

Sunday of the Most Holy Trinity June 4, 2023



**“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit...”** (Mt 28:19)

Divine Liturgy

Sunday at 4:30 pm

St Andrew Church

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First Reading: Romans 11:25-36

So that you may not claim to be wiser than you are, I want you to understand this mystery: a hardening has come upon part of Israel, until the full number of the Gentiles has come in.

And so all Israel will be saved; as it is written, “Out of Zion will come the Deliverer; he will banish ungodliness from Jacob.” “And this is my covenant with them, when I take away their sins.”

As regards the gospel they are enemies of God for your sake; but as regards election they are beloved, for the sake of their ancestors; for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.

Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy.

For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

How unsearchable are his judgments

and how inscrutable his ways!

“For who has known the mind of the Lord?

Or who has been his counselor?”

“Or who has given a gift to him, to receive a gift in return?”

For from him and through him and to him are all things.

To him be the glory forever. Amen.

The Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

The eleven disciples went to Galilee,
to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them.

When they saw him, they worshiped him;
but some doubted.

And Jesus came and said to them,
“All authority in heaven and on earth
has been given to me.

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
and teaching them to obey everything
that I have commanded you.

And remember,
I am with you always,
to the end of the age.”

The cover icon explained...

Our bulletin cover is a detail from *The Trinity* (also called *The Hospitality of Abraham*), an icon written by Russian painter Andrei Rublev in the 15th century. It is a Trinitarian interpretation of Gen 18:1-16, the episode in which “three men/angels” visit Abraham and Sarah at the Oak of Mamre and promise them a son.

Symbolizing the fact that the three divine persons are of equal essence, we see: All three angels are the same in form and size, all three carry the same staves in their left hands, all three sit on the same type of throne, and all three wear a blue cloak, the color of divinity.

The Father is represented by the figure on the left. His divinely blue tunic is cloaked in a color that is light and almost transparent because he is the hidden Creator. With his right he blesses the Son – he is pleased with the sacrifice he will make. His head is the only one that is lifted high and yet his gaze is turned to the other two figures.

The Son is portrayed in the middle figure. He wears both the blue of divinity and reddish purple of royal priesthood. With his hand he blesses the cup he is to drink, accepting his readiness to sacrifice himself for humanity.

The Spirit is indicated in the figure on the right. Over his divinely blue tunic he wears a cloak of green, symbolizing life and regeneration. His hand is resting on the table next to the cup, suggesting that he will be with the Son as he carries out his mission.

There is a noticeable circular motion in the icon: The Son and the Spirit incline their heads toward the Father and he directs his gaze back at them. The Father blesses the Son, the Son accepts the cup of sacrifice, the Spirit comforts the Son in his mission, and the Father shows he is pleased with the Son. Love is initiated by the Father, embodied by the Son, and accomplished through the Spirit.

Rublev, in this deep and prayerful symbolism, managed to portray the unfathomable mystery of the Holy Trinity that is impossible to depict in images or fully explain in words.

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