

Sunday, May 31, 2026

Holy Trinity Sunday



Our Savior's Lutheran Church
Website: oursaviorswymore.com
8:00 AM Worship 9:00 AM Fellowship
Faith Formation 5:30 PM Wednesdays

Pastor Gary Grinvalds

Organist: Alice Meints or Sandy Eltiste

Introduction to the day

Though the word *trinity* is not found in the scriptures, today's second reading includes the apostolic greeting that begins the liturgy: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. In the gospel Jesus sends his disciples forth to baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. More than a doctrine, the Trinity expresses the heart of our faith: we have experienced the God of creation made known in Jesus Christ and with us always through the Holy Spirit. We celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity in word and sacrament, as we profess the creed, and as we are sent into the world to bear witness to our faith.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✙ one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,

we confess to you all our sins.

Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.

In your mercy, call us back to you.

Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.

Restore us to dwell in your peace.

In Christ's name we pray,

Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me,

all you who are weary

and are carrying heavy burdens,

and I will give you rest."

In the name of God,

Father, ✙ Son, and Holy Spirit,

your sins are forgiven.

Rest in God's love.

Amen.

I Love to Tell the Story



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
 2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat
 3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
 what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
 seem hun - ger - ing and thirst-ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
 I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
 And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long-ings as noth - ing else would do.
 the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
 I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain

I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry



to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834–1911

Music: HANKEY, William E. Fischer, 1849–1936

*Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe,

For in your wisdom you have formed us.

You feed the hungry and clothe the naked,

We bless you and praise your name forever.

You set free those who are bound.

We bless you and praise your name forever.

You raise up those whose courage falters.

We bless you and praise your name forever.

You provide for our every need.

Accept our grateful praises.

You have called us from all peoples.

We rejoice and bless your name forever.

You bless your people with peace.

We bless you and praise your loving grace.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe,

For in your wisdom you have formed us.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

This Is My Father's World



1 This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis-t'ning ears all
 2 This is my Fa-ther's world; the birds their car-ols raise; the
 3 This is my Fa-ther's world; oh, let me not for-get that,



na-ture sings, and round me rings the mu-sic of the spheres.
 morn-ing light, the lil-y white, de-clare their mak-er's praise.
 though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul-er yet.



This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of
 This is my Fa-ther's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the
 This is my Fa-ther's world; why should my heart be sad? The



rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won-ders wrought.
 rus-ling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev-'ry-where.
 Lord is king, let heav-en ring; God reigns, let earth be glad!

Text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858–1901

Music: TERRA PATRIS, Franklin L. Sheppard, 1852–1930, adapt.

FIRST LESSON: GENESIS 1:1—2:4A

At the beginning of time, God the Creator, God the powerful Word, and God the life-giving Spirit form the earth and all its inhabitants. God sees that all this created work is good and then rests on the seventh day.

¹ When God began to create the heavens and the earth, ² the earth was complete chaos, and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³ Then God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶ And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” ⁷ So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸ God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹ And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so.

¹⁰ God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹ Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. ¹² The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³ And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴ And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵ and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. ¹⁶ God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷ God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸ to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹ And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰ And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living

creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.”²¹ So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good.²² God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.”

²³ And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴ And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so.²⁵ God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind and the cattle of every kind and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶ Then God said, “Let us make humans in our image, according to our likeness, and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over the cattle and over all the wild animals of the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.”

²⁷ So God created humans in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

²⁸ God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.”²⁹ God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food.”³⁰ And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the air and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so.³¹ God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

^{2:1} Thus the heavens and the earth were finished and all their multitude.² On the sixth day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done.³ So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

^{4a} These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Word of God, Word of life.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 8

Read Responsively

¹ O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!—

² **you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.**

³ When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

⁴ **what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them?**

⁵ Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.

⁶ **You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:**

⁷ all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,

⁸ **the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**

⁹ O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

SECOND LESSON: 2CORINTHIANS 13:11-13

Paul closes a challenging letter to the Corinthians with an appeal to Christian fellowship grounded in the triune harmony of Christ's grace, God's love, and the Spirit's partnership.

[Paul writes:] ¹¹ Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Be restored; listen to my appeal; agree with one another; live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

¹³ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

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***GOSPEL: MATTHEW 28:16-20**

Glory to you, O Lord.

After his resurrection, Jesus summons his remaining disciples and commissions them to baptize and teach all nations in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

¹⁶ Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

The Gospel of our Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

ERIN SAATHOFF

Come, Thou Almighty King



1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy name to sing;
 2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, mer - ci - ful, might - y Lord;
 3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear
 4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal prais - es be



help us to praise; Fa - ther all - glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -
 our prayer at - tend. Come and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy
 in this glad hour! Thou who al - might - y art, rule now in
 hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - 'reign maj - es - ty may we in



to - ri - ous, come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
 word suc - cess, and let thy righ - teous - ness on us de - scend.
 ev - 'ry heart, nev - er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.
 glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

Text: source unknown, c. 1757, alt.

Music: ITALIAN HYMN, Felice de Giardini, 1716–1796

*APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

**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.

**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**

OFFERING

*OFFERTORY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

***THE PRAYERS**

used as appropriate.

Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

Holy God, we are in awe of your creative work. Continue that work in your church, making us a new creation that proclaims your presence and love. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Creator God, nature reveals your power and glory. Protect water sources, vegetation, and wildlife as reminders of who you are. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Redeemer God, you call us to pray for those in authority. Guide our leaders to pursue the work of fostering peace and community. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Sustaining God, you are mindful of your people in every circumstance. Heal those who are sick. Provide for all who hunger. Protect those in harm's way. Comfort any experiencing hardship (*especially*). God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Gracious God, we pray for the children of our church and community. Provide for their needs. Support their caregivers. Nurture their faith. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Loving God, we give thanks for those who have died and claimed their baptismal promises. Strengthen us to live as they did in communion with you. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.

Amen.

***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.

***BLESSING**

The Lord bless us and keep us.

The Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us.

The Lord look upon us with favor and give us peace.

Amen.

On Our Way Rejoicing



1 On our way re - joic - ing glad - ly let us go.
2 Un - to God the Fa - ther joy - ful songs we sing;

Christ our Lord has con - quered; van - quished is the foe.
un - to God the Sav - ior thank - ful hearts we bring;

Christ with - out, our safe - ty; Christ with - in, our joy;
un - to God the Spir - it bow we and a - dore,

who, if we be faith - ful, can our hope de - stroy?
on our way re - joic - ing now and ev - er - more.

Refrain

On our way re - joic - ing; as we for - ward move,

hear - ken to our prais - es, O blest God of love!

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt.

Music: HERMAS, Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879

DISMISSAL

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

Thanks be to God.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today at 10:00 a.m., you can watch the church service at the Synod Assembly at the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/@NebraskaSynod>

June 14—A joint church service will be held with American Lutheran Church of Filley at 10:00 a.m. at Our Savior's. Stay after the service, and enjoy fellowship and a potluck dinner.

Hamburgers, hot dogs & brats will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Bring lawn chairs and yard games.

June 28—immediately after church, we will have a listening session about creating a checklist for special services such as funeral, confirmation, baptism, lent, etc. Please plan to stay and contribute your thoughts.

Rocky Railway Vacation Bible School will be held July 7-9, 2026 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. For more information, see the flyer on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

If you have a favorite hymn you would like to sing during a future church service, please complete one of the cards on the table in the fellowship hall and place it in the basket provided.

There are sign up sheets on the table in the entryway for the classes that Pastor is offering to the congregation. If you are interested in any of these, please sign up. There are also descriptions of each class beneath the sign up sheet.

If you have a key to the church, please let Pam know what number it is. We would like to compile an accurate list of who has keys. Thanks. (We won't take it away from you.)

Upcoming Community coffees are as follows:

June 5—Wymore Library

June 12—Wymore Church of Christ

June 19—Home Instead at Park Lodge

June 26—Coffee Shop @ Heritage Inn

Remembered in Our Prayers:

Kent Hohensee Kathleen Remmers
Eric Riley Kai Spann
Gene & LaDonna Wiese

Pastor Gary: Phone: (402) 658-2253

Email: garygrinvalds@gmail.com

If you wish to have Pastor visit you, please contact him to set up a time. Sunday afternoon & Thursday are his open days.

Your Council leaders are:

President: Josh Schmidt (402) 520-0950

Vice President: Chavonn Mailahn (308) 214-0039

Secretary: Rachel Frerichs (402) 239-0466

At Large: Roger Henrichs (402) 239-7740

Erin Saathoff (402) 239-9117

Jodi Wegner (402) 223-8263

Council meetings are now held on the 3rd Thursday of each month after Bible Study.

Church Account Balance: 04/30/2026: \$46,786.34

Church Offerings: 05/03/2026: \$ 756.00

05/10/2026: \$ 1,162.00

05/17/2026: \$ 301.00

05/24/2026: \$ 1,076.00

Attendance: 05/24/2026: 126

Please have any announcements for the bulletin to Pam by Wednesday noon each week. You may text or call her at (402) 239-2715 or send an email to the church at oursaviorslutheranwymore@gmail.com. Thank you.

June Birthdays

01 Travis Arnold
02 Kasen Fossler
05 Curtis Rickers
06 Dee Bednar
07 Addisyn Fossler
07 Stacy Fossler
07 Alice Meints
07 Gracelyn Weyer
12 Karlee Dieter
17 Marya Hakel
17 Jeff Murphy
18 Jonna Arnold
22 Jon Acton
23 Robert Dorn
24 Paul Meints
27 Kasen Allington
27 Steve Whitwer

Anniversaries

02 Seth & Erin Saathoff
03 Travis & Karen Klover
04 Dell & Margaret Michaelis
06 Jim & Kaye Oblinger
10 Justin & Becky Weyer
30 Loren & Maxine Trauernicht

Our Saviors Lutheran Church

Council Meeting

May 27, 2026

Present: Chavonn Mailahn, Roger Henrichs, Jodi Wegner, Erin Saathoff,
Pastor Gary, Pam Gerdes

Absent: Josh Schmidt, Rachel Frerichs

Meeting called to order by: Vice President Chavonn Mailahn and opened
with a prayer.

Approve Agenda - Motion to approve amended agenda by Erin, seconded by
Jodi

Approve Previous Month's Meeting Minutes - Pam noted the date was
incorrect. Motion to approve amended minutes by Erin, seconded by Roger

Financial report - Pam reviewed the financial report. Motion to approve by Erin, seconded by Jodi

Pastor's Report:

- Pastor reported Josh, Chavonn and him will be attending the Synod Assembly in Kearney this weekend. He encouraged everyone to watch the live stream of the Synod's service. Chavonn will post the link to the live stream on social media.
- Moved by Pastor, seconded by Erin, to hold a Listening Session on June 28th after church service for members to express their wishes on traditions they would like to see occur on important events, such as confirmation, baptisms, weddings, etc, and use that input to compile a checklist to ensure our traditions are carried forward.

Old Business:

- Ushers for June Services were updated on the Google Calendar
- Newsletter Content - Erin sent a rough draft to the Council. She will add the June 28th listening session to the upcoming events in the newsletter.
- North sign/South sign - Due to Josh being absent, there was no discussion.
- Laptop - Due to Josh being absent, there was no discussion.
- WBSAF Grant - Jodi has submitted the application for an iPad to run the SOS program and other items.
- Music & Worship Committee - Jodi will reach out to the Committee to schedule a June meeting.
- Seasonal Maintenance - Roger will contact Lauby's to clean the AC units and replace filters. Pam reported the outside and inside spraying has been completed. Pam noted the boiler was inspected as well.
- Communion Supplies - Pam will order more wine to ensure there is enough for the joint service.

New Business:

- Downspouts - Due to Josh being absent, there was no discussion.
- Additional bench for acolytes/associate minister - The Council agreed the acolytes would sit in the front pew and associate minister can sit in the additional bench by Pastor Gary. Pastor Gary reported there was not much interest in being an associate

minister from the confirmation students & he suggested reaching out to three (3) established members of the congregation and three (3) of the confirmands to have a meeting, with a walk thru of what would be expected & hopefully create a rotation of members to perform the duties.

- Date for next council meeting will be Sunday, June 14th @ 1:00 p.m. following the luncheon
- Sub/Service Leader for Sunday, May 31st - Erin will lead the service.
- Parish Meetings - Due to Josh being absent, there was no discussion.
- Joint Service/Luncheon on June 14th - Service will be at 10:00 a.m., with communion. Luncheon will follow after the service. Chavonn will reach out to Carmen McKeever for additional tables/chairs. Chavonn will check with the Church Ladies regarding paperware. Items needed to be purchased include: meat, buns, condiments, ice, tea, and lemonade. Councilmembers will bring lawn games they have to share.
- Sound system quote/Headsets - Chavonn received a quote from Midwest Sound & Lighting, who was recommended by Pastor Kramer and Roger, who has used them in the past for the fairboard. The quote was for \$18,000, which includes one (1) wireless microphone, three (3) headsets, and two (2) lapel microphones. The system will be bluetooth compatible and should work with our existing speakers. Chavonn will submit this quote, along with the quote for fifty (50) ELW hymnals and fifty (50) ELW supplements, to the Morris Foundation grant, which is due Monday, June 1st. She will include a progress report of the previous items purchased with grant funds. Chavonn stated a new portion of the Morris Grant is to include how the grant funds awarded will be publicized and it was discussed to purchase a plaque to be displayed in the Church, as well as listing in the bulletin, social media, and newsletters.

All business concluded, Motion to adjourn by Roger, seconded by Erin

Closed meeting with the Lord's Prayer.