

**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.



Exaudi  
May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020

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*“But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.”*

*St. John 15:26*

## The Order of Divine Service

<b>Prelude</b>	<i>“Erhalt, uns Herr”</i>	Michael Praetorius
<b>The Ringing of the Bell</b>		
<b>Silent Prayer</b>		
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“We Now Implore God the Holy Ghost”</i>	TLH 231
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Confiteor</b>		
<b>The Invocation and Address</b>		TLH p. 15
<b>Versicles</b>		TLH p. 15
<b>Confession and Absolution</b>		TLH p. 16
<b>The Introit</b>	<i>(Tone 2)</i>	INSERT
<b>The Kyrie</b>		TLH p. 17
<b>The Gloria in Excelsis</b>		TLH p. 17-19
<b>The Salutation</b>		TLH p. 19
<b>The Collect for the Day</b>		INSERT
<b>The Collect for the Festival of the Ascension of our Lord</b>		
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Lesson</b>		Ezekiel 36:25-27
	<i>After each Lesson: V: This is the Word of the Lord.</i>	
	<i>R: Thanks be to God.</i>	
<b>The Epistle</b>		1 Peter 4:7b-11
<b>The Greater Alleluia</b>		INSERT
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Sequence Hymn</b>	<i>“Christians, To the Paschal Victim”</i>	INSERT
<b>The Holy Gospel</b>		St. John 15:26—16:4
<b>The Nicene Creed</b>		TLH p. 22
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“If God Had Not Been on Our Side”</i>	TLH 267
<b>The Sermon</b>	<i>Whom I Shall Send to You from the Father</i>	
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Offertory</b>	<i>“Create in Me A Clean Heart, O God”</i>	TLH p. 22-23
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Recitation of the Catechism</b>	<i>How One Should Be Taught to Pray</i>	
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The General Prayer</b>		TLH p. 23
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>Hymn</b>	<i>“When in the Hour of Utmost Need”</i>	TLH 522
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Preface</b>		TLH p. 24
<b>The Proper Preface</b>		TLH p. 25
<b>The Sanctus and Benedictus</b>	<i>(Bells are rung at “Hosanna”)</i>	TLH p. 26
<b>The Lord’s Prayer</b>		TLH p. 27
<b>The Verba Domini</b>		TLH p. 27

<b>The Pax Domini</b>		TLH p. 27
<b>The Agnus Dei</b>		TLH p. 28
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Distribution</b>		
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Post-Communion Canticle</b>	<i>“The Nunc Dimittis”</i>	TLH p. 29-30
<b>The Thanksgiving</b>	<i>(“And His mercy endureth forever”)</i>	TLH p. 30
<b>The Post-Communion Collect</b>		TLH p. 31
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“Preserve Us in Thy Word, O Lord”</i>	INSERT
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Salutation</b>		TLH p. 31
<b>The Benedicamus</b>		TLH p. 31
<b>The Benediction</b>		TLH p. 31
<b>Silent Prayer</b>		
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>Announcements</b>		
<b>Postlude</b>	<i>“Wenn wir in höchsten Nöten”</i>	Johann Michael Bach

## In Our Prayers:

- For all those who are sick or infirmed, especially, *Emily Benson, Peggy Holder, Jo Kope, Betty Ramsey, Brandon Dennie, Nellie Noegel, Judy Horn, Richard Noegel, Patricia Bachand, Tamara Jack, Mike Miller, Doris Armstrong, Barbara Miller, Matthew Scholten, Vince Bost, Janice Heitener, Ray Heitener, Pat Stefanski, Sherrill Smithey, Rev. Floyd Smithey, Martin Kope, Bill Kope, Sally Kope, David Heiser, and Rev. Mark Mueller.*
- For *Silvia diGregorio* that her faith may be strengthened.
- For our bishop, the Rt. Rev. *James D. Heiser.*
- For the parishes served by our diocese, especially, *Discipleship Ev. Lutheran Mission, Mineral Wells, TX;* and her pastor, the Rev. *Ernest Bernet.*
- For our seminary, *St. Ignatius Evangelical Theological Lutheran Seminary.*
- For all those who serve in the military, especially, *Nicholas Silva.*
- For those struggling with addiction, especially, *Thomas Allred and John Monahan.*
- For those affected by the coronavirus.
- For those who are suffering unemployment.
- For those near death.
- For those celebrating a birthday this week, especially *Jo Kope.*
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week.
- For those traveling this week.

## Announcements

### Daily Readings for the Week after Exaudi

	Morning	Evening
<b>Today:</b>	Lev. 14; John 17:20-26	Leviticus 15; Romans 8:29-39
<b>Monday:</b>	Lev. 16; John 10:17-21	Leviticus 17; Zechariah 13:7-9
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Lev. 18; John 10:22-31	Leviticus 19; Zechariah 14:1-21
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Lev. 20; John 10:32-42	Leviticus 21; Isaiah 66:10-24
<b>Thursday:</b>	Lev. 22; John 11:1-27	Leviticus 23; Jeremiah 46:27-28
<b>Friday:</b>	Lev. 24; Jn. 11:28-44	Leviticus 25; Isaiah 32:9-20
<b>Saturday:</b>	Lev. 26; Jn. 11:45-57	Leviticus 27; Isaiah 57:15-21

### Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
<b>Today:</b>	Psalms 93, 119:1-40	Psalms 97, 119:41-88
<b>Monday:</b>	Psalms 93, 119:89-128	Psalms 97, 119:129-176
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Psalms 93, 120-125	Psalms 97, 126-132
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Psalms 93, 133-135	Psalms 97, 136-139
<b>Thursday:</b>	Psalms 93, 140-141	Psalms 97, 142-143
<b>Friday:</b>	Psalms 93, 144	Psalms 97, 145
<b>Saturday:</b>	Psalms 93, 146	Psalms 104, 145, 147

### Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

**Mon.:** The Apology of the Augsburg Confession, XVI.9—XVIII.10  
**Tuesday:** The Apology of the Augsburg Confession, XIX.1—XX.15  
**Wed.:** The Apology of the Augsburg Confession, XXI.1-16  
**Thursday:** The Apology of the Augsburg Confession, XXI.17-30  
**Friday:** The Apology of the Augsburg Confession, XXI.31-39

### Reciting the Catechism Daily:

**Sunday:** The Ten Commandments

**Monday:** The Apostles' Creed, The Lord's Prayer

**Tuesday:** Holy Baptism, The Office of the Keys and Confession

**Wednesday:** The Sacrament of the Altar

**Thursday:** The Prayers

**Friday:** The Table of Duties

**Saturday:** Christian Questions with Their Answers

**Hymns for the Week:**

**Morning:** TLH 267—"If God Had Not Been on Our Side"

**Evening:** TLH 522—"When in the Hour of Utmost Need"

**Calendar for the Week after Exaudi**

**Today: Exaudi—White**

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:15 a.m. Bible Class

3:00 p.m. Divine Service in Augusta, GA

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

**Monday:** *Memorial Day*

**Tuesday:** Communion Visit to Myrtle Beach, SC

**Wednesday:** Communion Visit to Myrtle Beach, SC

5:00 p.m. Divine Service

**Thursday:** Communion Visit to Myrtle Beach, SC

**Friday:** Communion Visit to Myrtle Beach, SC

**Saturday:** Jo Kope's Birthday

**Next Sunday: The Feast of Whitsunday—Red**

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:15 a.m. Bible Class

**The Lutheran Herald**

The May 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.

**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>.

**Parish Assembly Meeting**

Our next parish assembly meeting will be Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 during the Bible class hour. We will discuss the purchase of icons for our sanctuary, and calling Rev. Floyd Smithey, Jr. as Deacon of Sts. Peter and Paul to serve as missionary to Knoxville, TN. Please make plans to be there.

**To Read in Preparation for this week's Festivals:**

**Today—Exaudi**

**Old Testament Lesson:**

Ezekiel 36:25-27

**Epistle:**

1 Peter 4:7b-11

**Gospel:**

St. John 15:26—16:4

**May 31<sup>st</sup>—The Feast of Whitsunday**

**Old Testament Lesson:**

Joel 2:28-32

**Epistle:**

Acts 2:1-13

**Gospel:**

St. John 14:23-31

**An Excerpt from Luther's Writings**

"Beloved, you have heretofore heard much about faith. Today you hear also of the witness of faith and of the cross that follows. Paul says to the Romans, "With the heart man believeth unto righteousness." Rom. 10:10. If one be pious, he must begin in his heart and believe. That serves only unto godliness; it is not enough for salvation. Therefore, one must also do what the Christian life requires, and continually abide in that life. Hence, Paul adds, "If thou shalt confess with thy mouth Jesus as Lord, thou shalt be saved," It is these two things that constitute our salvation, faith and the confession of faith. Faith rescues from sin, Hell, Satan, death and all misfortunes. Now, when we have this we have enough. We then let God live here that we may reach a hand to our neighbor and help him. Besides, God desires to have His Name praised and His Kingdom developed and extended. Therefore, we must praise His Name, confess our faith and win others to do the same, so that God's Kingdom may be extended and His Name praised." *From Martin Luther's Sermon in the Church Postil for Exaudi Sunday, 1522.*

## EXAUDI

May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020



### Introit

P: HEAR, O || Lord, when I cry with my | voice! | - \*

C: Al- | le- | lu- | ia!

P: || When You said, “Seek My face,” My heart said to You, “Your face,  
Lord, I will | seek.” | - \*

C: Do not hide Your face from me. Al- | le- | lu- | ia! (Ps. 27:7a, 8-9a)

P: || The Lord is my light and my sal- | va- | tion; \*

C: Whom | shall | I | fear?

P: || The Lord is the strength of my | life; | - \*

C: Of whom shall I | be | a- | fraid?

P: || Teach me Your way, O | Lord, | - \*

C: Do not deliver me to the will of my ad- | ver- | sa- | ries;

P: || For false witnesses have risen a- | gainst | me, \*

C: And such as breathe out | vi- | o- | lence. (Psalm 27:1a, 1b, 11-12)

### GLORIA PATRI (From Hymnal)

P: || Hear, O Lord, when I cry with my | voice! | - \*

C: Al- | le- | lu- | ia!

P: || When You said, “Seek My face,” My heart said to You, “Your face,  
Lord, I will | seek.” | - \*

C: Do not hide Your face from me. Al- | le- | lu- | ia! (Ps. 27:7a, 8-9a)

### Collect

Almighty, Everlasting God, make us to have always a devout will toward  
Thee and to serve Thy Majesty with a pure heart; through Jesus Christ,  
Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost,  
ever one God, world without end.

(From the *Quasimodogeniti* through *Whitsunday* the *Gradual* is replaced  
by the *Greater Alleluia*.)



### Greater Alleluia

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

C: Al- | le- | lu- | ia!

P: || God reigns over the | na- | tions; \*

C: God sits on His holy throne. Al- | le- | lu- | ia!

P: || I will not leave you | or- | phans; \*

C: I am going away and coming back to you; and your heart will  
rejoice. Al- | le- | lu- | ia! (Psalm 47:8; St. John 14:18a, 28a paraphrase)

## Ezekiel 36:25-27

<sup>25</sup> “Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols. <sup>26</sup> I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. <sup>27</sup> I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them.”

## 1 Peter 4:7b-11

<sup>7</sup> Therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers. <sup>8</sup> And above all things have fervent love for one another, for “love will cover a multitude of sins.” <sup>9</sup> Be hospitable to one another without grumbling. <sup>10</sup> As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. <sup>11</sup> If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, let him do it as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong

the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

## St. John 15:26—16:4

<sup>15:26</sup> “But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me. <sup>27</sup> And you also will bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning.

<sup>16:1</sup> “These things I have spoken to you, that you should not be made to stumble. <sup>2</sup> They will put you out of the synagogues; yes, the time is coming that whoever kills you will think that he offers God service. <sup>3</sup> And these things they will do to you because they have not known the Father nor Me. <sup>4</sup> But these things I have told you, that when the time comes, you may remember that I told you of them. And these things I did not say to you at the beginning, because I was with you.”

**TLH 231 “We Now Implore God the Holy Ghost”**

St. 1, Unknown, Sts. 2-4, Martin Luther, 1524

1. We now implore the Holy Ghost  
For the true faith, which we need the most,  
That in our last moments He may befriend us  
And, as homeward we journey, attend us.  
Lord, have mercy.
2. Shine in our hearts, O most precious Light,  
That we Jesus Christ may know aright,  
Clinging to our Savior, Whose blood hath bought  
us.  
Who again to our homeland hath bro’t us.  
Lord, have mercy.
3. Thou sacred Love, grace on us bestow,  
Set our hearts with heav’nly fire aglow  
That with hearts united we love each other,  
Of one mind, in peace with ev’ry brother.  
Lord, have mercy!
4. Thou highest Comfort in ev’ry need,  
Grant that neither shame nor death we heed,  
That e’en then our courage may never fail us  
When the Foe shall accuse and assail us.  
Lord, have mercy! Amen.

**Sequence Hymn: “Christians, To the Paschal Victim”**

Unknown, Ascribed to Wipo, c. 1100

1. Christians, to the Paschal Victim  
Offer your thankful praises.
2. A Lamb the sheep redeemeth:  
Christ, Who only is sinless,  
Reconcileth sinners to the Father.
3. Death and Life have contended  
In that conflict stupendous;  
The Prince of Life Who died,  
Reigns immortal.
4. Speak, Mary, declaring  
What thou sawest wayfaring.
5. “The tomb of Christ, Who is living.  
The glory of Jesus’ resurrection.
6. “Bright angels attending,  
The shroud and napkin resting.

7. “Yea, Christ, my Hope, is arisen;  
To Galilee He goes before you.”

8. Happy they who hear the witness,  
Mary’s word believing  
Above the tales of Jew’ry, deceiving.

9. Christ indeed from death is risen,  
Our new life obtaining.  
Have mercy, Victor King, ever reigning.  
Amen. Hallelujah!

**TLH 267 “If God Had Not Been on Our Side”**

Martin Luther, 1524

1. If God had not been on our side  
And had not come to aid us,  
The foes with all their pow’r and pride  
Would surely have dismayed us;  
For we, His flock, would have to fear  
The threat of men both far and near  
Who rise in might against us.
2. Their furious wrath, did God permit,  
Would surely have consumed us  
And as a deep and yawning pit  
With life and limb entombed us.  
Like men o’er whom dark waters roll  
Their wrath would have engulfed our soul  
And, like a flood, o’erwhelmed us.
3. Blest be the Lord, Who foiled their threat  
That they could not devour us;  
Our souls, like birds, escaped their net,  
They could not overpower us.  
The snare is broken—we are free!  
Our help is ever, Lord, in Thee,  
Who madest Earth and Heaven. Amen.

**TLH 522 “When in the Hour of Utmost Need”**

Paul Eber, 1560

1. When in the hour of utmost need  
We know not where to look for aid;  
When days and nights of anxious thought  
Nor help nor counsel yet have brought,
2. Then this our comfort is alone,  
That we may meet before Thy throne  
And cry, O faithful God, to Thee  
For rescue from our misery;
3. To Thee may raise our hearts and eyes,  
Repenting sore with bitter sighs,

And seek Thy pardon for our sin  
And respite from our griefs within.

4. For Thou hast promised graciously  
To hear all those who cry to Thee  
Thro' Him Whose Name alone is great,  
Our Savior and our Advocate.

5. And thus we come, O God, today  
And all our woes before Thee lay;  
For sorely tried, cast down, we stand,  
Perplexed by fears on every hand.

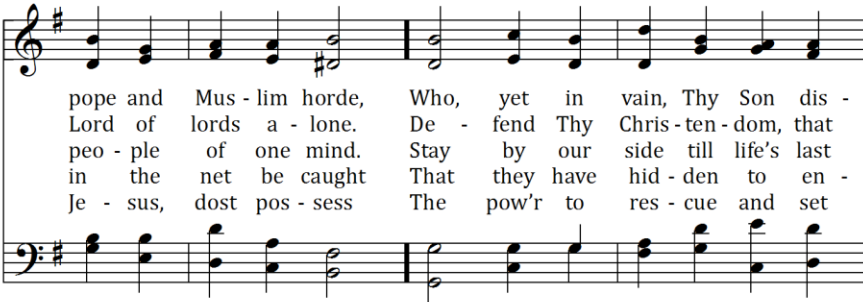
6. Ah! hide not for our sins Thy face,  
Absolve us thro' Thy boundless grace,  
Be with us in our anguish still,  
Free us at last from every ill,

7. That so with all our hearts we may  
To Thee our glad thanksgiving pay,  
Then walk obedient to Thy Word  
And now and ever praise Thee, Lord. Amen.

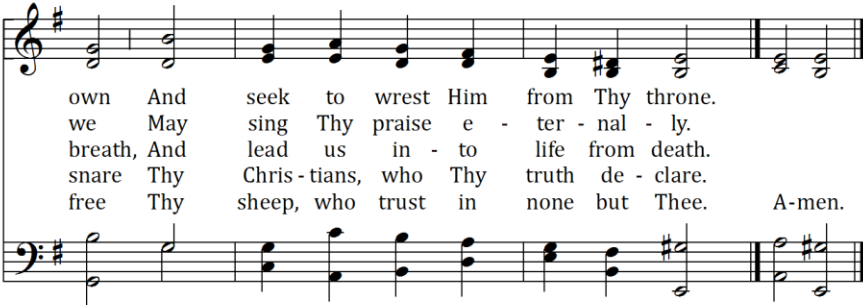
## Preserve Us in Thy Word, O Lord



1 Pre - serve us in Thy Word, O Lord; Sub - due the  
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Thy pow'r make known, For Thou art  
 3 O Ho - ly Ghost, our Help di - vine, Make Thou Thy  
 4 Lord, bringThine e - ne - mies to naught, And let them  
 5 Then must our foes at last con - fess That Thou, Lord



pope and Mus - lim horde, Who, yet in vain, Thy Son dis -  
 Lord of lords a - lone. De - fend Thy Chris - ten - dom, that  
 peo - ple of one mind. Stay by our side till life's last  
 in the net be caught That they have hid - den to en -  
 Je - sus, dost pos - sess The pow'r to res - cue and set



own And seek to wrest Him from Thy throne.  
 we May sing Thy praise e - ter - nal - ly.  
 breath, And lead us in - to life from death.  
 snare Thy Chris - tians, who Thy truth de - clare.  
 free Thy sheep, who trust in none but Thee. A-men.

Erhalt uns, Herr; bei deinem Wort  
*St. 1-3, Martin Luther, 1541*  
*St. 4-5, Justus Jonas, 1545*  
*Tr., Paul Rydecki, 2015*

Erhalt uns, Herr  
 "Geistliche Lieder"  
 Wittenberg, 1543


## Christians, To the Paschal Victim

**Cantor**



1. Chris-tians, to the Pasch - al Vic - tim Of - fer your thank - ful prais - es.

**Choir**



2. A Lamb the sheep re - deem - eth: Christ, Who on - ly is sin - less,

**Sopranos and Altos**



Rec - on - cil - eth sin - ners to the Fa - ther. 3. Death and life have con - tend - ed



In that con - flict stu - pen - dous; The Prince of Life Who died, reigns im - mor - tal.



4. Speak, Ma - ry, de - clar - ing — What thou saw - est way - far - ing.

**Solo - Woman**



5. "The tomb of Christ, Who is liv - ing, The glo - ry of Je - sus' res ur - rec - tion.



6. "Bright an - gels at - tend - ing, — The shroud and nap - kin rest - ing.



7. "Yea, Christ, my Hope, is a ris - en; To Gal - i - lee He goes be - fore — you."

**Choir**



8. Hap - py they who hear the wit - ness, Ma - ry's word be - liev - ing



A - bove the tales of Jew' - ry, — de - ceiv - ing. 9. Christ in - deed from death is ris - en,



Our new life — ob - tain - ing. Have mer - cy, Vic - tor King, ev - er reign - ing.



A - men, Hal - le - lu - jah!