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THE TRINITY



HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

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PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, one God, whose steadfast love endures forever. **Amen.** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God, **we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.**

Hear the Good News! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves. **Amen.**

HYMN: *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!*

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!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
Which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.

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.**

FIRST READING: Proverbs 8: 1-4, 22-31

The First Reading is from the 8th chapter of Proverbs.

¹Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? ²On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; ³beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: ⁴“To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.

²²The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. ²³Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. ²⁴When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. ²⁵Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth—²⁶when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world’s first bits of soil. ²⁷When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, ²⁸when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, ²⁹when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, ³⁰then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, ³¹rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.”

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 8 (Please read responsively)

¹O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!—

²**you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.**

³When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

⁴**what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them?**

⁵Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.

⁶**You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:**

⁷all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,

⁸**the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**

⁹O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

SECOND READING: Romans 5: 1-5

The Second Reading is from the 5th chapter of Romans.

¹Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL: John 16: 12-15

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 16th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] ¹²“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE SERMON

HYMN: *Shall We Gather at the River*

Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod,
With its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?

Refrain

Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river;
Gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray,
We will walk and worship ever, all the happy golden day. *Refrain*

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended into Hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into Heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS

Response to: "God, in your mercy," . . . **Hear our prayer.**

Let us pray together the prayer Jesus taught us:

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.**

HOLY COMMUNION

We celebrate the presence of God in bread and wine. All are welcome to receive this gift.

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG: *Go My Children, with My Blessing*

Go my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.

Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son's story, here you touched him saw his glory.
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.

SENDING

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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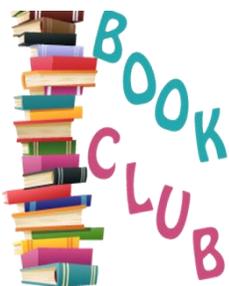
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ANNOUNCEMENTS



We continue to Worship in the picnic grove **every Sunday at 10:30 am** (weather permitting). Bring your lawn chairs, sit under the pavilion on the picnic table benches or park near the grove and sit in your car with the windows open. Plans are to worship in the grove through September 4th. In case of rain, services will be held in the sanctuary. Invite friends and family to join us!

The annual **“Salem Summer Project”** will kick-off **NEXT SUNDAY, June 19, 2022**. It has become our tradition to have some fun together during the summer months by being playful and learning more about our faith together! In the past, we've walked to Jerusalem (and back!), taken pictures with 'Flat Jesus', and narrowed down our favorite Bible story – March Madness style! What will this year bring? Make sure you are at Worship **NEXT SUNDAY** to find out and join in the fun!



Calling all Bookworms! This summer, you are invited to join a summer Book Club! Together we will be reading, *The Simple Faith of Mister Rogers – Spiritual Insights from the World's Most Beloved Neighbor* by Amy Hollingsworth. This book is available for purchase, both new and used, on 'Amazon' or other online retailers. There is also a 'Kindle' version and an audio version. If you would like to participate and are having trouble obtaining a copy of the book, please let Pastor Stina know and we will make sure that you have one!

The book is broken down into 3-sections and so we will meet three times during the summer to discuss – June 21st, July 19th and August 16th (the 3rd Tuesday of every month) in the Grove, weather permitting. Each meeting will be self-contained, so don't worry if you can't be at all of them! Questions? Contact Pastor Stina. Happy Reading!

Reading today's lessons is Charlie Benner.

Council Meeting will be held **tomorrow, June 12th** at 7:00 pm in-person and via *Zoom*.

Salem Church is supporting Snyder County Children and Youth's "Back To School Fair", which provides school supplies for local children-in-need. We will be collecting the following supplies: **pencil pouches (3-ring binder style), pencil boxes, glue sticks, and 'Post-It-Notes'**. A donation box will be available each Sunday on the picnic table in the grove. **The deadline to donate is June 26th**.

Sign-up to be a "Sunday Reader" - Reader sign-up sheets are on the first table under the pavilion. Upcoming readings are also available for you to review. Thank you to everyone who has been volunteering to read!

This summer, we welcome to our Salem Family, Keegan Jenkins, our "**Adopt-A-Counselor**" from Camp Mt. Luther. Please keep him in your daily prayers. Notes of encouragement are welcome and can be sent to him at:

Keegan Jenkins
355 Mt. Luther Lane
Mifflinburg, PA 17844

We will also be sending weekly care packages to him. If you would like to sign-up for a week, please contact Pastor Stina.

Prayer Meeting will be held Wednesday, June 22nd at 7:00 pm in the church basement. Everyone is invited to attend these short meetings to pray for those on our Prayer Chain and others in need.