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.

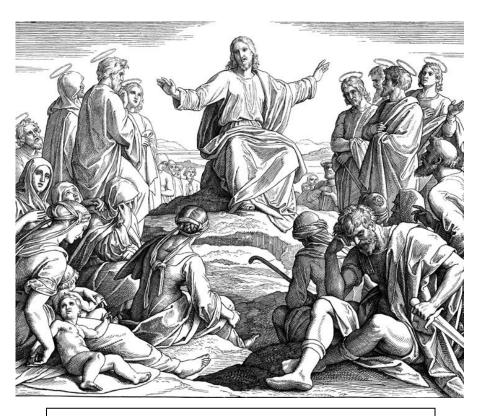
## A Prayer after Communion

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 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021

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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		
Stand		
The Processional Hymn	"O Faithful God, Thanks Be to	Thee" TLH 321
The Order of the Confe		TLH p. 46
The Introit	(Tone 3)	INSERT
The Kyrie		TLH p. 17
The Salutation		TLH p. 19
The Collect for the Day		INSERT
The Collect for the Begi		INSERT
Sit		
The Lesson		Isaiah 59:12-21
After each Lesson: V: This is the Word of the Lord.		
Ü	R: Thanks be to God.	
The Epistle		Joel 2:12-19
The Gradual		INSERT
The Tract		INSERT
Stand		
The Sequence Hymn	"The Royal Banners Forward Go	" Δ INSERT
The Gospel	St	. Matthew 6:16-21
The Nicene Creed		INSERT
Sit		
The Hymn "	When O'er My Sins I Sorrow"	TLH 152
The Sermon	Where Your Treasure Is	
Stand		
The Offertory "Crea	ate in Me A Clean Heart, O God"	TLH p. 22-23
Sit		
The Recitation of the C	<b>atechism</b> The Sacr	ament of the Altar
Stand		
The General Prayer		TLH p. 23
Sit *		
•	om Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee"	TLH 329
Stand		
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Sit		
The Distribution		

**The Hymn** "Luther's Te Deum" INSERT

Stand

**The Post-Communion Canticle** "The Nunc Dimittis" TLH p. 29-30 **The Thanksgiving** ("Ye Do Show the Lord's Death") TLH p. 30



## **The Post-Communion Collect**

Sit

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

Stand

The SalutationTLH p. 31The BenedicamusTLH p. 31The BenedictionTLH p. 31

**Silent Prayer** 

Sit

### Announcements

 $\Delta$ —indicates a hymn ending in a Doxological stanza; please stand.

<sup>\*—</sup>An Alms Basin is located next to the bulletins for any Offerings.

#### ASH WEDNESDAY

### February 17th, 2021



#### Introit

P: I WILL - || cry out | to | God | Most - | High, \*

**C:** To God who performs | **all** - | **things** - | for | me.

P:  $\parallel$  And in the shadow of Your wings I will  $\parallel$  make  $\parallel$  my  $\parallel$  re- -  $\parallel$  fuge, \*

C: Until these calami- | ties - | have - | passed | by. (Psalm 57:2, 1b)

P: || Be merciful to me, O God, be mer- | ci- | ful | to - | me! \*

**C:** For my | **soul** - | **trusts** - | in | You;

P: || And in the shadow of Your wings I will | make | my | re- - | fuge, \*

C: Until these calami- | ties - | have - | passed | by.

P:  $\parallel$  I will cry out  $\mid$  to  $\mid$  God  $\mid$  Most -  $\mid$  High, \*

**C:** To God who performs | **all** - | **things** - | for | me.

P: || He shall send from heav- | en | and | save - | me; \*

C: God shall send forth His mer- | cy - | and - | His | truth. (Psalm 57:1-3)

#### GLORIA PATRI (From Hymnal)

P: || I will cry out | to | God | Most - | High, \*

C: To God who performs | all - | things - | for | me.

P: || And in the shadow of Your wings I will | make | my | re- - | fuge, \*

C: 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

P: || Be merciful to me, O God, be mer- | ci- | ful | to - | me! \*

C: For my | soul - | trusts - | in | You:

P: || He shall | send | from | heav- - | en | \*

C: 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)

P: || O Lord, do not deal with us accord- | ing | to | our - | sins, \*

C: Nor punish us according to our | in- - | i- - | qui- | ties.

P: || O Lord, do not remember former iniqui- | ties | a- | gainst - | us! \*

C: Let Your tender mercies come speedily to meet us, for we have been | **brought** - | **ve**- - | **ry** | low.

P: || Help us, O God of | our | sal- | va- - | tion, \*

**C:** For the glo- | **ry** - | **of** - | Your | name. (*Psalm 103:10, 79:8-9a paraphrase*)

#### Isaiah 59:12-21

12 "For our transgressions are multiplied before You, and our sins testify against us: For our transgressions are with us, and as for our iniquities, we know them: 13 In transgressing and lying against the LORD, and departing from our God, speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart words of falsehood. <sup>14</sup> Justice is turned back, and righteousness stands afar off; For truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter. 15 So truth fails, and he who departs from evil makes himself a prey. Then the LORD saw it, and it displeased Him that there was no justice. <sup>16</sup> He saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no intercessor: Therefore His own arm brought salvation for Him; And His own righteousness, it sustained Him. 17 For He put on righteousness as a breastplate, and a helmet of salvation on His head; He put on the garments of vengeance for clothing, and was clad with zeal as a cloak. 18 According to their deeds, accordingly He will repay, fury to His adversaries, recompense to His enemies; The coastlands He will fully repay. <sup>19</sup> So shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and His glory from the rising of the sun; When the enemy comes in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD will lift up a standard against him. 20 The Redeemer will come to Zion, and to those who turn from transgression in Jacob," Says the LORD. <sup>21</sup> "As for Me," says the LORD, "this is My covenant with them: My Spirit who is upon you, and My words which I have put in your mouth, shall not depart from your mouth, nor from the mouth of your descendants, nor from the mouth of your descendants' descendants," says the LORD, "from this time and for-evermore."

#### Joel 2:12-19

<sup>12</sup> "Now, therefore," says the LORD, "Turn to Me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning." <sup>13</sup> 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.

<sup>14</sup> Who knows if He will turn and relent, and leave a blessing be-hind 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 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. <sup>17</sup> 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

<sup>16</sup> "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. <sup>17</sup> But you, when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, <sup>18</sup> 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. <sup>19</sup> 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."

## **Luther's Te Deum**







## **The Nicene Creed**





+ —indicates that the worshippers may make a sign of reverance (bow the head, genuflect, or make the sign of the holy cross) as is appropriate.

## The Royal Banners Forward Go



## 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.

Δ 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.

## INSERT "Luther's Te Deum" Martin Luther, 1529

(See above)

# 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!
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.