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Holy Trinity– Divine Service 1

May 31st in the Year of our Lord 2026

Prelude

Confession and Absolution

Stand

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

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

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

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

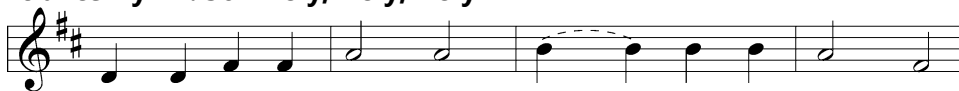
P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Entrance Hymn: 507 Holy, Holy, Holy

sts. 1-4



1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore Thee,
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide Thee,
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee;
 Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 Though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see,
 All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,
 On - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 Which wert and art and ev - er - more shalt be.
 Per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

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Kyrie

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A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

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



C Lord, have mer - cy.

A 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.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

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



C Lord, have mer - cy.

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



C A - men.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 154



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.

For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,
 You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,
 in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 1:1—2:4a

¹In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

³And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶And God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." ⁷And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. ⁸And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

¹¹And God said, "Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth." And it was so. ¹²The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴And God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth." And it was so. ¹⁶And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰And God said, "Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens." ²¹So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind.

And God saw that it was good. ²²And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds." And it was so. ²⁵And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

²⁷So God created man in his own image,
in the image of God he created him;
male and female he created them.

²⁸And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth." ²⁹And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. ³¹And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

¹Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. ²And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. ³So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

⁴These are the generations
of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 8; antiphon: v. 9

¹O LORD, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in | all the earth!*

You have set your glory above the | heavens.

²**Out of the mouth of babes and infants,
you have established strength because | of your foes,*
to still the enemy and the a- | venger.**

³When I look at your heavens, the work of your | fingers,*
the moon and the stars, which you have | set in place,

⁴**what is man that you are mind- | ful of him,*
and the son of man that you | care for him?**

⁵Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly | beings*
and crowned him with glory and | honor.

**⁶You have given him dominion over the works | of your hands;*
you have put all things under | his feet,**

⁷all sheep and | oxen,*
and also the beasts | of the field,

**⁸the birds of the heavens, and the fish | of the sea,*
whatever passes along the paths | of the seas.**

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

Second Reading

Acts 2:14a, 22–36

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.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156



C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 28:16–20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn of the Day: 876 O Blessed, Holy Trinity



1 O bless - ed, ho - ly Trin - i - ty, Di - vine, e -
2 My soul and bod - y keep from harm, And o - ver
3 The Fa - ther's love shield me this day; The Son's pure
4 My Mak - er, hold me in Your hand; O Christ, for -
5 Lord, bless and keep me as Your own; Lord, look in



ter - nal U - ni - ty, O Fa - ther, Son, and
all ex - tend Your arm; Let Sa - tan cause me
wis - dom cheer my way; The Ho - ly Spir - it's
giv - en let me stand; Blest Com - fort - er, do
kind - ness from Your throne; Lord, shine un - fail - ing



Ho - ly Ghost, This day Your name be up - per - most.
no dis - tress Nor bring me shame and wretch - ed - ness.
joy and light Drive from my heart the shades of night.
not de - part; With faith and love en - rich my heart.
peace on me By grace sur - round - ed; set me free.

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Sermon

Stand

Apostles' Creed

☩ I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord of Sabaoth, we bless Your name. You have called us out of darkness into Your marvelous light. Guard Your Church, purchased with the precious blood of Jesus Christ. Keep her in the true faith, without error, schism or compromise, until that day when You welcome her home as Your spotless bride. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord, as You have delivered us from the domain of darkness into the kingdom of Your Son, help us to walk in a manner worthy of Him. Bless the floor committees who prepare the work of our Synod convention, that all they decide may be guided by Your Word and undertaken in prayer, and that Your good and gracious will be done among us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Creator God, You ordered this world according to Your good and gracious will, crowning Your creation with man and woman. Give us faith to cherish the holy estate of marriage, its union of husband and wife, Your call to be fruitful, and the promise that You will bless what You have made. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty God, You are over all things. We pray for nations and governments, for leaders and civil servants, and for peace and justice here in our own land and throughout the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Loving Lord, You promise to be with Your people always, to the end of the age. Comfort those afflicted in body or mind, soul or spirit [*especially* _____]. Give them grace to entrust themselves into Your Son's loving hands and await relief according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord God, heavenly Father, You have called Your Church from every tribe and nation. Grant that Your people throughout the world would rejoice in the death and resurrection of Christ and live as those who have died and risen with Him in Holy Baptism; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

C **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.**

Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
- C** Amen.

Hymn to Depart: 506 Glory Be to God the Father



1 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to
 2 Glo - ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each
 3 Glo - ry to the King of an - gels, Glo - ry to the
 4 Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal! Thus the choir of



God the Son, Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it:
 spot and stain; Glo - ry be to Him who bought us,
 Church's King, Glo - ry to the King of na - tions;
 an - gels sings; Hon - or, rich - es, pow'r, do - min - ion!



Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,
 Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo - ry,
 Heav'n and earth, your prais - es bring! Glo - ry,
 Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings. Glo - ry,



glo - ry While e - ter - nal a - ges run!
 glo - ry To the Lamb that once was slain!
 glo - ry To the King of glo - ry sing!
 glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of kings!

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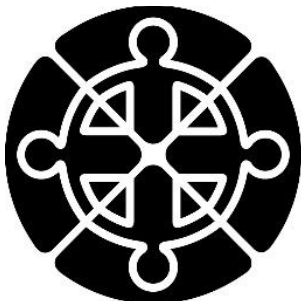
Announcements

Postlude

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CHURCHES in harmony

Joint Worship and Roundtable Series, next on June 14 @10:00am at Monona

The next joint worship, potluck, and roundtable is June 14 at Monona. At this roundtable, we will discuss our schedule for assembling, presenting, and voting on the church merger plan, as well as previewing parts of that plan.

We will also discuss choosing a name for our merged church. Thanks to feedback from the May 3 roundtable and May 18 Joint Council meeting, we have two current favorites for the name: Lutheran Church in Harmony and Ascension Lutheran Church. The final decision will be made by the Joint Council on June 15, so please make sure your council members know your preferences, and join us for the discussion on June 14.

2026 Roundtable Information (Updated with the May 3 Roundtable)

You can find this year's roundtable recordings and handouts here: tiny.cc/2026roundtables
Questions or thoughts? Tell Pastor Erdman: 952-491-3191, pastor@immanuelmadison.org

St Paul Wednesday Evening Service Closed

The final Wednesday Evening service at St Paul was on May 20th.

Harmony Game Night, next on June 2 @5:30pm at Immanuel

The next game night will be at Immanuel, starting at 5:30pm with a meal. At around 6:30pm the games will start; we encourage you to bring a game to share.

Blood Drive, June 3 @1:00-6:00pm at Monona

If you would like to make an appointment, please contact Ann Rubin at 608 335-7665 or annrubin5@gmail.com. My first available appointment for whole blood is 2:30 and for Power Reds openings every hour and every 1/2 for times. In September we are doing our last drive for 2026 and I have informed ARC that I will no longer be doing the drives. It has been a wonderful experience and I have meet many wonderful people. A great privilege. Ann Rubin

Young Adult Bible Study, Sundays @4:00pm at St Paul

This Bible Study is led by the Young Adults of the partnership but is open to everyone who doesn't mind meeting in the evening. So please consider joining us!

LWML Collection Drive and Next Meeting

Our LWML group is sponsoring a collection for Madison Street Medicine, which is looking for: men's sweat pants, jeans, belts, underwear & sleeveless undershirts (all size medium or larger); easy open food items such as tuna, stew, chunky soup, also peanut butter, fruit bars, protein bars; sunscreen, bug spray, sleeping bags & tents. There is a collection container in the narthex of each church. If you have questions, let Ellen Peck know. The collection will take place through June 30.

Maestro Concerts

- The Ringing Badgers will present their annual "Ringin' Spring" handbell Concert at Madison Christian Community, 7118 Oak Sauk Road, Madison, on Sunday, June 7, 3:00pm. Tickets and more details at www.maestroproductions.org.

- Make Music Madison at Immanuel, June 21: A fun afternoon of performances and a picnic lunch hosted by Maestro's community music ensembles. Picnic food available for purchase from 11:30am-2:45pm (eat inside or outside). Free performances (inside) at 12:30pm: Maestro Community Orchestra, 1:15pm: Madison Community Chorus, and 2:00pm: Ringing Badgers Handbell Ensemble. More information at: www.maestroproductions.org

Monona Announcements

In Our Prayers

Brian LaMore (Joy Hamburg's son); Steve Lindert; Sue Fietzer and members of her family including Laura Schaller (her grandson's mother), Michael Schaller (her grandson's grandfather) and Alberta (her daughter-in-law); Dr. Krubsack; Paul Felton; Sharon Bottoms; Dan MacLeod (Bess' father-in-law); Lisa (Ann Rubin's niece); Marcel Lindert; Ann Muller (Jeanne Nowak's sister); Durwood Meyer; Dorothy Krause (Edie Eastman's daughter-in-law); Sue Fietzer's new grandson; Joan Lindert; Kaitlyn DeYoung and Kristi Price (Pastor & Jeanne Nowak's daughters); Ellen Peck; Ann Rubin. We also remember our homebound: Sharon Bottoms. If you would like a name added or removed from this list, please e-mail office@churchesinharmony.org

Serving Today and Looking Ahead

Pastor: Pastor Thomas Nowak

Organist: Corey Smies

	Ushers	Communion Assistant	Readers
May 31	Gary Steingraber		Gary Steingraber
June 7	Marcel Lindert	Jeff Thur	Dr. Krubsack
June 14	Gary Steingraber	Pastor Erdman	Pastor Erdman
June 21	Jeff Thur	Steve Peck	Judie Krubsack
June 28	Jeff Thur		Judy Thompson