

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 Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday
September 30th, 2018

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“He said to them, ‘How then does David in the Spirit call Him “Lord,” saying: “The LORD said to my Lord, ‘sit at My right hand, till I make Your enemies Your footstool’”?’” St. Matthew 22:43ff

The Order of Divine Service

The Prelude	<i>“Allein Gott in der Höh”</i>	Johann Pachelbel
The Ringing of the Bell		
Silent Prayer		
The Hymn	<i>“Now Let All Loudly Sing Praise”</i>	TLH 28
<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		Deuteronomy 10:12-21
<i>After each Lesson:</i>	V: This is the Word of the Lord.	
	R: Thanks be to God.	
The Gradual		INSERT
The Epistle		1 Corinthians 1:4-9
The Verse		INSERT
The Triple Hallelujah	<i>(First Setting)</i>	TLH p. 20
<i>Stand</i>		
The Holy Gospel		St. Matthew 22:34-46
The Nicene Creed		TLH p. 22
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“How Precious Is the Book Divine”</i>	TLH 285
The Sermon	<i>The LORD Said to My Lord</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>“In Thee Alone, O Christ, My Lord”</i>	TLH 319
<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>“Salvation Unto Us Has Come”</i>	Δ TLH 377
<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>“Yorkshire”</i>	Hans Arnold Metzger

Δ—indicates a hymn ending in a Doxological stanza; please stand.

pious people; but they stood in their own light. For no one is able to keep the law unless his nature is thoroughly renewed.” *From the Church Postil for the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday.*

In Our Prayers:

- For all those who are sick or infirmed, especially, *Rev. Ned Brockwell, 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. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church, Taylorsville, NC* and her pastor, the *Rev. David Carver;* and also, the *Rev. Emeritus Donald Hunter.*
- 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, especially *Tanya Dulas.*
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week.
- For those traveling this week.

Announcements

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

	Morning	Evening
Today	Judith 15; John 15:1-17	Judith 16; 1 John 3:1-8
Monday:	Mark 1-2; James 3:1-18	St. Mark 3-4; Ezra 4:1-24
Tuesday:	Mark 5-6; James 4:1—5:6	St. Mark 7-8; Haggai 1:1-15
Wednesday:	Mark 9-10; James 5:12-20	St. Mark 11-12; Ezra 5:1-17
Thursday:	Mark 13-14; 1 Pet. 3:1-7	St. Mark 15-16; Ezra 6:1-22
Friday:	Luke 1-2; 1 Pet. 3:15-22	St. Luke 3-4; Ezra 7:1-28
Saturday:	Luke 5-6; 1 Pet. 5:1-5	St. Luke 7-8; Ezra 8:31—9:15

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Ps. 119, Part XVIII, 146-147	Psalms 54, 148-150
Monday:	Psalms 119, Part XVIII, 1-4	Psalms 54, 5-8
Tuesday:	Psalms 119, Part XVIII, 9-11	Psalms 54, 12-17
Wednesday:	Psalms 119, Part XVIII, 18	Psalms 54, 19-22
Thursday:	Ps. 119, Part XVIII, 23-25	Psalms 54, 26-30
Friday:	Ps. 119, Part XVIII, 31-32	Psalms 54, 33-34
Saturday:	Psalms 119, Part XVIII, 35	Psalms 61, 36-37

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday: The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.III.44-56
Tuesday: The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.III.57-67
Wed: The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.IV.1-8
Thursday: The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.IV.9-18
Friday: The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.IV.19-32

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 285—“How Precious Is the Book Divine”

Evening: TLH 319—“In Thee Alone, O Christ, My Lord”

Calendar for the Week after the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Today: The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:15 a.m. Bible class

Tanya Dulas’ Birthday

3 p.m. Divine Service in Augusta, GA

4:15 p.m. Bible Class in Augusta, GA

Monday: No Events Scheduled

Tuesday: No Events Scheduled

Wednesday: Communion Visit to Myrtle Beach, SC

Thursday: Communion Visit to Myrtle Beach, SC

Pastor Dulas’ Baptismal Anniversary

Friday: No Events Scheduled

Saturday: No Events Scheduled

Next Sunday: The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—

Green 10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:15 a.m. Bible class

The Lutheran Herald

The October 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

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 Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Old Testament Lesson: Deuteronomy 10:12-21

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:4-9

Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 22:34-46

October 7th—The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 44:21-23

Epistle: Ephesians 4:22-28

Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 9:1-8

An Excerpt from Luther’s Writings

“Now here Christ shows the Pharisees and the Scribes a twofold kindness. In the first place, He dispels their blindness and teaches them what the law is. In the second place, He teaches them how impossible it is for them to keep the law. Their blindness He dispels, in that He teaches them what the law is, namely: that love is the law. Human reason cannot comprehend this nowadays any more than the Jews did then, for if it had been possible for human reason to comprehend it, the Pharisees and Scribes, who at that time were the best and wisest of the people, could have understood it; but they thought it consisted alone in performing the external works of the law; in giving to God, whether it be done willingly or unwillingly; but their inward blindness, their covetousness, and their hardened heart they could not see, and thought they thoroughly understood the law and were fine fellows, holy and

THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY SUNDAY
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Introit

P: RE- WARD, || O Lord, those who wait for | You: | - *

C: And let Your prophets | be | found | faith- | ful.

P: || Hear the prayer of Your | ser- | vants, *

C: And of Your | peo- | ple | *Is-ra-* • | el. (*Ecclesiasticus 36:16-17a*)

P: || I was glad when they said to | me, | - *

C: “Let us go into the | house | of | the | Lord.”

P: || Pray for the peace of Je- | *ru-sa-* • | lem: *

C: “May they pros- | per | who | love | you.

P: || For the sake of my brethren and com- | pan- | ions, *

C: I will now say, “Peace | be | with- | in | you.”

P: || Because of the house of the Lord our | God | - *

C: I | will | seek | your | good. (*Psalms 122:1, 6, 8-9*)

GLORIA PATRI (From Hymnal)

P: || Reward, O Lord, those who wait for | You: | - *

C: And let Your prophets | be | found | faith- | ful.

P: || Hear the prayer of Your | ser- | vants, *

C: And of Your | peo- | ple | *Is-ra-* • | el. (*Ecclesiasticus 36:16-17a*)

Collect

O God, forasmuch as without Thee we are not able to please Thee, mercifully grant that Thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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: || I was glad when they said to | me, | - *

C: “Let us go into the | house | of | the | Lord.”

P: || “Peace be within your | walls, | - *

C: Prosperity within | your | pal- | a- | ces.” (*Psalms 122:1, 7*)

Verse

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

C: Al- | — | le- | lu- | ia!

P: || Praise the Lord, all you | Gen- | tiles! *

C: Laud Him, all you peoples! | Al- | le- | lu- | ia! (*Psalms 117:1*)

Deuteronomy 10:12-21

¹² “And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways and to love Him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, ¹³ and to keep the commandments of the LORD and His statutes which I command you today for your good? ¹⁴ Indeed heaven and the highest heavens belong to the LORD your God, also the earth with all that is in it. ¹⁵ The LORD delighted only in your fathers, to love them; and He chose their descendants after them, you above all peoples, as it is this day. ¹⁶ Therefore circumcise the foreskin of your heart, and be stiff-necked no longer. ¹⁷ For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who shows no partiality nor takes a bribe. ¹⁸ He administers justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the stranger, giving him food and clothing. ¹⁹ Therefore love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt. ²⁰ You shall fear the LORD your God; you shall serve Him, and to Him you shall hold fast, and take oaths in His name. ²¹ He is your praise, and He is your God, who has done for you these great and awesome things which your eyes have seen.

1 Corinthians 1:4-9

⁴ I thank my God always concerning you for the grace of God which was given to you by Christ Jesus, ⁵ that you were enriched in everything by Him in all utterance and all knowledge, ⁶ even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you, ⁷ so that you come short in no gift, eagerly waiting for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸ who will also confirm you to the end, that you may be

blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

St. Matthew 22:34-46

³⁴ But when the Pharisees heard that He had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. ³⁵ Then one of them, a lawyer, asked Him a question, testing Him, and saying, ³⁶ “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?” ³⁷ Jesus said to him, “‘You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ ³⁸ This is the first and great commandment. ³⁹ And the second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ ⁴⁰ On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.” ⁴¹ While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, ⁴² saying, “What do you think about the Christ? Whose Son is He?” They said to Him, “The Son of David.” ⁴³ He said to them, “How then does David in the Spirit call Him ‘Lord,’ saying: ⁴⁴ ‘The LORD said to my Lord, “sit at My right hand, till I make Your enemies Your footstool”?’ ⁴⁵ If David then calls Him ‘Lord,’ how is He his Son?” ⁴⁶ And no one was able to answer Him a word, nor from that day on did anyone dare question Him anymore.

TLH 28 “Now Let All Loudly Sing Praise”

Matthäus A. von Löwenstern, 1644

1. Now let all loudly
Sing praise to God the Lord;
Christendom, proudly
Laud Him with one accord.
Gently He bids thee come before Him;
Haste, then, O Israel, now adore Him;
Haste, then, O Israel, now adore Him.

2. For the Lord reigneth
Over the universe,
All He sustaineth,
All things His praise rehearse,
The angel host His glory telling,
Psalter and harp are the anthem swelling;
Psalter and harp are the anthem swelling.

3. Come, heathen races,
Cast off all grief and care,
For pleasant places
Your Savior doth prepare
Where His blest Word abroad is sounded,
Pardon for sinners and grace unbounded;
Pardon for sinners and grace unbounded.

4. Richly He feeds us
Always and everywhere;
Gently He leads us
With a true father's care;
The late and early rains He sends us,
Daily His blessing, His love, attends us;
Daily His blessing, His love, attends us.

5. Sing we His praises
Who is thus merciful;
Christendom raises
Songs to His glorious rule.
Rejoice! No foe shall now alarm us;
He will protect us, and who can harm us;
He will protect us, and who can harm us? Amen.

TLH 285 “How Precious Is the Book Divine”

John Fawcett, 1782

1. How precious is the Book Divine,
By inspiration giv'n!
Bright as a lamp its doctrines shine
To guide our souls to Heav'n.

2. Its light, descending from above
Our gloomy world to cheer,

Displays a Savior's boundless love
And brings his glories near.

3. It shows to man his wand'ring ways
And where his feet have trod,
And brings to view the matchless grace
Of a forgiving God.

4. O'er all the straight and narrow way
Its radiant beams are cast;
A light whose never weary ray
Grows brightest at the last.

5. It sweetly cheers our drooping hearts
In this dark vale of tears,
Life, light, and joy it still imparts
And quells our rising fears.

6. This lamp through all the tedious night
Of life shall guide our way
Till we behold the clearer light
Of an eternal day. Amen.

TLH 319 “In Thee Alone, O Christ, My Lord”

ascribed to Johannes Schneesing, 1542, abridged

1. In Thee alone, O Christ, my Lord,
My hope on Earth remaineth;
I know Thou wilt Thine aid afford,
Naught else my soul sustaineth.
No strength of man, no earthly stay,
Can help me in the evil day;
Thou, only Thou, canst aid supply.
To Thee I cry;
On Thee I bid my heart rely.

2. My sins, O Lord, against me rise,
I mourn them with contrition;
Grant, thro' Thy death and sacrifice,
To me a full remission.
Lord, show before the Father's throne
That Thou didst for my sins atone;
So shall I from my load be freed.
Thy Word I plead;
Keep me, O Lord, each hour of need.

3. O Lord, in mercy stay my heart
On faith's most sure foundation
And to my inmost soul impart
Thy perfect consolation.
Fill all my life with love to Thee,
Toward all men grant me charity;
And at the last, when comes my end,

Thy succor send.
From Satan's wiles my soul defend. Amen.

TLH 377 "Salvation unto Us has Come"
Paul Speratus, 1523

By God's free grace and favor;
Good works cannot avert our doom,
They help and save us never.
Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone,
Who did for all the world atone;
He is our one Redeemer.

2. What God did in His Law demand
And none to Him could render
Caused wrath and woe on ev'ry hand
For man, the vile offender.
Our flesh has not those pure desires
The spirit of the Law requires,
And lost is our condition.

3. It was a false, misleading dream
That God His Law had given
That sinners should themselves redeem
And by their works gain Heaven.
The Law is but a mirror bright
To bring the inbred sin to light
That lurks within our nature.

4. From sin our flesh could not abstain,
Sin held its sway unceasing;
The task was useless and in vain,
Our guilt was e'er increasing.
None can remove sin's poisoned dart
Or purify our guileful heart,—
So deep is our corruption.

5. Yet as the Law must be fulfilled
Or we must die despairing,
Christ came and hath God's anger stilled,
Our human nature sharing.
He hath for us the Law obeyed
And thus the Father's vengeance stayed
Which over us impended.

6. Since Christ hath full atonement made
And brought to us salvation,
Each Christian therefore may be glad
And build on this foundation.
Thy grace alone, dear Lord, I plead,
Thy death is now my life indeed,
For Thou hast paid my ransom.

7. Let me not doubt, but trust in Thee,
Thy Word cannot be broken;
Thy call rings out, "Come unto Me!"
No falsehood hast Thou spoken.
Baptized into Thy precious Name,
My faith cannot be put to shame,
And I shall never perish.

8. The Law reveals the guilt of sin
And makes men conscience-stricken;
The Gospel then doth enter in
The sinful soul to quicken.
Come to the cross, trust Christ, and live;
The Law no peace can ever give,
No comfort and no blessing.

9. Faith clings to Jesus' cross alone
And rests in Him unceasing;
And by its fruits true faith is known,
With love and hope increasing.
Yet faith alone doth justify,
Works serve thy neighbor and supply
The proof that faith is living.

Δ 10. All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise
To Father, Son, and Spirit,
The God that saved us by His grace,—
All glory to His merit!
O Triune God in Heaven above,
Who hast revealed Thy saving love,
Thy blessed Name be hallowed. Amen.