

**Welcome
to Trinity**

#40 Two Choices: Either Suffer or Deny Christ

So we see that the very ones who boast and teach so much about cross and suffering know the least either about the Cross or of Christ, because they make their own suffering meritorious. Dear friends, it isn't that kind of thing at all; nor is anybody forced or compelled to it. If you don't want to do it for nothing and without any merit, then you can let it lie and so deny Christ. The way is at hand, but you must know that if you refuse to suffer you will also not become Christ's courtier. So you may do either one of these two, either suffer or deny Christ.

If you are willing to suffer, very well, then the treasure and consolation which is promised and given to you is so great that you ought to suffer willingly and joyfully because Christ and his suffering is being bestowed upon you and made your own. And if you can believe this, then in time of great fear and trouble you will be able to say: Even though I suffer long, very well then, what is that compared with that great treasure which my God has given to me, that I shall live eternally with him? (Luther's Works, v.51, p.199-200)

**The Lord's
Supper**

The Lord's Supper is being celebrated today. Please note that our practice of closed communion with those who are in fellowship with us—members of congregations of the ELDoNA—is not meant to offend, but is the historic

practice of the Church. It is prompted by love, both for God's Word and for God's people. It does not deny that members of other denominations may be Christians. Rather, it bows the knee to the Bible's deep concern for doctrinal truth (Rom. 16:17) and the Bible's witness that doctrinal unity (Acts 2:42) is the central issue to the common reception of the Sacrament of the Altar. Therefore, we ask GUESTS desiring to commune to speak with the pastor before the service so that he may know that you are a member of a congregation in fellowship with Trinity Lutheran Church.

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THE PREPARATION

- + **Hymn** #173
- + Invocation/Confession/Absolution p.136-137

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

- + Introit..... (insert)
[Pastor chants first 4 lines, then congregation joins in.]
- + Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis... p.137-139
- + Salutation/Collect of the Day..... p.139
- Old Testament Reading
- Gradual (insert)
- Epistle
- + Alleluia Verse (insert)
- + Holy Gospel..... p.140-141
- Athanasian Creed..... p.134-135**
(Spoken Responsively)
- Hymn of the Day..... #157**
- Sermon
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- + Prayer of the Church..... p.144

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

- + Preface, etc. p.144-151
- Distribution & Hymns**
- Communion Psalm (by cantor)
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- + "Lord, now you let ..." p.152
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- + Benedicamus/Benediction..... p.154ff
- Announcements*

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Propers for Holy Trinity

Introit

Blessed be the Holy / Trinity
and the Undivided / Unity:
Let us give glo- / ry to Him*
For He has shown mercy / unto us.*



O / Lord, our Lord,*
How excellent is Your name in / all the earth,
You have set Your glory above the / heavens!*

Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants, You have or- /
dained strength.
What is man that You are mind- / ful of him,*
and the son of man that You / visit him?
For You have made him a little lower than the / angels,*
and You have crowned him with glory and / honor.
Glory be to the Father and / to the Son*
and to the Holy / Spirit
as it was in the be / ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. / Amen.
Blessed be the Holy / Trinity*
and the Undivided / Unity:
Let us give glo- / ry to Him*
For He has shown mercy / unto us. (*Antiphon, Liturgical Text; Psalm 8:1-5*)

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, having given to us, Your servants,
grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of
the eternal Trinity and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship
the Unity, we implore You to keep us steadfast in this faith and
evermore defend us from all adversities; for You live and reign,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **AMEN**

*(From Quasimodo Geniti through the week following Pentecost, the
Gradual is omitted and the Alleluia Verse is lengthened)*

Acts 2:1-21 Pentecost

Isaiah 6:1-7

Holy, Holy, Holy



Gradual

Blessed are You, O Lord, who be- / holds the deep,*
and who dwells between the / cherubim.
Blessed are You, O Lord, in the firmament of / heaven,*
and greatly to be praised for- / ever. (*Song of the Three Children, 32-34*)

Romans 11:33-36

Doxology

Verse

Alle- | luia.*
Alle- | luia.
Blessed are You, O Lord God of our | Fathers,*
and greatly to be praised and glorified forever. Alle- | luia.
(*Song of the Three Children, 29*)

St. John 3:1-17

Jesus teaches Nicodemus

The Athanasian Creed, p. 134 Hymn of the Day #157

Sermon

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Offertory: "Create in Me..."

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Prayer for the Church

Thanksgiving. –that the Triune God has revealed Himself in love by
creating us in His image and by directing heaven and earth for our
preservation, as love by sending the Son for us and our salvation,
and with love by sanctifying us in the waters of Holy Baptism.

The Church and her servants.-- Separate your church from all who do
not acknowledge the Holy Trinity as the one true and living God,
that we might share in your eternal glory and be delivered from
error and its paths which lead to death. Use our confession of the
truth to bring the lost and erring to the new birth of water and the
Spirit so that Jesus is lifted up.

--that all pastors in Christ, that James Heiser, our bishop, that our pastors Michael D. Henson and Gary K. Harroun, would guard and defend Scriptural teaching and practice so that all congregations may be one as the Triune God is one.

--Bless our Director Keely Gelso, teachers, staff, and the children enrolled in our Center.

The nations of the world and their rulers.—We commend to your care our president, Joe Biden, our governor, J.B. Pritzker, our mayor, Steve Frattini, as well as the civil servants and police of this community, that those who have been entrusted with community affairs may administer them in good faith. Grant that they would make, judge, and enforce our laws with integrity and clarity of mind, and that they would recognize their responsibility to You, the One from whom all authority stems. Use Your established servants in the government to maintain law and order, and in addition to punish those who harm life and property.

--Protect those who serve in the armed forces, especially Timothy R. Eichenseer, Danny Cobin, Jason Melvin, Blake Darnstaedt, and Jack Anglin, as well as our police officers Daniel Byrne and Alex Byrne, that they may diligently carry out their duties and be protected from all harm and danger.

--We also remember the courts of our land, that all judges would apply our laws with impartiality and thus contribute to peace and stability throughout the nation.

--Uphold those who are suffering under the affliction and hardship caused by the coronavirus, with the consolation of Your grace, and support them with the help of Your might. Be gracious in allowing illness, so that physical sickness may be a spiritual medicine for those who are ill. Give to them strength of faith and patience, O truest Physician of souls and bodies. Restore them to their former health, provided that it is advantageous to their eternal salvation.

Particular local needs.—

Shut-ins.- Carolyn Westerman (Assisted Living at Parkway Manor)

Elderly.- Violet Kemp, Verdelle Thies(Patty Kenner's mother)

Various Needs.- Katelyn Guetersloh(MS), Jade Warden(cancer), Kevin Krolak (nephew of Patti Baker), Linda Plock, Rebekah Roethe (cancer, friend of Turners), Victor and Marsha Turner, Tony Prochaska, Gib (Jane's Brother), Shirley Webb, Vicki Blair, Keely

Gelso, Patti Baker (recovery from knee surgery 5/3), and 3-year-old Gemi (chemo, friend of Claire Stretch)
Seminarians.- Benjamin Henson and Jacob Henson

Communion Psalm: *Ant.* We will glorify the God of heaven, and in the sight of all living we will give thanks to him: for he hath shown his mercy and loving kindness toward us. (Tobit 12:6). **Tobit 13:1-7.**

Assistants

Elder – Cecil Plock (218-3064); Altar Guild – LeeAnn Byrne; Organist – LeeAnn Byrne ; Church Cleaning – May 30 ECLC

Weekly Calendar

TODAY -Children & Adult Bible Studies, 9 AM
-Divine Service, 10:15 AM

MONDAY -Memorial Day / ECLC Closed

TUESDAY -School Age Class 9:15 AM/Children's Matins, 10 AM

WEDNESDAY -School Age 9:15AM / Children's Matins, 10 AM

-Learn-by-Heart, 6:30 PM

-Catechesis Service, 7:00 PM

THURSDAY -School Age 9:15 AM / Children's Matins, 10 AM

FRIDAY -Pastor's Day Off

SATURDAY -Confession and Absolution, 8:00-8:30 PM

NEXT *-THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY*

SUNDAY -Adult and Child Bible Studies, 9:00 AM

-Divine Service-Lord's Supper, 10:15 AM

For Wisdom 2

O GOOD Shepherd, Who, for the ransom of Thy mortal sheep, hast drunk the cup of the Passion: We humbly call upon Thy Name, that, stablishing us upon the pillars of wisdom, Thou wouldest strengthen us with the hallowing of Thy sevenfold Spirit; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen (Oremus, 1925, p.38).

An Eldona Collection

ASSISTANCE FOR PR. MARIN AND THE CONFESSONAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF COLOMBIA—

The ongoing difficulties suffered by our brethren in Colombia were discussed at the recent synod. Covid-19 related lockdowns continue to hinder the work of the Church, and the ability of the Marin family to earn a living. (It should be noted that despite the lockdowns, a mission in Santa Barbara, approximately 40 miles from Medellin, has been started.) It was unanimously decided that a diocesan offering would be collected in connection with the upcoming Ember Days in Pentecost (May 26, 28, 29) to help support Pr. Marin and his family.

TO HELP: Make checks out to “ELDoNA” (Please include a note designating that it is for “Colombia Assistance”) and place in the offering plates.

Trinity News

Bike with Pastor Mike.—Sunday, June 6.

Sadie Henson High School Graduation Party.—

Sunday May 30 from 3 to 7 PM. Please join us for a party celebrating Sadie’s graduation. It will be hosted at David and Carol Henson’s home at 402 Insignia Drive, Herrin, IL. Begins at 3 PM; ceremony at 4 PM, eat afterwards. In addition to the game nine-square in the air, there will be several games of corn hole toss. Brew Buds Suds will provide home-made root beer floats and adult beverages.

Eldona Summer Camp

Eldona Summer Camp for 2021 is being planned for July 19-23 in Kerrville, Texas. Family Camp is open to all youth, young adults, and families of the diocese (and friends). It is a great opportunity to meet other people from diocesan congregations,

learn God’s Word and the Church’s confession. There will be daily activities, classes, and games. La Quinta in Kerrville will be the hotel and meals will take place at the church. Let Pastor Henson know if you are planning on attending. This year’s program will take us through the church calendar, its feasts and festivals, saints and martyrs, to show why the Church marks time the way she does. We will also make a special trip to Enchanted Rock State Park for the final day of Camp.

Doctrine and Practice “The Athanasian Creed”

#17

“The third great Creed of the Christian Church is the so-called Athanasian Creed. One who like to accept the old belief that it was drawn up by that fearless champion of the Divinity of Christ, St. Athanasius of Alexandria, known as the “Father of Orthodoxy.” As a youth, and a humble secretary to one of the delegates at the Council of Nicaea, he was able to foresee the havoc that might be caused, were the diplomatic language of the Creed of Eusebius adopted. Single-handed at first, he testified against union at the expense of true unity, and it was his keen logic that finally resulted in the definite language of the Niceno-Constantinopolitan [i.e., Nicene] Creed...

“...The most probable theory is that it [the Athanasian Creed] originated about the middle of the fifth century, in Gaul. Undoubtedly it is based upon the teachings of St. Athanasius, although it also contains expressions that are certainly those of St. Augustine or one of his followers. Like the Apostles’ Creed, it probably developed gradually. Its purpose seems to be to present very fully the doctrine of the Holy Trinity, and of the Incarnation of Our Lord. The value of the Athanasian Creed is that it sets forth so fully the divine attributes of each Person of the Holy Trinity, and that there is neither priority nor posteriority, superiority nor inferiority among Them.

...

“The *Quicumque vult*, or Athanasian Creed is used at Matins on the six chief festivals of Our Lord: Christmas, Epiphany, Easter, Ascension, Pentecost and Trinity. ... If there be no Matins, it may be used at the later service at least on Trinity Sunday; and even where Matins is sung, there are good reasons for using it at the later service as well. While we are advocating nothing in this discussion, yet it may be of interest to know that many of our forefathers considered it important that the Athanasian Creed be used occasionally in our churches, in order that the doctrine of the Trinity and of the Incarnation be presented to the people from time to time.”

—F. R. Webber, *Studies in the Liturgy*, p. 88, 89, 94.