

1. Most an - cient of all mys - ter - ies, Be - fore thy throne we lie;
 2. When heaven and earth were yet un - made, When time was yet un-known,

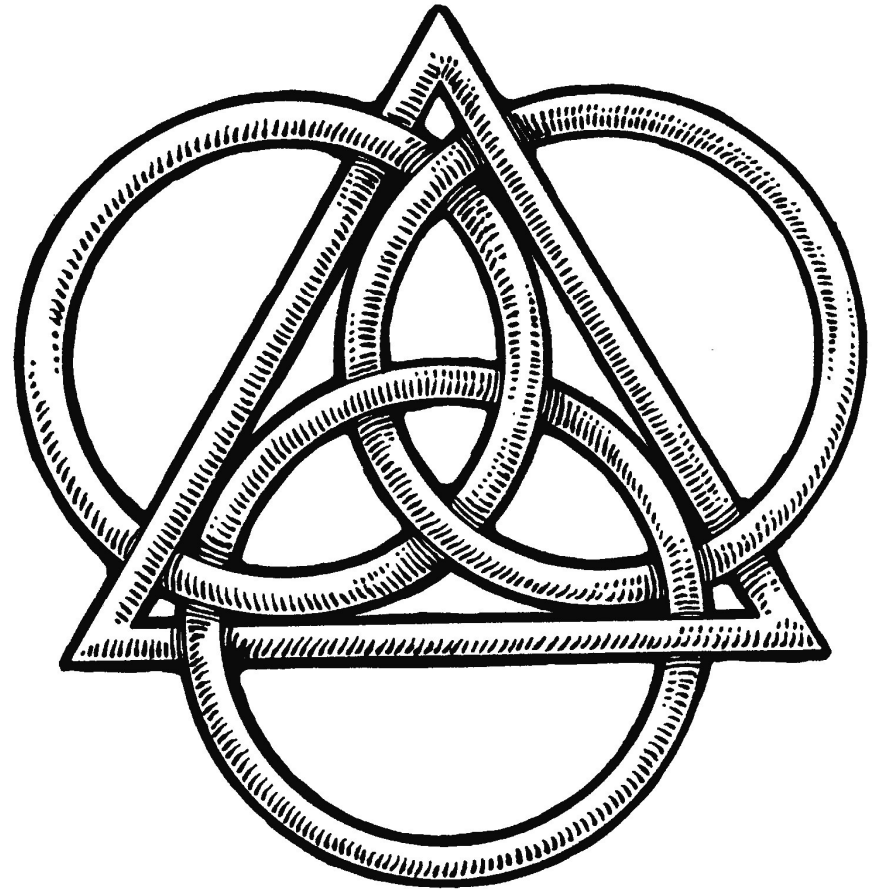
Have mer - cy now, most mer - ci - ful, Most ho - ly Trin - i - ty.
 Thou in thy bliss and maj - es - ty Didst live and love a - lone. A - men,

3 Thou wert not born; there was no fount
 From which thy Being flowed;
 There is no end which thou canst reach;
 But thou art simply God.

4 How wonderful creation is,
 The work which thou didst bless,
 And O, what then must thou be like,
 Eternal loveliness!

5 O listen then, most pitiful,
 To thy poor creature's heart:
 It blesses thee that thou art God,
 That thou art what thou art.

6 Most ancient of all mysteries,
 Still at thy throne we lie;
 Have mercy now, most merciful,
 Most holy Trinity. Amen.



***The catholic faith is this,
 that we worship
 one God in Trinity and
 Trinity in Unity.***

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BLESSED BE THE HOLY TRINITY AND THE UNDIVIDED UNITY! We welcome you to Pilgrim Lutheran Church this First Sunday after Pentecost that is observed as the Feast of the Holy Trinity, as we give glory to Him because He has shown His mercy to us. You are cordially invited to return for the other Sundays after Pentecost, to participate in any of our congregation's other activities, to seek spiritual direction from our pastor, and to make Pilgrim your church home!

AS YOU ARRIVE, please move down the pew towards the wall, in order to leave room for others. If you arrive late, please wait for an appropriate time to enter the sanctuary, such as during a hymn. Please also remember to turn off your cell phones and/or any other electronic devices. Thank you!

ORDER OF SERVICE: To your right you will find today's order of service. The right side of that outline indicates from where the item listed comes: either in this bulletin or the hymnal, *Lutheran Service Book*, with the Psalms towards the front, its liturgical pages towards the middle, and its hymns towards the back. The Δ symbol before a hymn stanza indicates that it especially gives glory to the Triune God; we stand before singing the stanza and, in most cases, conclude the stanza by singing "Amen.", if an "Amen" is not already included.

HOLY COMMUNION: At Pilgrim we value your presence among us and love and care about our guests and visitors! However, due to the sad divisions that exist in the world and even in Christianity, we cannot commune everyone at the Lord's Table here. We respectfully ask that guests and visitors who desire to commune first speak with the pastor well before the service. All those present but not communing still may approach the rail for a blessing: come forward and kneel with those who are communing, but fold your arms over your heart and place your hands on the opposite shoulders. For more information about the ancient practice of Closed Communion, see <http://www.pilgrimlc.org/closed-communion>.


INDIVIDUAL CUPS: The top of the tray contains several individual cups of highly-diluted wine. If you receive the blood of Christ in an individual cup, please be sure to wait to consume it until Pastor comes by with the chalice, so that he knows you are receiving it in that fashion. If the supply of individual cups is depleted, please accept the blood of Christ from the chalice.

+++ IN THE NAME OF JESUS +++



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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 31, 2026

BEFORE THE SERVICE: As you greet and visit one another, please be sensitive to others who may wish an opportunity for silence to pray and otherwise to prepare for worship.

OFFERING BOX: Offerings may be placed in the Offering Box in the Narthex before or after services. Envelopes are available on the side of the Box for your use, such as if you would like your cash offering to be recorded, tracked, and receipted in a report back to you.

PEW CUSHIONS: If you would like to use a cushion either for your seat or for your seat and back, cushions for your use are available in the Usher's Closet off the north side of the Narthex.

PEW SLIPS: *Visitors*, please register your attendance both by completing a slip from rack on the back of the pews and placing them in the Offering Box in the Narthex and by signing the Guest Register at the door. *Members*, please complete a slip only if your contact information has changed or you have a new or updated prayer-list request. (The Usher tracks church attendance and communion participation.)

GROWING IN WORSHIP: Parents, please make use of the bulletins available in the Narthex for children aged 5-10, including the bulletins' activities for the whole week!

LARGER-PRINT/FLOW-THROUGH BINDERS are available in the Narthex for those who have trouble seeing the smaller-print of the hymnal, those with other special needs who cannot follow the liturgy in the hymnal or handle its weight, and those who are visiting Pilgrim who are not already familiar with liturgical services and/or our hymnal. If you need or otherwise want to use a flow-through and can help minimize paper and copying expenses, a PDF of the flow-through binder's contents is available in the upper-right corner of Pilgrim's homepage, www.pilgrimlc.org, to open on or to download to your electronic device.

PRAYER REQUEST: If you have a special petition for the Prayers of the Church, please notify the Usher, Elder on Duty, or Pastor before the service.

IF A NEED SHOULD ARISE, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Restrooms are available in the Parish Hall (non-ADA Restrooms are available in the Office Area, one with a change table), and there is a Cry Room (also with a change table) off the south side of the Narthex. Let the Usher or Elder-on-Duty know if you need assistance or supplies.

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LAST WEEK: There were 2 students and 1 teacher for Sunday School; 11 people were present in-person for Adult Bible Class, and 1 person participated via Jitsi; 34 people were present in-person for the Sunday Divine Service (21 communed), and 4 devices streamed the Service live via YouTube; and 3 people were present for Midweek Bible Study, and 2 people participated via Jitsi. (No Catechesis was held, due to the Circuit Pastors' Meeting and catechumen illness.)

THANKS: to all those caring for the inside and outside of Pilgrim's facilities; to Rev. Adler for the use of his chasubles; to Remo Gualtieri and Ben Ford, and all those helping with the video and audio for classes and services; and to Ellen Menconi for her Church Office work.

SERVING TODAY: The Rev. Dr. Jayson S. Galler, Pastor; Carl Gardner, Elder on Duty; and Elaine Navaille, Accompanist.

LIFE THOUGHTS: The three Blessed Persons of the one Triune God created humankind in their image (Genesis 1:1-24a) and breathed into the man the breath of life (Genesis 2:7). We are recreated by Holy Baptism in the one Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:16-20). God makes known to us the paths of life and makes us full of gladness with His presence, no matter our circumstances (Acts 2:14a, 22-36, citing Psalm 16:8-11), and we share that same Gospel message of life and joy with all we know.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth, and God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good (Genesis 1:1-2:4a). God gives humankind dominion over the works of His hands (Psalm 8:1-9). As we are transformed by the forgiveness of sins for Jesus's sake, we more and more us what God has entrusted to us for the good of His Kingdom through the Church.

IN MEMORIAM: Today we give thanks to God for His blessings to and through Pilgrim member James Treadway, who transferred to the Church triumphant last Sunday at the age of 80. The Committal Service is scheduled for Monday, June 15, at 1:15 PM, at the Dallas Fort Worth National Cemetery. (The U.S. Military limits the length of the Service to 15 minutes.) "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord" (Revelation 14:13).

AS YOU DEPART, please be mindful of those who are ushered out behind you, who may have difficulty standing and waiting, and so who may need an open path to the door and to get to their cars quickly. If you stop to talk

to someone in the Sanctuary, please keep the aisle as clear as possible and please delay lengthier conversations with the pastor until after he has greeted everyone. Thank you for your consideration!

“LOOSE-CHANGE SUNDAY”: Please use the large Mite Box in the Narthex today, in order to contribute your loose change and more, beyond your regular offering, for LWML mites that in part fund District and National mission grants (lists of grant recipients are on the bulletin board above the Mite Box).

AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX are hardcopies of the June 2026 edition of Pilgrim’s monthly newsletter, *The Pilgrimage*; the larger-print schedule of Daily Bible Reading for June and July; Pastor Galler’s recent newspaper columns (including his 05/16 column titled, “The Ascended Jesus did not leave His Church”); Pilgrim’s Constitution, Bylaws, and updated Standing Rules; *Portals of Prayer* for April-June 2026; the latest Church Directory (dated 2026/01/22 on light-blue paper); Issue #16 (Autumn 2025) of *Christian Culture: A printed Magazine for Lutherans* from Luther Classical College; and Pilgrim’s Funeral Planning Worksheet for completing, discussing with Pastor Galler, and filing in the Church Office.

FIFTH-SUNDAY MEAL: Whether or not you brought a dish to share, please stay after the Divine Service today for our “quarterly” Fifth-Sunday Meal. Enjoy the time at table with your brothers and sisters in Christ!

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING: Pilgrim’s Church Council has scheduled a Special Council Meeting today after the Fifth-Sunday Meal, in order to consider internal action in keeping with the Voters’ decision on April 12.

HELP WANTED: Pilgrim is in immediate need of a Financial Secretary and a Facilities Coordinator. If you are willing to take on either responsibility on a temporary interim or regular term basis, please speak with Acting-President Remo Gualtieri as soon as possible. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of the congregation’s needs!

STUDY HOURS: Pastor Galler is usually in his study Tuesdays from 5:00-8:00 p.m., Wednesdays through Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to Noon, and Saturdays Noon to 3:00 p.m. Come for Individual Confession and Absolution (see *Lutheran Service Book* 292-293) or for any other reason. Pastor Galler is also available at other times by appointment at Pilgrim, or he can come to you (email pastor@pilgrimlc.org or text/call 903-984-4333). For emergency pastoral care, please call Pastor Galler.

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“ALL THE PROPHETS TESTIFY”: Pilgrim’s Midweek Bible Study will continue this Wednesday, June 3, at 7:00 p.m. with Amos 7:1-6. All of the prophetic books testify that everyone who believes in Jesus receives life in His Name (Acts 10:42-43). All people are welcome to participate in the Study, either in-person in the Conference Room/Library or on-line via Jitsi. For more information and for the handouts and audio and video files from past sessions, see <https://www.pilgrimlc.org/bible-studies/prophets>.

CATECHESIS: This Thursday, June 4, the in-person adult class will meet starting at 12:30 p.m. in the Conference/Room Library, the Jitsi youth class will meet starting at 4:15 p.m. online, and the in-person family class will meet starting at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room/Library.

NEXT SUNDAY: 9:15 a.m. Refreshments; 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class (“Basic Bible Accounts”); and 10:45 a.m. Divine Service, followed by a gathering of “The 15-2 Folk”.

Readings: Hos 5:15-6:6; Ps 119:65-72; Ro 4:13-25; and Mt 9:9-13.

Hymn of the Day: LSB 689.

Prepare yourself for worship in advance by praying about, reading over, and meditating on the appointed Scripture Readings and Hymns.

“BASIC BIBLE ACCOUNTS”: Next Sunday, Pilgrim’s Sunday-morning Adult Bible Class continues its “just the facts, ma’am” approach to essential Bible “stories”, with each session covering one account. All are welcome!

“THE 15-2 FOLK” will gather next Sunday, June 7, after the Divine Service, in the Great Room of the Parish Hall, for heavy snacking and Cribbage playing. All are welcome to stay for the heavy snacking, even if not staying for the Cribbage playing! If you do not know how to play Cribbage, they will teach you! You can stay also to observe the games or just to visit with those playing.

CELEBRATE LIFE RALLY: Plan to attend Right to Life East Texas’s Celebrate Life Rally on Saturday, June 27, at 10:00 a.m. at the Gregg County Courthouse Lawn. Chairs will be provided, though you can bring your own more-comfortable lawn chair. This year’s special guest speakers are from the Tyler Junior College Chapter of Turning Point USA.

75TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE: All are welcome to participate in the discussion and decisions on June 28 after the Divine Service when Pilgrim’s 75th Anniversary Committee will meet, with an agenda including the theme, preacher, offering, meal, history, and the like.

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