

Communion Practice: 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.

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.

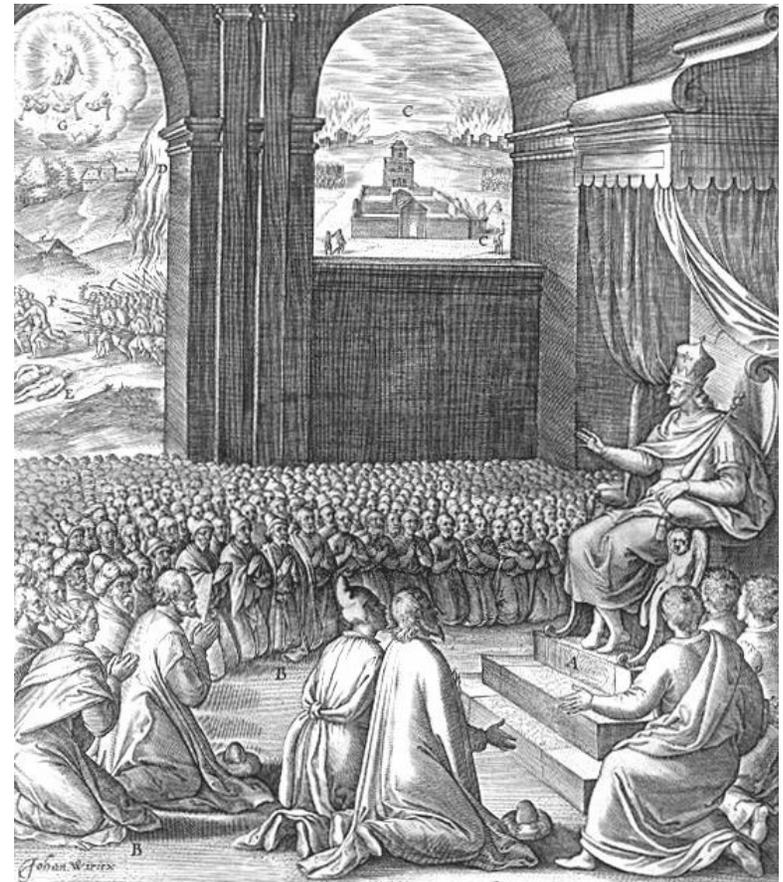
A Prayer after Communion

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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The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity Sunday
November 12th, 2017

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“For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.” St. Matthew 24:27

The Order of Divine Service

Prelude	<i>“Fugue in C Major”</i>	George Friedrich Handel
Silent Prayer		
The Hymn	<i>“The World Is Very Evil”</i>	TLH 605
<i>Stand</i>		
The Confiteor		
The Invocation and Address		TLH p. 15
Versicles		TLH p. 15
Confession and Absolution		TLH p. 16
The Introit	<i>(Tone 7)</i>	INSERT
The Kyrie		TLH p. 17
The Gloria in Excelsis		TLH p. 17-19
The Salutation		TLH p. 19
The Collect for the Day		INSERT
<i>Sit</i>		
The Lesson		Isaiah 49:12-17
<i>After each Lesson:</i>	V: This is the Word of the Lord. R: Thanks be to God.	
The Gradual		INSERT
The Epistle		1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
The Verse		INSERT
The Triple Hallelujah	<i>(First Setting)</i>	TLH p. 20
<i>Stand</i>		
The Holy Gospel		St. Matthew 24:15-28
The Nicene Creed		TLH p. 22
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“Farewell I Gladly Bid Thee”</i>	TLH 407
The Sermon	<i>I Have Told You Beforehand</i>	
<i>Stand</i>		
The Offertory	<i>“Create in Me A Clean Heart, O God”</i>	TLH p. 22-23
<i>Sit</i>		
The Offering		
<i>Stand</i>		
The General Prayer		TLH p. 23
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“From God Shall Naught Divide Me”</i>	TLH 393
<i>Stand</i>		
The Preface		TLH p. 24
The Proper Preface		TLH p. 25
The Sanctus and Benedictus		TLH p. 26
The Lord’s Prayer		TLH p. 27
The Verba Domini		TLH p. 27
The Pax Domini		TLH p. 27

The Agnus Dei		TLH p. 28
<i>Sit</i>		
The Distribution		
<i>Stand</i>		
The Post-Communion Canticle	<i>“The Nunc Dimittis”</i>	TLH p. 29-30
The Thanksgiving	<i>(“And His mercy endureth forever”)</i>	TLH p. 30
The Post-Communion Collect		
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“All Men Living Are But Mortal”</i>	TLH 601
<i>Stand</i>		
The Salutation		TLH p. 31
The Benedicamus		TLH p. 31
The Benediction		TLH p. 31
Silent Prayer		
<i>Sit</i>		
Announcements		
Postlude	<i>“O Gott, du frommer Gott”</i>	Johann Gottfried Walther

In Our Prayers:

- For all those who are sick or infirmed, especially, *Rev. Ned Brockwell, Lynne Smith, Ben Smith, Doug Schultz, Denise Heiser, Rev. Donald Hunter, Emily Benson, Orlin Palm, Donna Dorgelo, Nancy, Pat, Caroline, Rev. Mark Mueller, Jo Kope, Mike Miller, Rev. Eric Stefanski, Marie Scheck, and Vince Bost.*
- For our bishop, the *Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser.*
- For the parishes served by our diocese, especially, *Sts. Peter and Paul Ev. Lutheran Church, Greenville, SC,* and her pastor, the *Rev. Jerald Dulas,* and Emeritus Pastor, *Rev. Gilbert Eliason.*
- 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.
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week.
- For those traveling this week, especially *Gary Walcott.*

Announcements

Daily Readings for the Week after the Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity

	Morning	Evening
Today	Ezek. 45-46; Luke 17:20-33	Ezekiel 47-48; 2 Peter 3:3-15
Monday:	Dan. 1-2; Matt. 24:29-51	Daniel 3-4; 11:36—12:13
Tuesday:	Dan. 5-6; Matt. 22:23-33	Daniel 7-8; Ezekiel 38:1-23
Wednesday:	Dan. 9-10; 1 Cor. 15:11-50	Daniel 11-12; Ezekiel 39:1-29
Thursday:	Hosea 1-2; Heb. 3:7—4:13	Hosea 3-4; Isaiah 43:14-25
Friday:	Hosea 5-6; Hebrews 11:8-16	Hosea 7-8; Isaiah 33:17-24
Saturday:	Hosea 9-10; Heb. 12:18-29	Hosea 11-2; Ezekiel 37:1-14

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Psalms 116, 64-65	Psalms 18, Part II, 66-68
Monday:	Psalms 116, 69	Psalms 18, Part II, 70-72
Tuesday:	Psalms 116, 73	Psalms 18, Part II, 74-76
Wednesday:	Psalms 116, 77	Psalms 18, Part II, 78
Thursday:	Psalms 116, 79-80	Psalms 18, Part II, 81-83
Friday:	Psalms 116, 84-85	Psalms 18, Part II, 86-88
Saturday:	Psalms 116, 89	Psalms 18, Part III, 90-92

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday:	Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration, III.8-17
Tuesday:	Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration, III.18-25
Wednesday:	Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration, III.26-30
Thursday:	Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration, III.31-35
Friday:	Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration, III.36-43

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 407—“Farewell I Gladly Bid Thee”

Evening: TLH 393—“From God Shall Naught Divide Me”

Calendar for the Week after the Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Today: The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:00 a.m. Bible Study

Monday: 10:00 a.m. Pastor teaches Homiletics I class

Tuesday: No Events Scheduled

Wednesday: No Events Scheduled

Thursday: No Events Scheduled

Friday: 10:00 a.m. Pastor teaches Homiletics I class

Saturday: No Events Scheduled

Next Sunday: The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:00 a.m. Bible Study

The Lutheran Herald

The November 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 seminary’s fall quarter ends this Friday, November 17. The winter quarter of our seminarian’s last year will begin on Monday, November 27. Please keep the seminary and the seminarian 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 Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 49:12-17

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 24:15-28

November 19th—The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 40:9-11

Epistle: 2 Peter 3:3-14

Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 25:31-46

An Excerpt from Martin Luther’s Sermons

“The Prophet Daniel desired to know the definite time when this should come to pass, but he could not learn it, and although the angel pointed out a definite time, it was nevertheless too dark for the prophet to understand, hence he said before: But at last, at the last time, you shall see everything, that is, your prophecy, that is to be revealed to you, shall transpire at the end of time. For when Christ sent out the Gospel through the ministry of Himself and of the Apostles, it lasted three or three and a half years, that it almost amounts to the calculation of Daniel, namely the 490 years. Hence he also says, Christ shall take a half a week, in which the daily offerings shall cease; that is, the priesthood and reign of the Jews shall have an end; which all took place in the three and a half years in which Christ preached, and was almost completed in four years after Christ, in which the Gospel prospered the most, especially in Palestine through the Apostles (that when they opened their mouth, the Holy Ghost fell as it were, from Heaven, as we see in the Acts of the Apostles), so that a whole week, or seven years, established the covenant, as Daniel says; that is, the Gospel was preached to the Jews, of which we spoke before. Now, when the time came that a new message or sermon began, there must also begin a new kingdom, that is, where Christ rules spiritually in our hearts through the Word and faith. If this is now to continue, then the other must be set aside and has no more authority and must cease. This is the part of the prophecy of the prophets, which Christ is explaining.” *From the Church Postil for the Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Trinity Sunday in 1525.*

THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY SUNDAY

November 12th, 2017



Introit

P: **HAVE - MER-** - || cy on me, O Lord, for I | am | in | trou- | ble; *

C: Deliver me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who | per- | se- | cute | **me.** -

P: || Do not let me be | a- | shamed, | O | Lord, *

C: For I have | called | u- | pon | **You.** - (*Psalm 31:9a, 15b, and 17a*)

P: || In You, O Lord, | I | put | my | trust; *

C: Let me nev- | er | be | a- | **shamed;** -

P: || Deliver me in | Your | right- | eous- | ness. *

C: Bow down Your ear to me; deliver | me | speed- | i- | **ly.** -

P: || Into Your hand I com- | mit | my | spir- | it; *

C: You have redeemed me, O | Lord | God | of | **truth.** -

P: || Be of good courage, and He shall | streng- | then | your | heart, *

C: All you who | hope | in | the | **Lord.** - (*Psalm 31:1-2a, 5, and 24*)

GLORIA PATRI (From Hymnal)

P: || Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I | am | in | trou- | ble; *

C: Deliver me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who | per- | se- | cute | **me.** -

P: || Do not let me be | a- | shamed, | O | Lord, *

C: For I have | called | u- | pon | **You.** - (*Psalm 31:9a, 15b, and 17a*)

Collect

Almighty God, we beseech Thee, show Thy mercy unto Thy humble servants, that we who put no trust in our own merits may not be dealt with after the severity of Thy judgment, but according to Thy mercy; 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: || Your enemies roar in the midst of | Your | meet- | ing | place; *

C: They set up their | ban- | ners | for | **signs.** -

P: || Remember Your congregation, which You have | pur- | chased | of | old, *

C: The tribe of Your inheritance, which | You | have | re- | **deemed.** - (*Psalm 74:4, 2a*)

Verse

P: || Al- | — | le- | lu- | ia! *

C: Al- | — | le- | lu- | **ia!** -

P: || There is a river whose streams shall make glad the | ci- | ty | of | God, *

C: The holy place of the tabernacle of the Most High. | Al- | le- | lu- | **ia!** - (*Psalm 46:4*)

Isaiah 49:12-17

¹² Surely these shall come from afar; Look! Those from the north and the west, and these from the land of Sinim. ¹³ Sing, O heavens! Be joyful, O earth! And break out in singing, O mountains! For the LORD has comforted His people, and will have mercy on His afflicted. ¹⁴ But Zion said, “The LORD has forsaken me, and my Lord has forgotten me.” ¹⁵ Can a woman forget her nursing child, and not have compassion on the son of her womb? Surely they may forget, yet I will not forget you. ¹⁶ See, I have inscribed you on the palms of My hands; Your walls are continually before Me. ¹⁷ Your sons shall make haste; Your destroyers and those who laid you waste shall go away from you.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

¹³ But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. ¹⁴ For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. ¹⁵ For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. ¹⁶ For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. ¹⁸ Therefore comfort one another with these words.

St. Matthew 24:15-28

¹⁵ “Therefore when you see the ‘abomination of desolation,’ spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place” (whoever reads, let him understand), ¹⁶ “then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. ¹⁷ Let him who is on the housetop not go down to take anything out of his house. ¹⁸ And let him who is in the field not go back to get his clothes. ¹⁹ But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! ²⁰ And pray that your flight may not be in winter or on the Sabbath. ²¹ For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. ²² And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect’s sake those days will be shortened. ²³ Then if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here is the Christ!’ or ‘There!’ do not believe it. ²⁴ For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect. ²⁵ See, I have told you beforehand. ²⁶ Therefore if they say to you, ‘Look, He is in the desert!’ do not go out; or ‘Look, He is in the inner rooms!’ do not believe it. ²⁷ For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. ²⁸ For wherever the carcass is, there the eagles will be gathered together.”

TLH 605 “The World Is Very Evil”

Bernard of Morlas, about 1140

1. The world is very evil,
The times are waxing late;
Be sober and keep vigil,
The Judge is at the gate;
The Judge that comes in mercy,
The Judge that comes with might,
To terminate the evil,
To diadem the right.

2. Arise, arise, good Christian,
Let right to wrong succeed;
Let penitential sorrow
To heav'nly gladness lead,
To light that hath no evening,
That knows no moon nor sun,
The light so new and golden,
The light that is but one.

3. O home of fadeless splendor,
Of flow'rs that bear no thorn,
Where they shall dwell as children
Who here as exiles mourn.
Midst pow'r that knows no limit,
Where knowledge has no bound,
The beatific vision
Shall glad the saints around.

4. Strive, man, to win that glory;
Toil, man, to gain that light;
Send hope before to grasp it
Till hope be lost in sight.
Exult, O dust and ashes,
The Lord shall be thy part;
His only, His forever,
Thou shalt be and thou art.

5. O sweet and blessed country,
The home of God's elect!
O sweet and blessed country
That eager hearts expect!
Jesus, in mercy bring us
To that dear land of rest,
Who art, with God the Father
And Spirit, ever blest. Amen.

TLH 407 “Farewell I Gladly Bid Thee” Valerius
Herberger, 1613

1. Farewell I gladly bid Thee,
False, evil world, farewell.
Thy life is vain and sinful,

With Thee I would not dwell.
I long to be in Heaven,
In that untroubled sphere
Where they will be rewarded
Who served their God while here.

2. By Thy good counsel lead me,
O Son of God, my Stay;
In each perplexing trial
Help me, O Lord, I pray.
Mine hour of sorrow shorten,
Support my fainting heart,
From ev'ry cross deliver,
The crown of life impart.

3. When darkness round me gathers,
Thy Name and cross, still bright,
Deep in my heart are sparkling
Like stars in blackest night.
O heart, this image cherish:
The Christ on Calvary,
How patiently He suffered
And shed His blood for me!

4. Lord, hide my soul securely
Deep in Thy wounded side;
From every danger shield me
And to Thy glory guide.
He has been truly blessed
Who reaches Heaven above;
He has found perfect healing
Who rests upon Thy love.

5. Lord, write my name, I pray Thee,
Now in the Book of Life
And with all true believers
Take me where joys are rife.
There let me bloom and flourish,
Thy perfect freedom prove,
And tell, as I adore Thee,
How faithful was Thy love. Amen.

TLH 393 “From God Shall Naught Divide Me”

Ludwig Helmbold, 1563

1. From God shall naught divide me,
For He is true for aye
And on my path will guide me,
Who else should often stray.
His right hand holdeth me;
For me He truly careth,
My burdens ever beareth
Wherever I may be.

2. When man's help and affection
Shall unavailing prove,
God grants me His protection
And shows His pow'r and love.
He helps in ev'ry need,
From sin and shame redeems me,
From chains and bonds reclaims me,
Yea, e'en from death I'm freed.

3. God shall be my Reliance
In sorrow's darkest night;
Its dread I bid defiance
When He is at my right.
I unto Him commend
My body, soul, and spirit,—
They are His own by merit,—
All's well then at the end.

4. Oh, praise Him, for He never
Forgets our daily need;
Oh, blest the hour whenever
To Him our thoughts can speed;
Yea, all the time we spend
Without Him is but wasted,
Till we His joy have tasted,
The joy that hath no end.

5. Yea, when the world shall perish
With all its pride and power,
Whatever worldlings cherish
Shall vanish in that hour.
But though in death they make
The deepest grave our cover,
When there our sleep is over,
Our God will us awake.

6. What though I here must suffer
Distress and trials sore,
I merit ways still rougher;
And yet there is in store
For me eternal bliss,
Yea, pleasures without measure,
Since Christ is now my Treasure
And shall be evermore. Amen.

TLH 601 "All Men Living Are But Mortal"
Johann G. Albinus, 1652

1. All men living are but mortal,
Yea, all flesh must fade as grass;
Only thro' death's gloomy portal
To eternal life we pass.
This frail body here must perish
Ere the heav'nly joys it cherish,

Ere it gain the free reward
For the ransomed of the Lord.

2. Therefore, when my God doth choose it,
Willingly I'll yield my life
Nor will grieve that I should lose it,
For with sorrows it was rife.
In my dear Redeemer's merit
Peace hath found my troubled spirit,
And in death my comfort this:
Jesus' death my source of bliss.

3. Jesus for my sake descended
My salvation to obtain;
Death and Hell for me are ended,
Peace and hope are now my gain;
Yea, with joy I leave earth's sadness
For the home of heav'nly gladness,
Where I shall forever see
God, the Holy Trinity.

4. There is joy beyond our telling,
Where so many saints have gone;
Thousands, thousands, there are dwelling,
Worshiping before the throne,
There the Seraphim are shining,
Evermore in chorus joining:
"Holy, holy, holy, Lord!
Triune God, for aye adored!"

5. Patriarchs of sacred story
And the prophets there are found;
The apostles, too, in glory
On twelve seats are there enthroned.
All the saints that have ascended
Age on age, through time extended,
There in blissful concert sing
Hallelujahs to their King.

6. O Jerusalem, how glorious
Dost thou shine, thou city fair!
Lo, I hear the tones victorious
Ever sweetly sounding there.
Oh, the bliss that there surprises!
Lo, the sun of morn now rises,
And the breaking day I see
That shall never end for me.

7. Yea, I see what here was told me,
See that wondrous glory shine,
Feel the spotless robes enfold me,
Know a golden crown is mine.
Thus before the throne so glorious
Now I stand a soul victorious,

Gazing on that joy for aye
That shall never pass away. Amen.