Service of The Word for Trinity Sunday

* Responses are in Bold type. The Leader's words in normal type.

All: + In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Leader: The Lord is here.

All: God's Spirit is with us.

Psalm 8

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit of God,

All: and search our hearts with the light of Christ.

Confession

Leader: Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

All: Amen. Lord, have mercy.

After a period of reflection

Leader: Come, let us return to the Lord and say:

All: Lord our God, in our sin we have avoided your call. Our love for you is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. Have mercy on us; deliver us from judgement; bind up our wounds and revive us; in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader: + May almighty God, who sent his Son into the world to save sinners, bring us his pardon and peace, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

Collect

Leader: Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth, and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen

The Liturgy of the Word Gen 1:1-2:4(a)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Matt 28:16-20

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Sermon

Affirmation of faith

All: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty, who was, and is, and is to come.

Leader: We believe in God the Father, who created all things: All: for by his will they were created and have their being.

Leader: We believe in God the Son, who was slain: All: for with his blood, he purchased us for God, from every tribe and language, from every people and nation.

Leader: We believe in God the Holy Spirit: All: the Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come!' Even so come, Lord Jesus!

Amen.

Prayers for the Church and the World

Leader: We come boldly to the throne of grace, praying to the almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit for mercy and grace.

All: We plead before your throne in heaven.

Leader: Father of heaven, whose love profound a ransom for our souls has found: We pray for the world, created by your love, for its nations and governments ... Extend to them your peace, pardoning love, mercy and grace. All: We plead before your throne in heaven.

Leader: Almighty Son, incarnate Word, our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord: We pray for the Church, created for your glory, for its ministry to reflect those works of yours ... Extend to us your salvation, growth, mercy and grace. **All: We plead before your throne in heaven.**

Leader: Eternal Spirit, by whose breath the soul is raised from sin and death: We pray for families and individuals, created in your image, for the lonely, the bereaved, the sick and the dying ... Breathe on them the breath of life and bring them to your mercy and grace. **All: We plead before your throne in heaven.**

Leader: Thrice holy! Father, Spirit, Son, Mysterious Godhead, Three in One: We pray for ourselves, for your Church, for all whom we remember before you ... Bring us all to bow before your throne in heaven, to receive life and pardon, mercy and grace for all eternity, as we worship you, saying,

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

All: 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.

Peace and Blessing

Leader: Peace to you from God our heavenly Father Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver The peace of the triune God be always with you.

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty Father, Son and Holy Spirit Be with us all - now and forever.

Amen

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