#### Devotion for The Holy Trinity Psalm 29

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name; worship the Lord in the splendour of His holiness.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the glory of God thunders, the Lord, over many waters.

The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.

The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.

The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

The voice of the Lord makes the deer give birth and strips the forest bare, and in His temple all cry, "Glory!"

The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.

May the Lord give strength to His people! May the Lord bless His people with peace!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen

## Isaiah 6:1-13

The Majesty of the Lord in His heavenly temple

Why was Isaiah afraid when he saw the Lord's glory? How do we know the Lord's glory is not restricted to the heavens? The Lord atoned for Isaiah's sin with a coal from the altar, how does He atone for our sin?

# Romans 8:1-39

Life with God in Christ

How are all three persons of the Trinity spoken of in these verses? What does Jesus do for our salvation? What does the Spirit do for our salvation?

### The Wonder of it All

The Sunday of the Holy Trinity is set aside for the church to contemplate and consider the wonders of God. On the day of Pentecost Jewish pilgrims from every part of the Roman world heard the Jerusalem church proclaim "the wonders of God," each in their own language. God's amazing power is always on display in the work of creation. Whenever you see a radio telescopic image of a nebula or spiral galaxy, consider how much more awesome is the One who created the universe and sustains it by His powerful word! In Romans Paul wrote, "His invisible attributes, namely, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made." God' glory is always displayed in the things He has made!

God is amazing in His work of creation and in the incomprehensible nature of His divine being: One God, He is three persons; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We can find analogies in the physical world to compare the tripartite nature of the divine being. Water can be a liquid, a solid and a vapor; though, not at the same time. However, God is at one and the same time Father, Son and Holy Spirit. In First Corinthians St. Paul asked the greatest rhetorical question saying, "*Who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct Him?*" He affirmed the incomprehensible nature of His being in 1 Timothy calling Him, "*The King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see.*" God's divine nature is beyond our comprehension, and so it should be. If we could comprehend God, then we would be gods.

But the most amazing, wonderful thing about God from the human perspective is His love. In love, God called all things into being. In love, God sustains the life of all living things. The Psalmist sang, "*The eyes of all look to you and you give them their food in due season. You open your hand and satisfy the needs of all living things.*" God expresses His love most powerfully and wonderfully in forgiveness. Another Psalmist sang, "*as far as the east is from the west, so far does He remove our transgressions from us.*" God is wonderful in His power to forgive. Another Psalmist sang, "*But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.*" The most wondrous thing about God is His love expressed in forgiveness by giving His eternal Son to share in our humanity and

sacrifice Himself for our sins. Jesus said it best, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whoever believes in Him would not perish, but have everlasting life."

#### Holy, Holy, Holy (Public Domain)

Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, Though the eye made blind by sin thy glory may not see, Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, Perfect in power, in love and purity.

# Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

#### Prayer

Father, Son and Holy Spirit; awesome is your majesty, incomprehensible is your power, beyond our imagination is your glory. The seraphim sang, "*Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory*." Who has known the mind of the Lord, so as to give you counsel? Instead, you have revealed your thoughts through the prophets and expressed your mind in giving Jesus to be our Saviour. Open our minds through your Spirit that we might understand your mind made known in the scriptures and be led to the feet of Jesus, in whom we have forgiveness and through whom we know you as loving Father. Open our lips to make your glory known by proclaiming Jesus as the Saviour of all people. In His name. Amen

#### **The 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

#### The Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

#### Benediction

#### Numbers 6:24-26

"The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you; The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace."

#### **Bible Knowledge Quiz**

What did the Lord use to cleanse Isaiah of his uncleanness? What did the prophet Elisha tell Naaman to use to cleanse his leprosy? What does God use to cleanse us of our sin?

#### Answers to last week's quiz

Testimony to Jesus. (Revelation 19:10) He makes Jesus known to us. (John 16:14) Faith to receive Jesus as Saviour and confess His name. (1 Corinthians 12:3)