

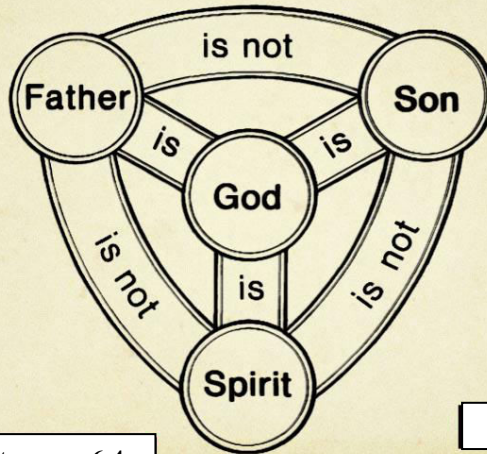
May 31, 2026

Welcome to our Guests

Thanks for joining us! We are gathered here to be strengthened in faith through the Word of Jesus, the Son of God, who came to forgive and save us.

If there is anything we can do to better serve you, please let us know.

Our God is TRIUNE = Three persons in one
Godhead or Deity



Deuteronomy 6:4

Matthew 28:19-20

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1st Sunday after Pentecost: Holy Trinity Sunday

Theme: Say It Out Loud: God is Triune!

Opening Hymn: #194 *Oh, that I Had a Thousand Voices*, v. 1-5

Service of The Word

(please stand)

(found on p. 38 of our Red Hymnal)

Invocation

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

Confession of Sins

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

Absolution

M: God our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

Prayer and Praise

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Oh, Taste and See

C (sung ♪): Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him. Your Word, O Lord is eternal; It stands firm in the heavens. Your faithfulness continues forever. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him.

Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray. /Almighty God, in choosing the Virgin Mary to be the mother of your Son, you made known your gracious regard for the poor, the lowly, and the despised. Grant us grace to receive your Word in humility and so be made one with your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. / **C (♪): Amen.**

(please be seated)

+THE WORD OF THE DAY+

Old Testament Lesson – Genesis 1:1-2:3

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. And God said, *“Let there be light,”* and there was light. God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness. God called the light “day,” and the darkness he called “night.” And there was evening, and there was morning—the first day.



And God said, *“Let there be a vault between the waters to separate water from water.”* So God made the vault and separated the water under the vault from the water above it. And it was so. God called the vault “sky.” And there was evening, and there was morning—the second day.

And God said, *“Let the water under the sky be gathered to one place, and let dry ground appear.”* And it was so. God called the dry ground “land,” and the gathered waters he called “seas.” And God saw that it was good. Then God said, *“Let the land produce vegetation: seed-bearing plants and trees on the land that bear fruit with seed in it, according to their various kinds.”* And it was so. The land produced vegetation: plants bearing seed according to their kinds and trees bearing fruit with seed in it according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the third day.

And God said, *“Let there be lights in the vault of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them serve as signs to mark sacred times, and days and years, and let them be lights in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth.”* And it was so. God made two great lights—the greater light to govern the day and the lesser light to govern the night. He also made the stars. God set them in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth, to govern the day and the night, and to separate light from darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the fourth day.

And God said, *“Let the water teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the vault of the sky.”* So God created the great creatures of the sea and every living thing with which the water teems and that moves about in it, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them and said, *“Be fruitful and increase in number and fill the water in the seas and let the birds increase on the earth.”* And there was evening, and there was morning—the fifth day.

And God said, *“Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: the livestock, the creatures that move along the ground, and the wild animals, each according to its kind.”* And it was so. God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, *“Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals,[a] and over all the creatures that move along the ground.”*

So, God created mankind in his own image in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them and said to them, *“Be fruitful and increase in*

number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.” Then God said, “I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds in the sky and all the creatures that move along the ground—everything that has the breath of life in it—I give every green plant for food.” And it was so. God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day.

Thus, the heavens and the earth were completed in all their vast array. By the seventh day God had finished the work he had been doing; so on the seventh day he rested from all his work. Then God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done. (NIV)

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 8 – *I will praise your name forever*, found on page 67 of our red hymnal, Christian Worship. We join to sing it together.

Epistle Lesson – **2 Corinthians 13:11-14** (*sermon text*)

Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All God’s people here send their greetings. May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. (NIV)

(*please stand*)

Gospel Acclamation

M: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory! (Isaiah 6:3)

C (♩): Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! **These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Gospel Lesson – **Matthew 28:16-20**

Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. Then Jesus came to them and said, “*All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And, surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age.*” (NIV) / **M:** The Gospel of the Lord.

C (♩): **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

(*please be seated*)

Hymn of the day - #195 *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*, v. 1-4



SERMON by Nick Wieser on 2 Corinthians 13:11-14

God Bless You!



Athanasian Creed

Once a year on this special day as we contemplate the mystery of the Trinity, the Christian Church uses the longest of our creeds in worship. This creed is named after St. Athanasius, a staunch defender of the Christian faith in the 4th century. It was prepared to assist the Church in combating two errors that undermined Bible teaching. One error denied that God's Son and the Holy Spirit are of one being or Godhead with the Father. The other error denied that Jesus Christ is true God and true man in one person. The Athanasian Creed continues to serve the Christian Church as a standard of the truth.

M: Whoever wishes to be saved must, above all else, hold to the true Christian faith.

C: Whoever does not keep this faith pure in all points will certainly perish forever.

M: Now this is the true Christian faith: We worship one God in three persons and three persons in one God,

C: without mixing the persons or dividing the divine being.

M: For each person—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—is distinct, but the deity of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is one,

C: equal in glory and coeternal in majesty.

M: What the Father is,

C: so is the Son, and so is the Holy Spirit.

M: The Father is uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;

C: the Father is infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;

M: the Father is eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal;

C: yet they are not three who are eternal, but there is one who is eternal,

M: just as they are not three who are uncreated, nor three who are infinite,

C: but there is one who is uncreated and one who is infinite.

M: In the same way the Father is almighty, the Son is almighty, the Holy Spirit is almighty;

C: yet they are not three who are almighty, but there is one who is almighty.

M: So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;

C: yet they are not three Gods, but one God.

M: So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;

C: yet they are not three Lords, but one Lord.

M: For just as Christian truth compels us to confess each person individually to be God & Lord

C: so the true Christian faith forbids us to speak of three Gods or three Lords.

M: The Father is neither made nor created nor begotten of anyone.

C: The Son is neither made nor created, but is begotten of the Father alone.

M: The Holy Spirit is neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeds from the Father and the Son.

C: So there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

M: And within this Trinity none comes before or after; none is greater or inferior,

C: but all three persons are coequal and coeternal,

M: so that in every way, as stated before, all three persons are to be worshiped as one God and one God worshiped as three persons.

C: Whoever wishes to be saved must have this conviction of the Trinity.

M: It is furthermore necessary for eternal salvation truly to believe that our Lord Jesus Christ also took on human flesh. Now this is the true Christian faith:

C: We believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son, is both God and man.

M: He is God, eternally begotten from the nature of the Father, and he is man, born in time from the nature of his mother, fully God, fully man, with rational soul and human flesh,

C: equal to the Father as to his deity, less than the Father as to his humanity;

M: and though he is both God and man, Christ is not two persons but one, one, not by changing the deity into flesh, but by taking the humanity into God;

C: one, indeed, not by mixture of the natures, but by unity in one person;

M: for just as the rational soul and flesh are one human being, so God & man are one Christ.

C: He suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose the third day from the dead. He ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty, and from there will come to judge the living and the dead.

M: At his coming all people will rise with their own bodies to answer for their personal deeds.

C: Those who have done good will enter eternal life, but those who have done evil will go into eternal fire.

M: This is the true Christian faith. Whoever does not faithfully and firmly believe this cannot be saved.

+ Offering of Thanksgiving +

Visitors: We are very glad you are worshiping with us today. Please don't feel obligated to give an offering. **ALL:** Please greet and introduce yourself to those worshiping around you.

Prayer of the Church

By worship leader



The 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.

Hymn #241 *Alleluia! Let Praises Ring*, v. 1-4

Closing Prayer

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. / **C (♩): Amen.**

Blessing

M: Brothers and sisters go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C (♩): Amen, Amen, Amen.

Closing Hymn #326 *May the Grace of Christ Our Savior*, v. 1-3

Today's Door Offering Basket: WELS Mission Work

For Military Appreciation Month, today is the last day to give to the Amo can in back.

NO Bible Study: Since Pastor Neumann is gone celebrating he and Niki's 30th Wedding Anniversary with their family, we will resume Sunday morning Bible study next week.

Special Thanks to Nick Wieser for leading our service today!

This Week at St. Luke's

Monday: Women's Bible Study in the church fellowship hall at 6:30 PM.

Thursday: Men's Bible Study at Perkins, 7 AM.

Worship Service with Communion, 6:30 PM.

Happy Birthday: Damian Felton (turns 16 on 2nd), Clayton Woodard (3rd).

Happy Anniversary: Dave & Michelle Felton (21st anniversary on the 4th)

June Church Cleaning: Debi Allen by 6/7; Tara Suffrins by 6/14; Dawn Suffrins by 6/21; Amy Woodard by 6/28/2026.

June Ushers: Bill Suffrins, Bob Malenke, & Jim Albrecht.

June Bulletin Sponsors: Gene, Rob, & Rick Betsinger in memory of Lorna Betsinger for her and Gene's Wedding Anniversary.

Looking Ahead:

Outdoor Service & Brunch: On Sunday, June 14th, weather permitting, we will be having an outdoor service at 9 AM; brunch will follow the service that day, so there will be no Bible Study after church that day. Plan to join us and bring a friend!

Farewell to Pastor Threlkeld & Family: On Sunday, June 14th from 1-4 PM, at Grace Ridgeway's Fellowship Hall, come, say goodbye and show your appreciation for all Pastor Threlkeld did for us during our vacancy before they move to Wyoming for their new call.

Opportunity to Serve: WELS Camp Whitewater which meets for 2 weeks each summer (this year its July 12th-17th and July 19th-24th) **desperately needs volunteers** to help with this year's camp since Pastor Threlkeld, who coordinates the camp agenda, is leaving. They need (teen and adult) helpers both weeks of camp. Nick Wieser is on the camp board; talk with Nick for more specifics. Let Pastor Threlkeld know if you can help (pastorthrelkeld@gmail.com).

Monthly Activities: See sign-up sheets on the back counter for La Crosse Logger's Baseball 6/27/2026 and Boat Trip to Sullivan's on 7/26/2026.

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St. Luke's Lutheran Church of Pickwick accepts the Bible as the inspired inerrant Word of God. We believe that God created the entire universe in six natural days out of nothing by his almighty Word. We believe that humankind fell into sin and is totally corrupt, dead in trespasses and sin, and doomed to hell. We believe that God out of love for us humans sent his own Son who became human, lived a perfect life in our place, and suffered hell for us. We believe that God the Holy Spirit uses this Gospel message in Word and Sacraments to create faith in us and thus make Jesus' saving work ours. St. Lukes Evangelical Lutheran Church is a gathering of Christians that exists to teach and preach the Word of God in all its Truth here among us and to all the people of earth, and to worship God and serve our neighbor in love as Jesus calls us to. If you or someone you know might be interested in joining our congregation, Pastor offers a *NO COST / NO OBLIGATION*** class that goes over the main doctrines of the Christian faith which also serves as Preparation to take the Lord's Supper & as a New Member Class, if the person is so interested. Speak with Pastor for specifics. He runs the class whenever there is someone interested & schedules it on days & times that work for those expressing interest.**