

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 everyone be examined and instructed by the Pastor 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 Bishop, 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 Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday
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*“But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus,
‘And who is my neighbor?’” St. Luke 10:29*

The Order of Divine Service

The Prelude	<i>“F Major”</i>	Johann Erasmus Kindermann
The Ringing of the Bell		
Silent Prayer		
The Hymn	<i>“O God, Thou Faithful God”</i>	TLH 395
<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 5)</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 18:1-5
<i>After each Lesson:</i>	V: This is the Word of the Lord.	
	R: Thanks be to God.	
The Gradual		INSERT
The Epistle		Galatians 3:15-22
The Verse		INSERT
The Triple Hallelujah	<i>(First Setting)</i>	TLH p. 20
<i>Stand</i>		
The Holy Gospel		St. Luke 10:23-37
The Nicene Creed		TLH p. 22
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“Jesus, Priceless Treasure”</i>	TLH 347
The Sermon	<i>Who Is My Neighbor?</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>“Oh, How Great Is Thy Compassion”</i>	TLH 384
<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 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>“Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart”</i>	TLH 429
<i>Stand</i>		
The Salutation		TLH p. 31
The Benedicamus		TLH p. 31
The Benediction		TLH p. 31
Silent Prayer		
<i>Sit</i>		
Announcements		
The Postlude	<i>“Erhalt uns, Herr”</i>	Michael Praetorius

great and ardent love we should have for God. Those who serve God only with their lips, with their hands or with their knees, are hypocrites, and God cares nothing for them. For God does not want only a part, on the contrary He wants the whole man.” *This sermon is from the Church Postil of Martin Luther for the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday.*

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, Nancy, Pat, Caroline, Rev. Charles Hudson, Rev. Mark Mueller, Eleanor Smolen, Jo Kope, Rev. Eric Stefanski, Brandon Dennie, Paul Meadows, Vera Davis, Nellie Noegel, Marie Scheck, Maile Manalo, Richard Noegel, and Vince Bost.*
- For our bishop, the *Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser.*
- For the parishes served by our diocese, especially, *St. Luke Ev. Lutheran Church, Kenai, AK; Fairbanks Ev. Lutheran Mission, Fairbanks, AK; and Homer Ev. Lutheran Mission, Homer, AK; and their pastor, the Rev. Tim Tolar.*
- For our seminary, *St. Ignatius Evangelical Theological Lutheran Seminary.*
- For our catechumens.
- For all those who serve in the military, especially, *Luke Sekula, Joshua and Christopher Heck, 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 *Pastor and Tanya Dulas.*

Announcements

Daily Readings for the Week of the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

	Morning	Evening
Today	Eccles. 28-29; Matt. 20:20-28	Ecclesiasticus 30-31 1 Timothy 1:5-17
Monday:	Eccles. 32-33; 1 Thess. 5:12-28	Ecclesiasticus 34-35; 2 Kings 10:1-36
Tuesday:	Eccles. 36-37; 1 Tim. 1:1-20	Ecclesiasticus 38-39; 2 Chronicles 22:1-12
Wednesday:	Eccles. 40-41; 1 Tim. 2:1-15	Ecclesiasticus 42-43; 2 Chronicles 23:1-21
Thursday:	Eccles. 44-45; 1 Tim. 3:1-16	Ecclesiasticus 46-47; 2 Chronicles 24:1-27
Friday:	Eccles. 48-49; 1 Tim. 4:1-16	Ecclesiasticus 50-51; 2 Kings 14:1-29
Saturday:	Job 1-2; 1 Tim. 5:1-25	Job 3-4; 2 Kings 15:1-38

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Ps. 119, Part XIII, 120-125	Psalms 84, 126-132
Monday:	Ps. 119, Part XIII, 133-135	Psalms 84, 136-139
Tuesday:	Ps. 119, Part XIII, 140-141	Psalms 84, 142-143
Wednesday:	Psalms 119, Part XIII, 144	Psalms 84, 145
Thursday:	Psalms 119, Part XIII, 146	Psalms 84, 147
Friday:	Psalms 119, Part XIII, 148	Psalms 84, 149-150
Saturday:	Psalms 119, Part XIII, 1-4	Psalms 66, 5-8

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Mon.: The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord. Rule. 14-20
Tuesday: The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord. I. 1-6
Wednesday: The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord. I. 7-15
Thursday: The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord. I. 16-25
Friday: The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord. I. 26-32

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 347—“Jesus, Priceless Treasure”

Evening: TLH 384—“Oh, How Great Is Thy Compassion”

Calendar for the Week after the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Today: The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:15 a.m. Bible class

11:30 a.m. Vestry Meeting

Monday: Pastor and Tanya on Vacation

Tuesday: Pastor and Tanya on Vacation

Wednesday: Pastor and Tanya on Vacation

Thursday: Pastor and Tanya on Vacation

Friday: Pastor and Tanya on Vacation

Saturday: Pastor and Tanya on Vacation

Next Sunday: The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—

Green 10:00 a.m. Küster Service

11:15 a.m. Bible class

Pastor and Tanya on Vacation

Vestry Meeting

The next Vestry Meeting is scheduled for TODAY at 11:30 a.m. We'll see you there.

The Lutheran Herald

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St. Ignatius Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary

If you know of anyone interested in attending our seminary to be a pastor in our diocese, please contact Bishop Heiser.

Needs for the McCall Hospice House

There is 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.

Ask the Pastor

The Rev. Joshua Sullivan of Holy Cross Ev. Luth. Church, Kerrville, TX puts out weekly videos dealing with a wide range of theological topics. Please check them out and subscribe to be notified when a new one is published at <http://www.youtube.com/user/ATPHolyCross>.

To Read in Preparation for this week's Festivals:

Today—The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Old Testament Lesson: Leviticus 18:1-5

Epistle: Galatians 3:15-22

Holy Gospel: St. Luke 10:23-37

September 2nd—The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Old Testament Lesson: Jeremiah 17:13-14

Epistle: Galatians 5:16-24

Holy Gospel: St. Luke 17:11-19

An Excerpt from Luther's Writings

“Now we must have high regard for the law. It says: ‘Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.’ Thou, thou, it says, thou, and everything thou art; and especially does it mean the heart, the soul and all thy powers. It does not speak of the tongue, or the hands, or the knees; but it speaks of the whole body, and of all thou hast and art. If I am to have no other God, then I must surely possess the only true God with my heart, that is, I must in my heart be affectionate to Him, evermore cleave to Him, depend upon Him, trust Him, have my desire, love and joy in Him, and always think of Him. Just as we say at other times when we delight in something, that it tastes good in our very heart. And when one speaks or laughs and is not in earnest, and does not mean it from his heart, we say: You laugh, and your heart is not in it. The heart is quite a different thing than the lips. Therefore, in the Scriptures the heart signifies the

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Daily Readings for the Week of the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

	Morning	Evening
Today	Job 5-6; St. John 5:1-15	Job 7-8; Acts 3:1-10
Monday:	Job 9-10; 1 Tim. 6:1-21	Job 11-12; Isaiah 6:1-13
Tuesday:	Job 13-14; 2 Tim. 1:1-18	Job 15-16; Amos 7:7-17
Wednesday:	Job 17-18; 2 Tim. 2:1-26	Job 19-20; 2 Kings 16:1-20
Thursday:	Job 21-22; Titus 1:1-16	Job 23-24; 2 Kings 17:1-23
Friday:	Job 25-26; Titus 2:1-10	Job 27-28; 2 Kings 18:1-37
Saturday:	Job 29-30; Titus 2:15—3:3	Job 31-32; 2 Kings 19:1-37

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Psalms 119, Part XIV, 9-11	Psalms 66, 12-17
Monday:	Psalms 119, Part XIV, 18	Psalms 66, 19-22
Tuesday:	Psalms 119, Part XIV, 23-25	Psalms 66, 26-30
Wednesday:	Psalms 119, Part XIV, 31-32	Psalms 66, 33-34
Thursday:	Psalms 119, Part XIV, 35	Psalms 66, 36-37
Friday:	Psalms 119, Part XIV, 38	Psalms 66, 39-41
Saturday:	Psalms 119, Part XIV, 42-44	Psalms 34, 45-48

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Mon.:	The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.I.33-42
Tuesday:	The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.I.43-49
Wednesday:	The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.I.50-62
Thursday:	The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.II.1-7
Friday:	The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.II.8-14

Hymns for the Week:

Morning:	TLH 25—"I Will Sing My Maker's Praises"
Evening:	TLH 393—"From God Shall Naught Divide Me"

Calendar for the Week after the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Today: The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

10:00 a.m. Küster Service
11:15 a.m. Bible class
Pastor and Tanya on Vacation

Monday: Pastor on Vacation

Tuesday: Pastor on Vacation

Wednesday: Pastor on Vacation

Thursday: Pastor on Vacation

Friday: Pastor on Vacation

Saturday: Pastor on Vacation

Alice Sekula's Birthday

Next Sunday: The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

10:00 a.m. Küster Service
11:15 a.m. Bible class
Pastor on Vacation

To Read in Observance for this week's Festivals:

Today—The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Old Testament Lesson: Jeremiah 17:13-14

Epistle: Galatians 5:16-24

Holy Gospel: St. Luke 17:11-19

September 9th—The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Old Testament Lesson: Deuteronomy 6:4-7

Epistle: Galatians 5:25—6:10

Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 6:24-34

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Daily Readings for the Week of the Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

	Morning	Evening
Today	Job 33-34; Luke 10:38-42	Job 35-36; Acts 8:26-39
Monday:	Job 37-38; Titus 3:8-15	Job 39-40; 2 Kings 20:1-21
Tuesday:	Job 41-42; Philemon	Apocryphal Esther 11-12; 2 Kings 21:1-26
Wednesday:	Esther 1-2; Hebrews 1:1-14	Esther 3; Apocryphal Esther 13; 2 Chronicles 34:1-33
Thurs.:	Es. 4; Apoc. Es. 14; Heb. 2:5—3:6	Apocryphal Esther 15; Esther 5; 2 Chronicles 35:20—36:10
Friday:	Esther 6-7; Heb. 4:14—5:14	Esther 8; Apocryphal Esther 16; Jeremiah 22:1- 30
Sat.:	Esther 9-10, Postscript; Heb. 6:1-20	Ezra 1-2; Jeremiah 25:1-14

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Psalms 119, Part XV, 49	Psalms 34, 50-51
Monday:	Psalms 119, Part XV, 52-54	Psalms 34, 55-57
Tuesday:	Psalms 119, Part XV, 58-59	Psalms 34, 60-63
Wednesday:	Psalms 119, Part XV, 64-65	Psalms 34, 66-68
Thursday:	Psalms 119, Part XV, 69	Psalms 34, 70-72
Friday:	Psalms 119, Part XV, 73	Psalms 34, 74-76
Saturday:	Psalms 119, Part XV, 77	Psalms 36, 78

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Mon.: The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.II.15-19
Tuesday: The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.II.20-28
Wed.: The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.II.29-40
Thursday: The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.II.41-47
Friday: The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.II.48-56

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 Sunday

Today: The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

10:00 a.m. Küster Service

11:15 a.m. Bible class

Pastor on Vacation

Monday: Communion Visit to Myrtle Beach, SC

Tuesday: *Patriot Day*

Communion Visit to Myrtle Beach, SC

Wednesday: No Events Scheduled

Thursday: No Events Scheduled

Friday: No Events Scheduled

Saturday: No Events Scheduled

Next Sunday: The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:15 a.m. Bible class

3 p.m. Divine Service in Augusta, GA

To Read in Observance for this week's Festivals:

Today—The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Old Testament Lesson: Deuteronomy 6:4-7

Epistle: Galatians 5:25—6:10

Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 6:24-34

September 16th—The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Old Testament Lesson: Deuteronomy 32:39-40

Epistle: Ephesians 3:13-21

Holy Gospel: St. Luke 7:11-17

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY SUNDAY

August 26th, 2018



Introit

P: HAVE RE- || spect to Your covenant, O | Lord; | - *

C: Oh, do not let the oppressed | re- | turn | a- | shamed!

P: || Arise, O God, plead Your own | cause; | - *

C: Do not forget the voice of | Your | en- | e- | mies. (*Psalm 74:20a, 21a, 22a, 23a*)

P: || O God, why have You cast us off for- | ev- | er? *

C: Why does Your anger smoke against the sheep | of | Your | past-
| ure?

P: || Remember Your congre- | ga- | tion, *

C: Which You have | pur- | chased | of | old,

P: || The tribe of Your inheritance, which You have re- | deemed | - *

C: —This Mount Zion | where | You | have | dwelt.

P: || Do not forget the life of Your poor for- | ev- | er. *

C: Let the poor and need- | y | praise | Your | name. (*Ps 74:1-2, 19b, 21b*)

GLORIA PATRI (From Hymnal)

P: || Have respect to Your covenant, O | Lord; | - *

C: Oh, do not let the oppressed | re- | turn | a- | shamed!

P: || Arise, O God, plead Your own | cause; | - *

C: Do not forget the voice of | Your | en- | e- | mies. (*Psalm 74:20a, 21a, 22a, 23a*)

Collect

Almighty and Everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity, and that we may obtain that which Thou dost promise, make us to love that which Thou dost command; 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: || Have respect to Your covenant, O | Lord; | - *

C: Oh, do not let the oppressed | re- | turn | a- | shamed!

P: || Arise, O God, plead Your own | cause; | - *

C: Do not forget the voice of | Your | en- | e- | mies. (*Psalm 74:20a, 21a, 22a, 23a*)

Verse

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

C: Al- | — | le- | lu- | ia!

P: || O Lord, God of my sal- | va- | tion, *

C: I have cried out day and night before You. | Al- | le- | lu- | ia! (*Psalm 88:1*)

Leviticus 18:1-5

¹ Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,
² “Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: ‘I am the LORD your God. ³ According to the doings of the land of Egypt, where you dwelt, you shall not do; and according to the doings of the land of Canaan, where I am bringing you, you shall not do; nor shall you walk in their ordinances. ⁴ You shall observe My judgments and keep My ordinances, to walk in them: I am the LORD your God. ⁵ You shall therefore keep My statutes and My judgments, which if a man does, he shall live by them: I am the LORD.’”

Galatians 3:15-22

¹⁵ Brethren, I speak in the manner of men: Though it is only a man’s covenant, yet if it is confirmed, no one annuls or adds to it. ¹⁶ Now to Abraham and his Seed were the promises made. He does not say, “And to seeds,” as of many, but as of one, “And to your Seed,” who is Christ. ¹⁷ And this I say, that the law, which was four hundred and thirty years later, cannot annul the covenant that was confirmed before by God in Christ, that it should make the promise of no effect. ¹⁸ For if the inheritance is of the law, it is no longer of promise; but God gave it to Abraham by promise. ¹⁹ What purpose then does the law serve? It was added because of transgressions, till the Seed should come to whom the promise was made; and it was appointed through angels by the hand of a mediator. ²⁰ Now a mediator does not mediate for one only, but God is one. ²¹ Is the law then against the promises of God? Certainly not! For if there had been a law given which could have given life, truly righteousness would have been by the law. ²² But the Scripture has confined all under sin, that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.

St. Luke 10:23-37

²³ Then He turned to His disciples and said privately, “Blessed are the eyes which see the things you see; ²⁴ for I tell you that many prophets and kings have desired to see what you see, and have not seen it, and to hear what you hear, and have not heard it.” ²⁵ And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” ²⁶ He said to him, “What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?” ²⁷ So he answered and said, “‘You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,’ and ‘your neighbor as yourself.’” ²⁸ And He said to him, “You have answered rightly; do this and you will live.” ²⁹ But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” ³⁰ Then Jesus answered and said: “A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³² Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. ³³ But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. ³⁴ So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵ On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, ‘Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.’ ³⁶ So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?” ³⁷ And he said, “He who showed mercy on him.” Then Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

TLH 395 “O God, Thou Faithful God”

Johann Heermann, 1630

1. O God, Thou faithful God,
Thou Fountain ever flowing,
Who good and perfect gifts
In mercy art bestowing,
Give me a healthy frame,
And may I have within
A conscience free from blame,
A soul unhurt by sin!

2. Grant Thou me strength to do
With ready heart and willing
Whate'er Thou shalt command,
My calling here fulfilling;
To do it when I ought,
With all my might, and bless
The work I thus have wrought,
For Thou must give success.

3. Oh, let me never speak
What bounds of truth exceedeth;
Grant that no idle word
From out my mouth proceedeth;
And then, when in my place
I must and ought to speak,
My words grant pow'r and grace
Lest I offend the weak.

4. If dangers gather round,
Still keep me calm and fearless;
Help me to bear the cross
When life is dark and cheerless;
And let me win my foe
With words and actions kind.
When counsel I would know,
Good counsel let me find.

5. And let me with all men,
As far as in me lieth,
In peace and friendship live.
And if Thy gift supplieth
Great wealth and honor fair,
Then this refuse me not,
That naught be mingled there
Of goods unjustly got.

6. If Thou a longer life
Hast here on Earth decreed me;
If Thou through many ills
To age at length wilt lead me,
Thy patience on me shed.
Avert all sin and shame

And crown my hoary head
With honor free from blame.

7. Let me depart this life
Confiding in my Savior;
Do Thou my soul receive
That it may live forever;
And let my body have
A quiet resting-place
Within a Christian grave;
And let it sleep in peace.

8. And on that solemn Day
When all the dead are waking,
Stretch o'er my grave Thy hand,
Thyself my slumbers breaking.
Then let me hear Thy voice,
Change Thou this earthly frame,
And bid me aye rejoice
With those who love Thy Name. Amen.

TLH 347 “Jesus, Priceless Treasure”

Johann Franck, 1655

1. Jesus, priceless Treasure,
Fount of purest pleasure,
Truest Friend to me.
Ah, how long in anguish
Shall my spirit languish,
Yearning, Lord, for Thee?
Thou art mine, O Lamb divine!
I will suffer naught to hide Thee,
Naught I ask beside Thee.

2. In Thine arms I rest me;
Foes who would molest me
Cannot reach me here.
Tho' the earth be shaking,
Ev'ry heart be quaking,
Jesus calms my fear.
Lightnings flash And thunders crash;
Yet, tho' sin and Hell assail me,
Jesus will not fail me.

3. Satan, I defy thee;
Death, I now decry thee;
Fear, I bid thee cease.
World, thou shalt not harm me
Nor thy threats alarm me
While I sing of peace.
God's great pow'r Guards ev'ry hour;
Earth and all its depths adore Him,
Silent bow before Him.

4. Hence, all earthly treasure!
Jesus is my Pleasure,
Jesus is my Choice.
Hence, all empty glory!
Naught to me thy story
Told with tempting voice.
Pain or loss, Or shame or cross,
Shall not from my Savior move me
Since He deigns to love me.

5. Evil world, I leave thee;
Thou canst not deceive me,
Thine appeal is vain.
Sin that once did blind me,
Get thee far behind me,
Come not forth again.
Past thy hour, O pride and power;
Sinful life, thy bonds I sever,
Leave thee now forever.

6. Hence, all fear and sadness!
For the Lord of gladness,
Jesus, enters in.
Those who love the Father,
Though the storms may gather,
Still have peace within.
Yea, whate'er I here must bear,
Thou art still my purest Pleasure,
Jesus, priceless Treasure! Amen.

TLH 384 "Oh, How Great Is Thy Compassion"

Johann Olearius, 1671

1. Oh, how great is Thy compassion,
Faithful Father, God of grace,
That with all our fallen race
And in our deep degradation
Thou wast merciful that we
Might be saved eternally!

2. Thy great love for this hath striven
That we may from sin be free
And forever live with Thee;
Yea, Thy Son Himself hath given
In His grace an earnest call
To His Supper unto all.

3. And for this our soul's salvation
Voucheth Thy good Spirit, Lord,
In Thy Sacraments and Word.
He imparts true consolation,
Granteth us the gift of faith
That we fear nor Hell nor death.

4. Lord, Thy mercy will not leave me,—
Truth doth evermore abide,—
Then in Thee I will confide.
Since Thy Word cannot deceive me,
My salvation is to me
Well assured eternally.

5. I will praise Thy great compassion,
Faithful Father, God of grace,
That with all our fallen race
And in our deep degradation
Thou wast merciful that we
Might bring endless praise to Thee. Amen.

TLH 429 "Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart"

Martin Schalling, about 1567

1. Lord, Thee I love with all my heart;
I pray Thee, ne'er from me depart,
With tender mercies cheer me.
Earth has no pleasure I would share,
Yea, Heav'n itself were void and bare
If Thou, Lord, wert not near me.
And should my heart for sorrow break,
My trust in Thee no one could shake.
Thou art the Portion I have sought;
Thy precious blood my soul has bought.
Lord Jesus Christ,
My God and Lord, my God and Lord,
Forsake me not! I trust Thy Word.

2. Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich bounty gave
My body, soul, and all I have
In this poor life of labor.
Lord, grant that I in ev'ry place
May glorify Thy lavish grace
And serve and help my neighbor.
Let no false doctrine me beguile
And Satan not my soul defile.
Give strength and patience unto me
To bear my cross and follow Thee.
Lord Jesus Christ,
My God and Lord, my God and Lord,
In death Thy comfort still afford.

3. Lord, let at last Thine angels come,
To Abram's bosom bear me home,
That I may die unfearing;
And in its narrow chamber keep
My body safe in peaceful sleep
Until Thy reappearing.
And then from death awaken me
That these mine eyes with joy may see,
O Son of God, Thy glorious face,

My Savior and my Fount of grace,
Lord Jesus Christ,
My prayer attend, my prayer attend,
And I will praise Thee without end. Amen.