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We gather around the Word (worship)
We grow in the Word (education)
And we share the Word with the world (outreach).



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Welcome!

To all who have gathered here this morning we welcome you in the name of Christ our Lord. Through him we have access to God in boldness and confidence. (Ephesians 3:12) Join us after service for coffee. To allow for social distancing, please don't linger in front of the kitchen and bathroom.

HOLY COMMUNION

Our worship service is open to all. The forgiveness received in the Lord's Supper is proclaimed to all throughout the service. However, the Bible teaches that the Lord's Supper is to be received by those who have been instructed about its meaning and the unity it expresses.

<u>For this reason, we ask that guests speak with the Pastor</u> before partaking of the Holy Supper.

So that you can be sure that unity of faith and teaching exists we invite you to participate in a Bible Information Course. This class will prepare you to receive the Lord's Supper with us. Please contact Pastor about class times.

GOD'S WORDS POSSESS GOD'S POWER

When we speak words, they are often meaningless. But everything God says is meaningful. God speaks with absolute knowledge. God never lies. And God's words possess God's awesome power. Thus, it is God's words that determine our reality. It is God's words that establish our faith, transform our hearts and minds, and direct our lives along meaningful paths. During the first half of the Church Year, we focused on the life of Christ. As we begin the second half of the Church Year, we turn our attention to the teachings of Christ...to the Son of God's words. We gather each week to let the Holy Spirit do the work Jesus promised he would do in the way Jesus promised he would do it through his Word.

THROUGH THE WORD, THE TRIUNE GOD BLESSES US

The Scriptures never use the words "Trinity" or "Triune." They never even summarize in any single place the entirety of this doctrine. Instead, as we read God's Word from the first verse of Genesis to the last verse of Revelation, he gives us hints and glimpses of his Triune nature. Thus, the doctrine of the Trinity can seem very academic, even abstract. It may seem to have little relevance to the Christian's daily life. Nothing could be further from the truth. God shows us how we benefit from the fact he exists as Trinity. God dwells in a "majesty and mystery" (Prayer of the Day) that far exceeds our understanding. But here is what we can understand. Every time we gather in the name of the Lord, our Triune God, we receive indescribable blessings.

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Prayer of the Day

Almighty God and Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, filling and renewing all creation by your eternal Spirit, and manifesting your saving grace through our Lord Jesus Christ, in mercy cleanse our hearts and lips that, free from doubt and fear, we may ever worship you, one true, immortal God, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, living and reigning, now and forever.

FIRST READING NUMBERS 6:22-27

The LORD said to Moses, ²³"Tell Aaron and his sons, 'This is how you are to bless the Israelites. Say to them:

24" ' "The LORD bless you and keep you;
25 the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you;
26 the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace." '

²⁷"So they will put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them."

PSALM 150E

SING PRAISE TO THE LORD

- Sing praise to the Lord! Praise God in the height; Rejoice in his word, you angels of light; O heavens, adore him by whom you were made, And worship before him, in brightness arrayed.
- Sing praise to the Lord! Praise God upon earth, In tuneful accord, all you of new birth; Praise him who has brought you his grace from above, Praise him who has taught you to sing of his love.
- 3. Sing praise to the Lord! All things that give sound, Each jubilant chord, reecho around; Loud organs, his glory proclaim in deep tone, And trumpets, the story of what he has done.
- 4. Sing praise to the Lord! Thanksgiving and song To him be out poured all ages along; For love in creation, for heaven restored, For grace of salvation, sing praise to the Lord.

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SECOND READING ROMANS 5:1-5

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. ³Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. Holy, holy is the LORD Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory. Alleluia.

Stand

GOSPEL READING JOHN 16:12-15

"I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. ¹³But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. ¹⁵All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you."

HYMN: COME, HOLY GHOST, CREATOR BLEST

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SERMON on ROMANS 5:1-5

Justified, Redeemed, Sanctified – All by the Holy Trinity

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN: IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL

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HYMN: LORD, NOW YOU LET YOUR SERVANT

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HYMN: GO MY CHILDREN, WITH MY BLESSING

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