# **Gustavus** Adolphus

LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Reconciling in Christ Congregation



# All Are Welcome Here!

Gustavus Adolphus Lutheran Church proclaims that the Gospel is God's gift to all people, to be shared unconditionally. We rejoice in the manner in which diversity has enriched, nurtured and challenged the life and ministry we share in Christ. We know that the world is often an unloving place and that the experience of alienation is all too common. Because Christ reconciles us, we welcome people of all ages, ethnic backgrounds, sexual orientations, gender identities, physical and mental abilities, educational levels, and socioeconomic backgrounds. We strive to be an evermore welcoming community. Following the example of Christ, we extend a most heartfelt welcome to all.

# Our Congregation's Vision Statement

God in Christ loves us; therefore, through the Holy Spirit we will:

#### Do justice

- We **hope** for our community and all of God's creation
- We feed the poor and comfort the afflicted
- We welcome and **respect** our neighbor and the stranger

#### Love kindness

- We love and care for our congregation and our community
- We practice **forgiveness** locally and globally
- We strive for **compassion** and **acceptance**

#### Walk humbly with our God

- We find **joy** in creation
- We desire to grow in **spirituality**
- We delight in liturgical worship and creative expression

We are all children of God. Jesus calls us by name. With the Holy Spirit, we seek to live out God's grace.

# Holy Trinity

June 16, 2019 9:30 a.m.

# Welcome to Gustavus Adolphus!

If you are a guest today, please fill out the blue slip included in today's bulletin so that we may have a record of your visit with us.

We welcome people of all ages in worship. Activity bags for children are available from the ushers.

We invite you to remain for refreshments and a time of fellowship following worship today.

Please remember to silence all electronic devices.

# Gathering

#### **PRELUDE**

- + CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS
- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
- **G** Amen.
- P By faith in Jesus Christ, we are given access to the grace of God. Standing in that grace, we now confess our sins before God, seeking forgiveness and peace.
- O Lord, our Sovereign,
  how majestic is your name in all the earth.
  Yet we put aside your majesty,
  seeking our own power and gain.
  We set aside our responsibility for the earth
  entrusted to our care.
  By both carelessness and design,
  we pollute air, land, and waters.
  In our greed, we use more resources than we
  rightly need.

We confess that we do not fully comprehend the damage we have done to the birds of the air, the creatures of the sea, and the animals that live in forests and fields.

Forgive us, we pray.
Let your majesty fill our senses,
and pervade our actions,
that we may become better stewards of creation.
Call us, in every infant's cry,
to care for one another so that all your people flourish.
In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Friends, we are still standing in the grace of Christ.

Because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit,

we are set free to love God and neighbor, and to work for the reconciliation of the world.

# Worship Notes

Numbers marked with the word "page..." are found in the front portion of ELW (the red hardcover hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*) at the bottom left and right corners of the page.

Numbers marked with the word "Hymn..." are found in the back portion of ELW in the upper left and right corners of the page.

# **W**e have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God!

+ GATHERING SONG

ELW Hymn 413

# Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!

- + GREETING
- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- And also with you.
- + CANTICLE OF PRAISE

ELW page 148

## Glory to God in the Highest

- + PRAYER OF THE DAY
- Let us pray. O God, we honor this day the majesty and the mystery of your name. You are both infinite and intimate, known and unknowable, transcendent and transparent. In love, you have made us your own, and invite us to join in your divine dance. We will never rest until we rest in you, Blessed Trinity, one God forever and ever.
- **G** Amen.

# Word

#### FIRST READING

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

<sup>1</sup>Does not wisdom call,

and does not understanding raise her voice?

<sup>2</sup>On the heights, beside the way,

at the crossroads she takes her stand;

<sup>3</sup>beside the gates in front of the town,

at the entrance of the portals she cries out:

<sup>4</sup>"To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.

- <sup>22</sup>The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago.
- <sup>23</sup>Ages ago I was set up,

at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

- <sup>24</sup>When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water.
- <sup>25</sup>Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth—
- <sup>26</sup>when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil.
- <sup>27</sup>When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,

# Introduction to the Day

"O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!" Today we celebrate the name of God: holy blessed Trinity. There is no other day quite like this one in the church's year. There is no other god like ours. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

# Guest Organist

We welcome Marilyn Lueth, a former Minister of Music here at GA Church, back to the organ today in Phil's absence and thank her for being with us. It's always a pleasure to have Marilyn as our guest!

when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep,
when 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 worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always,
31rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race."

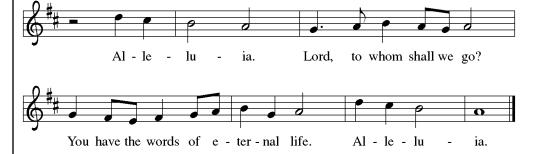
- L Word of God. Word of life.
- Thanks be to God.

#### SECOND READING

Romans 5:1-5

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup>through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

- Word of God. Word of life.
- Thanks be to God.
- + ACCLAMATION



+ GOSPEL John 16:12–15

P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 16th chapter.

# Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] <sup>12</sup>"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

- P The gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to you, O Christ.

I NOTICE..., I WONDER...

**SERMON** 

I HEAR...

+ HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW Hymn 412

## Come, Join the Dance of Trinity

#### + PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Holy God, you are more than we can know or name, yet we call on you again and again for you alone are God. We cannot live apart from you, for you have called us into your triune life. Your steadfast love surrounds us all our days.

Petitions follow. Each petition ends...

- **A** God, in your wisdom,
- **G** hear our prayer.

After the final petition...

- Merciful God, you hear the prayers of your people even before they are spoken. We commend these and all our prayers to you, trusting in your abundant mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- **G** Amen.
- + PEACE
- **P** The peace of Christ be with you always.
- And also with you.

Meal

**OFFERING** 

MUSICAL OFFERING

+ OFFERTORY

ELW Hymn 184

## Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

- + OFFERING PRAYER
- Blessed are you, O God, for the greening earth given for all, for the talents we are given to share, and for this bread and wine. Transform us to be the body of Christ, that, feasting on this food and drink, our lives may reflect your generosity; through Christ our Lord.
- **G** Amen.



# Continuing Prayer Concerns

Sharon & Paul Banitt; Mary Boatwright; Peggy Bowman; Charline Burns; Amy Cersier; Shirley Cropper; Vi Dorumsgaard; Katie Falang; Renae Frasee; Kimberly Garner; Morrie Gulbrandson: *Jeff McQuarrie; June Mondeng;* Juliana Palmer; Jean Rosebrock; Carol Stout; Arden & Joyce Swanson; Vi Tefft; Stephanie Vavrichek; Marion White; Nikki Wick; Andrew; Annette and family; Sveah; Gretchen; Bre; those who are homebound or in nursing homes or care centers.

Our continual prayers are offered for peace. We pray for all of the world's governments, leaders, and peoples, especially for those who work toward peace.

To have someone's name added to or removed from this list, contact Phil Holzman.

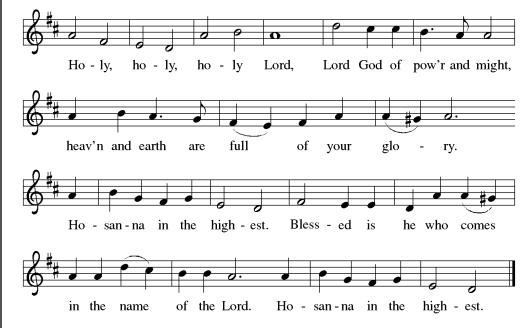


# Please join us for The Lord's Supper

All are invited to join us in the Lord's Supper. We believe that Christ is present in the bread and wine and that we receive God's grace and forgiveness through this meal. Those adults and children not communing with us are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.

There are gluten-free wafers available for those who need them. Simply indicate this to the communion server.

- + GREAT THANKSGIVING
- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **W**e lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **G** It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... join their unending hymn...



### + WORDS OF INSTITUTION

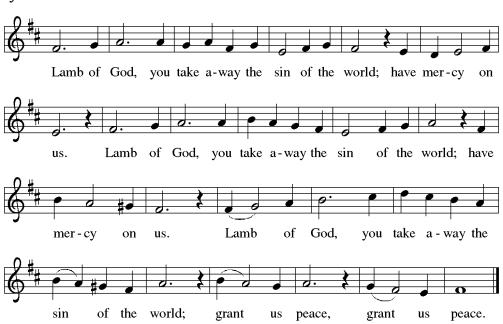
#### + LORD'S PRAYER

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.

## INVITATION AND DISTRIBUTION

We serve communion by intinction. Receive a wafer and dip it into the larger chalice containing wine or into the smaller chalice containing grape juice.





Hymn God, Whose Almighty Word

ELW Hymn 673

#### + PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- Let us pray. O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord.
- **G** Amen.

# Sending

- + BLESSING
- + SENDING SONG

ELW Hymn 414

## Holy God, We Praise Your Name

- + DISMISSAL
- **P** Go in peace. Christ is sending you.
- **G** Thanks be to God!

**POSTLUDE** 

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Our Core Values at Gustavus Adolphus Lutheran Church

love joy hope compassion spirituality forgiveness acceptance

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God's Mission for Gustavus Adolphus Church –

To build community where God is at the center.

# Serving Today

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