<u>Communion Practice</u>: We believe that Christ is truly present in Holy Communion and, as we try to be faithful to Christ in the serving of this Sacrament, we ask that people be instructed before receiving Holy Communion. All confirmed members of this parish, who have been regularly examined by the Pastor, are welcome to partake of the Holy Eucharist today. We also welcome the members who are in good standing of any of the parishes served by the Bishops, Pastors, and Deacons of The Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America (ELDoNA), and who have spoken to the Pastor prior to the service. Members of other Lutheran parishes or other denominations are kindly asked to refrain from communing today. The Pastor would be glad to make an appointment with anyone to discuss our teachings and/or our parish.



The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017

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> "You cannot serve God and mammon" St. Matthew 6:24

### A Prayer upon Entering Church

Almighty, Ever-Living God, grant that I may gladly hear Thy Word and that all my worship may be acceptable unto Thee; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

### A Prayer before Communion

Dear Savior, upon Thy gracious invitation I come to Thine Altar. Let me find favor in Thine eyes that I may approach Thy Table in true faith and receive the Sacrament to the salvation of my soul. Amen.

#### A Prayer after Communion

O Thou blessed Savior Jesus Christ, Who hast given Thyself to me in this holy Sacrament, keep me in Thy faith and favor; as Thou livest in me, let me also live in Thee. May Thy holy Body and Blood preserve me in the true faith unto everlasting life. Amen.

### A Prayer at the Close of the Service

Grant, I beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the Word which I have heard this day may through Thy grace be so engrafted in my heart that I may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

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# In Our Prayers:

- For all those who are sick or infirmed, especially, *Rev. Ned Brockwell, Lynne Smith, Doug Schultz, Denise Heiser, Rev. Donald Hunter, Emily Benson, Orlin Palm, Donna Dorgelo, Nancy, Pat, Caroline, Rev. Mark Mueller, Jo Kope, Mike Miller,* and *Vince Bost.*
- For our bishop, the *Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser*.
- For the parishes served by our diocese, especially, *Emmanuel Ev. Lutheran Church, Las Cruces, NM,* and *Sts. Peter & Paul Ev. Lutheran Mission, Silver City, NM*, and their pastor, *Rev. Paul Rydecki.*
- For all Missionaries in our diocese, including *Rev. Jeffrey Ahonen; Rev. Eric Stefanski; Rev. Paul A. Rydecki; Rev. Josh Sullivan*; and *Rev. Timothy Tolar*.
- For our seminary, *St. Ignatius Evangelical Theological Lutheran Seminary*, and her seminarian, *Josiah Scheck*.
- For all those who serve in the military, especially, *Luke Sekula* and *Nicholas Silva*.
- For those struggling with addiction, especially, *Thomas Allred*.
- For those near death.
- For those celebrating a birthday this week, especially *Bill Kope, Gary Walcott* and *Tanya Dulas*.
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week.
- For those traveling this week.
- For all those affected by Hurricane Maria.

# Announcements

Daily Readings for the Week after the Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity		
	Morning	Evening
Today	Tobit 11-12; Luke 10:38-42	Tobit 13-14; Acts 8:26-39
Monday:	Judith 1-2; Titus 3:8-15	Judith 3-4;
		2 Kings 20:1-21
Tuesday:	Judith 5-6; Philemon	Judith 7-8;
		2 Kings 21:1-26
Wednesday:	Judith 9; Hebrews 1:1-14	Judith 10;
		2 Chronicles 34:1-33
Thursday:	Judith 11; Hebrews 2:5—3:6	Judith 12; 2 Chronicles
		35:20-36:10
Friday:	Judith 13; Heb. 4:14—5:14	Judith 14;
		Jeremiah 22:1-30
Saturday:	Judith 15; Hebrews 6:1-20	Judith 16;
		Jeremiah 25:1-14

## Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

i c	Morning	Evening
Today:	Psalm 119:1-40, 113-120	Psalms 34, 119:41-88
Monday:	Psalm 119:89-128	Psalms 34, 119:129-176
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Ps. 119, Part XV, 120-125	Psalms 34, 126-132
Wednesday:	Ps. 119, Part XV, 133-135	Psalms 34, 136-139
Thursday:	Ps. 119, Part XV, 140-141	Psalms 34, 142-143
Friday:	Psalms 119, Part XV, 144	Psalms 34, 145
Saturday:	Ps. 119, Part XV, 146-147	Psalms 36, 148-150

# **Book of Concord Readings for the Week:**

**Monday:** The Epitome of the Formula of Concord, III.12—IV.15 **Tuesday:** The Epitome of the Formula of Concord, IV.16—V.11 **Wednesday:** The Epitome of the Formula of Concord, VI.1—VII.5 **Thursday:** The Epitome of the Formula of Concord, VII.6-20 **Friday:** The Epitome of the Formula of Concord, VII.21-42

# **Reciting the Catechism Daily:**

Sunday: Ten Commandments, Apostle's Creed, Lord's Prayer
Monday: Baptism, Confession, Lord's Supper
Tuesday: Morning & Evening Prayer; Prayers Before & After Meals
Wednesday: Table of Duties I—Bishops, Pastors, & Preachers; What the Hearers Owe Their Pastors; Of Civil Government; Of Subjects

**Thursday:** Table of Duties II—To Husbands; To Wives; To Parents; To Children; To Servants, Hired Men & Employees; To Employers; To the Young in General; To Widows; To All in Common **Friday:** How One Should Be Taught to Confess **Saturday:** Christian Questions with Their Answers

### Hymns for the Week:

Morning: TLH 520—"Commit Whatever Grieves Thee" Evening: TLH 518—"If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee"

Calendar for the Week after the Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity Yesterday: Bill Kope's Birthday Today: The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green 10:00 a.m. Divine Service 11:00 a.m. Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Pastor teaches Homiletics I class Monday: **Tuesday:** No Events Scheduled Wednesday: No Events Scheduled Thursday: No Events Scheduled Friday: The Festival of St. Michael and All Angels-White Gary Walcott's Birthday Robyn, Alice & Seth Sekula's Baptismal Anniversary 10:00 a.m. Pastor teaches Homiletics I class Saturday: Tanya Dulas' Birthday Next Sunday: The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday-Green 10:00 a.m. Divine Service 11:00 a.m. Bible Study

### **The Lutheran Herald**

The September issue of "The Lutheran Herald," the devotional booklet of the ELDoNA, is now available. It can be found on Facebook at: http://tinyurl.com/LutheranHerald. There are also printed copies in the back of the nave.

### St. Ignatius Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary

The fall quarter of our seminarians last year began last Monday. His courses include: Homiletics I, Sacramental Theology, Post Reformation History, and Theology and Practice of Confession and Absolution. Please keep him and our seminary in your prayers.

## Needs for the McCall Hospice House

There is an urgent need at the hospice house for the following items: Hard Candy (individually wrapped) any kind, mints included; Chips, individual size, any kind; Ponytail Holders; Notebooks and notepads; Men's deodorant; Hair brushes; Q-Tips; Toothpaste, in regular and travel size; and Individual teeth flossers.

Other needs for in-home patients: XL Twin Sheet Sets; Ensure, any kind; and Baby wipes and adult wipes. Please give all collected items to Mike Miller.

# To Read in Observance for this week's Festivals:Today—The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity SundayOld Testament Lesson:Deuteronomy 6:4-7Epistle:Galatians 5:25—6:10Holy Gospel:St. Matthew 6:24-34

### October 1<sup>st</sup>—The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Old Testament Lesson:	v	Deuteronomy 32:39-40
Epistle:		Ephesians 3:13-21
Holy Gospel:		St. Luke 7:11-17

### An Excerpt from Martin Luther

"Now the world cannot conceal its unbelief in its coarse, outward sins, for I see it loves a dollar more than Christ; more than all the Apostles, even if they themselves were present and preached to it. I can hear the Gospel daily, but it does not profit me every day; it may indeed happen, if I have heard it a whole year, the Holy Spirit may have been given to me only one hour. Now when I enjoyed this hour I obtained not only five hundred dollars, but also the riches of the whole world; for what have I not, when I have the Gospel? I received God, Who made the silver and the gold, and all that is upon the Earth; for I acquired the Spirit by which I know that I will be kept by Him forever; that is much more than if I had the church full of money. Examine now and see, if our heart is not a rogue, full of wickedness and unbelief. If I were a true Christian, I would say: The hour the Gospel is received, there comes to me a hundred thousand dollars, and much more. For if I possess this treasure, I have all that is in Heaven and upon Earth. But one must serve this treasure only, for no man can serve God and mammon. Either you must love God and hate money; or you must hate God and love money; this and nothing more." Excerpted from a sermon in the Church Postil of Martin Luther for the Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday.

## THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY SUNDAY

September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017



## Introit

P: BOW DOWN || Your ear, O Lord, | hear | me; \* C: You are my God; save Your servant | who | trusts | in | You! P: || Be merciful to me, O | Lord, | - \* C: For I cry to | You | all | day | long. (Psalm 86:1a, 2b-3) P: || Rejoice the soul of Your | ser- | vant, \* **C:** For to You, O Lord, I | lift | up | my | soul. P: || Give ear, O Lord, to my | *pray-er*;  $\cdot$  | - \* C: And attend to the voice of my | sup- | pli- | ca- | tions. P: || But You, O Lord, are a God full of com- | pas- | sion, \* **C:** Oh, turn to me, and have mer- | cy | up- | on | me! P: || Give Your strength to Your | ser- | vant, \* C: And save the son of | Your | maid- | ser- | vant. (Psalm 86:4, 6, 15a, 16) **GLORIA PATRI (From Hymnal)** P: || Bow down Your ear, O Lord, | hear | me; \* C: You are my God; save Your servant | who | trusts | in | You! P: || Be merciful to me, O | Lord, | - \* C: For I cry to | You | all | day | long. (Psalm 86:1a, 2b-3)

# Collect

O Lord, we beseech Thee, let Thy continual pity cleanse and defend Thy Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without Thy succor, preserve it evermore by Thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.



# Gradual

P: || It is better to trust in the | Lord: | - \*

**C:** Than to put con- | fi- | dence | in | man.

P: || It is better to trust in the | Lord: | - \*

**C:** Than to put confi- | dence | in | prin- | ces. (*Psalm 118:8-9*)

## Verse

P: || Alle- | lu- | ia! \*

C: Al- | — | le- | lu- | ia!

P: || O God, my heart is | stead- | fast; \*

**C:** I will sing and give praise, even with my glory. | Al- | le- | lu- | ia! (*Psalm 108:1*)

### **Deuteronomy 6:4-7**

<sup>4</sup>"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one! <sup>5</sup> You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. <sup>6</sup> And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. <sup>7</sup> You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up."

### Galatians 5:25-6:10

<sup>25</sup> If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. <sup>26</sup> Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another. <sup>6:1</sup> Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted.<sup>2</sup> Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. <sup>3</sup>For if anyone thinks himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself.<sup>4</sup> But let each one examine his own work, and then he will have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another.<sup>5</sup> For each one shall bear his own load. <sup>6</sup>Let him who is taught the word share in all good things with him who teaches. <sup>7</sup> Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap.<sup>8</sup> For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life. <sup>9</sup> And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. <sup>10</sup> Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

# St. Matthew 6:24-34

<sup>24</sup> "No one can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.<sup>25</sup> Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? <sup>26</sup> Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?<sup>27</sup> Which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature? <sup>28</sup> So why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; <sup>29</sup> and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. <sup>30</sup> Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? <sup>31</sup> Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' <sup>32</sup> For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. <sup>33</sup>But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. <sup>34</sup> Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble."

# TLH 235 "O Holy Spirit, Enter In"

Michael Schirmer, 1640

 O Holy Spirit, enter in And in our hearts Thy work begin, Thy temple deign to make us;
 Sun of the soul, Thou Light Divine, Around and in us brightly shine, To joy and gladness wake us That we, In Thee Truly living, To Thee giving Prayer unceasing, May in love be still increasing.

2. Give to thy Word impressive pow'r That in our hearts, from this good hour, As fire it may be glowing; That we confess the Father, Son, And Thee, the Spirit, Three in One, Thy glory ever showing.
Stay Thou, Guide now Our souls ever That they never May forsake Thee, But by faith their Refuge make Thee.

3. Thou Fountain whence all wisdom flows
Which God on pious hearts bestows,
Grant us Thy consolation
That in our pure faith's unity
We faithful witnesses may be
Of grace that brings salvation.
Hear us, Cheer us
By Thy teaching; Let our preaching
And our labor
Praise Thee, Lord, and serve our neighbor.

4. Left to ourselves, we shall but stray; Oh, lead us on the narrow way, With wisest counsel guide us, And give us steadfastness that we May ever faithful prove to Thee Whatever woes betide us. Come, Friend, And mend Hearts now broken, Give a token Thou art near us, Whom we trust to light and cheer us.

5. Thy heavenly strength sustain our heart That we may act the valiant part With Thee as our Reliance; Be Thou our Refuge and our Shield That we may never quit the field, But bid all foes defiance. Descend, Defend From all errors and Earth's terrors; Thy salvation Be our constant consolation.

6. O mighty Rock, O Source of Life, Let Thy dear Word, mid doubt and strife, Be strong within us burning That we be faithful unto death, In Thy pure love and holy faith, From Thee true wisdom learning. Thy grace And peace On us shower; By Thy power Christ confessing, Let us win our Savior's blessing.

7. O gentle Dew, from Heaven now fall
With power upon the hearts of all,
Thy tender love instilling,
That heart to heart more closely bound,
In kindly deeds be fruitful found,
The law of love fulfilling;
Dwell thus In us;
Envy banish; Strife will vanish
Where Thou livest.
Peace and love and joy Thou givest.

8. Grant that our days, while life shall last, In purest holiness be passed,Be Thou our Strength and Tower.From sinful lust and vanityAnd from dead works set Thou us freeIn every evil hour.Keep Thou Pure nowFrom offenses Heart and senses.Blessed Spirit,Let us heavenly life inherit. Amen.

## **TLH 520 "Commit Whatever Grieves Thee"** Paul Gerhardt, 1656

 Commit whatever grieves thee Into the gracious hands
 Of Him Who never leaves thee,
 Who Heav'n and Earth commands.
 Who points the clouds their courses,
 Whom winds and waves obey,
 He will direct thy footsteps
 And find for thee a way.

2. On Him place thy relianceIf thou wouldst be secure;His work thou must considerIf thine is to endure.By anxious sighs and grieving

And self-tormenting care God is not moved to giving; All must be gained by prayer.

3. Thy truth and grace, O Father, Most surely see and know
Both what is good and evil
For mortal man below.
According to Thy counsel
Thou wilt Thy work pursue;
And what Thy wisdom chooseth
Thy might will always do.

4. Thy hand is never shortened, All things must serve Thy might; Thine every act is blessing, Thy path is purest light. Thy work no man can hinder, Thy purpose none can stay, Since Thou to bless Thy children Wilt always find a way.

5. Though all the powers of evil The will of God oppose, His purpose will not falter, His pleasure onward goes.Whate'er God's will resolveth, Whatever He intends.Will always be accomplished True to His aims and ends.

6. Then hope, my feeble spirit, And be thou undismayed;God helps in every trial And makes thee unafraid.Await His time with patience, Then shall thine eyes behold The sun of joy and gladness His brightest beams unfold.

7. Arise, my soul, and banish Thy anguish and thy care. Away with thoughts that sadden And heart and mind ensnare! Thou art not lord and master Of thine own destiny; Enthroned in highest heaven, God rules in equity.

8. Leave all to His direction;In wisdom He doth reign,And in a way most wondrousHis course He will maintain.Soon He, His promise keeping,

With wonder-working skill Shall put away the sorrows That now thy spirit fill.

9. A while His consolation He may to thee deny, And seem as though in trial He far from thee would fly; A while distress and anguish May compass thee around, Nor to thy supplication An answering voice be found.

10. But if thou perseverest, Thou shalt deliverance find. Behold, all unexpected He will thy soul unbind And from the heavy burden Thy heart will soon set free; And thou wilt see the blessing He had in mind for thee.

11. O faithful child of Heaven, How blessèd shalt thou be!With songs of glad thanksgiving A crown awaiteth thee.Into thy hand thy MakerWill give the victor's palm.And thou to thy DelivererShalt sing a joyous psalm.

12. Give, Lord, this consummationTo all our heart's distress;Our hands, our feet, e'er strengthen,In death our spirits bless.Thy truth and Thy protectionGrant evermore, we pray,And in celestial gloryShall end our destined way. Amen.

**TLH 518 "If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee"** Georg Neumark, 1640

 If thou but suffer God to guide thee And hope in Him thro' all thy ways, He'll give thee strength, whate'er betide thee, And bear thee thro' the evil days.
 Who trusts in God's unchanging love Builds on the Rock that naught can move.

2. What can these anxious cares avail thee, These never-ceasing moans and sighs? What can it help if thou bewail thee O'er each dark moment as it flies? Our cross and trials do but press The heavier for our bitterness.

3. Be patient and await His leisure In cheerful hope, with heart content To take whate'er thy Father's pleasure And His discerning love hath sent, Nor doubt our inmost wants are known To Him Who chose us for His own.

4. God knows full well when times of gladnessShall be the needful thing for thee.When He has tried thy soul with sadnessAnd from all guile has found thee free,He comes to thee all unawareAnd makes thee own His loving care.

5. Nor think amid the fiery trial That God hath cast thee off unheard, That he whose hopes meet no denial Must surely be of God preferred. Time passes and much change doth bring And sets a bound to everything.

6. All are alike before the Highest;'Tis easy to our God, we know,To raise thee up, though low thou liest,To make the rich man poor and low.True wonders still by Him are wroughtWho setteth up and brings to naught.

7. Sing, pray, and keep His ways unswerving, Perform thy duties faithfully,And trust His Word; though undeserving,Thou yet shalt find it true for thee.God never yet forsook in needThe soul that trusted Him indeed. Amen.

**TLH 535 "Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing"** Paul Gerhardt, 1653

 Rejoice, my heart, be glad and sing, A cheerful trust maintain;
 For God, the Source of ev'rything, Thy Portion shall remain.

2. He is thy Treasure, He thy Joy, Thy Life and Light and Lord, Thy Counselor when doubts annoy, Thy Shield and great Reward.

3. Why spend the day in blank despair, In restless tho't the night?

On thy Creator cast thy care; He makes thy burdens light.

4. Did not His love and truth and pow'r Watch o'er thy childhood day? Has He not oft in threat'ning hour Turned dreaded ills away?

5. He ever will with patience chide, His rod falls gently down, And all thy sins He casts aside And in the sea doth drown.

6. When silent woe thy bosom rends,His pity sees thy grief,Supplies what to His glory tendsAnd to thine own relief.

7. He knows how oft a Christian weeps And why his tears now fall; And in the His mercy keeps These things are noted all.

8. His wisdom never plans in vain, Ne'er falters or mistakes; All that His counsels did ordain A happy ending makes.

9. Upon thy lips, then, lay thy hand And trust His guiding love; Then like a rock thy peace shall stand Here and in Heaven above. Amen.