Cross of Hope Making Faith Connections Small Group Ministry June 15, 2025 Sunday of the Holy Trinity

15 Minutes Gathering and Check-in ... share where you've encountered God this week.

Prayer

God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen. (ELW p37)

45 Minutes

Introduction: "O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!" Today we celebrate the holy Trinity. Paul writes that through Jesus we have peace with God, whose love pours into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, giving us lasting hope. We celebrate the gracious One-in-Three, eternal Three-in-One, as we worship in community; as we share water and word, bread and wine; and as we bring God's love and hope to our neighbors. (from Sundays and Seasons)

Discussion Questions:

Read again John 16: 12-15

What do you notice about this story as you read/hear it this time? What is challenging or confusing as you read/hear it this time? Explore the presence of Holy Trinity in this short passage.

How is each part present? What are each doing? Why is each important?

How are they in relationship to one another as one God?

What does the relationship between them teach us about God, ourselves, and the church?

How have you experienced the Holy Spirit guiding you to know and share God's will and glory?

Read again Proverbs 8: 1-4, 22-31

What do you notice about this story as you read/hear it this time? What are all the different ways Wisdom is depicted here?
What does that have to teach us?

Why are depictions of the Spirit as Wisdom important to our faith?

Read again Romans 5: 1-5

What do you notice about this story as you read/hear it this time? Use the questions above to explore the presence of the Holy Trinity in this short passage.

If you'd like, read and reflect on Psalm 8 (one of Pr. Adam's favorites!)

20 Minutes Prayer Requests and Prayer

10 Minutes Wrap Up and Get Ready to Leave Session

