Bethlehem Lutheran Church



The Feast of the Holy Trinity
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The Order of Worship Divine Service Setting Three (LSB 184)

(Please stand if you are able for portions of the liturgy marked with an *)

Announcements

Opening Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy

LSB 507

Confession and Absolution*

LSB 184

Introit

(Ps. 8:1-2a, 3-5; antiphon: Liturgical Text)

Blessed be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity.

Let us give glory to him because he has shown his mercy to us.

O LORD, our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.

Out of the mouth of babes and infants, you have established strength.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

what is man that you are mindful of him,

and the son of man that you care for him?

Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and 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 beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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Kyrie* LSB 186

Gloria in Excelsis*

LSB 187

Collect*: Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 6:1-7

¹ In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. ² Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³ And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!" ⁴ And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" ⁶ Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷ And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gradual: Blessed are You, O Lord, who beholds the deep, and who dwells between the cherubim. Blessed are You, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven, and greatly to be praised forever.

Epistle: Romans 11:33-36

³³Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! ³⁴ "For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?" ³⁵ "Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?" ³⁶ For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

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Alleluia* LSB 190

Holy Gospel*: John 3:1-17

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 3rd chapter. Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹ Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ² This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher

come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." ³ Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." 4 Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵ Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶ That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' 8 The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." 9 Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" 10 Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? ¹¹ Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. 12 If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? ¹³ No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴ And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶ "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Athanasian Creed*	LSB 319
Hymn of the Day: Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest	LSB 498
Sermon	
Offertory*	LSB 192
Offering	
Prayer of the Church*	
Service of the Sacrament*	LSB 194
Distribution Hymns: 953, 948, 947, 876, 794	
Nunc Dimittis*	LSB 199
Benediction*	LSB 202
Closing Hymn: Holy God, We Praise Thy Name	LSB 940

Announcements

On the Athanasian Creed: Early in the fourth century, a north African pastor named Arius began teaching that Jesus Christ was not truly God. The church responded decisively in AD 325 with a statement of faith (The Nicene creed), which confessed that Jesus is, in fact, true God. Toward the end of the fifth century, another creed was written that delved further into the mystery of the Trinity. Though attributed to Athanasius, a fourth-century opponent of Arius, this anonymous creed clearly came at a later stage in the debate.

The Athanasian Creed declares that its teachings concerning the Holy Trinity and our Lord's incarnation are "the catholic faith." In other words, this is what the true church of all times and all places has confessed. More than fifteen centuries later, the church continues to confess that the triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, has given Himself for our salvation.

VBS: Please register your child(ren), grandkids, neighbor's kids, anyone ages 3 to 8th grade. I would like all registrations to be in by **June 17th**, if possible. Our theme is **Baptized into Christ**, held **June 27-June 30th 8:30- 11:00 am**. If you would like to help out in any way, please talk to Deb Albers, 618-978-3770. Our project will be to help out the clients at the Pregnancy Care Clinic. You can find a detailed list of items needed on the bulletin board at the bottom of the steps. Newborn diapers and sizes 4/5 are a couple of the much needed items.

Casserole Sales: Back by popular demand - Agape youth will host 2 casserole sales before they leave for the gathering! Come pick out a yummy home cooked meal! These will be held on **JUNE 12 and JULY 3** right after church.

Cookie Bar Orders: Agape youth will be selling 9x13 cookie bars until June 26th. See a youth to order or pick up an order form in the back of church or order online at https://tinyurl.com/ferrincookies Youth will be making these on July 1st - so these would be the perfect addition to your 4th of July weekend!

Summer Movie Night: Agape youth will be hosting a FREE summer movie night on the lawn of the movie *Toy Story* on **June 24**th beginning roughly at 8:00pm or when sun sets

enough. Youth will sell concessions. Bring a lawn chair or blanket, and enjoy a movie under the stars! In case of bad weather, the movie will be moved inside to the school basement.

Gathering Meeting: All youth attending the gathering need to attend the final gathering meeting with a parent on **June 26 at 6**. If you cannot make it, please let Sara know in advance to make arrangements to make up this meeting.

Messiah Hosts Hymn Festival: On Tuesday, June 28, Messiah Lutheran will host a special evening hymn festival. A hymn festival is a musical celebration that features the singing of many hymns, led by an organist and instrumentalists. This year's hymn festival theme is "Giants of Singing the Faith." Leading the hymn festival is guest organist Jacob Weber. Mr. Weber is the associate editor of music/worship at Concordia Publishing House (CPH). As a composer, he's often sought after for commissions, as a clinician for workshops and conferences, and as a recitalist. His growing catalog of compositions for organ, choir, instrumentalists, and handbell ensembles are available through numerous publishers, including CPH. Offering commentaries during the hymn festival is Rev. Richard Resch, Emeritus Professor and Kantor of Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Rev. Resch will offer reflections about the Lutheran musical giants whose hymns and music will be featured throughout the hymn festival. Messiah's hymn festival begins at 7pm on Tuesday, June 28. The hymn festival is free and open to the public. A free-will offering will be taken to support the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Ukraine. Messiah is located at 1091 13th Street in Carlyle. Contact the church office at 618-594-3912 for more information.

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This Week in Our Congregation:

Sunday: 8:30am Bible Class/Sunday School

9:30am Divine Service

Wednesday: 8:30am Matins

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9:30am Divine Service