

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.



The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday
October 3rd, 2021

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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 22:43

The Order of Divine Service

The Prelude	<i>“Allein zu dir”</i>	Friedrich Zachow
The Ringing of the Bell		
The Hymn	<i>“Now Let All Loudly Sing Praise”</i>	TLH 28

(The Pastor silently prays Psalm 24 while the congregation joins in silent self-examination and reflection on God’s Commandments. Prayers are located on back cover.)

<i>Stand</i>		
The Invocation and Address		TLH p. 15
Versicles	<i>(All may kneel)</i>	TLH p. 15
Confession and Absolution		TLH p. 16

<i>Stand (if kneeling)</i>		
The Introit	<i>(Tone 8)</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 Epistle		1 Corinthians 1:4-9
The Gradual		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	<i>(Bow at the words “And was made man.”)</i>	TLH p. 22
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“Luther’s Te Deum”</i>	INSERT
The Sermon	<i>What Do You Think About the Christ?</i>	

<i>Stand</i>		
The Offertory		TLH p. 22-23
The General Prayer		LSBH p. 115-116
<i>Sit (An Alms Basin is located next to the bulletins for any Offerings)</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“In Thee Alone, O Christ, My Lord”</i>	TLH 319

<i>Stand</i>		
The Exhortation		LSBH p. 117
The Lavabo		LSBH p. 118

(The Pastor washes his hands while silently praying Psalm 26. The congregation joins in silent prayer reflecting upon the Sacrament they are about to receive. Prayers are located on back cover.)

The Preface		TLH p. 24
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The Proper Preface		TLH p. 25
The Sanctus and Benedictus		TLH p. 26
The Lord’s Prayer		TLH p. 27
The Verba Domini	<i>(All may bow when the Pastor genuflects)</i>	TLH p. 27
The Pax Domini	<i>(All may bow and cross themselves)</i>	TLH p. 27
The Agnus Dei	<i>(All may kneel)</i>	TLH p. 28
<i>Sit</i>		
The Distribution	<i>(Prayers are located on back cover.)</i>	
The Hymn	<i>“The World Is Very Evil”</i>	TLH 605
<i>Stand</i>		
The Post-Communion Canticle		TLH p. 29-30
The Thanksgiving		TLH p. 30
The Post-Communion Collect		TLH p. 31
The Hymn	<i>“Salvation unto Us has Come”</i> Δ	TLH 377
The Salutation		TLH p. 31
The Benedicamus		TLH p. 31
The Benediction		TLH p. 31
<i>Sit</i>		
The Postlude	<i>“Es ist das Heil”</i>	Jacobus Kloppers
Recitation of the Catechism		The Apostles’ Creed
Announcements		

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

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 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, *Peggy Holder, Jo Kope, Betty Ramsey, Brandon Dennie, Nellie Noegel, Katie, Dan, Judy Horn, Patricia Bachand, Tamara Jack, Mike Miller, Barbara Miller, Matthew Scholten, Vince Bost, Janice Heitener, Ray Heitener, Martin Kope, Sally Kope, William Noegel, Bruce Carter, John Burton, Dale Heimbigner, Ed Payne, James Hagen, Rev. Dcn. Floyd Smithey, Jr., and Rev. Mark Mueller.*
- For our bishop, the *Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser.*
- For the parishes served by our diocese, and those in our international fellowship, especially, *Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Harrison, AR; and Emmanuel Ev. Lutheran Mission, Conway, AR; and their pastor, the Rev. Eric Stefanski.*
- For our seminary, *St. Ignatius Lutheran Theological Seminary.*
- For our seminarians, *Ben Henson and Jacob Henson.*
- For all those who serve in the military, especially, *Nicholas Silva.*
- For those struggling with addiction, especially, *Thomas Allred and John Monahan.*
- For the moral and spiritual support of those involved with our mission in Knoxville, TN, especially, *Ana Heiser, Sherrill Smithey, Bobby Eisold, Barb Eisold, and Bob Eisold.*
- For those near death.
- For those celebrating a birthday this week.
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week, especially *Bishop and Denise Heiser.*
- For those traveling this week.

Announcements

Daily Readings for the Week after the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

	Morning	Evening
Today	Mark 9-10; John 15:1-17	St. Mark 11-12; 1 John 3:1-8
Monday:	Mark 13-14; James 3:1-18	St. Mark 15-16; Ezra 4:1-24
Tuesday:	Luke 1-2; James 4:1—5:6	St. Luke 3-4; Haggai 1:1-15
Wednesday:	St. Luke 5-6; James 5:12-20	St. Luke 7-8; Ezra 5:1-17
Thursday:	St. Luke 9-10; 1 Peter 3:1-7	St. Luke 11-12; Ezra 6:1-22
Friday:	Luke 13-14; 1 Peter 3:15-22	St. Luke 15-16; Ezra 7:1-28
Saturday:	St. Luke 17-18; 1 Peter 5:1-5	St. Luke 19-20; Ezra 8:31—9:15

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Psalms 119, Part XVIII, 18	Psalms 110, 19-22
Monday:	Psalms 119, Part XVIII, 23-25	Psalms 110, 26-30
Tuesday:	Psalms 119, Part XVIII, 31-32	Psalms 110, 33-34
Wednesday:	Psalms 119, Part XVIII, 35	Psalms 110, 36-37
Thursday:	Psalms 119, Part XVIII, 38	Psalms 110, 39-41
Friday:	Psalms 119, Part XVIII, 42-44	Psalms 110, 45-48
Saturday:	Psalms 119, Part XVIII, 49	Psalms 25, 50-51

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday:	The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.IV.33-40
Tuesday:	The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.V.1-9
Wednesday:	Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.V.10-19
Thursday:	The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.V.20-27
Friday:	The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord.VI.1-8

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: INSERT—“Luther’s Te Deum”

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

Calendar for the Week after the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Today: The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

10:00 am. Divine Service in Knoxville, TN (Deacon Smithey)

11:15 a.m. Bible class

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Oktoberfest, Helen, GA

Monday: Communion Visit to Myrtle Beach, SC

5:00 p.m. Divine Service

Pastor Dulas’ Baptismal Anniversary

Oktoberfest, Helen, GA

Tuesday: Communion Visit to Myrtle Beach, SC

Oktoberfest, Helen, GA

Wednesday: Oktoberfest, Helen, GA

Thursday: Bishop and Denise Heiser’s Anniversary

Fall for Greenville

Oktoberfest, Helen, GA

Friday: Fall for Greenville

Oktoberfest, Helen, GA

Saturday: Fall for Greenville

Oktoberfest, Helen, GA

Next Sunday: The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—

Green 10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:15 a.m. Bible class

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

Bill Kope’s Baptismal Anniversary

Oktoberfest, Helen, GA

Fall for Greenville

Reformation Workshop

We are having our third annual Reformation Workshop in Pawleys

Island, SC on Friday, October 22nd to Sunday, October 24th. Since it is the 500-year anniversary, this year’s studies will focus on the Diet of Worms. The first study on Friday night will look at the events leading up to the Diet. The second study on Saturday morning will look at the Diet itself. And the third study on Sunday morning will look at what transpired after the Diet. This is our annual opportunity to gather all of the missions in one place and study and worship, and have fun, together as a community of saints. Please make plans to be there.

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> and on the diocesan website: eldona.org. There are also printed copies in the back of the nave for your use and distribution.

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

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:4-9

Gospel: St. Matthew 22:34-46

October 3rd—The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Epistle: Ephesians 4:22-28

Gospel: St. Matthew 9:1-8

An Excerpt from Martin Luther’s Sermons

“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

THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY SUNDAY
October 3rd, 2021



Introit (Chanted by Pastor)

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

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

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

And of Your peo- | ple | Is- | ra- | el.

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

“Let us go into the | house | of | the | Lord.” (*Ecclesiasticus 36:16-17a*;
Psalms 122:1)

C: GLORIA PATRI (From Hymnal; Sung by Congregation)

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

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

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

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 (Chanted by Pastor)

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

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

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

Prosperity within | your | pal- | a- | ces.”

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

Laud Him, all you peoples! | Al- | le- | lu- | ia! (*Psalms 122:1, 7*;
117:1)

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.

Luther's Te Deum

I We sing Thy praise, O God: *II* We own Thee as our Lord.

I 2. All the earth doth wor-ship Thee: Fa-ther from e-ter-ni-ty.
 3. An-gel hosts and pow'rs on high: Raise to Thee their joy-ful cry.
 4. Cher-u-bim and ser-a-phim: Ev-er sing the glo-rious hymn.

I 5. Ho-ly is God, our Lord: *II* Ho-ly is God, our Lord:

I & II 6. Ho-ly is God, the Lord, the Lord of Sab-a-oth.

I 7. Thy maj-es-ty and sov-'reign might;
 8. The twelve A-pōs-tles, all;
 9. The white-robed saints, the mar-tyr throng;
 10. The Church doth hon-or claim;
 11. O Fa-ther on Thy heav'n-ly throne;
 12. O Ho-ly Spi-rit, Pa-tri-arche:

II 7. Fill heav'n and earth with glo-ry bright.
 8. The ho-ly Thy Name in Thy joy-ful call,
 9. All praise Thy world Thy ho-ly song,
 10. Through-out the true, Thy on-ly Name,
 11. O wor-ship, thy, true, and on-ly Son,
 12. To glo-ri-fy Thee, as is meet.

I 13. O King of glo-ry, Thee we own:
 14. To save our race, Thou didst not scorn:
 15. The pang of death hast Thou o'er-come:
 16. At God's right hand ex-alt-ed now:
 17. Thou wilt re-tur-n our ris-en Head:
 18. Thy ser-vants, Lord, our now seek Thine aid:

II 13. As Christ the Lord, th'e-ter-nal Son,
 14. Of Vir-gin and moth-er to be born;
 15. And o-pen-ed heav'n to Chris-ten-dom;
 16. His pow'r and glo-ry shar-est Thou;
 17. To judge and liv-ing and dead;
 18. Thy pre-cious blood our ran-som paid;

I 19. O let us share with all the blest: The ev-er-last-ing, glo-rious rest.
 20. Help us, O Lord, from age to age: And bless Thy cho-sen hier-iar-chie;
 21. Feed them and keep with lov-ing care: And lift them up, O Lord, for-e'er.

II

I 22. Day af-ter day we Thee a-dore: *II* And mag-ni-fy Thee ev-er-more.

23. Vouch-safe Al-might-ty Lord, we pray: To keep us free from sin, this day.
 24. Have mer-cy on us, Lord, we cry: Have mer-cy on us, Lord, most high;
 25. Show us Thy mer-cy and Thy grace: Our trust in Thee a-lone we place.

26. O Lord, we put our trust in Thee: Con-found-ed let

us nev-er be. A-men.

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.

INSERT “Luther’s Te Deum”

Martin Luther, 1529

(See above)

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

ascribed to Johannes Schneising, 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 605 “The World Is Very Evil”

Bernard of Morlas, about 1140

1. The world is very evil,
The times are waxing late;
Be sober and keep vigil,
The Judge is at the gate;
The Judge that comes in mercy,
The Judge that comes with might,
To terminate the evil,
To diadem the right.

2. Arise, arise, good Christian,
Let right to wrong succeed;
Let penitential sorrow
To heav’nly gladness lead,
To light that hath no evening,
That knows no moon nor sun,
The light so new and golden,
The light that is but one.

3. O home of fadeless splendor,
Of flow’rs that bear no thorn,
Where they shall dwell as children,
Who here as exiles mourn.
Midst pow’r that knows no limit,
Where knowledge has no bound,

The beatific vision
Shall glad the saints around.

4. Strive, man, to win that glory;
Toil, man, to gain that light;
Send hope before to grasp it
Till hope be lost in sight.
Exult, O dust and ashes,
The Lord shall be thy part;
His only, His forever,
Thou shalt be and thou art.

5. O sweet and blessed country,
The home of God's elect!
O sweet and blessed country
That eager hearts expect!
Jesus, in mercy bring us
To that dear land of rest,
Who art, with God the Father,
And Spirit, ever blest. 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.