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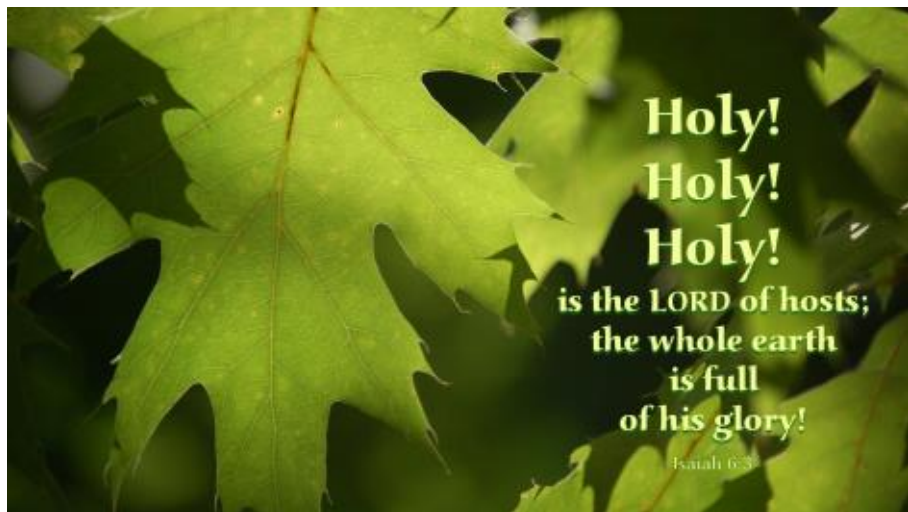
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*The Holy Trinity
Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
Jackson Center, Ohio
May 26, 2024
Traditional Service
8:00 am*

Welcome to
Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
The Holy Trinity
May 26, 2024 ~ 8:00 A.M.

Welcome to Our Guests

On this Trinity Sunday, as always, we worship in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We believe God has a purpose for you being with us today and our desire is to be an instrument in helping you discover and fulfill that purpose. You are always invited to come and worship with us. Please let us know if the pastor or we may be of service to you in any way.

As We Gather

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts,” raises the strain of the Holy Trinity. “Who will go for us?” once again evokes the triune nature of God’s being, seen in Acts and throughout the New Testament as Christ the Lord, exalted at the right hand of the Father, with the promised Holy Spirit. The Gospel reading assures us that God is present in Christian baptism as Son and Spirit also. As the voice of the Lord thunders over the waters, we remember that we are baptized into the blessed Name of the Holy Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

** Indicates times during which the congregation stands.*

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles and Christ Candle

Welcome

*Opening Hymn:

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

LBW # 165

Opening Litany

Worthy of praise from every mouth,
worthy of confession from every tongue,
worthy of worship from every creature,
is your glorious name, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

For you created the world in your grace,
and by your compassion you saved the world.

To your majesty, O God,
ten thousand times ten thousand bow down and adore,
singing and praising without ceasing, and saying:
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts;
heaven and earth are full of your praises.
Hosanna in the highest.

Pastor: Let us pray,

All: Majestic Trinity, Father, Son & Holy Spirit, we worship you. Before time your love burst forth, creating the world in which you took delight. Strengthen us in our faith, defend us from all evil and temptation, and bring us into the everlasting presence of your love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.

First Lesson: Isaiah 6:1-8

ESV pg # 571

Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 29 (read responsively)

9 Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

3 The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many waters.

4 The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

⁵ The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

⁶ **He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.**

⁷ The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.

⁸ **The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

⁹ The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth and strips the forests bare, and in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

¹⁰ **The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.**

¹¹ May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace!

Praise the LORD!

Second Lesson: Acts 2:14a, 22-36

ESV pg # 910

Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation (sung)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

*Holy Gospel: John 3:1-17

ESV pg # 887

Glory to you, O Lord (sung)

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ. (sung)

Children's Message

Pastor Bert

Sermon

Pastor Bert

*Athanasian Creed

Insert

*The Prayers of the Church (stand)

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

Thanksgiving

We give thanks for the saving Word and all God's gifts.

Gathering of the Gifts

- *The Offering Hymn **“My Country, ‘Tis of Thee”** LBW # 566
- *The Offertory **“Doxology”** LBW # 565
- *Offertory Prayer Page 67

Pastor: Merciful Father,

All: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us- our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

- *The Benediction
- Mission and Ministry Moments
- *Song **“Battle Hymn of the Republic”** LBW # 332
- *Sending

Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God.

Silent Prayer and Meditation Organ Postlude

Enter to Worship --- Depart to Serve

There is a **box for offering** located on a table at the back of the church, for you to drop off offerings. Ways of giving on our website there is a link if you click on the online giving tab, is set up with Vanco electronic giving. All offerings are greatly appreciated to help facilitate the Lord's work here.

Today, Fritz Serr & our Choir will lead the **worship service** at this year's **Buckeye Farm Antique Show** on Sunday, May 26th @ 9:00 am in the beige building at the Shelby County Fair grounds. All are welcome to attend.

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES will be held MEMORIAL DAY Monday, May 27, 2024
Emmanuel Lutheran Church Cemetery 9:00 a.m.
Seventh Day Baptist Cemetery 9:30 a.m.
Memorial Park Jackson Center 10:00 a.m.

PLEASE TAKE TIME TO

REMEMBER AND GIVE THANKS TO THOSE WHO GAVE OF THEMSELVES.

Growing Community in Faith Christian Concert will be held May 29, 2024 starting at 5:30 pm under the Entertainment tent at the JC Community Days. Join us for a night of faith, fellowship, and worship.

Sunday, June 2nd at 10:30 am Community Days worship service will be held in the entertainment tent. It will be all lay lead and is a great opportunity for us to worship together as a community. Grace's praise band will be providing the music and lay speakers providing the message will be Trever Huber, Abbey Starr and Brad Wren. All are welcome to attend!

Volunteers needed to walk in the JC Community Days parade with the Grace VBS float on Sunday, June 2nd. Line up is 12:30 pm at Airstream NW parking lot. If you are able to walk in the parade, please contact Nikki in the church office. Thank you!

Financial update for the first 17 weeks of 2024 our average offerings were \$4,922.94 per week and our average expenses were \$5,794.91 per week .

Mark your Calendars, BBQ Chicken Dinner sponsored by J.C. Sons of the American Legion at JC American Legion Hall 627 E. College St. will be held June 16th from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm or until sold out. Cost is \$10.00 per meal Drive Thru Only. Pre-Sale tickets are available at the JC Village Office or JC Hardware. Tickets also available the day of the event. Please come out and support the Son's of the American Legion.

Tanzania Mission participants leave Wednesday, May 29th to travel to Bariadi, Tanzania for 10 days of mission work in the villages and meeting the young people we have been supporting. Please hold us in prayer for the Godly success of Jesus' mission.

We are **collecting gift cards** for the **NALC disaster relief**. There is a marked container at the back of the church if you would like to donate. Gift cards that they are in need of are Lowe's, Menards, Home Depot, & Walmart. Any gift cards that are collected will be given to Mary Bates with the NALC disaster relief.

WOC May Collections are Bibles and New Testament & Any type of crosses to hold or hang on the wall - new and used for NALC Disaster Response Needs. They can be Children's Bibles, Teen Bibles, Spanish Bibles, Large Print Bibles! Feel free to send underlined, and highlighted Bibles, **DON'T HESITATE TO WRITE A MESSAGE OF HOPE IN THE FRONT FOR THE RECIPIENTS!** Place in vestibule baskets! Any questions please contact Linda Jenkins, Chairperson