Sermon 3 April 28, 2024

OUR TRIUNE GOD

The Unity & Diversity of the Trinity Displayed in the Church

- I. The Created World Displays the Unity & Diversity of God (Psalm 19:1-3)
- II. The Reconciliation of Humanity with God Was Made Possible Through the Unity and Diversity of God (Ephesians 2:18)
 - A. We now have access to the Father (2:18a)
 - B. Through the accomplished work of the <u>Son</u> (2:18a)
 - C. In the Holy Spirit (2:18b)
- III. Christian Unity is An Outcome of Our Reconciliation with Our Triune God (Ephesians 2:18-22)
 - A. The Trinity consists of unity without uniformity; this is to be displayed in the Church
 - B. The Trinity consists of diversity without division; this is to be displayed in the Church
- IV. The Church's Diverse Gifts and Acts of Service are Unified by the One God Who Empowers Them (1 Corinthians 12:4-6)
- V. The Variety of Spiritual Gifts Displays God's Diversity;
 Their Origin in the One Spirit Brings About Unity (1 Corinthians 12:7-11)

- VI. Just as the Various Parts of the Human Body are Distinct Yet Unified, So it is with the Church (1 Cor. 12:12-24a)
- VII. Recognizing it is Good that We are Different from One Another and that Each of Us is Valuable Should Cause Us to Suffer and Rejoice with One Another (1 Cor. 12:24b-26)
 - A. Make a point to express concern for someone who is suffering— no matter who they are
 - B. When something good is happening to someone in our church rejoice and praise God with them