



Sunday, May 31, 2026

Trinity Sunday

Introduction to the Day

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. We gather in the powerful name of the triune God, the One who gives us birth in the sacrament of Holy Baptism. 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.

GATHERING

Welcome to Worship **ELW Holy Communion Setting 3**

Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

Call To Worship

P: Open your ears, O faithful people.

C: Wisdom is calling. Listen for her voice.

P: Wisdom was with God in the beginning.

C: Our God is diversity in unity; One in Three, Three in One.

P: Uncreated. Infinite.

C: Co-equal. Co-eternal.

P: The Spirit of Wisdom rejoices and delights in the human race.

C: For humankind is created in God's image.

P: God blesses us to be a blessing.

C: We are a part of the creation that God calls very good.

A: Come. Let us worship our God.

🎵 Gathering Song

"Come, All You People: Uyaimose"

ELW 819

Children's Message

Presentation (ELW p. 227)

Profession of Faith (ELW p. 229)

Thanksgiving at the Font (ELW p. 230)

Baptism

Acclamation

"You Belong to Christ" (2x)

ELW 212

Welcome (ELW p. 231)

PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day:

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Almighty Creator and ever-living God:

C: 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 and all creation at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

First Reading: Selections from Proverbs 8

L: A reading from Proverbs.

Doesn't Wisdom call?

Doesn't Understanding raise her voice!

On the hills along the road, at the crossroads, she takes her stand;
beside the city gates of the town, in the gates themselves, she
cries out, "Women and men, people everywhere,

I'm calling out to you! I cry out to all of humankind!

You who are simple, learn how to make sound judgments!

To the foolish among you, use your common sense!

Listen closely, for what I say is worth hearing,
and I will tell you what is right;

for my mouth will speak the truth, and my lips hate to lie.

Everything I say is right; none of it is twisted or crooked.

All of it is plain-spoken to those who understand,
clear to those seeking knowledge.

Accept my lessons in place of silver,

and knowledge in place of gold; for Wisdom out-sparkles
jewelry; anything you desire cannot compare to her.

I, Wisdom, am the habitat of sound judgment,
the source of clear thinking.

To revere YAHWEH is to abhor evil.

I despise pride and arrogance,
corrupt behaviour and deceptive words.

I have good counsel and sound judgment;

I have understanding and power as well. I love those who love me;
and those who seek me out zealously find me.

The gifts I distribute are better than gold, even fine gold.

I walk the upright way, the path of justice,
and my profits are better than fire-tried silver.

YAHWEH gave birth to me at the beginning,
before the first acts of creation.
I have been from everlasting,
in the beginning, before the world began.
I was there when the Almighty created the heavens,
and set the horizon just above the ocean, set the clouds in the
sky, and established the springs of the deep, gave the seas
their boundaries and set their limits at the shoreline.

When the foundation of the earth was laid out,
I was the skilled artisan standing next to the Almighty.
I was God's delight day after day, rejoicing at being in God's
presence continually,
rejoicing in the whole world and delighting in humankind.

And so, my daughters and sons, hear me well: happy are you
when you keep my ways! Take my instruction seriously and
grow wise; don't neglect my lessons. Happy are you who listen
to me, and keep watch at my door for me, waiting at my gates.

For you who find me find life, and earn the favour of YAHWEH;
but you who lose me lose your own souls,
for all who hate me love death."

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: Pastor Aaron Schnell

♪ **Hymn of the Day**

"Open Your Ears, O Faithful People"

ELW 519

Prayers of the People

L: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

THANKSGIVING

Offering (*Offerings may be submitted by PAR, a cheque
mailed or delivered to Advent, or by e-transfer to
giving@adventlutheran.ca.)*)

♪ **Offertory Song**

"Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table"

ACS 977

Offering Prayer

GREAT THANKSGIVING (ELW p. 144)

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

♪ **Holy, Holy, Holy**

"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!" (v. 1)

ELW 413

Thanksgiving at the Table

Lord's Prayer (ELW p. 145)

♪ **Communion Hymns:**

"When Long before Time"

ELW 861

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

ELW 588

"Lord, You Give the Great Commission"

ELW 579

Communion Blessing

Prayer After Communion

SENDING

Announcements

Blessing

♪ **Sending Song**

"Come, Join the Dance of Trinity"

ELW 412

Dismissal:

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

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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Worship Statistics

Sunday, May 24th, 10:00 am Attendance:

In Person~58, Online~15, Sunday School~ N/A

Prayers for the Wider Church

- for the National Church Council and national committee members
- for Rev. Dr. Tim Wray, Dean, and the rostered ministers, and people of the Southwestern Area

- for those preparing for Vacation Bible School ministries throughout our synod
- for Good Shepherd Lutheran, High River
- for the students, faculty, leaders, and staff of the four IELCO schools in Colombia
- for Kairos and all who work for Canadian ecumenical justice initiatives
- for the bishops, rostered leaders and people of the Evangelical Church of the River Plate in Paraguay and the Evangelical Lutheran Churches in Uruguay
- for The Moravian Church in Canada, its pastors, leaders, and people
- for the pastors and people of the Reformed Churches in Canada

ACC: The Rt. Rev. Andrew Asbil, Bishop; The Rt. Rev. Kevin Robertson, Suffragan Bishop; The Rt. Rev. Riscylla Shaw, Suffragan Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Toronto

ELCIC: The Lutheran Collegiate Bible Institute in Outlook Saskatchewan

MORAVIAN: The Rt. Rev. Paul Graf, Bishop of the Unity residing in the Northern Province

Advent Offerings

(May 20, 2025, Year to Date)

Current Fund: \$63,889.65

Blessing Bags: \$800.00

CLWR: \$950.00

SWARM: \$90.00

Basically Babies \$169

Camp Kuriakos: \$100

Food Bank: \$230.00

Youth: \$260.00

Weekly Announcements

ELCIC Day of Action: On May 31, Advent is stepping out into our community, living out God's grace and unconditional love. As part of our journey during the ELCIC's 40th anniversary year, we will be sharing the gift of music at Prominence Way Retirement Community at 2:00 pm. Please contact Marla or the church office if you are interested in joining. We will also step into our individual communities and engage in clean-up.

June 7th is Advent's designated **Food Bank Sunday**. Please make a financial donation or a non-perishable food-item donation. During this time of escalating food prices, many Calgarians are experiencing food insecurity. Every little bit helps. THANKS!

More Refreshing: Gerry, Advent's Property chairperson, has been hard at work fixing things both indoors and out. Please take time to notice the changes and thank Gerry & his team!

St. Edmund's Foodbank Outreach Association is hosting a garage sale from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm on June 27th. Please bring donations to the church and they will then be passed along. Donations can go under the coat rack outside of the church office. Thank you for your generosity!

2026Area Gathering: On June 6th, First Lutheran Church will be hosting the gathering from 9:00 - 3:30. Rev. Dr. Bill Harrison from the Lutheran Theological Seminary will present the theme of "Brave Changes, Shared Hope: Leadership in a Shrinking Church." He will discuss the church's traditional emphasis on numbers and 4 kinds of transformation, introducing a new way of thinking about the church and the good news. *Please contact Karin by May 31st if you wish to attend.*

Coffee Fellowship Ministry Sign Up: Hosts are needed for the Coffee Fellowship. This involves preparing coffee, tea and cold drinks, setting up and cleaning up. Treat is optional. No experience needed! On-the-job training is provided.

Flowers: If you are able to donate cut flowers for the altar, please sign up on the large chart in the Fellowship Hall. Please do not bring lilies due to allergy issues. Thank you! A **special thanks** to Rose P. for the beautiful flowers on the altar!

Financial Giving: *Thank you to everyone for faithfully continuing to contribute and keeping Advent thriving, whether by weekly or monthly giving through cash, cheques or PAR and e-transfer. Instructions for both the PAR program and e-transfers are under ONLINE GIVING on our website (www.adventlutheran.ca).*

Sunday Service Online Links: If you are only able to join us by **phone**, please call **1.855.703.8985**. Then press **483 597 7957** followed by the pound key (#). Password: **569693**. If you are

joining us by **computer**, here is the link:
<https://zoom.us/j/4835977957>. Password: **569693**

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New Here? Want to visit the pastor? Have info to share? Address change?
 Weekly email sign-up? Scan the QR Code or contact the office to connect with us!

Serving Soon	May 31, 2026	June 7, 2026
Worship Presider	Pastor Aaron S.	Pastor Aaron S.
Assisting Minister	Toby S.	Greg L.
Communion Asst.	Amaris C.	Dianne J.
Altar Guild	Evelyn S.	Doug & Diane K.
Lector	Greg L.	Mark Hambridge
Ushers	Steve C. & Bruce M.	Harold & Connie Z.
Greeters	Kirsten B.	Laura P. & Anne F.
Sound/Zoom	Paul M. & Garry Y.	Paul M. & Geoff W.
Musician	Sorena C.	Sorena C.
Offering Counters	Geoff, Deana & Ron	Bryce J. & Harold Z.
Coffee Fellowship	Karen Hubka	Melodie M.
Flowers	Rose P.	Carol H.

We give thanks to Jesus, the Creator who sets free, who has gifted us with this land that we are blessed to share and care for together. We acknowledge that the land we gather on, Mohkinstsis, is the ancestral territory of the Siksik-aitsitapi: the Siksika, Kainai, Piikani, and Amskapi Pikuni. We acknowledge all the Treaty 7 signatories, including the Tsuut'ina people, as well as the Iyarhe Nakoda Nations: Bears paw, Chiniki, and Wesley. This land is also the home of Métis Nation Region 3 and all other people who make their home here.