

Salem Lutheran Church 401 S. Lake St. Lake Mills IA 50450

Welcome to the House of the Lord

Holy Trinity Sunday May 29, 2021 - 5:30pm



OUR MISSION: We are God forgiven and mission driven.

OUR VISION: To be that Lake Mills place where belonging, healing, growing, serving and believing are open to all, regardless of background, experience or aptitude. Central to this is that we are a -forgiving, mission-driven community, which means we all want to have an impact, shaped by the love of Christ to serve all others.

Saturday--5:30pm Worship Service **Preaching: Pastor Joel Guttormson**

Organist: Ruth Sheldon **Reader:** Shannon Bruhns **Special Music:** Brady Kurtz

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Liturgical Choir: open **Sound:** Shannon Bruhns **Acolytes:** Shannon Bruhns **Ushers:** Shannon Bruhns **Communion Servers: Altar Guild for May:**

Sharon Johnson & Doris Tweed

Sunday--9:00am Worship Service **Preaching: Pastor Joel Guttormson**

Organist: Ruth Sheldon Reader: Connie Sabin **Special Music:** Brady Kurtz

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Liturgical Choir: Bruce Adams, Willie Skellenger,

Nancy Guttormson, Al Skellenger

Sound: Chike Ikefuama Live Stream: Brad Evenson Video: Chike Ikefuama **Acolytes:** Lyle Thomson

Ushers: Lyle and Orloue Thomson

Communion Servers:

Altar Guild for May: Sharon Johnson & Doris Tweed

The radio broadcast is given in honor of the late Walter (Duke) & Clarine Moe's wedding anniversary from Pam, Chuck & Logan.

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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.

GATHERING

PRELUDE BELLS ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

God's love is poured out on God's world.

From the foundations of time, God's love is woven into all things.

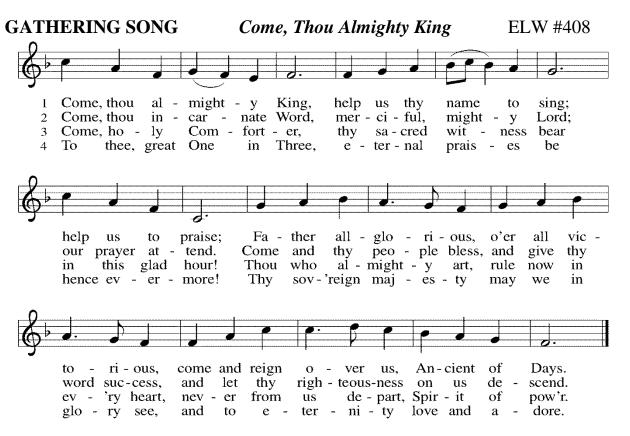
When we cry "Abba, Father!", God hears and lovingly responds to us.

Thanks be to God who forgives and lifts us up.

Now we are called to be born anew!

Open our hearts and our lives that we may truly be born with hearts aflame with God's love.

Amen.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, lifegiving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 6:1-8

A reading from Isaiah

¹In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ²Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;

the whole earth is full of his glory."

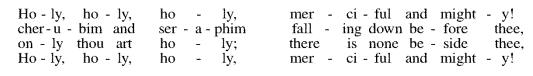
⁴The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

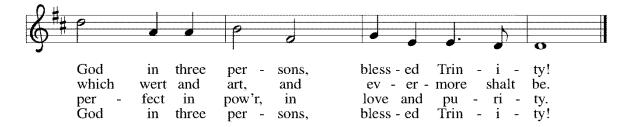
⁶Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." 8Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

All may remain seated for the scripture hymn. **SCRIPTURE HYMN** Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty ELW #413 ho - ly, Lord ho - ly, ly! a - dore Ho - lv. ho All the saints thee. ly! Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho Though the dark-ness hide thee, Ho - lv. ho - lv. ho lv! Lord God Al - might - v! the morn - ing our song shall rise Ear - ly in cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea; though the eve of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see, thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea. Ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y! ho ly, cher-u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee.





SECOND READING

A reading from Romans

¹²Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the

flesh—¹³ for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

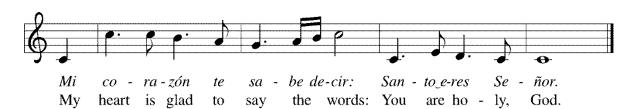
Holy, Holy, Holy

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Romans 8:12-17

We stand for the hearing of the gospel.





GOSPEL John 3:1-17

The Holy Gospel according to John Glory to you, O Lord.

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." ³Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' 8The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." ⁹Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

11"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

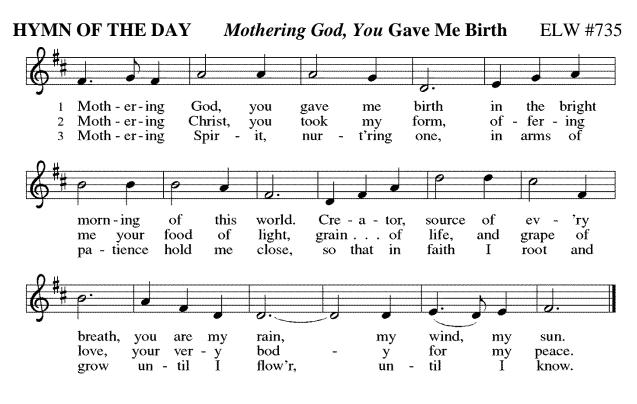
¹⁶"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON



RESPONSE TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

A brief silence.

We pray, O God, for your holy church around the world. Revitalize and renew us, that we may be reborn once again through the waters of baptism and the blowing wind of your Spirit. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We give you thanks for your power revealed to us in creation; for cedar and oak trees, for rushing waters, for the echoes of thunder. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the nations and our leaders, that led by your Spirit, they work towards a world where all of your children enjoy peace. We pray especially for the Middle East, Israel and Palestine. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for healing for all those who suffer, especially victims and survivors of trauma or violence. Give respite to those living with PTSD or any other mental health concerns. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for this worshiping community Salem Lutheran Church, that the splendor of your majesty and the holiness of your mystery may be glorified through our worship and our relationships with one another. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We give you thanks, O God, for those who have died in the faith. We remember also those whose lives have been lost due to the horrors of war. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Pastor concludes the prayers

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

MUSICAL OFFERING My Country Tis of Thee Pastor Joel Guttormson

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you,

O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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.

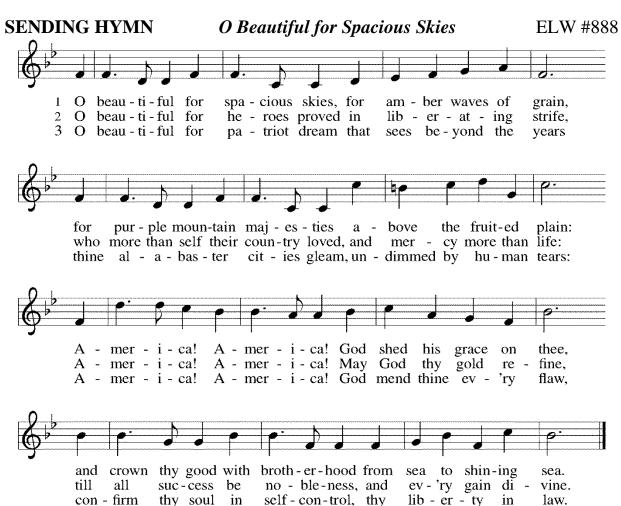
SENDING

BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,

+ be upon you now and forever.

Amen.



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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