



Trinity Sunday

May 30, 2010

Memorial Day Weekend

This Sunday in the Church Year is called The Holy Trinity. This is the one major celebration in the year that has its focus in a doctrine or teaching. The word "Trinity" cannot be found in the Bible, neither can "Triune." Nonetheless, the teaching or revelation from God is there, and people needed to call it something. The name has also been chosen for a Sunday and more than one congregation has it as its title.

What is most interesting about all of this is that this particular doctrine or teaching is one of the most complex and difficult in all Christian theology. That is fitting and should not surprise us at all. It helps us to avoid thinking we could ever fully understand God. Anyone who writes a book entitled, "Everything You Ever Wanted To Know About God," is either self-deceived or trying to deceive us. We struggle enough with what God has revealed about Himself; there is so, so much more that we could not begin to comprehend.

That, by the way, is almost a quote from Sunday's Gospel Lesson. In promising that the Holy Spirit will come to His disciples, Jesus says that He has much more to say to them, but it is more than they can bear now. The Spirit will bring them along a little bit at a time "into all truth." Which really means, "all the truth we can handle." What truth will you discover today? Listen in as the Word himself, Jesus, reveals his love for us through the work of the Trinity!