

The Most Holy Trinity
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Part of me feels that I should have made a little banner that, I think, about everyone has ever seen, if you're watching a sports game on television, says, John 3:16. That was our gospel today. A rather short, but very powerful, very succinct, but very dense, very deep gospel. Today, we celebrate the Trinity. Again, it's one of those concepts, realities, that takes a lot of effort to wrap our arms, our minds, our hearts around. But I think that one of the most important ways to think about the Trinity is its unity. We talk about how God is present in the world. Our ancestors had a very strong belief, our ancestors going way back, about the God who creates. The God who has made the stars and the heavens and the earth and the animals and the people. That was a very, almost easy concept for many people to say: Yeah, we can believe that. Then along comes a man who is God. Jesus. And Jesus begins to say: The fullness of time has happened. Believe in the good news. Believe that God has sent me. And to make sure that you believe that when I'm not around, the gift of the spirit will also be there to help you in your times of both struggles, as well as times of joy.

One of the important ways that we have shared our faith is through the use of icons. One of the icons that's in your worship aid this morning, it's known as the hospitality of Abraham. When the two angels come, Abraham basically welcomes them like they were the long-lost people. But it's also indicative of the Trinity. How to see God, who is both one and three.

One way to think about that is to think how we, you and I, from our very beginning of life, seek out community. From the womb to birth, to being a toddler, a teenager, a young adult, an older adult, we seek out community. We seek out others who help us to learn, to grow, to be mentored, to be corrected, to be loved. And community is one of those gifts. One of those greatest human desires, to be with another or many others. In a way that being by ourselves does not help. And so, the community of the Trinity is there to help creation which we are a part of.

The community of the Trinity says that God has begun all of this. The son is active in redeeming it. And the spirit, which was there at the beginning of creation, will continue the work of the Father and Son. The gifts of the earth, the gifts of love, the gifts of compassion. And so, since we try to wrap our minds around that, let's think about how God could be in

the dance. Were the Trinity is doing some kind of jig or some kind of dance, but they're united. They're holding each other. And they're gifting each other, and gifting what has been created.

So, as we continue our daily lives, we are entering the ordinary or countenance season of our church calendar, where things become more routine, and yet there are stoppages, there are times of illness, death, birth, birthdays, anniversaries. God is still at work in us through the gift of the Spirit. Calling us to believe in the one who we sign ourselves with, the son. And to be honoring the one who has starred in all of this together, the Father.

So, let's honor the Trinity, that community that is eternal, the community to which we belong through our baptism, the community that we find our deepest joy, our deepest love, and that community which then allows us to bring the good news to those we need.

Whether just in our own home, our neighborhood, or as far and wide as we travel. May this community of God, the Trinity, be a blessing for all of us.