

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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Ash Wednesday
February 26th, 2020

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“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” St. Matthew 6:21

The Order of Divine Service

The Ringing of the Bell	
Silent Prayer	
The Hymn	TLH 321
<i>“O Faithful God, Thanks Be to Thee”</i>	
<i>Stand</i>	
The Order of the Confessional Service	TLH p. 46
The Introit	INSERT
<i>(Tone 3)</i>	
The Kyrie	TLH p. 17
The Salutation	TLH p. 19
The Collect for the Day	INSERT
The Collect for the Beginning of Lent	INSERT
<i>Sit</i>	
The Lesson	Jonah 3:1-10
<i>After each Lesson: V: This is the Word of the Lord.</i>	
<i>R: Thanks be to God.</i>	
The Gradual	INSERT
The Epistle	Joel 2:12-19
The Tract	INSERT
<i>Stand</i>	
The Sequence Hymn	INSERT
<i>“The Royal Banners Forward Go”</i>	
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<i>“When O’er My Sins I Sorrow”</i>	
The Sermon	<i>Lay Up for Yourselves Treasures in Heaven</i>
<i>Stand</i>	
The Offertory	TLH p. 22-23
<i>“Create in Me A Clean Heart, O God”</i>	
<i>Sit</i>	
The Recitation of the Catechism	The Ten Commandments
The Offering	
<i>Stand</i>	
The General Prayer	TLH p. 23
<i>Sit</i>	
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<i>“From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee”</i>	
<i>Stand</i>	
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<i>Sit</i>	

The Distribution

Stand

The Post-Communion Canticle *“The Nunc Dimittis”* TLH p. 29-30

The Thanksgiving *“Ye Do Show the Lord’s Death”* TLH p. 30

R: Ye do show the Lord's death till He _____ come.

The Post-Communion Collect

Sit

The Hymn *“Isaiah, Mighty Seer, in Days of Old”* TLH 249

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The Salutation TLH p. 31

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Silent Prayer

Sit

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ASH WEDNESDAY

February 26th, 2020



Introit

I WILL - || cry out | to | God | **Most** - | High, *
To God who performs | **all** - | **things** - | for | me.
|| And in the shadow of Your wings I will | make | my | **re** - | fuge, *
Until these calami- | **ties** - | **have** - | passed | by. (*Psalm 57:2, 1b*)
|| Be merciful to me, O God, be mer- | ci- | ful | **to** - | me! *
For my | **soul** - | **trusts** - | in | You;
|| And in the shadow of Your wings I will | make | my | **re** - | fuge, *
Until these calami- | **ties** - | **have** - | passed | by.
|| I will cry out | to | God | **Most** - | High, *
To God who performs | **all** - | **things** - | for | me.
|| He shall send from heav- | en | and | **save** - | me; *
God shall send forth His mer- | cy - | and - | His | truth. (*Psalm 57:1-3*)

GLORIA PATRI (From Hymnal)

|| I will cry out | to | God | **Most** - | High, *
To God who performs | **all** - | **things** - | for | me.
|| And in the shadow of Your wings I will | make | my | **re** - | fuge, *
Until these calami- | **ties** - | **have** - | passed | by. (*Psalm 57:2, 1b*)

Collect for Ash Wednesday

Almighty and Everlasting God, Who hatest nothing that Thou hast made and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent, create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of Thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with the Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Collect for the Beginning of Lent

O Gracious God, Who retainest not Thine anger forever, but delightest in mercy and pardonest iniquity, Who wouldst be gracious to Thy people rather than pour out Thy wrath upon sinners, we beseech Thee, forgive us all our sins, and enable us by Thy Holy Spirit to go and sin no more; for the sake of the bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.



Gradual

|| Be merciful to me, O God, be mer- | ci- | ful | **to** - | me! *
For my | **soul** - | **trusts** - | in | You;
|| He shall | send | from | **heav** - | en | *
And save me; He reproaches the one who would | **swal** - | **low** - | me | up. (*Psalm 57:1, 3a*)

Tract (From Septuagesima to Holy Saturday, the Tract replaces the Verse)

|| O Lord, do not deal with us accord- | ing | to | **our** - | sins, *
Nor punish us according to our | **in** - | **i** - | qui- | ties.
|| O Lord, do not remember former iniqui- | ties | a- | **gainst** - | us! *
Let Your tender mercies come speedily to meet us, for we have been |
brought - | **ve** - | ry | low.
|| Help us, O God of | our | sal- | **va** - | tion, *
For the glo- | **ry** - | **of** - | Your | name. (*Psalm 103:10, 79:8-9a paraphrase*)

Jonah 3:1-10

¹ “Now the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, ² ‘Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and preach to it the message that I tell you.’ ³ So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, a three-day journey in extent. ⁴ And Jonah began to enter the city on the first day’s walk. Then he cried out and said, ‘Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!’ ⁵ So the people of Nineveh believed God, proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least of them. ⁶ Then word came to the king of Nineveh; and he arose from his throne and laid aside his robe, covered himself with sackcloth and sat in ashes. ⁷ And he caused it to be proclaimed and published throughout Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles, saying, ‘Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything; do not let them eat, or drink water. ⁸ But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily to God; yes, let everyone turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands. ⁹ Who can tell if God will turn and relent, and turn away from His fierce anger, so that we may not perish?’ ¹⁰ Then God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God relented from the disaster that He had said He would bring upon them, and He did not do it.”

Joel 2:12-19

¹² “Now, therefore,” says the LORD, “Turn to Me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning.” ¹³ So rend your heart, and not your garments; Return to the LORD your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness; And He relents from doing harm. ¹⁴ Who knows if He will turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind Him—a grain offering and a drink offering for the LORD your God? ¹⁵ Blow the trumpet in Zion,

consecrate a fast, call a sacred assembly; ¹⁶ Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children and nursing babes; Let the bridegroom go out from his chamber, and the bride from her dressing room. ¹⁷ Let the priests, who minister to the LORD, weep between the porch and the altar; Let them say, “Spare Your people, O LORD, and do not give Your heritage to reproach, that the nations should rule over them. Why should they say among the peoples, ‘Where is their God?’” ¹⁸ Then the LORD will be zealous for His land, and pity His people. ¹⁹ The LORD will answer and say to His people, “Behold, I will send you grain and new wine and oil, and you will be satisfied by them; I will no longer make you a reproach among the nations.”

St. Matthew 6:16-21

¹⁶ “Moreover, when you fast, do not be like the hypocrites, with a sad countenance. For they disfigure their faces that they may appear to men to be fasting. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. ¹⁷ But you, when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, ¹⁸ so that you do not appear to men to be fasting, but to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly. ¹⁹ Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; ²⁰ but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

TLH 321 “O Faithful God, Thanks Be to Thee”

Nicolaus Selnecker, 1572

1. O faithful God, thanks be to Thee
Who dost forgive iniquity.
Thou grantest help in sin’s distress,
And soul and body dost Thou bless.

2. Thy servant now declares to me:
“Thy sins are all forgiven thee.
Depart in peace, but sin no more
And e’er My pard’ning grace adore.”

3. O Lord, we bless Thy gracious heart,
For Thou Thyself dost heal our smart
Thro’ Christ our Savior’s precious blood,
Which for the sake of sinners flowed.

4. Give us Thy Spirit, peace afford
Now and forever, gracious Lord.
Preserve to us till life is spent
Thy holy Word and Sacrament. Amen.

Sequence Hymn INSERT “The Royal Banners Forward Go”

Venantius Fortunatus, 569

1. The royal banners forward go;
The cross shines forth in mystic glow
Where He in flesh, our flesh Who made,
Our sentence bore, our ransom paid;

2. Where deep for us the spear was dyed,
Life’s torrent rushing from His side,
To wash us in that precious flood
Where mingled water flowed and blood.

3. Fulfilled is all that David told
In true prophetic song of old;
Amidst the nations, God, saith he,
Hath reigned and triumphed from the Tree.

4. O Tree of beauty, Tree of light,
O Tree with royal purple dight;
Elect, on whose triumphal breast
Those holy limbs should find their rest;

5. On whose dear arms, so widely flung,
The weight of this world’s ransom hung
The price of humankind to pay
And spoil the spoiler of his prey.

6. O Cross, our one reliance, hail!
So may thy power with us avail

To give new virtue to the saint
And pardon to the penitent.

7. To Thee, eternal Three in One,
Let homage meet by all be done
Whom by the cross Thou dost restore,
Preserve, and govern evermore. Amen.

TLH 152 “When O’er My Sins I Sorrow”

Justus Gesenius, 1646

1. When o’er my sins I sorrow,
Lord, I will look to Thee
And hence my comfort borrow
That Thou wast slain for me;
Yea, Lord, Thy precious blood was spilt
For me, O most unworthy,
To take away my guilt.

2. Oh, what a marvelous off’ring!
Behold, the Master spares
His servants, and their suff’ring
And grief for them He bears.
God stoopeth from His throne on high;
For me, His guilty creature,
He deigns as man to die.

3. My manifold transgression
Henceforth can harm me none
Since Jesus’ bloody Passion
For me God’s grace hath won.
His precious blood my debts hath paid;
Of Hell and all its torments
I am no more afraid.

4. Therefore I will forever
Give glory unto Thee,
O Jesus, loving Savior,
For what Thou didst for me.
I’ll spend my breath in songs of thanks
For Thy sad cry, Thy suff’rings,
Thy wrongs, Thy guiltless death. Amen.

TLH 329 “From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee”

Martin Luther, 1523

1. From depths of woe I cry to Thee,
Lord, hear me, I implore Thee.
Bend down Thy gracious ear to me,
My prayer let come before Thee.
If Thou rememb’rest each misdeed,
If each should have its rightful meed,
Who may abide Thy presence?

2. Thy love and grace alone avail
To blot out my transgression;
The best and holiest deeds must fail
To break sin's dread oppression.
Before Thee none can boasting stand,
But all must fear Thy strict demand
And live alone by mercy.

3. Therefore my hope is in the Lord
And not in mine own merit;
It rests upon His faithful Word
To them of contrite spirit
That He is merciful and just;
This is my comfort and my trust.
His help I wait with patience.

4. And though it tarry till the night
And till the morning waken,
My heart shall never doubt His might
Nor count itself forsaken.
Do thus, O ye of Israel's seed,
Ye of the Spirit born indeed;
Wait for your God's appearing.

5. Though great our sins and sore our woes,
His grace much more aboundeth;
His helping love no limit knows,
Our utmost need it soundeth.
Our Shepherd good and true is He,
Who will at last His Israel free
From all their sin and sorrow. Amen.

TLH 249 "Isaiah, Mighty Seer, in Days of Old"
Martin Luther, 1526

1. Isaiah, mighty seer, in days of old
The Lord of all in Spirit did behold
High on a lofty throne, in splendor bright,
With flowing train that filled the Temple quite.
Above the throne were stately seraphim,
Six wings had they, these messengers of Him.
With twain they veiled their faces, as was meet,
With twain in reverent awe they hid their feet,
And with the other twain aloft they soared,
One to the other called and praised the Lord:
"Holy is God, the Lord of Sabaoth!
Holy is God, the Lord of Sabaoth!
Holy is God, the Lord of Sabaoth!
Behold, His glory filleth all the earth!"
The beams and lintels trembled at the cry,
And clouds of smoke enwrapped the throne on high.
Amen.