

Today's Theme for Worship: The spirit marches victorious through the Word. Jesus ascended into heaven. That does not mean the gospel has ceased to march victorious around the world!

Hymn: 477 O Day Full of Grace

- 1 O day full of grace that now we see
 appearing on earth's horizon,
bring light from our God that we may be
 replete in his joy this season.
God, shine for us now in this dark place;
 your name on our hearts emblazon.
- 2 O day full of grace, O blessed time,
 our Lord on the earth arriving;
then came to the world that light sublime,
 great joy for us all retrieving,
for Jesus all mortals did embrace,
 all darkness and shame removing.
- 3 For Christ bore our sins, and not his own,
 when he on the cross was hanging,
and then he arose to claim his throne
 that we, unto him belonging,
might join with angelic hosts to raise
 our voices in endless singing.
- 4 God came to us then at Pentecost,
 his Spirit new life revealing,
that we might no more from him be lost,
 all darkness for us dispelling.
His flame will the mark of sin efface
 and bring to us all his healing.
- 5 When we on that final journey go
 that Christ is for us preparing,
we'll gather in song, our hearts aglow,
 all joy of the heavens sharing,
and walk in the light of God's own place,
 with angels his name adoring.

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

Glory to God in the Highest

Refrain: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. *Refrain*

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.
Refrain

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen. Amen. *Refrain*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day: Pentecost

Let us pray.

Holy Spirit, God and Lord, come to us this joyful day with your sevenfold gift of grace. Rekindle in our hearts the holy fire of your love that in a true and living faith we may tell abroad the glory of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Father, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading: Genesis 11:1–9

The whole earth had one language and a single vocabulary. As people traveled in the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar, and they settled there. ³They said to one another, “Come, let’s make bricks and bake them thoroughly.” They used mud brick instead of stone for building material, and they used tar for mortar. ⁴They said, “Come, let’s build a city for ourselves and a tower whose top reaches to the sky, and let’s make a name for ourselves, so that we will not be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth.”

⁵The LORD came down to see the city and the tower that the people were building. ⁶The LORD said, “If this is the first thing they are doing as one people, who all have one language, then nothing that they intend to do will be too difficult for them. ⁷Come, let’s go down there and confuse their language, so that they cannot understand one another’s speech.”

⁸So the LORD scattered them from there over the face of the whole earth, and they stopped building the city. ⁹It was named Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of the whole earth. From there the LORD scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

Psalm of the Day: 104A Lord, Send Out Your Spirit

Refrain

LORD, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

How many are your / works, LORD!

In wisdom you / made them all.

All creatures / look to you

to give them their food at the / proper time.

When you give it to them, they gather / it up;

when you open your hand, they are satisfied / with good things. *Refrain*

May the glory of the LORD endure for- / ever;

may the LORD rejoice / in his works—

he makes winds his / messengers,

flames of fire his / servants.

I will sing to the LORD / all my life;

I will sing praise to my God as long / as I live.

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. *Refrain*

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Second Reading: Acts 2:1–21

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ²Suddenly a sound like the rushing of a violent wind came from heaven, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³They saw divided tongues that were like fire resting on each one of them. ⁴They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, since the Spirit was giving them the ability to speak fluently.

⁵Now there were godly Jewish men from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶When this sound was heard, a crowd came together and was confused, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. ⁷They were completely baffled and said to each other, “Look, are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? ⁸Then how is it that each of us hears them speaking in his own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, and of Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt, and the parts of Libya around Cyrene; visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes; ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring in our own languages the wonderful works of God.” ¹²They were all amazed and perplexed. They kept saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others mocked them and said, “They are full of new wine.”

¹⁴Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and spoke loudly and clearly to them: “Men of Judea, and all you residents of Jerusalem, understand this, and listen closely to my words. ¹⁵These men are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only the third hour of the day. ¹⁶On the contrary, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷This is what God says will happen in the last days:

I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh.

Your sons and your daughters will prophesy.

Your young men will see visions.

Your old men will dream dreams.

¹⁸Even on my servants, both men and women,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days,

and they will prophesy.

¹⁹I will show wonders in the sky above,

and signs on the earth below,

blood and fire and a rising cloud of smoke.

²⁰The sun will be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood

before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

²¹And this will happen: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people,
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: John 14:23–27

²³Jesus answered him, “If anyone loves me, he will hold on to my word. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. ²⁴The one who does not love me does not hold on to my words. The word that you are hearing is not mine, but it is from the Father who sent me.

²⁵“I have told you these things while staying with you. ²⁶But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and remind you of everything I told you.

²⁷“Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, and do not let it be afraid.

Hymn of the Day: 776 With the Lord Begin Your Task

- 1 With the Lord begin your task;
Jesus will direct it.
For his aid and counsel ask;
Jesus will perfect it.
Ev'ry morn with Jesus rise,
and, when day is ended,
in his name then close your eyes;
be to him commended.
- 2 Let each day begin with prayer,
praise and adoration.
On the Lord cast ev'ry care;
he is your salvation.
Morning, evening, and at night
Jesus will be near you,
save you from the tempter's might,
with his presence cheer you.
- 3 With your Savior at your side
foes need not alarm you;
in his promises confide
and no ill can harm you.
All your trust and hope repose
in the mighty Master,
who in wisdom truly knows
how to stem disaster.
- 4 If your task is thus begun
with the Savior's blessing,
safely then your course will run,
naught your soul distressing.
Good will follow ev'rywhere
while you here must wander;
you at last the joy will share
in the mansions yonder.

Sermon

Athanasian Creed

¹ Whoever wishes to be saved must, above all else, hold to the true Christian faith.

² Whoever does not keep this faith pure in all points will certainly perish forever.

³ Now this is the true Christian faith:

⁴ We worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, without mixing the persons or dividing the divine being.

⁵ For each person—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—is distinct,

⁶ but the deity of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is one, equal in glory and coeternal in majesty.

⁷ What the Father is, so is the Son, and so is the Holy Spirit.

⁸ The Father is uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;

⁹ the Father is infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;

¹⁰ the Father is eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal;

¹¹ yet they are not three who are eternal, but there is one who is eternal,

¹² just as they are not three who are uncreated, nor three who are infinite, but there is one who is uncreated and one who is infinite.

¹³ In the same way the Father is almighty, the Son is almighty, the Holy Spirit is almighty;

¹⁴ yet they are not three who are almighty, but there is one who is almighty.

¹⁵ So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;

¹⁶ yet they are not three Gods, but one God.

¹⁷ So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;

¹⁸ yet they are not three Lords, but one Lord.

¹⁹ For just as Christian truth compels us to confess each person individually to be God and Lord, so the true Christian faith forbids us to speak of three Gods or three Lords.

²⁰ The Father is neither made nor created nor begotten of anyone.

²¹ The Son is neither made nor created, but is begotten of the Father alone.

²² The Holy Spirit is neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeds from the Father and the Son.

²³ So there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

²⁴ And within this Trinity none comes before or after; none is greater or inferior;

²⁵ but all three persons are coequal and coeternal, so that in every way, as stated before, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.

²⁶ Whoever wishes to be saved must have this conviction of the Trinity.

²⁷ It is furthermore necessary for eternal salvation that one faithfully believe that our Lord Jesus Christ also took on human flesh.

²⁸ Now this is the true Christian faith: We believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son, is both God and man.

²⁹ He is God, eternally begotten from the nature of the Father, and he is man, born in time from

the nature of his mother,

³⁰ fully God, fully man, with rational soul and human flesh;

³¹ equal to the Father as to his deity, less than the Father as to his humanity;

³² and though he is both God and man, Christ is not two persons but one:

³³ one, not by changing the deity into flesh, but by taking the humanity into God;

³⁴ one, indeed, not by mixture of the natures, but by unity in one person;

³⁵ for just as the rational soul and flesh is one human being, so God and man is one Christ.

³⁶ He suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose the third day from the dead.

³⁷ He ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, and from there will come to judge the living and the dead.

³⁸ At his coming all people will rise with their own bodies to answer for their personal deeds.

³⁹ Those who have done good will enter eternal life, but those who have done evil will go into eternal fire.

⁴⁰ This is the true Christian faith. Whoever does not faithfully and firmly believe this cannot be saved.

Prayer of the Church

Offering

You can give your offerings from your smartphone with the new **Vanco Mobile** app, which can be downloaded for free at Google Play or the App Store. You can also give at holytrinitylutheranwyoing.com by clicking the Offerings link at the top of the page. If you have any questions about any of these options, please contact Dave Vogel at financialsecretary@holytrinity-wels.net or 616-808-6320.



Preface

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right . . . and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord God, you are worthy to receive thanks and praise from all people. You created the world and all who live in it, and in your mercy you saved us. We give thanks to you for the grace of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Though in very nature God, he took the nature of a servant and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. He offered himself as a sacrifice for sin and redeemed us from its curse and penalty. He rescued us from the terrors of death and restored eternal life with you. He conquered our enemies and gained for us the kingdom of grace and glory.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood, and lead us to remember his suffering, death, and resurrection. Forgive our sins and fill us with the hope of new life in heaven. Hear our praise and receive our thanks as we worship you—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins,

as we forgive those

who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours

now and forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my ✠ body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my ✠ blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

Jesus, Lamb of God

Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us your peace.

Distribution

Take and eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Take and drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, poured out for the forgiveness of your sins.

The true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you to life everlasting. Go ✠ in peace.

Amen.

Distribution Hymn: 585 Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord

1 Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord!
May all your graces be outpoured
on each believer’s mind and heart;
your fervent love to them impart.
Lord, by the brightness of your light
you gather and in faith unite
your Church from ev’ry land and tongue:
this to your praise, O Lord our God, be sung.
Alleluia, alleluia!

2 Come, holy Light, guide divine,
and cause the Word of life to shine.
Teach us to know our God aright
and call him Father with delight.
From ev'ry error keep us free;
let none but Christ our master be
that we in living faith abide,
in him, our Lord, with all our might confide.
Alleluia, alleluia!

3 Come, holy Fire, comfort true,
grant us the will your work to do
and in your service to abide;
let trials turn us not aside.
Lord, by your pow'r prepare each heart,
and to our weakness strength impart
that bravely here we may contend,
through life and death to you, our Lord, ascend.
Alleluia, alleluia!

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Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet you have given us in this Sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit, help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

Amen.

Hymn: 931 Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

- 1 Savior, again to thy dear name we raise
with one accord our parting hymn of praise.
Once more we bless thee ere our worship cease,
then, lowly bending, wait thy word of peace.
- 2 Grant us thy peace upon our homeward way;
with thee began, with thee shall end the day.
Guard thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
that in this house have called upon thy name.
- 3 Grant us thy peace, Lord, through the coming night;
turn thou for us its darkness into light.
From harm and danger keep thy children free,
for dark and light are both alike to thee.
- 4 Grant us thy peace throughout our earthly life,
our balm in sorrow and our stay in strife.
Then, when thy voice shall bid our conflict cease,
call us, O Lord, to thine eternal peace.

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