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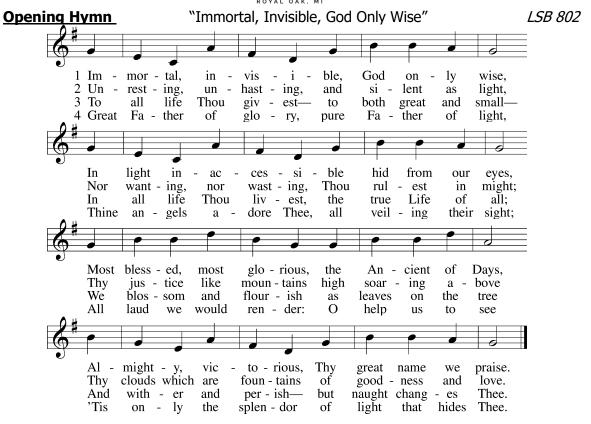
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# ST. PAUL LUTHERAN

# **Prelude**



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

# **Invocation**

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

Opening Verses Psalm 8

- P O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
- You have set your glory above the heavens.
- P 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?

- P O LORD, our Lord,
- how majestic is your name in all the earth!

# **Confession and Absolution**

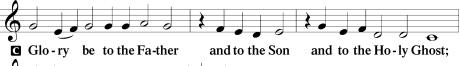
Psalm 38

- P "O Lord, rebuke me not in your anger,
- on r discipline me in your wrath!
- P There is no soundness in my flesh because of your indignation;
- there is no health in my bones because of my sin.
- P For my iniquities have gone over my head;
- like a heavy burden, they are too heavy for me.
- P I am feeble and crushed;
- I groan because of the tumult of my heart. For I am ready to fall, and my pain is ever before me. I confess my iniquity; I am sorry for my sin. Make haste to help me, O Lord, my salvation!
- Put for you, O Lord, do I wait; it is you, O Lord my God, who will answer." The death of Jesus Christ answered you the burden is gone The resurrection of the Lord answered you: your sins are forgiven. Be strengthened again with these words: 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 ⅓ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

### Amen.



**Gloria Patri** 



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

**Kyrie** 

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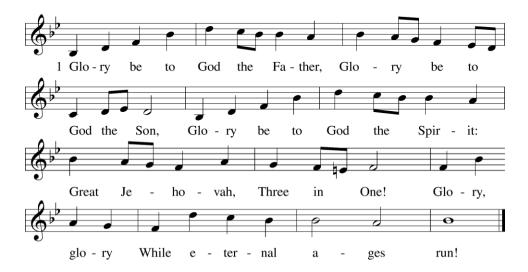
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**Hymn of Praise** 

"Glory Be to God the Father"

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# **Salutation**

P The Lord be with you.



# **Collect of the Day**

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.



Athanasian Creed Part 1

† Early in the fourth century, a north African pastor named Arius began teaching that Jesus Christ was not truly God. The Church responded decisively in AD 325 with a statement of faith (The Nicene Creed), which confessed that Jesus is, in fact, true God.

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. 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.
- P 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.
- 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.

# **Old Testament Reading**

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

Does not wisdom call? Does not understanding raise her voice? On the heights beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries aloud: "To you, O men, I call, and my cry is to the children of man. . . . "The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old. Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth, before he had made the earth with its fields, or the first of the dust of the world. When he established the heavens, I was there; when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, then I was beside him, like a master workman, and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the children of man."

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

Second Reading Acts 2:14a, 22–36

Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, . . . "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— this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. 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; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption. You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence."

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

"The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool."

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

A This is the Word of the Lord.

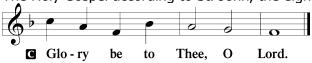
# Thanks be to God.

New Testament Canticle

C Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

### **Holy Gospel**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.



The Jews answered [Jesus], "Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?" Jesus answered, "I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge. Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death." The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, 'If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.' Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?" Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, 'He is our God.' But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad." So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.





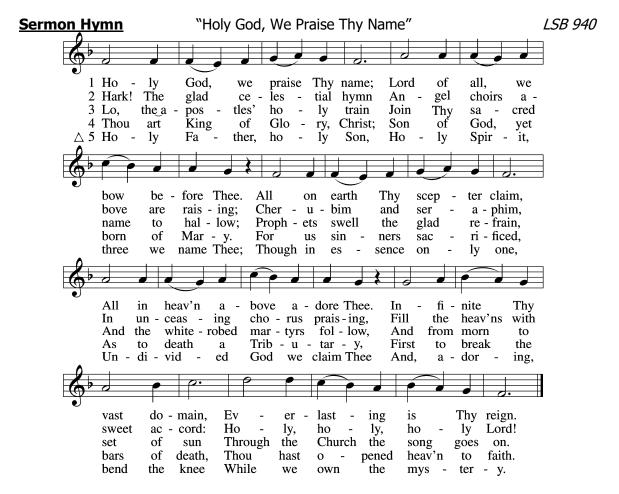
Athanasian Creed Part 2

- † Toward the end of the fifth century, another creed was written that delved further into the mystery of the Trinity. Though attributed to Athanasius (a fourth-century opponent of Arius), this anonymous creed clearly came at a later stage in the debate.
- **P** The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.
- 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.

- P And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;
- 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.
- P Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.

# **Children Message**

\*Children are invited to join our Sunday School in the school gym every Sunday from 9:45am-10:45am!\*



# Sermon

"When Faith meets Fullness" Rev. Jakob Andrzejewski, Senior Pastor Offertory LSB 192



Athanasian Creed Part 3

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

- 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.

# **Gathering of Tithes and Offerings**

To continue the work of the Lord at St. Paul- You may joyfully give at www.stpaulroyaloak.org/online-giving



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# Farewell and Godspeed (11am)

Today, we celebrate and give thanks to God for the ministry and friendship of Pamela Rodway who served as the church's Administrative Assistant for **32** years. The Lord's blessings to Pamela in her retirement!

# **Prayer of the Church**

The 11:00am service continues with the Lord's Prayer and Benediction

# † THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION †



# **Proper Preface**

P It is truly good, right, our duty and our delight to give You thanks and praise, O Lord, almighty Father, at all times and in all places. Lead us in the humility of faith to rejoice in what Christ has accomplished, to serve You without fear, and to be

forevermore. Gather us, we pray, and remember us Lord, in your Kingdom and teach us to pray...

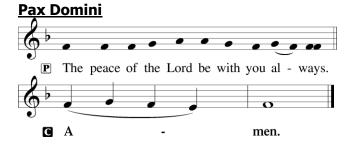
faithful all the days of our lives until You bring us into Your everlasting presence

Lord's Prayer Mt. 6:9-11

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.

#### The Words of Our Lord

Mt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Co 11:23-25



Agnus Dei Distribution Hymn Distribution Hymn LSB 198 LSB 504 Father Most Holy LSB 953 We All Believe in One True God

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# **Post-Communion Collect**

Athanasian Creed Part 4

† More than fifteen centuries later, the Church continues to confess this truth, confident that the triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, has given Himself for our salvation.

- 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,
- 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.

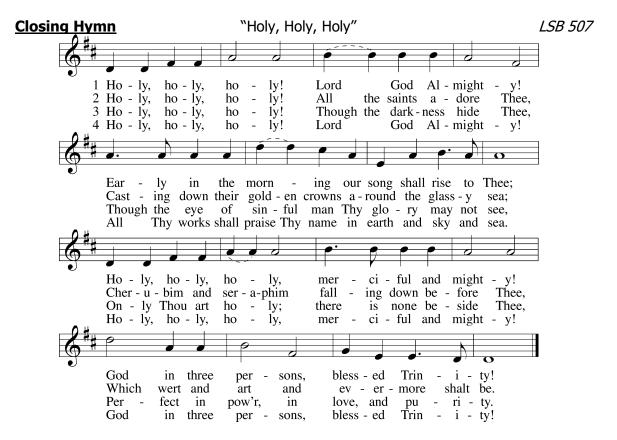
- And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.
- This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.

Benediction LSB 166

- The Lord bless you and keep you.

  The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
  - The Lord make his face snine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**G** Amen.



Serving us in Worship

Preacher Pastor Jakob Andrzejewski Music Gregory Paul, Chancel Choir Altar Guild Lacey Lefere

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Readers 8:15 Barb Costakes
11:00 Jeff Szerdi

Elders 8:15 Brian Hermann, Bryan Harris

11:00 Mike Rasmussen

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