

*Sunday, May 27, 2018*  
*The Holy Trinity*  
*Holy Communion*

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**May 27, 2018 • 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Service**

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**WELCOME TO EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**INTRODUCTION**

*When we say God is the triune God, we are saying something about who God is beyond, before, and after the universe: that there is community within God. Our experience of this is reflected in Paul's words today. When we pray to God as Jesus prayed to his Abba (an everyday, intimate parental address), the Spirit prays within us, creating between us and God the same relationship Jesus has with the one who sent him.*

**PRELUDE**

***Holy God, We Praise Thy Name***

**arr. Bish**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*The assembly stands.*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
full of compassion and mercy,  
abounding in steadfast love.

**Amen.**

Trusting God's promise of forgiveness,  
let us confess our sin against God and one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection. The assembly may stand or kneel..*

Eternal God our creator,  
**in you we live and move and have our being.**  
Look upon us, your children,  
**the work of your hands.**  
Forgive us all our offenses,  
**and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires.**  
By your grace draw us near to you,  
**our refuge and our strength;**  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Since we are justified by faith,  
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.  
God's love has been poured into our hearts  
through the Holy Spirit given to us.  
In the mercy of almighty God,  
Christ died for us while we still were sinners;  
and for his sake, God † forgives you all your sins.  
**Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG**

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!**

**ELW 413**

**GREETING**

The grace that is Christ's gift to us,  
the love of God,  
and the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace  
be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

KYRIE

(Verse 1—Kyrie eleison; Verse 2—Christe eleison; Verse 3—Kyrie eleison)



1, 3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.  
 2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.  
 1, 3 Lord, . . . have mer - cy. Lord, . . . . have mer - cy.  
 2 Christ, . . . have mer - cy. Christ, . . . . have mer - cy.



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.  
 Chris - te e - le - i - son.  
 Lord, . . . have mer - cy.  
 Christ, . . . have mer - cy.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

(Please sing verses 1 & 4)



1 Come, join the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun—  
 2 Come, see the face of Trin - i - ty, new - born in Beth - le - hem;  
 3 Come, speak a - loud of Trin - i - ty, as wind and tongues of flame  
 4 With - in the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun,



the in - ter - weav - ing of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son.  
 then blood - ied by a crown of thorns out - side Je - ru - sa - lem.  
 set peo - ple free at Pen - te - cost to tell the Sav - ior's name.  
 we sing the prais - es of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son.



The u - ni - verse of space and time did not a - rise by chance,  
 The dance of Trin - i - ty is meant for hu - man flesh and bone;  
 We know the yoke of sin and death, our necks have worn it smooth;  
 Let voic - es rise and in - ter - weave, by love and hope set free,



but as the Three, in love and hope, made room with - in their dance.  
 when fear con - fines the dance in death, God rolls a - way the stone.  
 go tell the world of weight and woe that we are free to move!  
 to shape in song this joy, this life: the dance of Trin - i - ty.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

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.**

*The assembly is seated.*

### **FIRST READING: Isaiah 6:1–8**

***(Please turn to page 704 in the Old Testament of your pew Bible).***

*This reading narrates Isaiah's vision of the Lord surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the great thanksgiving. This liturgical text invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of God's glory. That glory is God's mercy toward sinners.*

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **SECOND READING: Romans 8:12–17**

***(Please turn to page 164 in the New Testament of your pew Bible).***

*In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and sisters and brothers with Christ the Son.*

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### GOSPEL: John 3:1-17

*(Please turn to page 96 in the New Testament of your pew Bible).*

The holy gospel according to John, the third chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Jesus' miracles prompt Nicodemus to visit him in secrecy. Jesus tells him about being born of the Spirit and about the Son who has been sent by God to save.*

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The assembly is seated.*

**SERMON**

**Pastor Steven Wigdahl**

*The assembly stands.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

***You Are Holy***

**ELW 525**

## NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\*  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

\*Or, "who proceeds from the Father." The phrase "and the Son" is a later addition to the creed.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Filled with the Holy Spirit, we join with the church in every place, praying for the world that God so loves. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

**Congregational refrain: "Hear Our Prayer"**



Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole:  
peace to all peo - ple, hope for each soul.  
God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

We bring to you, Christ, members and friends of Emmanuel who need your healing touch.

*(Names from our congregation...)*

*Into your loving hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ our risen Savior. **Amen.***

**Congregational refrain: "Hear Our Prayer"**

## PEACE

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ. The peace of Christ be with you always.*

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

*The assembly is seated.*

**OFFERING**

*An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.*

*During this time, the table is set.*

**OFFERTORY**

**Holy Is the Lord**

**Schubert/arr. Bock**

**Jan Gazdic, Denise Larson, Steve Esala**

*Holy, holy, holy, holy is the Lord. Holy, holy, holy, holy is the Lord. Holy is the Father, holy is the Son, holy is the Spirit; blessed Three in One. In your hearts enthrone Him, there let Him subdue all that is not holy, all that is not true. He is God, our Savior, He is Christ the Lord, ever to be worshipped, trusted, and adored. Holy, holy, holy, holy is the Lord. Holy, holy, holy, everywhere adored. Holy, holy, holy, holy is the Lord.*

*The assembly stands.*

**OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Merciful God,

you open wide your hand

and satisfy the need of every living thing.

You have set this feast before us.

Open our hands to receive it.

Open our hearts to embrace it.

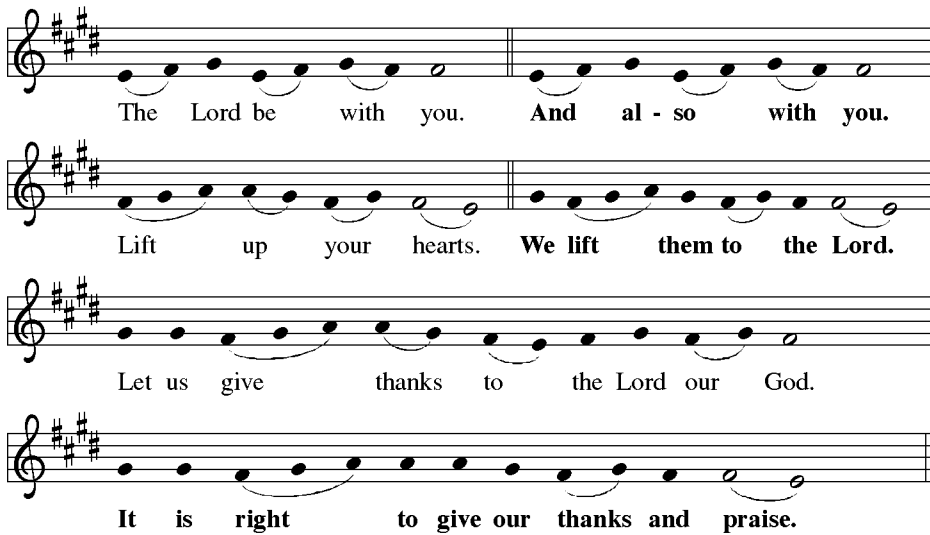
Open our lives to live it.

We pray this through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**



## DIALOGUE



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God.  
You reveal your glory  
as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit:  
equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God,  
ever to be adored in your eternal glory.  
And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal:  
you we praise and glorify, you we worship and adore.  
You formed the earth from chaos;  
you encircled the globe with air;  
you created fire for warmth and light;  
you nourish the lands with water.  
You molded us in your image,  
and with mercy higher than the mountains,  
with grace deeper than the seas,  
you blessed the Israelites and cherished them as your own.

That also we, estranged and dying,  
might be adopted to live in your Spirit,  
you called to us through the life and death of Jesus.

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.

Together as the body of Christ,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:  
**Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

#### 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

Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.

## COMMUNION

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say*

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*and each person may respond*

**Amen.**



## COMMUNION SONG

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

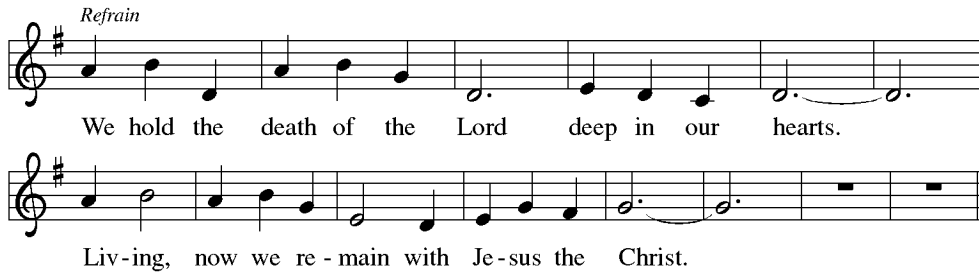
## COMMUNION MUSIC

### ASSEMBLY HYMNS:

#### **Now We Remain**

*(The cantor will sing the verses; the Assembly will join on the refrain):*

*Refrain*



We hold the death of the Lord deep in our hearts.

Liv-ing, now we re-main with Je-sus the Christ.

- 1 *Once we were people afraid, lost in the night.  
Then by your cross we were saved;  
dead became living, life from your giving. **Refrain***
- 2 *Something that we have known, something we've touched,  
what we have seen with our eyes,  
this we have heard: life-giving Word. **Refrain***
- 3 *He chose to give of himself, became our bread;  
broken, that we might live;  
love beyond love, pain for our pain. **Refrain***
- 4 *We are the presence of God; this is our call;  
now to become bread and wine,  
food for the hungry, life for the weary;  
for to live with the Lord, we must die with the Lord. **Refrain***

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### **Baptized in Water**

**ELW 456**

*The assembly stands.*

### **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

Jesus Christ, host of this meal,  
you have given us not only this bread and cup,  
but your very self, that we may feast on your great love.  
Filled again by these signs of your grace,  
may we hunger for your reign of justice,  
may we thirst for your way of peace,  
for you are Lord forevermore.

**Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

May God, whose power working in us  
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine,  
grant you the gifts of faith and hope.  
Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,  
bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

**SENDING SONG:**                      **Holy God, We Praise Your Name**                      **ELW 414**

### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**                      **Fanfare on 'Holy, Holy, Holy'**                      **NICEA/arr. Leavitt**

**9:00 Service**

Assisting Minister: *Carolyn Heier*

Lector: *Melissa Schrader*

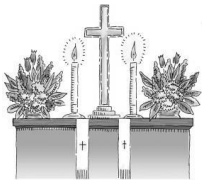
Acolyte: *Ray Schrader*

Ushers: *Melissa Schrader, Rosy Myers, Marilyn Thomack*

Altar Guild: *Diedre Milligan*

Hospitality: *Jan Donnell*

Resident Pastor: *Will Kittinger*



Altar Flowers

*The flowers that beautify our altar today are given  
by Anne Lise Holm in loving memory of Dr. Knut Holm.*