THE HOLY TRINITY + FATHER'S DAY + JUNE 15, 2025

905 COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING

- Come, Thou almighty King,
 Help us Thy name to sing;
 Help us to praise;
 Father all-glorious,
 O'er all victorious,
 Come and reign over us,
 Ancient of Days.
- Come, Thou incarnate Word,
 Gird on Thy mighty sword;
 Our prayer attend.
 Come and Thy people bless,
 And give Thy Word success,
 And let Thy righteousness
 On us descend.

Come, holy Comforter,
 Thy sacred witness bear
 In this glad hour!
 Thou, who almighty art,
 Now rule in ev'ry heart,
 And ne'er from us depart,
 Spirit of pow'r.

A To Thee, great One in Three,
 Eternal praises be
 Hence evermore!
 Thy sov'reign majesty
 May we in glory see,
 And to eternity
 Love and adore.

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(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)

P In the name of the Father and of the

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of

them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

 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.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

The Old Testament Reading is from Proverbs, chapter 8.

¹Does not wisdom call?

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 aloud:

⁴"To you, O men, I call,
and my cry is to the children of man. . . .

²²"The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work,

- the first of his acts of old.
- 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,
- ²⁶before he had made the earth with its fields, or the first of the dust of the world.
- 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 workman,
 and I was daily his delight,
 rejoicing before him always,

³¹rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the children of man."

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Acts 2:14a, 22-36

The Second Reading is from Acts, chapter 2.

¹⁴Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, . . .

²²"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— ²³this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. ²⁴God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. ²⁵For David says concerning him,

"I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken;

²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;

my flesh also will dwell in hope.

- ²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption.
- ²⁸You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

²⁹"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. ³⁰Being 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, ³¹he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. ³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. ³³Being 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. ³⁴For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,

"The Lord said to my Lord,
Sit at my right hand,

35until I make your enemies your footstool."

³⁶Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

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

(Stand)

978 HOW MAJESTIC IS YOUR NAME

- O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth.
 - O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth.
 - O Lord, we praise Your name.
 - O Lord, we magnify Your name:

Prince of Peace, Mighty God,

- O Lord God Almighty.
- O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth.
- O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth.
- O Lord, we praise Your name.
- O Lord, we magnify Your name:

Prince of Peace, Mighty God,

O Lord God Almighty.

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HOLY GOSPEL

John 8:48-59

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

⁴⁸The Jews answered Jesus, "Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?" ⁴⁹Jesus answered, "I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. ⁵⁰Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the

judge. ⁵¹Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death." ⁵²The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, 'If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.' 53Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?" ⁵⁴Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, 'He is our God.' 55But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. ⁵⁶Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad." 57So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" 58 Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." 59So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

953 WE ALL BELIEVE IN ONE TRUE GOD

- We all believe in one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Ever-present help in need, Praised by all the heav'nly host; All He made His love enfolds, All creation He upholds.
- We all believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Mary's son, Who descended from His throne And for us salvation won; By whose cross and death are we Rescued from all misery.
- We all confess the Holy Ghost, Who from both in truth proceeds, Who sustains and comforts us In all trials, fears, and needs. Blessèd, holy Trinity, Praise forever be to Thee!

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SERMON

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- \mathbf{P} Heavenly Father, from whom all fatherhood is named, we give You thanks for earthly fathers. Give them confidence in their station and zeal for their task to care for their families faithfully. Make them examples to their children of godly life and love of Your Word. Bless their work of bringing up children in the fear and instruction of the Lord, and give them the comfort of Your absolution over all their shortcomings. Gather us together with all our fathers to Your eternal household; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

PREFACE LSB 216

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious Father, that we may give heed to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words with which Christ gives to us His body and blood for our forgiveness.

By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love which He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious blood, He saved us from Your righteous wrath and from sin, death, and hell. Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of His salvation. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C 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.

In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command, and with His own words, we receive His testament:

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My

body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My

→ blood, which is shed

for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

960 ISAIAH, MIGHTY SEER IN DAYS OF OLD

Isaiah, mighty seer in days of old, The Lord of all in spirit did behold High on a lofty throne, in splendor bright, With robes that filled the temple courts with light. Above the throne were flaming seraphim; Six wings had they, these messengers of Him. With two they veiled their faces as was right, With two they humbly hid their feet from sight, And with the other two aloft they soared; One to the other called and praised the Lord: "Holy is God, the Lord of Sabaoth! Holy is God, the Lord of Sabaoth! Holy is God, the Lord of Sabaoth! His glory fills the heavens and the earth!" The beams and lintels trembled at the cry, And clouds of smoke enwrapped the throne on

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high.

PAX DOMINI

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- Amen.

525 CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS

1 Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne; Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns All music but its own.

Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless king
Through all eternity.

2 Crown Him the virgin's Son, The God incarnate born, Whose arm those crimson trophies won Which now His brow adorn: Fruit of the mystic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The root whence mercy ever flows, The babe of Bethlehem.

- 3 Crown Him the Lord of love.
 Behold His hands and side,
 Rich wounds, yet visible above,
 In beauty glorified.
 No angels in the sky
 Can fully bear that sight,
 But downward bend their wond'ring eyes
 At mysteries so bright.
- 4 Crown Him the Lord of life,
 Who triumphed o'er the grave
 And rose victorious in the strife
 For those He came to save.
 His glories now we sing,
 Who died and rose on high,
 Who died eternal life to bring
 And lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, Enthroned in worlds above, Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The wondrous name of Love. Crown Him with many crowns As thrones before Him fall; Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns, For He is king of all.

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507 HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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sts. 1-4

- 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, blessèd Trinity!
- Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, 2 Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
 - Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

3 Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,

Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Holy, holy, merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessèd Trinity!

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BENEDICTION

C Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

506 GLORY BE TO GOD THE FATHER

- Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son, Glory be to God the Spirit: Great Jehovah, Three in One! Glory, glory While eternal ages run!
- 2 Glory be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each spot and stain; Glory be to Him who bought us, Made us kings with Him to reign! Glory, glory To the Lamb that once was slain!
- Glory to the King of angels,
 Glory to the Church's King,
 Glory to the King of nations;
 Heav'n and earth, your praises bring!

Glory, glory
To the King of glory sing!

Glory, blessing, praise eternal!
 Thus the choir of angels sings;
 Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion!
 Thus its praise creation brings.
 Glory, glory,
 Glory to the King of kings!

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