



*Trinity* by Andrei Rublev (15<sup>th</sup> century)

## **Holy Trinity Sunday**

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**“Love God, Serve Neighbor”**

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## GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

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### Pastoral Welcome

**Prelude**      *“All Creatures of Our God and King/Shaker Song”*      Kristin  
Sakamoto

### Prayer to the Trinity<sup>+</sup>

L: God, creator, living love,  
beginning and end,  
giver of food and drink,  
clothing and warmth,  
love and hope,  
life in all its goodness:

**C: we praise and adore you.**

L: Jesus, wisdom and word;  
lover of outcasts,  
friend of the poor;  
one of us yet one with God;  
crucified and risen;  
life in the midst of death:

**C: we praise and adore you.**

L: Holy Spirit, wind and flame,  
breath of love;  
bridge-builder, eye-opener,  
comforter of the oppressed,  
unseen and unexpected,  
untameable energy of life:

**C: we praise and adore you.**

L: Holy Trinity, forever one,  
whose nature is community;  
source of all sharing,  
in whom we love, and meet, and know our neighbor;  
life in all its fullness, making all things new:

**C: we praise and adore you. Amen.**

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<sup>+</sup> Adapt. from prayer written by Brian Wren, *Christian Aid Prayers*, 1980.

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## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

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*Refrain*



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all;  
For this holy house, for all who worship and praise,  
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

### *Refrain*

That we may live out your impassioned response  
to the hungry and the poor;  
That we may live out . . . truth and justice and grace,  
Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

### *Refrain*

## Greeting

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

## Prayer of Illumination

L: Let us pray. Almighty God, in you are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Open our ears that we may hear the wonders of your Word; and give us grace that we may clearly understand and freely choose the way of your wisdom; through Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## The First Reading

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

## The Gospel Acclamation



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, al - le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.  
Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## The Holy Gospel

John 16:12-15

## The Message

## Song of the Day

*"The Play of the Godhead"*

## The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

## Prayers of the Faithful

L: Let us pray. We are a world that is desperate for you, God.

*(A moment of silence as we prepare ourselves for prayer.)*

L: When those in power struggle for dominance, and war, oppression and abuse result; when groups of people oppose one another because of ideology, religion or culture;

We need a God who is bigger than ourselves, and our personal interests.

We pray for the country and the people of Ukraine.

We pray for the city and people of Buffalo, NY, for the community of Ulvalde, TX, and for all cities and communities that have been impacted by gun violence.

*(Prayers may be offered for specific areas of conflict in our country and in the world.)*

L: In your unending grace and eternal love,

**C: hear our prayers.**

L: When people are disregarded and devalued because of poverty, geography or disease; when compassion and justice are withheld to some because of sexuality, race or gender;

We need a Saviour who is more compassionate than we are, who includes even those we would exclude.

*(Prayers may be offered for specific people and places of suffering in our country and in the world.)*

L: In your unending grace and eternal love,

**C: hear our prayers.**

L: When resources are mismanaged and abused, and the world and its creatures are destroyed; when motivation is scarce and creativity is in short supply to address the challenges that we face;

We need a Holy Spirit who is more powerful and more creative than we could ever be.

*(Prayers may be offered for specific challenges and issues that we struggle with in our country and in the world.)*

L: In your unending grace and eternal love,

**C: hear our prayers.**

L: When we pray for the lives, needs, and hopes of those whom we hold dear, we entrust them to the gracious care of a God who is not distant and detached, but to a God who has become human in the person of Jesus and who dwells within us through the power of the Holy Spirit.

We especially pray for:

- William Brady
- Linda Burkhardt
- Terence Connelly
- Charliese Eichler
- David Goode
- Linda Holden
- Donnell Horton
- John & Jasmin Kivett
- Waylon Kuklantz
- Bobbi Larson
- Kevin Middleton
- Andrew Milholland
- Leo Peeler
- Joyce Quigley
- Chris Rasmussen
- Stephanie Rizzo
- Ethan Safrany
- L. D. Shockley
- Reponda Smith
- Garrett Stallings
- Kelly Taylor
- Joshua Thrower
- David Townsend
- Laura Tucker
- Herbert Watson
- Lisa Williams
- Renate Wilson

L: We now pray aloud or in the silence of our hearts for those we wish to name.

(Time for the community to pray.)

L: We remember and celebrate the lives of those who have died, especially:

- Lemont Bell, friend of Gene Reid, died May 25
- Pastor Raymond Peters, member, died June 3
- Virginia Zahn, mother of Laurie Stimac, died June 8
- Dave Goff, friend of Gerry Osborne, died June 10

L: By your Holy Spirit, comfort their families, and all who grieve, give peace to those who mourn, strengthen all through the promise of eternal life in Jesus Christ.

L: In your unending grace and eternal love,

C: **hear our prayers.**

L: Lord God, Loving Saviour, Empowering Spirit, we offer you these prayers because we need you so desperately. Captivate us, call us and fill us, that we may be carriers of your eternal life to this world that you so dearly love.

C: **Amen**

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## SHARING THE MEAL

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### Offering

*(Please sign and pass the pew pads)*

### Offertory Song

*"I Am"*

### Table Prayer

L: The table of bread and wine is now made ready. It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom Jesus identified himself. It is the table of communion with the earth, in which Jesus became fully human. So come to the table, all who have much faith and all who would like to have more; all who have been here often and all who have not been in a long time; all who have tried to follow Jesus, and all who have fallen short. Come. It is Christ who invites us all to meet him here.

C: **Amen.**

### The Words of Institution

#### The Lord's Prayer *(spoken)*

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.**

### The Blessing

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

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## SENDING GOD'S PEOPLE

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### **Benediction**

L: May you never feel alone in the struggle for justice and peace.  
May you know the support of family, friends, and people who feel as passionately about the world as you do.

May you feel a part of the great cloud of witnesses, who through the ages, did God's work and prayed for the coming of the Kingdom.

May you never feel alone.

And if you do, may you carry in your heart the words of Jesus, who told his friends: "I am with you always."

C: **Amen.**

### **Sending Song**

*"Come Join the Dance of Trinity"*

### **Dismissal**

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**