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The Holy Trinity
June 4, 2023

The Preservice Music and The Call to Worship

Hymn of Invocation: 506 “Glory Be to God the Father”

Invocation

Exhortation

LSB 213

Confession of Sins

LSB 213

Absolution

LSB 213

Gloria in Excelsis: 948 “All Glory Be to God Alone”

The Collect of the Day

The Old Testament Reading

Genesis 1:1-2, 26-31

“In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. ... ²⁶ Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” ²⁷ So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. ²⁸ And 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 heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.” ²⁹ And God said, “Behold, I have given you every

plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. ³⁰ And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens 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. ³¹ And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

An Anthem: Psalm 103 Bless the Lord O My Soul (Choir)

The Epistle Reading

Acts 2:14a, 22–36

¹⁴Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, . . . ²²“Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know — ²³this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. ²⁴God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. ²⁵For David says concerning him, “I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken; ²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope. ²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption. ²⁸You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’ ²⁹“Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰Being

therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, ³¹he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. ³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. ³³Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. ³⁴For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, ““The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, ³⁵until I make your enemies your footstool.’ ³⁶Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 28:16–20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn: 650 "Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling"

Sermon (During the sermon, children who are ages 3 through grade 2 are invited to participate in KIDZ Time. Children can make their way to the back of the sanctuary where the KIDZ Time teacher is waiting. The children will return to the service following the sermon.)

Offering (Please sign the burgundy Friendship booklet and pass it to other people sitting in your pew. When completed, pass it back to the center aisle and be sure to greet the people next to you! Those sitting by the center aisle: please tear off the completed sheet and place it on the pew. Thank you!)

The Prayer of the Church & The Lord's Prayer

The Athanasian Creed (see blue insert)

Announcements and Dismissal Blessing

Preface

LSB 216

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

Agnus Dei

LSB 198

Distribution

Distribution Hymn: "Blood of the Lamb" (Tribe & Tongue)

Verse 1

Lord, we come to You confessing
Every dark iniquity
We can't love as You have called us
We are sinful and unclean

Verse 2

For the sake of Christ our Savior
Have mercy as we pray
Forgive, renew, and lead us
To rejoice in all Your ways

Chorus

*Hallelujah Hallelujah
There's forgiveness in the blood of the lamb
Hallelujah, Hallelujah
There is freedom in the blood of the lamb*

Verse 3

Lord, without Your perfect sacrifice
We would still be dead in sin
But because You paid the price for us
We are born again

Chorus

*Hallelujah Hallelujah
There's forgiveness in the blood of the lamb
Hallelujah, Hallelujah
There is freedom in the blood of the lamb*

Bridge

Increase in us Your wisdom
Redeem us by Your grace
Fill us with Your Spirit
Til we see You face to face

Increase in us Your wisdom
Redeem us by Your grace
Fill us with Your Spirit
Til we see You face to face

Chorus

Hallelujah Hallelujah

There's forgiveness in the blood of the lamb

Hallelujah, Hallelujah

There is freedom in the blood of the lamb

Hallelujah Hallelujah

There's forgiveness in the blood of the lamb

Hallelujah, Hallelujah

There is freedom in the blood of the lamb

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Distribution Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy (Worship Team version)

Verse 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

Verse 2

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

Chorus

Hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah Jesus reigns

Verse 3

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

Bridge

And let all the earth proclaim

All the people sing You are holy You are holy

And let all the Heavens ring worthy is the King

You are holy You are holy

(REPEAT)

Jesus You are

Ending

Holy holy holy Lord God Almighty

God in three persons blessed Trinity

Blessed Trinity You are the blessed Trinity

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A Post-Communion Hymn: 643 “Sent Forth by God's Blessing”

Post-Communion Collect

Benedicamus

LSB 218

Benediction

Hymn to Depart: 644 “The Church's One Foundation”

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This Week at St. James

Today (6/4)..... Gizmo on FB – 8:00 AM
Worship – 9:30 AM
Voters Meeting – 11:00 AM
LWML Meeting -6:00 PM

Monday (6/5).....Evening Service – 6:30 PM

Wednesday (6/7).....Darrell’s Bible Class – 10:00 AM
Governing Board Meeting – 6:30 PM

Friday (6/9) Pastors Day Off – 9:00 AM

Saturday (6/10)..... Men’s Breakfast and Bible Study – 9:00 AM

Sunday (6/11) Gizmo on FB – 8:00 AM
Worship – 9:30 AM
Bible Study – 11:00 AM
Friends In Faith Meeting – 11:00 AM

Looking Ahead

(6/7) Governing Board Meeting @ 6:30
(6/10) Mens Breakfast @ 8:30am
(6/11) Friends In Faith Meeting @ 11:00am

Serving Today (6/4)

OfficiantRev. Dr. Glenn Schaeffer
Lector.....Pastor
Organist..... Beth McKay
Deacon(s)Bryan Ensing /Dave Hood
Ushers..... Jim & Nancy Spears/ Caleb Butler
Video/Sound/Recording..... Nathan Urbanski/John & Marjie Weiss
June Altar Guild.....Lois Delano and Mary Ward

Serving Next Sunday (6/11)

Lector..... Marjie Weiss
Organist..... Beth McKay
Deacon(s) Jerry Talen
Ushers.....Walt and Karen Kryzanowski

Video/Sound/Recording..... Nathan Urbanski/John & Marjie Weiss
June Altar Guild.....Lois Delano and Mary Ward

Financial Discipleship: May 28, 2023

General Fund	\$3,734.00
<i>Needed each week for budget \$5,769.00 (-\$2035.00)</i>	
Tessaro	\$110.00
Rwandan Mothers	\$1,000.00
TOTAL Contributions	\$4,844.00

Announcements

The Voters Meeting: Will be held today, June 4th following the Merry Berry Strawberry.

Join the LWML on Sunday June 4th for a Merry Berry Strawberry

Sundae: The LWML is hosting this special treat after Sunday morning service to raise funds to support African mothers and babies. So, show your heart for Africa by bringing a donation for the cause, your sweet tooth, and the expectation for a **Merry Berry Time!**

A New Sunday Morning Bible Study: begins June 11th will be led by Pastor Schaeffer. This five-week study is provided by the LCMS and does a “deep dive” into the theme of the LCMS Convention (“We Preach Christ Crucified”) that will take place at the end of July. The weekly focuses include: 1. The Power of Salvation. 2. The Foolish Gospel. 3. When the Gospel Seems Foolish to Christians. 4. The Foolish Congregation. 5. Fools to the End(s). Please make it a priority in your Sunday schedule to attend all five of the sessions or as many sessions as you are able.

Come Monday if you Can't Come Sunday: Just a reminder that if you are unable to attend Sunday morning worship services, then please come to our Monday evening services. The service starts at 6:30 p.m.

Searching for a New Principal: Please pray for our ISJ Academy School board as they search for a new principal for our school.

ISJ Academy needs more students: Tell your family, friends, and neighbors about our school. The tuition for our early childhood education is highly competitive with other early childhood options. The tuition for our elementary school (K-through Grade 8) is also very

competitive with other options. And best of all: the children who attend ISJ Academy are taught from a biblical, Christ-centered perspective which provides them with a solid foundation upon which to build their lives. For more information, visit the ISJ Academy website:

<https://www.mychristianschool.com/>.

Dear Friends in Christ: Dear St. James Family, We want to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, hugs and kind words of sympathy the church family has given us after the death of Mikes Mom. We have truly felt God's comfort through His people. Thank you all – Sherry & Mike Mack

ISJ Closing service: The ISJ Closing Service will be held on Tuesday, June 6 at 10:30 am. Please join us at St. James Lutheran Church for chapel and a celebration of our ISJ 8th grade graduates.

PRC Grand Rapids Walk for Life is Father's Day weekend: Join us on Saturday, June 17, for our annual prayer walk. Walk downtown at PRC, in Middleville on the Paul Henry Trail, or walk where you are. We are excited to walk side-by-side together, uniting in fellowship, praying as believers, and encouraging all who stand for the sanctity of human life. Prayer is powerful and needed more than ever. Visit www.prcforlife.org/events/walk-for-life to register today! For more information, contact us at (616) 259-1522 or email events@prcgr.org.

Men's Breakfast and Bible Study: All men please join us on Saturday at 8:30am for our men's breakfast and Bible study.

A Statement on Holy Communion

We rejoice in the celebration of the LORD'S Supper as the Lord Jesus comes to us in a very personal manner, giving to us His true Body and Blood in, with, and under the bread and wine in this sacred meal. St. Paul writes, "*A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself.*" (1 Corinthians 11:28-29) It is out of love and care for every individual that comes to the Lord's Supper that we ask those who are not instructed in the faith and/or doubt the presence of the Body and Blood of Jesus in this Sacrament to refrain from attending the Lord's Supper.

Members of Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregations,
who:

- Repent of their sin;
- Believe in Jesus as their Savior;
- Trust that they are receiving, not only bread and wine, but also the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ in the Lord's Supper for the forgiveness of their sins; and
- Intend, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to live as forgiven sinners resisting the devil, saying no to sinful desires, and walking in the newness of life;

are invited to partake of this Holy Meal with us. We request that ALL guests who desire to commune, kindly speak to the Pastor before the service.

If you prefer to come forward for a blessing at the time of Holy Communion, please do so. We ask that you cross your arms over your chest so that Pastor knows you want to receive a blessing.

NOTE: We provide gluten-free communion host and non-alcohol grape juice. Just let Pastor and/or the assistants know when you come for Holy Communion.