

# THE HOLY TRINITY

May 26, 2024 – 9:30 a.m.

## AS WE GATHER

We ponder today the great mystery of God—that God is one and that this one God is three persons. The liturgy in its proclamation focuses on the divine mystery of the triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Holy Trinity is not so much truth to be understood as it is truth to be confessed. We confess the Father from whom all things come, the Son who is the incarnate Lord Jesus Christ, and the Spirit who proceeds from the Father through the Son. Throughout the centuries of the Christian Church, the confession of the Holy Trinity has been a hallmark of faithful believers. We sing of the Trinity and, with the profound words of the Athanasian Creed, we confess the Holy Trinity to be the one true God.

## HYMN “O Beloved, God Is with Us” -Words by Stephen P. Starke

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1. O beloved, God is with us,  
God the Lord, whom we adore:  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
Three in One forevermore –  
God who made us, God who saved us,  
God who called us as His own,  
God whose mercy, grace, and power  
In our lives are ever shown.

2. God our mighty Father made us,  
Formed us each with tender care,  
Making us uniquely special,  
Numb’ring each and ev’ry hair!  
By His grace He still preserves us,  
Far beyond what we can tell,  
Guarding us from sin and evil:  
God with us – Immanuel!

3. God’s beloved Son has saved us,  
By His death on Calvary:  
Christ, the sinless for all sinners,  
Dying, gained the victory!  
Our Lord Jesus, precious Savior,  
Conqu’ring sin and death and hell;  
Rising, reigning, soon returning:  
God with us – Immanuel!

4. God the Holy Spirit called us,  
In that birth beyond compare;  
Linked to God and one another,  
Each in Christ is heaven’s heir!  
God who gathers, still enlightens,  
Sanctifies and keeps faith well,  
Blesses with indwelling presence:  
God with us – Immanuel!

5. O beloved, God is with us!  
Generations come and go,  
Yet each passing generation  
Here God's grace has come to know!  
God is with us – Holy Father;  
God is with us – Holy Son;  
God is with us – Holy Spirit;  
God is with us – Three in One!

## INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

## INTRODUCTION

Pastor: Through our worship, we will progressively and responsively confess the Athanasian Creed. As the more commonly confessed Apostles' and Nicene Creeds were written and doctrinally accepted according to God's Word in defense to the heresies of the time and applicable still today, so also the Athanasian Creed was written and doctrinally accepted to refute false teachings regarding the Scripturally revealed identity and work of the one true God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. As we hold the "catholic faith," the Athanasian Creed refers to "catholic" as the true Church of all times and places who faithfully confess the true Christ as Lord and Savior.

## ATHANASIAN CREED *Part I*

Pastor: Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith.

**People: Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.**

Pastor: And the catholic faith is this,

**People: that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.**

Pastor: For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.

**People: But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.**

Pastor: Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:

**People: the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;**

Pastor: the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;

**People: the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.**

Pastor: And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,

**People: just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinites, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.**

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

**People: and yet there are not three Almighty's, but one Almighty.**

Pastor: So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;

**People: and yet there are not three Gods, but one God.**

Pastor: So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;

**People: and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**People: who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**People: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

Pastor: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess

before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**People: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Pastor: 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.

**People: Amen.**

**INTROIT** *Psalm 16:8–11; antiphon: Liturgical Text*

Pastor: Blessèd be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity.

**People: Let us give glory to Him because He has shown His mercy to us.**

Pastor: I have set the Lord always before me;

**People: because He is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

Pastor: Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;

**People: my flesh also dwells secure.**

Pastor: For You will not abandon my soul to Sheol,

**People: or let Your holy one see corruption.**

Pastor: You make known to me the path of life;

**People: in Your presence there is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Pastor: Blessèd be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity.

**People: Let us give glory to Him because He has shown His mercy to us.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE** “Holy, Holy, Holy” sts. 1, 4 *LSB* 507

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! Lord God Almighty!

All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessèd Trinity!

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**SALUTATION**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: 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.

**People: Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** *Isaiah 6:1–8*

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.”

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL** *Psalm 145:3, 5b, 6b*

Pastor: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,

**People: and His greatness is unsearchable.**

Pastor: On Your wondrous works, I will meditate,

**People: and I will declare Your greatness.**

**EPISTLE** *Acts 2:14a, 22–36*

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.”

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**VERSE** *Isaiah 6:3b*

Pastor: Alleluia. Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;

**People: the whole earth is full of His glory! Alleluia.**

**HOLY GOSPEL** *John 3:1–17*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.

**People: 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."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

### **ATHANASIAN CREED** *Part 2*

Pastor: Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord, so also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.

**People: The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.**

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

**People: The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.**

Pastor: Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

**People: And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;**

Pastor: but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal, so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.

**People: Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.**

### **HYMN OF THE DAY** "O Worship the King" *LSB 804*

1 O worship the King,  
all-glorious above.

O gratefully sing  
His pow'r and His love;  
Our shield and defender,  
the Ancient of Days,  
Pavilioned in splendor  
and girded with praise.

2 O tell of His might,  
O sing of His grace,  
Whose robe is the light,  
whose canopy space;  
His chariots of wrath  
the deep thunderclouds form,  
And dark is His path  
on the wings of the storm.

3        This earth, with its store  
          of wonders untold,  
Almighty, Thy pow'r  
          hath founded of old,  
Established it fast  
          by a changeless decree,  
And round it hath cast,  
          like a mantle, the sea.

4        Thy bountiful care  
          what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air,  
          it shines in the light,  
It streams from the hills,  
          it descends to the plain,  
And sweetly distills  
          in the dew and the rain.

5        Frail children of dust  
          and feeble as frail,  
In Thee do we trust,  
          nor find Thee to fail.  
Thy mercies, how tender,  
          how firm to the end,  
Our maker, defender,  
          redeemer, and friend!

6        O measureless Might,  
          ineffable Love,  
While angels delight  
          to hymn Thee above,  
Thy humbler creation,  
          though feeble their lays,  
With true adoration  
          shall sing to Thy praise.  
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## **SERMON**

### **INTRODUCTION**

Pastor: As we confess in this creed the work and identity of the one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, with all founded in and supported throughout Scripture, the Athanasian Creed closes with a reminder of judgment and the Last Day to come. Though reference is made to works, works are not the basis of our salvation. Only those who by faith believe in Jesus Christ for salvation are able to do good works in God's sight, and the good works done are fruits of the saving faith in Christ given through the Holy Spirit.

### **ATHANASIAN CREED *Part 3***

Pastor: But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**People: Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is at the same time both God and man.**

Pastor: He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages; and He is man, born from the substance of His mother in this age:

**People: perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh;**

Pastor: equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.

**People: Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:**

Pastor: one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God;

**People: one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.**

Pastor: For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ,

**People: who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,**

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

**People: At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.**

Pastor: And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.

**People: This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.**

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### OFFERING

*We offer our gifts to the Lord as we use this time in our service for contemplation and preparation for the sacrament of communion. Offerings can be placed in the plates at the back entrance doors as you enter the sanctuary, or as the offering plates are passed at this time.*

### PREFACE 2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

### PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, who with Your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit are one God, one Lord. In the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in person and the Unity in substance, of majesty coequal. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

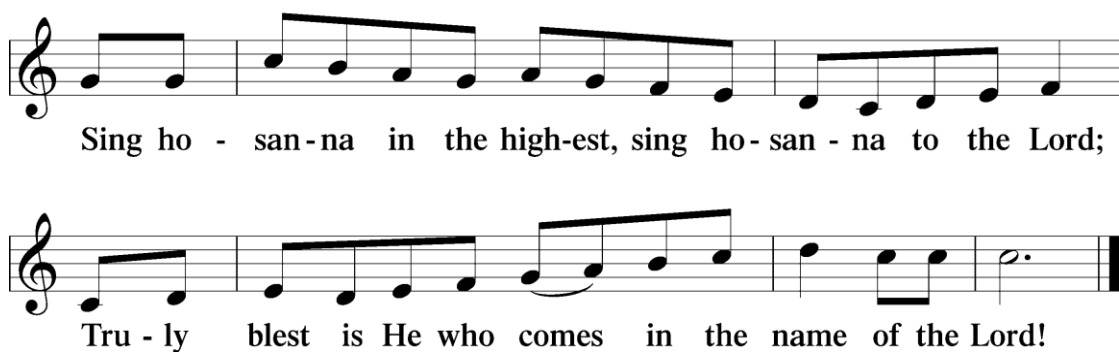
### SANCTUS *LSB p. 208*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



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### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. 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.

**People: Amen.**

### **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD** *Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

Pastor: 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.”

### **PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST** *1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20*

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

**People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

### **LORD’S PRAYER** *Matthew 6:9–13*

**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.**

### **PAX DOMINI**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**People: Amen.**



## AGNUS DEI *LSB p. 210*

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,  
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

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*You are invited to receive the Lord's Supper if you believe and confess that Jesus Christ is your Savior from sin, you are a baptized child of the Triune God, and you believe that He gives you His body and blood in the bread and wine you receive. White grape juice can be found in the center of each tray for those who cannot receive alcohol. Children are welcome to come forward for a blessing.*

*Communion is offered in two ways: the individual cup and the common cup. If you would like the individual cup, please partake as the assistant minister passes by after Pastor gives the bread. If you would like the common cup, let the assistant minister pass by, open your hands palm up, and Pastor will return to give you the common cup.*

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"How Great Thou Art" *LSB 801*

1 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,  
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,  
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed; Refrain

ref Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

2        When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
          I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
          And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; Refrain

3        But when I think that God, His Son not sparing,  
          Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in—  
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing  
          He bled and died to take away my sin; Refrain

4        When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
          And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
          And there proclaim: “My God, how great Thou art!” Refrain

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“Seek Ye First” *WOV* 783

1        Seek ye first the kingdom of God,  
          And its righteousness.  
And all these things shall be added unto you!  
Allelu, alleluia!

2        Ask and it shall be given unto you,  
          Seek and you shall find,  
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you,  
Allelu, alleluia!

3        We do not live by bread alone,  
          But by ev’ry word  
That proceeds from the mouth of God,  
Allelu, alleluia!

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## **BLESSING**

Pastor: May our Lord’s body and blood strengthen and preserve you in true faith to life everlasting. Depart in peace and with joy.

**People: Amen.**

## **POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

Pastor: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed our spirits, nourished our faith, and forgiven our sins. Bless our days ahead and keep us sanctified in the truth, that we remain together as one Body in the confession and proclamation of You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

## **BENEDICTION** *Numbers 6:23–27*

Pastor: 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.

**People: Amen.**

**HYMN “I, the Lord of Sea and Sky” WOV 752**

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

Worship 9:30 a.m.

**GENEROSITY THOUGHTS:** *John 3:6 – “That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.”* In Holy Baptism we receive a new birth: spirit from Spirit. With that rebirth we receive new desires, new lives, new purposes. To the (fleshly) world, Christian generosity makes no sense: the total minus a percentage is less than the original total. But Spirit-reborn Christians know that God’s math works differently (as we might expect from the Trinity!). A blessing received from God becomes more of a blessing when it is used in generosity to bless others.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING & Barnabas Buddy reveal:** The next Emmaus congregational meeting will be held after the service on Sunday, June 2. We will be voting on boards and officers for the 2024-2025 year at Emmaus. During the meeting the children will have a short Sunday School. After the meeting will be the Barnabas Buddy reveal, hopefully outside. All are welcome and we will provide treats at the event.

**GARAGE SALE:** Thank you to everyone who helped for many hours or a few minutes, and to everyone who donated or came to shop. Our garage sale was a success! Over \$3,000 was raised to go toward the replacement of the Education area carpeting. Leftovers were donated to the King of Kings garage sale, Jim Seemann’s program for people who are homeless, and other charitable organizations.

**HEAR “THE LUTHERAN HOUR”** on Sunday mornings at 6:05 a.m. on WCCO 830 AM radio. Next week’s broadcast: “Lit Up” Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The Law and Gospel light of Jesus is both an exposing searchlight that reveals our shortcomings and a warm grow light that nurtures us. (Acts 11:24)

### **King of Kings Women’s Ministry Recycle Sale**

**Saturday, June 1**

**8 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

We are hosting our sale the same weekend as the Roseville City-Wide Garage sale. Your support and assistance is essential to make it a successful event. There are two opportunities to drop off sale items at the church: Thursday and Friday, May 30th and 31st, 3–7 p.m. Bring your items to the church gym where you can drop off or place them in the area designated for them.

We need volunteers Thursday and Friday to help collect and sort items; Saturday to monitor gym sale area and checkouts (free-will offering for most items); clean up on Monday, June 3. Please contact Peggy, Deb, or Lori if you would like to volunteer.

Regarding donated items:

- We will NOT accept: adult clothing, large furniture, exercise equipment or electronics.
- **We WILL accept:** baby and children’s clothing to age 12, typical household items, purses, shoes, small tools, craft items, etc., and plants. Gardeners, if you are thinning your perennials this spring, you can bring them to the sale. Deb S. has volunteered to coordinate the plant sale portion.

**THIS WEEK AT EMMAUS:**

Today: 9:30 a.m. Worship

10:30 a.m. Bible Study

Mon: Memorial Day – Office closed

Wed: Bulletin Deadline

10 a.m. Bible Study

6 p.m. Confirmation Class

Fri: Office closed – call Pastor in emergencies

Sat: 12-5 p.m. Organist Rehearsal

Next Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Worship

10:30 a.m. Congregational Meeting & Barnabas Buddies

**SERVING OUR WORSHIP SERVICE TODAY:**

PASTOR: Rev. Nick Kooi

ALTAR GUILD: Christine S

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SOUND TECH: Eric R

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LECTOR: Aaron H

GREETER: Linda K

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