

# Holy Trinity Sunday

May 30, 2021

+SERVICE OF THE WORD+

Divine Setting Four pg. 203 in the hymnal

**WELCOME**

**BELL CALL TO WORSHIP**

**OPENING HYMN**

*“Holy, Holy, Holy”*

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**INVOCATION + CONFESSION + ABSOLUTION**

**KYRIE**

*“Lord, Have Mercy”*

**GLORIA**

*“Glory to God in the Highest”*

**COLLECT**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

**Isaiah 6:1-8 (ESV)**

*The Lord gave his prophet Isaiah a vision of the triune God sitting on His throne and surrounded by angels. Here, the Lord commissions Isaiah to be His spokesman to the people of Israel.*

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. 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. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!" And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. 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!" Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for." And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSIVE INTROIT**

**Psalm 16**

L: Blessed be the Holy Trinity and the undivided | Unity.\* Let us give glory to him because he has shown his mer- | cy to us.

**C: I have set the Lord always be- | fore me;\* because he is at my right hand, I shall not be | shaken.**

L: Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being re- | joices;\* my flesh also | dwells secure.

**C: For you will not abandon my soul | to Sheol,\* or let your holy one see cor- | ruption.**

L: You make known to me the | path of life;\* in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.

**All: 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.**

L: Blessed be the Holy Trinity and the undivided | Unity.\* Let us give glory to him because he has shown his mer- | cy to us.

**EPISTLE READING**

**Acts 2:14a, 22-36 (ESV)**

*Peter proclaims Jesus as the one anointed with the Holy Spirit and raised from the dead to be exalted by his Father.*

But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: "Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know-- this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. For David says concerning him, "'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption. You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'" "Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, "'The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool.'" Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**ALLELUIA VERSE**

*“These Things are Written”*

**GOSPEL READING****John 3:1-17 (ESV)**

*Jesus explains to Nicodemus that one cannot enter God's Kingdom on one's own initiative. We must be spiritually reborn through God's saving work of baptism.*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St John, third the chapter. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. 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." Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." 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?" Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' 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." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? 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. If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. 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.

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**ATHANASIAN CREED***(spoken responsively)***LSB pg 319****CHILDREN'S MESSAGE****Pastor Jon Dunbar****HYMN OF THE DAY*****"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"*****#761****SERMON****OFFERING****OFFERTORY*****"Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart"*****#806****PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH****LORD'S PRAYER****BENEDICAMUS & BENEDICTION****CLOSING HYMN*****"Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing"*****#924****ANNOUNCEMENTS**

† **St. Paul Visitation Ministry** †

**Duane Barth****Don Butzke****Paul Heidorn****Norma Ehlers****Christine Erks****Jim Klepper****Rosemary Matlock****Elsie Pirrie****Aletta Klepper****LaVerne Rohren****\*Bill West****\*Marilyn Ziemke****Delores Nordmeyer****Ardith Stuhr****Bryce Classen***\*denotes nonmember***PRAYER REQUESTS**

Rev David Ohlman, Immanuel Lutheran Church and School, Polk  
Rev Eddie Mekasha, missionary to Sudanese and Ethiopian Immigrants

**For Our Congregation and Community:**

**Family of Linda Ehlers passed away Tuesday  
St Paul Visitation Ministry**

**Dealing with an illness:** Duane Barth, Rita Ritterling, Karen Stuart (Roy Richter's mother), LaVern Stuhr, Andrea Swanson Kuester, Jenni Conell, Shelley Scheele, Stephen Ramsey, Christal Fehlhafer, Roger Rhodes, Aaron DeWaard, Paula Huebschman (Jamie Ramsey's mother), Mitch Peeks, Hawley Family, Bill Chessar (brother of Teresa Rathjen), Sheila Franks, Dick Greenwood, Carole Stern (Heather Wellman's mother), Shelley Neemeyer (Sheri Hahn's sister-in-law), Mya Noreen (Great Grand Daughter of Darlene Link)

**Recovering from surgery:** Jim Staehr, Merle Schmieding, Lois Richters, Anna (Friend of DuAnne Deremer)

**Declining Health:** Norma Ehlers

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***In Response to God's Love***

**May 23:** Total Attendance: 201 Sunday School: 21 Online: 90

**VOLUNTEERS:**

**TODAY(05-30-21) Acolyte: Lay Reader: Tim Heidorn Organist: Carol Erks**

**THIS WEEK**

SUNDAY (05-30)	9:00 AM	Worship
	10:30 AM	Bible Study online and in person
MONDAY (05-31)	-----	
TUESDAY (06-01)	-----	
WEDNESDAY (06-02)	-----	
THURSDAY (06-03)	-----	
FRIDAY (06-04)	6:00 AM	Men's Bible Study
SATURDAY (06-05)	-----	
SUNDAY (06-06)	9:00 AM	Worship w/Communion
	10:30 AM	Bible Study

As of 05-24-21	Amount received 05-23-21	Needed each week	Received YTD 2021	YTD Amount needed to cover 2021 budget	Difference
General Fund	\$6,026.00		\$253,542.00		
Thrivent Choice	\$0.00		\$3,668.00		
School Tuition	\$0.00		\$19,256.00		
<b>Total</b>	\$6,026.00	\$16,835.00	\$276,466.00	\$322,405.00	-\$45,939.00
Building Fund	\$0.00		\$300.00	Bldg Fund**	\$47,548.00
Teacherage Fund	\$0.00		\$300.00	Teacherage Fund	\$525.00
Restricted Funds (other than bldg)	\$0.00		\$1,596.00		
Mekasha Mission (9/20-8/21) 5k goal	\$50.00	\$102.00	\$3,575.00	\$3,654.00	-\$79.00

Current Operating Note: \$13,000.00 (debt limit is \$90,000) \*\*Insurance Proceeds Received

*Thank you for all the cards, thoughts and prayers during my heart procedure.*

*God's Blessings to all Dennis Conell*

**Thank you very much to everyone for your prayers, kind wishes and cards as I celebrated 25 years of cooking at St Paul School. God's Blessings Barb Erks**

**To the Members of St Paul Lutheran: The book of Psalms says this... Call upon me in the Day of Trouble, I will deliver thee and thou shalt Glorify me. Shelley, Ryan, Dylan, Tiffany and Mercedes are so Thankful for all your prayers, cards, thoughts and donations as we continue to improve from Shelley's stroke. You have called on the Lord and he has answered with his Almighty Grace! We can't even put into words how humbling it was to see a great turnout for our benefit this weekend and may of you were a part of that as well. You all hold a special place in our hearts and we are beyond blessed to have you all in our corner. Thank you all again and may the Lord continue to Bless You All! Ryan, Shelley, Dylan, Tiffany and Mercedes Scheele**

***Summer Sunday Bible Study with donuts and coffee will begin June 6th. We are looking for various church groups to help serve during the summer. The coffee and donuts will be ready so we ask you to provide a healthy snack, fruit, or cheese and juice if you wish. The sign up sheet is in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you and blessings! St Paul Board of Elders***

*The Nebraska Lutheran Laymen's League plans to host the LLL State Fair booth in Grand Island Friday, Aug. 27, through Monday, Sept. 6, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. each day. This is a great opportunity to share your faith and offer valuable printed resources on Christian beliefs - resources with answers to today's problems and challenges - and visit with fair goers about faith issues. If enough volunteers do not come forward by Saturday, June 12, the booth will not be able to operate this year for the first time in many years. If you are willing to help for a few hours, please contact Paul Schmidt, LLL State Fair Booth Coordinator, cell or text 402-460-0004, or email [psflatwater@inebraska.com](mailto:psflatwater@inebraska.com) Thank you for your help!*

*Two of our members have recently moved into facilities in Seward. Bryce Clausen's new address is Room 128 at Greene Place. Paul Heidorn is in Room 302 at Ridgewood Care Center.*

**NO Sign-Up for Worship** It is no longer necessary to sign up for worship! Also, due to the loosening restrictions, our sanctuary seating will no longer be distanced. Communion will be distributed in a continuous line for the time being, and using only individual cups. Communion assistants will be masked for your safety.  
-St. Paul Board of Elders

*The Wednesday evening women's Bible study that has been meeting at church is being moved to Jami Utter's house for the time being. We will still meet from 7:00-8:00 on Wednesday evenings. Please join us for some time in God's word and great discussion! Address is 705 E Street, Utica. See you there!*

**Climb aboard for mountains of fun at Rocky Railway! Join us for VBS June 7th-11th 8:30-11:30am! On this faith-filled adventure, kids discover that trusting Jesus pulls them through life's ups and downs. Open to kids age 4 through kids going into 7th grade. Mask are not required. If you have any questions please contact Brittany Fulcer at the church office! Register at this link:  
[vbspro.events/p/stpauluticavbs](https://vbspro.events/p/stpauluticavbs)**