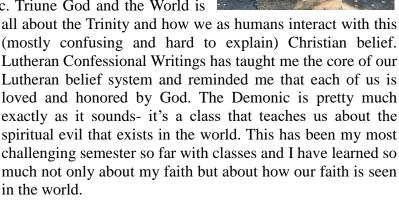
Greetings St. John's Family!

I know it has been a few months since I have seen most of you, and I am looking forward to being back in "The Valley" for Christmas. As we approach the Advent season, I find myself reflecting on the past year and the things I am most grateful for in my life. I wanted to write to all of you and express my gratitude for the support that you have given me. Your continued prayers mean the world to me, and coming home to all of your smiling faces is one of my favorite things.

This Fall semester, I have been keeping myself extremely busy. I am taking three classes: Triune God and the World, Lutheran Confessional Writings, and The Demonic. Triune God and the World is



At my congregation out here in Minneapolis I have taken on a new role Education. This role has been so

into. I have been having conversations about baptism with some of our young members, and I will be leading an Advent Bible Study this coming season. I've also had the privilege of helping my pastor and our church musician choose liturgy for different seasons. I was also given the opportunity to preach and help lead worship this past All Saint's Sunday. This church has been a huge blessing in my life this year.

While I am on campus, I have still been working in the chapel, mostly running our chapel live streams for each service, and coordinating our volunteers that assist in worship and help serve communion. I also work in our admissions office and in early November had the opportunity to travel with the Associate Director of Admissions to a few college campuses and the Lutheran Outdoor Ministries conference that was held in

Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. During that trip I had many discernment conversations with adults of all ages as they were working through whether they were called to attend seminary. I also was able to attend Holden Evening Prayer, a sung prayer service that is widely used in the ELCA, and experiencing this service in different spaces was so special.

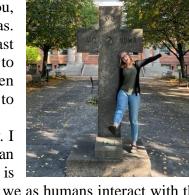
As I said, I've been busy out here in Minnesota! I can't wait to see you all when I am home in December. I hope that you all have a blessed Advent season, and I hope to see you when I lead worship on December 24th (for Advent 4 and Christmas Eve). You are all in my prayers daily, and I am so grateful for each and every one of you in my church family.

Advent peace and blessings,

Ashley Teter



My friend and I after leading worship together at our church this summer.



A group of seminarians at our friends' wedding.

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