

THE HOLY TRINITY

Saturday, 6/6 at 4:00 | Sunday, 6/7 at 9:00

The Holy Trinity – 2020

Introduction: Dear friends in Christ: Today is the Sunday of the Holy Trinity and the beginning of the church year season of Pentecost. Today we focus on the Holy Trinity regarding creation and salvation; during the season we will grow in understanding God's Word, applying it to our lives, and sharing it with others!

Part 1 – Genesis 1:1—2:4a: CREATION – The **Father** designed, the **Son** created, and the **Holy Spirit** inspected!

- Day 1, Sunday – Time, Heavens, Earth, and Light:** ¹In the beginning [time], **God** [the Son – John 1:3; Colossians 1:16] created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was without form and void [empty], and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the **Spirit of God** was hovering over the face of the waters. ³And **God** said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴And **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 [a Hebrew day began in the evening], the first day. // The earth is now in place, but it's surrounded by water!
- Day 2, Monday – Sky:** ⁶And **God** said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." ⁷And **God** made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. ⁸And **God** called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. // Much water was removed to form the sky!
- Day 3, Tuesday – Dry Land, Seas, and Vegetation:** ⁹And **God** said, "Let the waters under the heavens 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. ¹¹And **God** said, "Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing

fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth.” And it was so. ¹²The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And **God** saw that it was good. ¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. // On days 4-6, God filled the spaces He created on days 1-3.

4. **Day 4, Wednesday – Sun, Moon, and Stars:** ¹⁴And **God** said, “Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years [*but the “week” was established by God’s 6 + 1*], ¹⁵and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. ¹⁶And **God** made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷And **God** set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And **God** saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. // Sun-daylight (93 mil.); moon-nightlight (400 x sm., cl.); 1 & 4.
5. **Day 5, Thursday – Fish and Birds:** ²⁰And **God** said, “Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens.” ²¹So **God** created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And **God** saw that it was good. ²²And **God** blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. // 2 & 5 fit together.
6. **Day 6, Friday – Animals and People:** ²⁴And **God** said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds.” And it was so. ²⁵And **God** made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And **God** saw that it was good.

²⁶Then **God** said, “Let us [*F, S, HS*] make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all

the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

²⁷So **God** created man in his own image, in the image of **God** he created him; male and female he created them.

²⁸And **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 heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.” ²⁹And **God** said [to the people], “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens 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.

³¹And **God** saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. // The F, S, and HS worked together to make a perfect world!

7. **Day 7, Saturday – God Rested:** ¹Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. ²And on the seventh day **God** finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. ³So **God** blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it **God** rested from all his work that he had done in creation. ⁴These are the generations [stories of development] of the heavens and the earth when they were created. // The Spirit moved Moses to write it all down!

Part 2 – Acts 2:14a, 22–36 ESV: SALVATION – The second-half of Peter’s Day of Pentecost sermon; *the focus is on Jesus!*

8. **Setting:** ¹⁴Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them... // In the first-half of Peter’s Day of Pentecost sermon, he focused on a prophecy ¹in Joel (see the 5/30 & 31 sermon).
9. **God and Jesus:** ²²“Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested [proven] to you by God [the Father] with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know— ²³this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. ²⁴God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him

to be held by it. // God the Father sent His Son, did miracles through Him, knew that He would be killed, and raised Him on the third day!

10. **God did Not Leave Jesus in His Tomb:** ²⁵For David [speaking a prophecy about Jesus] says concerning [God the Father], “I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken; ²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope. ²⁷ For you [my Father] will not abandon my soul to Hades [the place of the dead], or let your Holy One see corruption. ²⁸You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’ // When Jesus laid down His life, *He knew the Father would not abandon Him!*
11. **God Raised Jesus from the Dead:** ²⁹“Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, ³¹he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. ³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. ³³Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he [Jesus] has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. // After Jesus ascended, He received the Spirit from the Father; *then Jesus poured out the Holy Spirit upon the believers on the Day of Pentecost!*
12. **Jesus is at the Right Hand of the Father:** ³⁴For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he [David] himself says, “The Lord [God the Father] said to my Lord [God the Son], Sit at my right hand, ³⁵until I make your enemies your footstool.’ // *The Father exalted Jesus!*
13. **Jesus is the Promised Messiah:** ³⁶Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.” // Since Jesus is the one way to heaven, *everyone is being called to repent and believe in Him!*

Let Us Pray: F, S, and HS! You are so awesome and so loving toward all of Your creation! Keep us, we pray, and bring many others to Yourself!

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