasury Of Daily Prayer)