

# PRAYING *With* CHILDREN

## SUNDAY LITURGY



The Most Holy Trinity

12 June 2022 - Year C

***“Whatever the Father has is mine.  
The Spirit will receive what I give and  
tell you about it.”***

### Something to Think About

God is a mystery. We cannot explain God with words or pictures, but we can talk about what God is like. What is God like for you? Maybe like a friend who listens to you. Maybe like a mother who cares for you. Maybe like a father who fixes things for you. Maybe God is like the ocean which is powerful.

### The Story

Jesus promised his disciples that even after he had gone to heaven, the Holy Spirit would come and keep on helping them. Jesus says the same to us: The Spirit helps us by showing us what is true and by telling Jesus' message to us. On Trinity Sunday we remember that God is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. This reading from John's gospel includes each of these three parts of the Trinity. See if you can listen out for each.

### The Scriptures

**A reading from the holy gospel according to John**

**16:12-15**

Jesus said to his disciples:

"I have much more to say to you,  
but right now it would be more than you could understand.  
The Spirit shows what is true  
and will come and guide you into the full truth.

"The Spirit does not speak on his own.  
He will tell you only what he has heard from me,  
and he will let you know what is going to happen.

"The Spirit will bring glory to me  
by taking my message and telling it to you.  
Everything that the Father has is mine.  
That is why I have said  
that the Spirit takes my message and tells it to you."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### Video

Click to watch the video and sing along! [Trinity Song](#)



## Group Discussion

In today's reading, Jesus talked a lot about the Holy Spirit. Even though we cannot see the Spirit, we can still believe in the work of the Spirit. We cannot see the wind but we can see and feel the power of the wind. People who are filled with the Spirit are kind, patient, loving, compassionate and forgiving. Talk about the people in your life who are like this. Look out for them this week!

## Praying For Others

*Leader:* Trusting in the love of the Father Son and Holy Spirit, we pray for the needs of the world.

*Reader 1:* We pray for all leaders. Lord, hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Reader 2:* We pray for peace in countries around the world. Lord, hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Reader 3:* We pray for those who are sick or sad. Lord, hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Reader 4:* We pray for our families and friends. Lord, hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Reader 5:* We pray that we might be filled with the Holy Spirit. Lord, hear us.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Invite the children to pray for their own special intentions.*

**All: Lord hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* Loving God, listen to our prayers in the name of the risen Jesus.

**All: Amen.**

## Prayer



Glory be to the Father, and to the  
Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was  
in the beginning, is now, and ever  
shall be, world without end.

Amen.

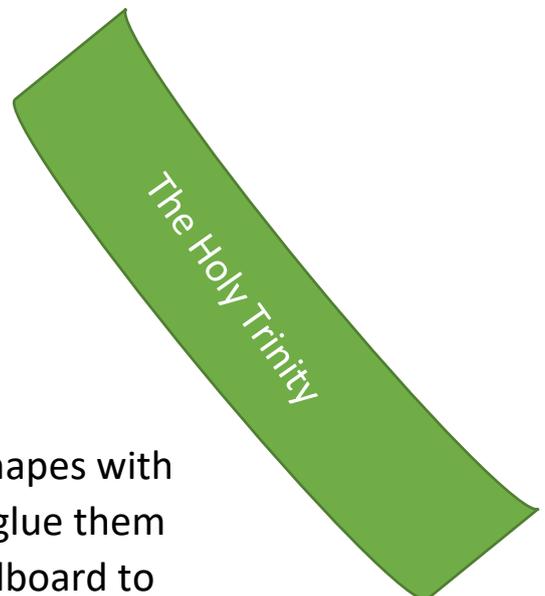
## Group Activity

### Trinity Shamrock

*Each child will need:* a template sheet (see below), a blank sheet of cardboard, scissors, glue.

Cut out the four shapes with words inside and glue them on a piece of cardboard to make a shamrock.





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**GOD IS  
LIKE...**  
*a Mountain*



**BECAUSE  
GOD IS** *Aweome  
& Strong*

**GOD IS  
LIKE...**

**BECAUSE  
GOD IS**

**GOD IS  
LIKE...**

**BECAUSE  
GOD IS**

# **WE CANNOT SEE GOD**