# Lamb Of God Lutheran Church

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Holy Trinity Sunday

Honoring Graduates



**Matthew 28:19** 

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Divine Service I

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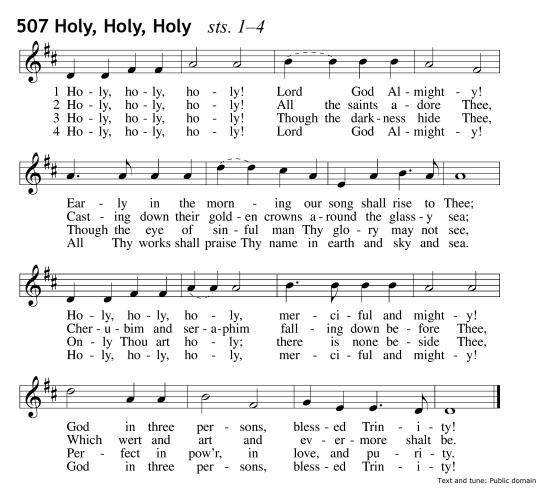
**Pre-Service Music** 

# Welcome and Announcements

#### Sharing of the Peace

P The Peace of the Lord be with you alwaysC And also with you

Please share the peace with a wave from where you are seated



# **Confession and Absolution**

Please stand as able

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** Amen.

## Service of the Word

- Kyrie LSB 152
  - **P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
  - **C** Lord, have mercy.

- **P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- **G** Amen.

#### Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever.

#### С

Please be seat-



Amen.

ed.

#### Athanasian Creed: Part One

- P Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith.
- G Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.
- **P** And the catholic faith is this,
- C that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.
- P For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.
- But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.
- **P** Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:
- **C** the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;
- **P** the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;
- G the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.
- **P** And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,
- **G** just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinites, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.
- In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;
- **C** and yet there are not three Almighties, but one Almighty.

- So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;
- **G** and yet there are not three Gods, but one God.
- So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;
- **G** and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.

#### Old Testament Reading: Genesis 1:1-2:4a

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup>The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

<sup>3</sup>And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. <sup>4</sup>And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup>God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

<sup>6</sup>And God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." <sup>7</sup>And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. <sup>8</sup>And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

<sup>9</sup>And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. <sup>10</sup>God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

<sup>11</sup>And God said, "Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth." And it was so. <sup>12</sup>The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each

according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. <sup>13</sup>And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

<sup>14</sup>And God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, <sup>15</sup>and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth." And it was so.

<sup>16</sup>And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. <sup>17</sup>And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, <sup>18</sup>to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. <sup>19</sup>And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

<sup>20</sup>And God said, "Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens." <sup>21</sup>So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. <sup>22</sup>And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." <sup>23</sup>And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

<sup>24</sup>And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds." And it was so. <sup>25</sup>And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

<sup>26</sup>Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

<sup>27</sup>So God created man in his own image,

in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

<sup>28</sup>And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth." <sup>29</sup>And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. <sup>30</sup>And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. <sup>31</sup>And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

<sup>1</sup>Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. <sup>2</sup>And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. <sup>3</sup>So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

<sup>4</sup>These are the generations

of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

#### **C** Thanks be to God.

#### Athanasian Creed: Part Two

P We are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord, and are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.

- C The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.
- **P** The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone.
- C The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.
- **P** Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.
- And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;
- **P** but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal, so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.
- C Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.

#### Second Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22-36

<sup>14</sup>Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, . . .

<sup>22</sup>"Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know— <sup>23</sup>this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. <sup>24</sup>God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. <sup>25</sup>For David says concerning him,

"I saw the Lord always before me,

for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken;

<sup>26</sup>therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;

my flesh also will dwell in hope.

<sup>27</sup>For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,

or let your Holy One see corruption.

<sup>28</sup>You have made known to me the paths of life;

you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

<sup>29</sup>"Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. <sup>30</sup>Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, <sup>31</sup>he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. <sup>32</sup>This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. <sup>33</sup>Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. <sup>34</sup>For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,

"The Lord said to my Lord,

Sit at my right hand,

<sup>35</sup>until I make your enemies your footstool.'

<sup>36</sup>Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able





#### Holy Gospel: Matthew 28:11-20

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty -eighth chapter.

#### Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>11</sup>While they were going, behold, some of the guard went into the city and told the chief priests all that had taken place. <sup>12</sup>And when they had assembled with the elders and taken counsel, they gave a sufficient sum of money to the soldiers <sup>13</sup>and said, "Tell people, 'His disciples came by night and stole him away while we were asleep.' <sup>14</sup>And if this comes to the governor's ears, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble." <sup>15</sup>So they took the money and did as they were directed. And this story has been spread among the Jews to this day.

<sup>16</sup>Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. <sup>17</sup>And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. <sup>18</sup>And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup>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, <sup>20</sup>teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

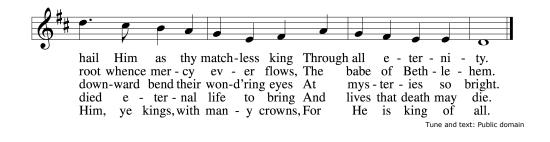
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#### Athanasian Creed: Part Three

- P But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- ☑ Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is at the same time both God and man.
- P He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages; and He is man, born from the substance of His mother in this age:
- perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh;
- **P** equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.
- Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:
- P one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into to flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God;
- one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.
- **P** For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ,
- Solution who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,
- P ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, God Almighty, from whence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

- At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.
- P And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.
- C This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.





#### Sermon: Matthew 28:18-20

#### Honoring Graduates

P At this time I would like to introduce those among us who are graduating this year from Kindergarten, 8th Grade, High School, and College.

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**P** Let us pray:

Lord God, You have told us in Your word that reverential fear of You is the beginning of wisdom,. We thank you for the wisdom you have imparted to these students, and to all of us who are gathered here today. Your Holy Scriptures are our guide as to how life in this world is best lived. Thank you for Your gift of teachers, textbooks, parents, and coaches. Thank you for the gift of fellow classmates and the friendships that have grown and flourished in this past year. Thank you for the gift of physical, mental, and spiritual health you have given us throughout this past year. Forgive us for those opportunities where we failed to do our best. May we rest in the grace continually poured out as the free gift of faith in Christ Jesus. Move us to strive to improve our knowledge and abilities, not just concerning things of this world, but even more so in our knowledge of You and Your Word. Move us to improve in our ability to share our faith with others. Help us to

continue to grow in our love and faith toward you. Keep these graduates in steadfast faith toward you wherever they may be headed. May they remain connected to You and Your means of grace through Word and Sacrament Worship. Move us as their fellow brothers and sisters in Christ to reach out and stay connected with them. May all of us use our lives to give honor and glory to You, our Heavenly Father, who lives and reigns with the Son and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

#### **G** Amen

Please stand as able

#### Offering

#### Offering Statement:

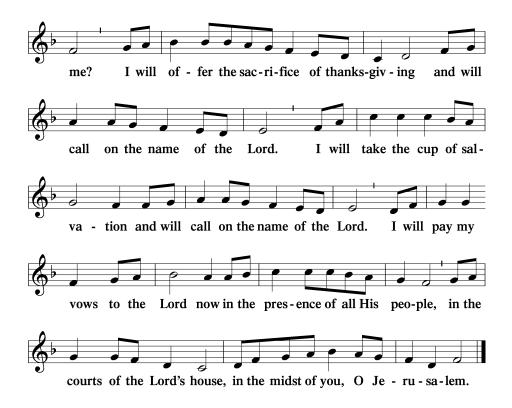
P Please fulfill your obligation as a member to support the ministry that is still on-going despite the restrictions imposed concerning public worship. Please mail in your offering, give on-line at our website, or drop your offering envelope off in the lobby in the offering box across from the Church Office Monday – Friday 9 am-1 pm.

#### **Offering Verses:** *Matthew 28:19–20*

<sup>19</sup>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, <sup>20</sup>teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."







Please be seated.

#### Prayer of the Church

 P O blessed and holy Trinity, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, hear the prayers of Your people and grant to us all things according to Your Word and promise.

Brief silence

**P** . . . Lord, in Your mercy,

#### C hear our prayer.

All these things and whatever else You know we need, we pray You to grant us, Father, for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, through whom, with whom and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are Yours, almighty Father, both now and forevermore.

**G** Amen.

Please stand as able

Lord's Prayer LSB 162

- Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
   For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

# **Close of Service**

#### Benediction LSB 166

- **P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
  - The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

#### **C** Amen.

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## Sharing of the Peace

- **P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always
- **C** And also with you
- Please take a moment today to call, or text, or through your choice of social media, reach out to your brothers and sisters and neighbors with fellowship and friendship.

Be especially vigilant concerning those around you who may need your help with transportation, or groceries, or other needs that you may be in a position to help with. Reach out with the love of Christ as His Church

#### **Closing Peace**

