



Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Teaching God's Holy Word for the eternal benefit of all people!

Sunday Services: June 11 at 8:00 & 10:45

Monday Service: June 12 at 7 PM

The Holy Trinity – 2017



The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit

The Holy Trinity!

L = Leader ♦ C = Congregation ♦ A = All

Today's service is **Divine Service, Setting Three** (Adapted from Lutheran Service Book, 184-202).

VISITORS: *Welcome; thanks for attending!*

- ✦ We want everyone to **know** Jesus as Savior and Lord, **grow** in understanding the Bible, and **excel** in loving God and others! Tell us how we can be a blessing to you!
- ✦ Help yourself to a "Visitor Information" packet and other free resources in the Narthex!
- ✦ For more information: See the block on the back, meet the pastor, and join us for any activity.

PREPARATION

1. **Bell:** Take a service folder and be seated. For a service folder on your smartphone: www.BethlehemLutheranChurchParma.com/ServiceFolder
2. **The Season of Pentecost / Trinity:**
L: We are empowered by the Holy Spirit!
C: **Let us live for Jesus!**
3. **Prelude:** We listen in silence as we prepare our hearts to receive God's gifts!

RECEIVE GOD'S ETERNAL BLESSINGS

Sundays:

- ➔ Service at **8:00** (Refreshments at 9:10)
- ➔ Bible Class and Sunday School at **9:30**
- ➔ Service and Staffed Nursery at **10:45**

Mondays: Service at **7 PM**

STAFFED NURSERY FOR 4 AND UNDER

1. Beginning of 10:45 Service: Be seated in the worship area.
2. After the Children's Message: Bring your child to the Little Lamb Room.
3. After the Prayers: Pick up your child; then come forward for the Lord's Supper!



GROW UP IN GOD'S WORD

Sundays at 9:30: In our Christian Life Room; everyone is invited to attend and benefit!

A Closer Look at the Evidence:

- ➔ Have you been using the book?
- ➔ Would you like to give a copy to someone?
- ➔ Free copies are available in the Narthex!

Divine Service – God Serves Us through Word and Sacrament

SERVICE INTRODUCTION:

L: As we move through today's Divine Service, take note of the Holy Trinity!

C: **Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

L: In the Bible and in our liturgy, **the Father, the Son,** and **the Holy Spirit** are called "God" and "Lord," so we must use the context to understand which Person of the Holy Trinity is being identified,

C: **The Father, the Son, or the Holy Spirit.**

L: As we proceed through today's service,

C: **let us take note of the color-coding.**

L: As we confess our sins, we are talking

C: **to the Father, thru our Lord Jesus Christ.**

↑ CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION:

L: In the name of **the Father** and of **the † Son** and of **the Holy Spirit.**

C: **Amen.**

L: Beloved in **the Lord!** Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto **God, our Father,** begging Him in the name of **our Lord Jesus Christ** to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of **the LORD.**

C: **Who made heaven and earth.**

L: ☩ I said, I will confess my transgressions unto **the LORD.**

C: **And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

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

L: O **almighty God, merciful Father,**

A: **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for**

the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

L: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of **the Word,** announce the grace of **God** unto all of you, and in the stead *[in the place of]* 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.**

Please ♣**face the entrance** and ♣**focus on Jesus!**

Service of the Word

ENTRANCE HYMN: LSB 905, sts. 1-3

Come, Thou Almighty King

- 1 Come, Thou **almighty King,**
Help us Thy name to sing;
Help us to praise;
Father all-glorious,
O'er all victorious,
Come and reign over us,
Ancient of Days.
- 2 Come, Thou **incarnate Word,**
Gird on Thy mighty sword;
Our prayer attend.
Come and Thy people bless,
And give Thy Word success,
And let Thy righteousness
On us descend.
- 3 Come, **holy Comforter,**
Thy sacred witness bear
In this glad hour!
Thou, who almighty art,
Now rule in ev'ry heart,
And ne'er from us depart,
Spirit of pow'r.

KYRIE (Mark 10:46-52): *Let Us Pray*

- L: O Lord, C: have mercy upon us.
L: O Christ, C: have mercy upon us.
L: O Lord, C: have mercy upon us.

HYMN: **LSB 905, st. 4**

Come, Thou Almighty King

- 4 To Thee, great One in Three,
Eternal praises be, Hence evermore!
Thy sov'reign majesty, May we in glory see,
And to eternity, Love and adore.

SALUTATION and COLLECT:

- L: The LORD be with you.
C: **And also with you.**
L: *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. ↓

HYMN: **LSB 507, st. 1**

Holy, Holy, Holy

Children – Please come forward now!

- 1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

God's Six Days of
Creation!
All children (parents) are
welcome!

10:45 Staffed Nursery
(4 and under) – Parents
can now take their
children to our Little Lamb Room!



OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 1:1-2:4a ESV

- L: In this reading, "God" is the *generic term* for God.
C: "God" can refer to **the Father**, to **the Son**, or to **the Holy Spirit**.
L: Regarding creation, the Bible tells us that **the Father created all things thru the Son**.
C: **The Bible tells us who Jesus is and what He did in the beginning as the Son of God:**
L: "He is the image of the invisible God, the **firstborn of all creation**. For **by him** all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities--all things were created **through him** and **for him**" (Colossians 1:15-16 ESV).

God's Work on Day 1

¹ In the beginning, **God** [the Father working through the Son] created the heavens and the earth. ² 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.

³ And **God** [that is, God the Son, who is the Word of God; John 1:1] said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴ And **God** [possibly F, S, and HS] saw that the light was good. And **God** separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ **God** called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

God's Work on Day 2

⁶ And **God** said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." ⁷ 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. ⁸ And **God** called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

God's Work on Day 3

⁹ 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.

¹⁰ **God** called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And **God** [possibly F, S, and HS] saw that it was good.

¹¹ 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. ¹² 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** [possibly F, S, and HS] saw that it was good. ¹³ And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

God's Work on Day 4

¹⁴ 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, ¹⁵ and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth." And it was so. ¹⁶ 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. ¹⁷ And **God** set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, ¹⁸ to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And **God** [possibly F, S, and HS] saw that it was good. ¹⁹ And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

God's Work on Day 5

²⁰ 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." ²¹ 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** [possibly F, S, and HS] saw that it was good. ²² And **God** blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³ And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

God's Work on Day 6

²⁴ 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. ²⁵ 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** [possibly F, S, and HS] saw that it was good. ²⁶ Then **God** said [that is, the Son, speaking to the Father and the Holy Spirit], "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."

²⁷ So **God** created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

²⁸ 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." ²⁹ 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. ³⁰ 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. ³¹ And **God** [possibly F, S, and HS] saw

everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Day 7

^{2:1} Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. ² 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. ³ 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.

⁴ These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

L: The Word of the LORD.

C: Thanks be to God!

HYMN: LSB 507, st. 2

Holy, Holy, Holy

2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around
the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before
Thee,
Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

PSALM 8 ESV:

The LORD's Majestic Name

L: O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

C: You have set your glory above the heavens.

L: Out of the mouth of babes and infants, you have established strength because of your foes,

C: to still the enemy and the avenger.

Humankind Seems Unimportant

L: When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,

C: the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

L: what is man that you are mindful of him,
C: and the son of man that you care for him?

The LORD Gives Dominion to Humankind

L: Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings

C: and crowned him with glory and honor.

L: You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;

C: you have put all things under his feet,

L: all sheep and oxen,

C: and also the beasts of the field,

L: the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea,

C: whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

L: O LORD, our Lord,

C: how majestic is your name in all the earth!

A: 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.

CHOIR: "Total Praise"

Richard Smallwood/Joel Raney

EPISTLE: Acts 2:14a, 22-36 ESV

L: This reading is a continuation of Peter's Day of Pentecost sermon.

C: He preached about Jesus.

L: He proclaimed the connection between the Father and the Son.

C: He also proclaimed the connection with the Holy Spirit,

L: how the Father gave the Spirit to the Son,

C: then the Son poured out the Spirit on the Day of Pentecost.

L: Of greatest importance is the fact that Jesus is the Promised Messiah,

C: the only way to heaven!

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them...

²² “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--²³ this **Jesus**, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of **God**, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. ²⁴ **God** raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for **him** to be held by it. ²⁵ 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; ²⁶ therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope.

²⁷ For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption.

²⁸ You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

²⁹ “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. ³⁰ 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, ³¹ he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of **the Christ**, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. ³² This **Jesus God** raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. ³³ 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. ³⁴ For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,

“**The Lord** said to **my Lord**, “Sit at my right hand,

³⁵ until I make your enemies your footstool.”

³⁶ Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that **God** has made **him both Lord and Christ**, this **Jesus whom you crucified.**”

L: The Word of **the LORD**.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

↑ **ALLELUIA and VERSE** (LSB 156):

Al-le-lu-ia. **Lord**, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e-ter-nal life.
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 28:16-20 ESV

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.

C: **Glorify to You, O LORD.**

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

L: The Gospel of **the LORD**.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.** ↓

HYMN: **LSB 507, st. 3**

Holy, Holy, Holy

3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,

Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,

Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,

Perfect in pow’r, in love, and purity.

ATHANASIAN CREED – Part 1 (LSB, 319-320): *The amazing relationship within the Holy Trinity!*

L: Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the ♦catholic faith.

C: Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.

L: 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.

C: For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.

L: But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.

C: Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit.

L: The Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, and the Holy Spirit uncreated;

C: The Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;

L: The Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.

C: And yet they are not three Eternals but one Eternal.

L: just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinities but one Uncreated and one Infinite.

C: In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;

L: and yet they are not three Almightyies but one Almighty.

C: So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;

L: And yet they are not three Gods, but one God.

C: So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, and the Holy Spirit is Lord.

L: and yet they are not three Lords but one Lord.

HYMN: **LSB 507, st. 4**

Holy, Holy, Holy

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

ATHANASIAN CREED – Part 2 (LSB, 319-320): *The equality and unity of the Holy Trinity!*

L: Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord,

C: so we are also prohibited by the ♦catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.

L: The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.

C: The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone.

L: The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.

C: Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

L: And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;

C: 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.

L: Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.

↑ HYMN: **LSB 506, sts. 1-2**

Glory Be to God the Father

1 Glory be to God the Father,
Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit:

Great Jehovah, Three in One!

Glory, glory

While eternal ages run!

- 2 Glory be to Him who loved us,
Washed us from each spot and stain;
Glory be to Him who bought us,
Made us kings with Him to reign!
Glory, glory
To the Lamb that once was slain!

ATHANASIAN CREED – Part 3 (LSB, 319-320): *Our Lord Jesus Christ and His saving work!*

- L: But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe **the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.**
- C: **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.**
- L: 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:
- C: **perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh;**
- L: Equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.
- C: **Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:**
- L: **one**, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God;
- C: **one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.**
- L: For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so **God and man is one Christ,**
- C: **Who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,**

L: **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.**

C: **At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.**

L: 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.**

♦ The Athanasian Creed declares that its teachings concerning the Holy Trinity and our Lord's incarnation are "the catholic faith." In other words, this creed is what the true Church of all times and all places has confessed.

♦♦ *Only from faith in Jesus Christ* can a person do good that is pleasing to God (**Romans 14:23b; Hebrews 11:6**). We are saved *by grace through faith*; however, those with faith will also have the evidence of good works (Jam. 2:17).

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: *Let Us Pray*

After Each Petition:

L: **LORD**, in Your mercy.

C: **Hear our prayer.**

Special Requests

Comfort: Recent and tragic death of Brad's 26-year-old cousin; comfort and peace for all!

Christians Being Attacked: In the Middle East, Europe, and elsewhere; *pray for God's powerful intervention and protection!*

Summer Sunday School: *Please volunteer to teach one Sunday; contact Kathy to sign up!*

Bethlehem Members in Need

Helga Bartel (vertigo) – continued healing.

Gertrude Conn (dizziness) – peace, healing.

Matthew Dickau – peace, encouragement.

Ray Dmytriw – peace, healing, strength.

Wil Mild (hip repl. 5/30) – healing, rehab.

Marie Weseloh (two falls) – continued healing.
Harry Zwingelberg – peace, better health.

Others in Need

Justin (depression) – peace, healing.

Mark (hospice) – comfort, peace.

Kimberly Borland – peace, proper diagnosis and medication, comfort, healing, strength.

Lauren Hafley (cancer) – peace in Jesus, healing.

Marge Mikoci (stage 4 cancer) – peace, comfort.

Christina Waked – guidance, full recovery.

Kathy Wirzylo (liver transplant) – success.

Quentin & Janet Whitcomb – peace, healing.

Bob Zellmer (cancer) – peace, healing.

Physical Birthdays

6-12 Matthew Zeleznikar

6-13 Dolores Merkle

6-14 Jim Schabel

Spiritual Birthdays

6-11 Miriam Engelman

6-13 Joann Kissinger

6-14 Cindy Slepko

Conclusion:

L: 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.** ↓

PRAYER INSTRUCTIONS:

Need prayer? Do one or more of the following:

- ♦ Complete a Request Card (Narthex table racks).
- ♦ Meet up front after each Sunday service: Someone will pray for you.
- ♦ Call the Prayer Chain (440-886-2089): Various members will pray for you.
- ♦ Get on the Church List (440-845-2230): Everyone should pray for you.
- ♦ Get on Pastor's List (440-292-5915): He will pray for you.

Often: Update the church office about those on our church prayer list.

OFFERING: *Let us honor the Lord!*

Since the LORD has entrusted us with His gifts, let us use them according to His Word!

⇒ **Offertory**

⇒ Please complete your attendance slip!

† Service of the Sacrament †

LORD'S SUPPER PREPARATION: *Get Ready*

Self-Examination Questions:

1. Have I been baptized into Christ ([Gal. 3:27](#))?
2. Do I feel sad about my sins ([2 Cor. 7:10-11](#))?
3. Is Jesus my Savior and my Lord ([John 3:16](#))?
4. Do I believe I will receive bread & *Body*, wine & *Blood*, for the forgiveness of my sins ([1 Co. 10:16](#); [Mt. 26:26-28](#); [Mk. 14:22-24](#); [Lk. 22:19-20](#); [1 Co. 11:23-25](#))?
5. Do I desire to follow God's Word ([James 1:22](#))?

Who Can Receive Today? *Everyone who answered "yes" to the five questions noted above. For non-members who desire to receive on a regular basis, please talk to the pastor about becoming a member.*

To Receive at Your Pew: Please notify an usher.

Not Receiving Today: All ages are invited to receive a spoken blessing; indicate so by crossing your arms.

↑ PRAYER FOR RIGHT RECEPTION OF THE

LORD'S SUPPER (LSB Service Builder): *Let Us Pray*

L: **Lord Jesus Christ**, in the solemn night of Your betrayal You established the holy meal of Your body and blood for us Christians to eat and to drink. Look in mercy on those who will receive the holy Sacrament this day. Grant that they come to Your table in true repentance and faith, that the gift of Your body and blood will sustain them in their afflictions, strengthen them in the communion of Your holy people, and be a pledge of the resurrection of their bodies to life everlasting; for **You** live and reign with **the Father** and **the Holy Spirit**, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER:

L: **Lord**, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

A: **Our Father** who art in heaven...

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD: *On Good Friday*

PAX DOMINI: *The Peace of the Lord*

L: The peace of **the Lord** be with you always!

C: **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI (LSB 550, st. 1): *Lamb of God*

Your only Son, no sin to hide,
But You have sent Him from Your side
To walk upon this guilty sod,
And to become the Lamb of God.
O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God,
I love the holy Lamb of God!
O wash me in His precious blood,
My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God. ↓

10:45 Staffed Nursery – Please pick-up your children and bring them forward for a spoken blessing!

LORD'S SUPPER DISTRIBUTION and DISMISSAL:

† Come with sorrow: Jesus took your punishment.

† Remember what you are receiving: **Jesus' Body** – united to the bread, and **Jesus' Blood** – united to the wine, **for the forgiveness of your sins.**

† Reception options: Receive His Body *in your hand* or *on your tongue*, His blood *from an individual cup* or *from the chalice* (the center cups in each tray are alcohol removed wine).

† Right after the dismissal: Respond with "**Amen!**"

† Return with joy: *Your sins are forgiven!*

† After Communing Prayer: See the front of LSB.

HYMN DURING DISTRIBUTION: **LSB 621**

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

- 1 Let all mortal flesh keep silence
And with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly-minded,
For with blessing in His hand

Christ our God to earth descending
Comes our homage to demand.

- 2 King of kings yet born of Mary,
As of old on earth He stood,
Lord of lords in human vesture,
In the body and the blood,
He will give to all the faithful
His own self for heav'nly food.
- 3 Rank on rank the host of heaven
Spreads its vanguard on the way
As the Light of Light, descending
From the realms of endless day,
Comes the pow'rs of hell to vanquish
As the darkness clears away.
- 4 At His feet the six-winged seraph,
Cherubim with sleepless eye,
Veil their faces to the presence
As with ceaseless voice they cry:
"Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, Lord Most High!"

↑ POST-COMMUNION COLLECT: *Let Us Pray*

L: We give thanks to **You, almighty God**, that You have refreshed us through this salutary [*beneficial*] gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through **Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord**, who lives and reigns with **You** and **the Holy Spirit**, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION HYMN: **LSB 506, sts. 3-4**

Glory Be to God the Father

- 3 Glory to the King of angels,
Glory to the Church's King,
Glory to the King of nations;
Heav'n and earth, your praises bring!
Glory, glory
To the King of glory sing!

- 4 Glory, blessing, praise eternal!
 Thus the choir of angels sings;
 Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion!
 Thus its praise creation brings.
 Glory, glory,
 Glory to the King of kings!

BENEDICTION: *Receive and Be Blessed*

L: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: Amen. ↓

POSTLUDE and CANDLE EXTINGUISHING:

*Rejoicing in Jesus as our Savior,
 let us honor Him as our Lord!*

SPECIAL BLESSINGS FOR YOU:

- ♦ **Receive Prayer:** Meet up front with: Alan (8:00); Matt (10:45).
- ♦ **Be Refreshed** (9:10-9:30): Join us down the hall for coffee, juice, bakery, and more!
- ♦ **Grow Up in God's Word** (9:30-10:30): Attend Bible Class / Sunday School!
- ♦ **Prepare for Next Sunday:** Ex. 19:2-8; Ps. 100; Ro. 5:6-15; Mt. 9:35-10:8.
 - Read from your own Bible.
 - Read from "Living the Lutheran Lectionary" – *available in the Narthex.*
- ♦ **Faithfully Receive Word and Sacrament:**
 - Sunday, 6/18 at 8:00 or 10:45
 - Monday, 6/19 at 7 PM

BETHLEHEM ORGANIST

Thank you to Gayle Powers for serving as our organist and choir accompanist for the past two years! Her last day with us will be on June 25 – unless we can compel her to continue with us! You are invited to thank her for her service! Also, if you know of another person who could serve as our organist, please let us know a.s.a.p.

THANKS!

For Attending Last Week:

- ✦ Services (SU, MO): 103
- ✦ Class (SU, TH): 39

For Giving This Year:

- ✦ Hoped to receive: \$ 113,160
- ✦ Actually received: \$ 109,338

For Serving – in many and various ways!

JOIN US – THE WEEK OF June 11

Sunday: The Holy Trinity

- 8:00 – Divine Service
- 9:10 – Refreshments
- 9:30 – Bible Class & Sunday School
- 10:45 – Divine Service (and staffed nursery)

Monday: 7:00 – Divine Service

Wednesday:

- 9:30 – BFC Story Time
- 10:00 – BFC Bible Time
- 7:00 – Pastor Team

Thursday:

- 10:00 – LTL Study
- 7:00 – Fit Club

THANKS FOR SERVING ON 6/11

Leader: Pastor Robert Green
Organist: Gayle Powers
Altar Guild: Kathy Green, Tricia Wise
Candles: Lynda Tomasch
Financial Team: Natalia Ford, Paul Martens

8:00 Service

Ushers: Matt Kusmaul, Mel Bucholtz,
Bonnie Moyer
Lord's Supper: Jim Schabel
Prayer Partner: Alan Carlson

9:10 Refreshments

Miriam Engleman, Doris Chmielewski

10:45 Service

Ushers: John Haller, Klaus Kitzler
Nursery: Angie Zeleznikar
Lord's Supper: Brian Zeleznikar
Prayer Partner: Matt Hlavacek

THANKS FOR SERVING ON 6/18

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Altar Guild: Kathy Green, Tricia Wise
Candles: Lynda Tomasch
Financial Team: Natalia Ford, Dee Kaderbek

8:00 Service

Ushers: Matt Kusmaul, Mel Bucholtz,
Bonnie Moyer
Lord's Supper: Jim Schabel
Prayer Partner: Mille Sluka

9:10 Refreshments

Miriam Engleman, Doris Chmielewski

10:45 Service

Ushers: John Haller, Klaus Kitzler
Nursery: Hannah Hlavacek
Lord's Supper: Brian Zeleznikar
Prayer Partner: Ray Dmytriw

Learn About Us

- + **Beliefs:** We believe the Bible is true and trust in Jesus as our only Savior!
- + **For Children:** Bibles (some center pew racks); Bags (by worship entrance); Nursery (sometimes staffed).
- + **Special Needs:** Large print and hearing assistance are available in the narthex.
- + **Our Podcast:** Listen to our sermons on your smartphone or tablet: "Benefit from the Bible"
- + **Our Schedule:** **Sundays** – Service 8:00; Refreshments 9:10; Classes 9:30; Service (nursery) 10:45
Mondays – Service 7 PM

Connect With Us

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