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The Holy Trinity



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<u>Worship</u>: Divine Service

8:00, 9:30 & 11:00am

Adult Bible Study & Sunday School: 9:30 am (Grace Hall)

+ <u>Pastor:</u>

Richard Willsea

<u>Deaconess:</u> Karen Suter

Organist: Patty Barnes

THE HOLY TRINITY

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→ PREPARATION →

Today we will observe The Lord's Supper... The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Grace Lutheran Church in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked you first to speak with the pastor, an elder or an usher. (For further study, see Matthew 5:23f; 10:32f; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; I Cor. 11:17-34). Wine is used in the individual and common cup. It may also be received by intinction. A gluten free wafer is available upon request.

PRELUDE

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

arr. B. Logan

"Father Most Holy"

setting D. Zimmer

WELCOME

Stand

HYMN

"Father Most Holy"

LSB 504





INVOCATION

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Isaiah 6:3b, 1 John 4:13-14, Psalm 41:13

- P Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
- the whole earth is full of His glory!
- P By this we know that we abide in Him and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit.
- And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent His Son to be the Savior of the world.
- P Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,
- **1** from everlasting to everlasting! Amen and Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

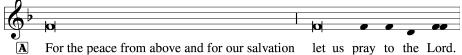
- P Beloved of God, let us confess together that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that daily we have sinned against our gracious God and deserve His punishment now and eternally. We have not fully nurtured and cared for the handiwork of God, the Creator. We have not given Jesus, our Savior, the full lordship of our lives. We have not fully followed the promptings and leading of the Holy Spirit. We have not always honored the strong name of the Trinity in thought, word, and deed.
- Almighty God, we repent of our sins and seek Your mercy. Be gracious to us and for the sake of Jesus, our Redeemer, grant us Your forgiveness so that, as Your redeemed people, we may find the joy of absolution and, with hearts renewed by the Spirit, serve You in time and in eternity.

- P In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

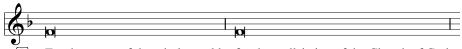
♣ SERVICE OF THE WORD **♣**

KYRIE LSB 152









For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,







A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise





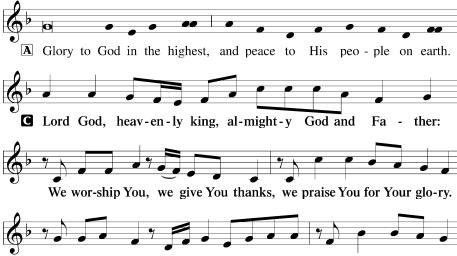


A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra-cious Lord.

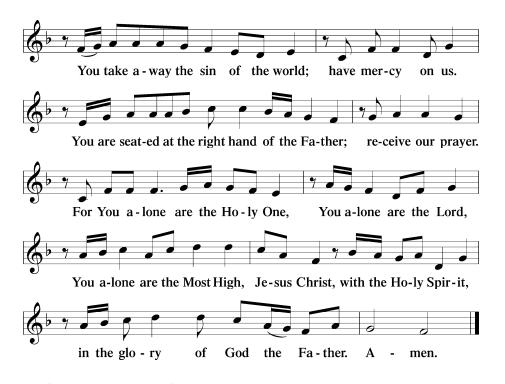


GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 154



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- 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.
- C Amen.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

The Word is read...

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

PSALM, I Font side, II Pulpit side

- A O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth! You have set Your glory above the heavens.
- ① Out of the mouth of babes and infants, You have established strength because of Your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger.
- When I look at Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have set in place,

what is man that You are mindful of him, and the son of man that You care for him?

- I Yet You have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor.
- II You have given him dominion over the works of Your hands; You have put all things under his feet,
- I all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field,
- II the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.
- O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth! Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

SECOND READING Acts 2:14a,22-36

The Word is read...

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

GRADUAL AND VERSE

Psalm 145:3, 5b, 6b; Isaiah 6:3b

- P Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
- and His greatness is unsearchable.
- P On Your wondrous works, I will meditate,
- and I will declare Your greatness.

- P Alleluia. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
- the whole earth is full of His glory! Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPELMatthew 28:16–20

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the twenty-eighth chapter.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

The Gospel is read...

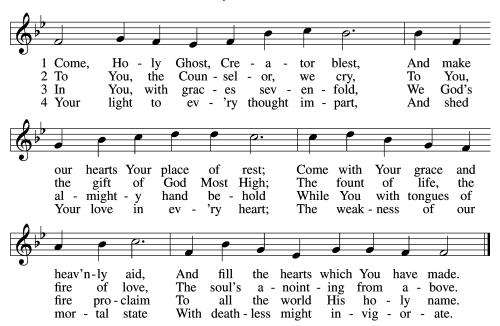
- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

HYMN

"Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest"

LSB 498



Drive far away our wily foe,
 And Your abiding peace bestow;
 With You as our protecting guide,
 No evil can with us abide.

- 6 Teach us to know the Father, Son, And You, from both, as Three in One That we Your name may ever bless And in our lives the truth confess.
- △7 Praise we the Father and the Son And Holy Spirit, with them One, And may the Son on us bestow The gifts that from the Spirit flow!

SERMON

Stand

ATHANASIAN CREED

- P Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith.
- Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.
- P And the catholic faith is this,
- 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:
- the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;
- P the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;
- the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.
- P And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,
- 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;
- and yet there are not three Almighties, but one Almighty.
- P So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;
- **and yet there are not three Gods, but one God.**
- P So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;

- and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.
- P Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord, so also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.
- 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.
- The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.
- 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.
- Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.
- 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;
- 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:
- one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into 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,
- 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.
- This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
 - As the community of God's forgiven people, we pray for the Church and for ourselves, asking that You help us fully engage in service to God and in ministry to one another. Triune God, in mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- A We pray for the world in which we are living, asking that there be times of peace and security in our days, bringing us the blessings of contentment and joy. Triune God, in mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- We make our petitions for the sick and all who this day need our prayers, [especially . . .], that they be supported by God's people as they await God's direction for their lives according to His gracious will. Triune God, in mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- A We pray for those who use their gifts of teaching for beneficial instruction. We pray for learners, especially our young people graduating from educational institutions. Triune God, in mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

- With thankfulness for the gift of civic liberty, we ask God's blessing on our nation, its leaders, and all who bring security and a sense of community to our lives. Grant that we cherish the freedoms and sense of peace we enjoy and do all in our power to maintain the public good in our communities. Triune God, in mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

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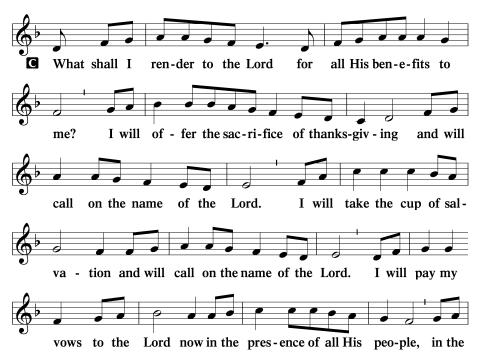
OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES, Lauren Willsea, David Thompson

VOLUNTARY "Thee We Adore " arr. F. Ritter

Stand

OFFERTORY LSB 159

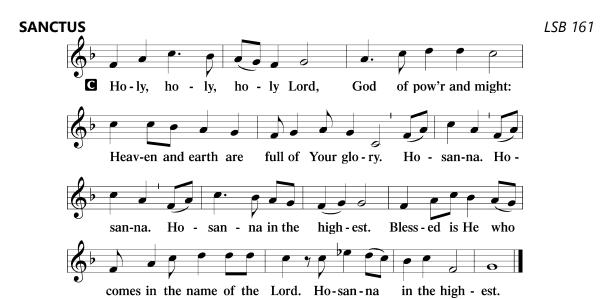




★ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **W**e lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. We thank You that You have called us as Your own and bound us in the waters of Baptism to the Holy Trinity, and that You nourish us for our earthly journey through the Holy Supper. With all the company of heaven we praise and magnify Your glory by joining the eternal anthem of praise:



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord, our God, King of all creation, for all You have done for Your people in Jesus Christ, our Lord. We thank You for all of creation and for every good gift with which You bless us. Accept our praise, Lord, and grant that all who partake of Christ's holy body and blood this day be grateful for Your abiding presence in us. As we receive the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation, grant that we be sanctified in body and soul and spirit and finally be granted our place with all Your saints in glory. This we ask through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My
→ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- **G** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

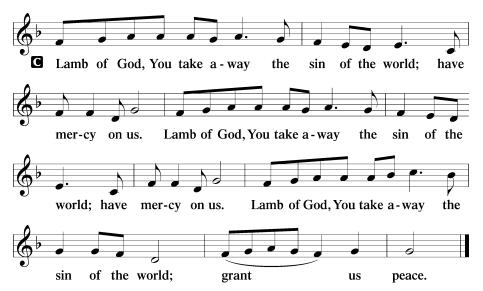
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

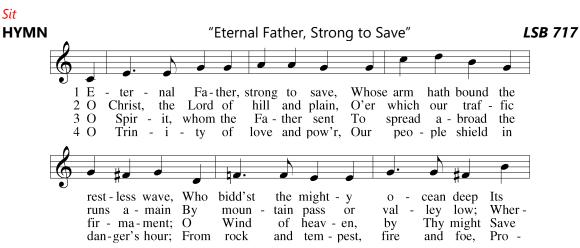
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- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- Amen.

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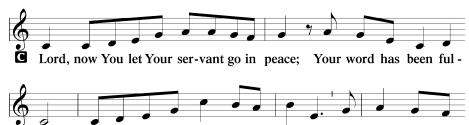


VOLUNTARY

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save" arr. L. Shackley

Stand

NUNC DIMITTIS LSB 165



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre-



POST COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Let us pray. Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we thank You for giving us a foretaste of the feast to come at the Table of the Lord. Strengthen us through the blessed gift we have received and grant that we faithfully respond to the workings of the Spirit in us. Grant that we graciously carry out the Great Commission given us by our Lord, Jesus Christ, as we await that time when we come at last to that heavenly banquet in Your kingdom where joy knows no ending. This we ask through Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

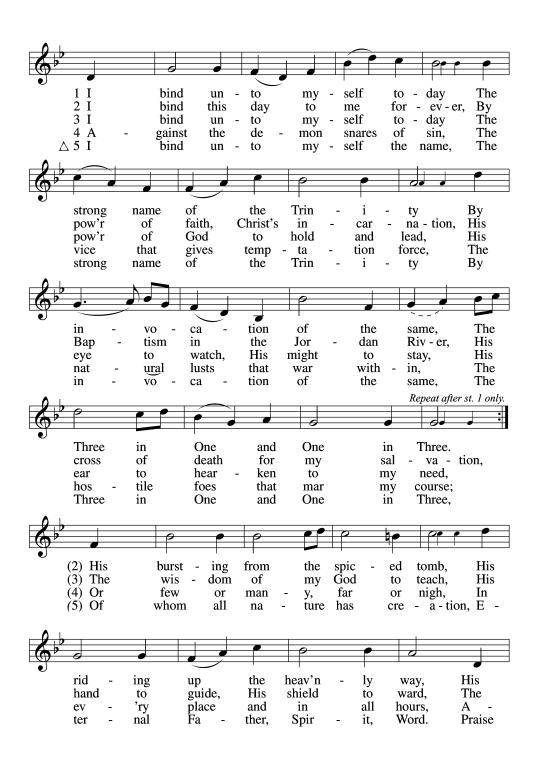
- The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious unto you.
 The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and

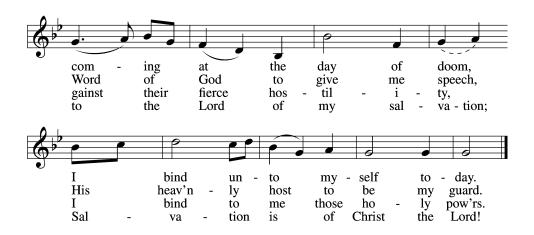
 → give you peace.
- C Amen.

HYMN

"I Bind unto Myself Today"

LSB 604





Sit

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DISMISSAL

- **A** Go in peace as you serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Postlude Fantasia"

arr. R. Thygerson

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