



**Shepherd of the Hill Lutheran Church – ELCA**

*"Encouraging faith and proclaiming God's love by Gathering, Growing and Giving."*

Holy Trinity Sunday

Service of the Word

May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021

*We are unaware of who has or has not received the vaccine, and so it is a personal choice as to whether or not an individual feels more comfortable wearing a mask. Please respect people's choices at this time, being fully aware we are gathered in this place for nearly an hour.*

NOTE: **Bold text indicates worshipers' response**, and \*' means please stand as able

PRELUDE

Michelle Young

WELCOME & MINISTRY MESSAGES

GATHERING

\* P: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

\* OPENING LITANY OF FAITH (*Please respond with **bold text***)

L: There is only one who creates heaven and earth; **I believe in God, the Father almighty**

L: God so loved the created world that he sent his only Son; **I believe in Jesus Christ, who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.**

L: Jesus came to this world to teach us to love God and one another, and how to live well with and love our neighbors. He came with a mission from our creator; **He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

L: But death and sin had no hold on him, and so he went on to proclaim this good news; **He descended into hell.\* On the third day he rose again.**

L: And then it was time for the believers to continue Jesus' work from the Father, **so He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

L: But as promised, God sent an Advocate, a helper for the universal Christian Church. **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**

\*Or, He descended to the dead.

\* PRAYER OF THE DAY God of heaven and earth, **before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to your truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed to us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.**

GROWING

*In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and joint heirs with Christ the Son. A reading from the Book of Romans, chapter 8.*

<sup>12</sup>Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—<sup>13</sup>for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Jesus’ miracles prompt Nicodemus to visit him in secrecy. Jesus tells him about being born of the Spirit and about the Son who has been sent by God to save.*

\*The Gospel according to John, the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter. **All: Glory to you O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup>What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” <sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

<sup>11</sup>“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup>“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.” The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

SERMON

MUSIC TO MEDITATE ON *Listen and be filled with God’s peace.*

Pastor Mary Eide

Michelle Young

### GIVING

**NOTE:** *Giving to support God’s ministry at Shepherd of the Hill can be mailed to (Mailing address: 207 University St., Elk Mound, WI 54739 – OR – by going on our website ([www.sothem.org](http://www.sothem.org)) to **GIVE** tab to make a one time or reoccurring donation. Setting up an account with GivePlus is easy!*

\* OFFERING PRAYER God of love, **you call us beloved children and welcome us be part of what you are doing in the world. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to your world; for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

\* PRAYERS AND PETITIONS (L: As one people we pray, **ALL: Have mercy, O God.**)

\* LORD'S PRAYERS **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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen**

\* ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* BLESSING May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus. The God of life, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

\* LBW #535 SENDING HYMN "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" vs. 1-2, 4 (next page)

\* DISMISSAL/POSTLUDE Go in peace. Share the Good News. **Thanks be to God.**

### SCHEDULE

<b>Today</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>- Worship</b>
Monday	7pm	- AA Meeting
Tuesday:	4-6 pm	- Food Pantry
Friday:	8am-5pm	- Thrift Sale
	10am-Noon	- Food Pantry
Saturday:	8am-Noon	- Thrift Sale
SUNDAY:	10:00am	- Worship

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please contact Keith Lee (715-829-4480) or Pastor Mary Eide (715-308-0652) to select 2 or more Sundays you can **help with running the audio/video for our worship**. We are getting the instructions written down and a brief training video.*  
*Please contact Tim Jenson (715-879-5495) to select 2 or more Sunday's you can Usher this summer.*

*SIGN UP FOR LUTHER PARK BIBLE CAMP (lots of different kinds of camp experiences available.) Church families...ENTER CODE: **Shepherdofthehill21** when you register your children for Summer Camp at Luther Park Bible Camp in Chetek, and then pay 50% of the total cost with your registration. Your congregation and Youth Group will pick up the other half of the camp costs. Register and pay by MAY 1<sup>st</sup> and get an Early Bird discount on top of it. (LP also has scholarships...camperships...if you need assistance for your half of the camp cost.)*

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# Holy God, We Praise Your Name

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1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we  
2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a -  
3 Lo, the ap - os - tol - ic train join your sa - cred  
4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,

bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim,  
bove are rais - ing; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,  
name to hal - low; proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,  
three we name you, though in es - sence on - ly one;

all in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your  
in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, fill the heav'ns with  
and the white-robed mar - tyrs fol - low; and from morn to  
un - di - vid - ed God we claim you and, a - dor - ing,

vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.  
sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"  
set of sun through the church the song goes on.  
bend the knee while we own the mys - ter - y.

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Music: GROSSER GOTT, *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, Vienna, 1774