

Questions:

- 1) How many stars does the Milky Way contain?
- 2) How many galaxies are there in the universe?
- 3) At what speed is our Solar System (sun and planets) moving around the axis of the Milky Way?
- 4) At what speed is Planet Earth moving around the sun?

**Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting**

Sunday, June 11, 11:00 a.m.

**This Week's Birthdays**

Sharel Olson, June 5

Linda Sheppard, June 10

**Today's Worship Servants**

Pastor Cindy Cone

Charlie Skoglund, assisting minister

Marsha Burke, organist

Dean & Doris Hoffart, greeters

Steve & Julie Freese, ushers

Linda Sheppard, lector

Mary Weich and Bob Lutz, communion

Lonnie & Judy Sparks, coffee

Nell Finkral and Louise Skoglund, offerings

Susie Lutz, altar guild; Doris Hoffart, communion bread

Membership Care: Doreen Kullbom, Lu Carter

Eucharistic Ministry: Nell Finkral, Shirley Theil

**Christ the Servant Lutheran Church  
June 4, 2023 — Holy Trinity Sunday**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

God, who is always with us, is present here;

Rejoice in God, all you righteous ones.

**Play skillfully on harp and lyre and strings;**

**Praise God with a new song.**

God, who has displayed terrifying power, welcomes us;

The earth is full of the steadfast love of God.

**The work of God is done in faithfulness;**

**God loves righteousness and justice.**

Stand in awe before the counsel of God;

There is one God who speaks and disciplines.

**God has chosen us as a heritage;**

**We will proclaim God's statutes and commandments.**

**HYMN #165** *"Holy, Holy, Holy"*

**INVOCATION**

Amazing God, Creator and Confronter, open our hearts to hear your voice in unexpected times and places. Appear to us in forms we cannot deny. Challenge us in ways we cannot avoid. Lead us in paths from which we cannot turn back.

Discipline us, that our self-discipline may be better informed and more consistent. Test us that we may test ourselves by the model of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

In these moments, we are invited to examine ourselves to see whether we are holding to our faith. Do others see Jesus Christ through us? Do we build up rather than tear down? Do we devote ourselves to the teachings and commandments that are our spiritual heritage? Let our personal reflections and corporate prayer deal honestly with these questions.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ever-present God, we have ignored your presence and denied your power. We have doubted rather than trusting you. We have complained when we should have celebrated. We have pursued private agendas while you summon us to community concern. We have kept our faith to ourselves when you call us to share good news. Forgive our unfaithfulness, O God, and enable us to mend our ways.  
Amen

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Rejoice in the mighty acts of God among our ancestors in the faith. Give thanks that God's wonders and signs continue. God still speaks and acts. We are richly blessed by our Creator, who loves, forgives, and promises to be with us. The counsel of God stands forever. Greet one another, therefore, as forgiven people whose lives are renewed by God's grace.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Sovereign God, by whose grace we have been commissioned as disciples of Jesus Christ, turn our doubts to gladness for your truth. Open us to the authority of Jesus Christ, in whose name we were baptized. Teach us, so we can teach. Enrich our lives to such attractiveness that others around us will be drawn to Christ and want to become disciples. Amen**

## GUEST SPEAKER

## READINGS

Genesis 1:1-8  
Revelation 21:6-8 [responsive]  
John 1:1-5

## MESSAGE

Pastor Cindy Cone

## HYMN #393 *"Rise, Shine, You People!"*

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

May our offering, O God, be a fitting response to your manifold gifts. May it help to communicate the wonders of your mighty hand and outstretched arm, by which we are protected and blessed. May it send others to give counsel in nations where we cannot go, while equipping us here for the witness we are called to make. Keep us humbly aware that we have much to learn from your children in other times, places, and circumstances. Link us in discipleship.  
Amen

## HOLY COMMUNION

## COMMISSION AND BLESSING

Go and make disciples of all nations.  
Teach them to obey everything that Christ has commanded.  
**Christ is alive in us, perfecting God's truth among us.**  
**We greet one another as saints in Christ Jesus.**  
Agree with one another and live in peace;  
The God of love and peace will be with you.  
**We will keep God's statutes and commandments;**  
**We will discipline ourselves for the ministry we share.**  
The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**In steadfast love, God upholds and strengthens us.**  
**In faithfulness, God blesses and equips us to serve.**  
Amen  
Amen

## HYMN #230 *"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## DISMISSAL