

**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 Eighth Sunday after Trinity Sunday  
July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021

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*“Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.”*

*St. Matthew 7:19*

## The Order of Divine Service

<b>The Prelude</b>	<i>“Herzlich tut mich”</i>	Johann Pachelbel
<b>The Ringing of the Bell</b>		
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“Preserve Thy Word, O Savior”</i>	TLH 264

*(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.)*

*Stand*

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

*Stand (if kneeling.)*

<b>The Introit</b>	<i>(Tone 8)</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 Festival of St. James the Greater, Apostle</b>		
<b>The Collect for the Day</b>		INSERT

*Sit*

<b>The Epistle</b>		Romans 8:12-17
<b>The Gradual</b>		INSERT
<b>The Triple Hallelujah</b>	<i>(First Setting)</i>	TLH p. 20

*Stand*

<b>The Holy Gospel</b>		St. Matthew 7:15-23
<b>The Nicene Creed</b>	<i>(Bow at the words “And was made man.”)</i>	TLH p. 22

*Sit*

<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“The Will of God Is Always Best”</i>	TLH 517
<b>The Sermon</b>	<i>A Good Tree Cannot Bear Bad Fruit</i>	

*Stand*

<b>The Offertory</b>		TLH p. 22-23
<b>The General Prayer</b>		LSBH p. 115-116

*Sit (An Alms Basin is located next to the bulletins for any Offerings.)*

<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“If God Had Not Been on Our Side”</i>	TLH 267
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*Stand*

<b>The Exhortation</b>		LSBH p. 117
<b>The Lavabo</b>		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.)*

<b>The Preface</b>		TLH p. 24
<b>The Proper Preface</b>		TLH p. 25
<b>The Sanctus and Benedictus</b>		TLH p. 26
<b>The Lord’s Prayer</b>		TLH p. 27
<b>The Verba Domini</b>	<i>(All may bow when the Pastor genuflects.)</i>	TLH p. 27
<b>The Pax Domini</b>	<i>(All may bow and cross themselves.)</i>	TLH p. 27
<b>The Agnus Dei</b>	<i>(All may kneel.)</i>	TLH p. 28
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Distribution</b>	<i>(Prayers are located on back cover.)</i>	
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“My Jesus, as Thou Wilt”</i>	TLH 420
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Post-Communion Canticle</b>		TLH p. 29-30
<b>The Thanksgiving</b>		TLH p. 30
<b>The Post-Communion Collect</b>		TLH p. 31
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace”</i>	TLH 293
<b>The Salutation</b>		TLH p. 31
<b>The Benedicamus</b>		TLH p. 31
<b>The Benediction</b>		TLH p. 31
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Postlude</b>	<i>“Es ist gewisslich”</i>	Michael Praetorius
<b>Recitation of the Catechism</b>		The Ten Commandments
<b>Announcements</b>		

diligently warns us and says: ‘Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.’” *From Martin Luther’s sermon from the Church Postil for the Eighth Sunday after Trinity Sunday, 1522.*

### 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, Dale Heimbigner, Ed Payne, James Hagen, 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, *St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church, Taylorsville, NC;* and her pastor, the *Rev. David Carver.*
- For our seminary, *St. Ignatius Lutheran Theological Seminary.*
- For our seminarians, *Ben Henson, Jacob Henson, and John Heiser.*
- 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 *Mike and Barbara Miller.*
- For those traveling this week.

## Announcements

### Daily Readings for the Week after the Eighth Sunday after Trinity

	<b>Morning</b>	<b>Evening</b>
<b>Today</b>	2 Chron. 23; Matt. 7:22-29	2 Chronicles 24; Acts 20:17-38
<b>Monday:</b>	2 Chron. 25; 1 Cor. 12:12-31	2 Chronicles 26; 2 Samuel 19:1-23
<b>Tuesday:</b>	2 Chron. 27; 1 Cor. 14:1-40	2 Chronicles 28; 1 Chronicles 21:1-30
<b>Wed.:</b>	2 Chron. 29; 1 Cor. 15:58—16:24	2 Chronicles 30; 1 Chronicles 22:1-19
<b>Thursday:</b>	2 Chron. 31; 2 Cor. 1:1-24	2 Chronicles 32; 1 Chronicles 28:1-21
<b>Friday:</b>	2 Chron. 33; 2 Cor. 2:1—3:3	2 Chronicles 34; 1 Chronicles 29:1-23
<b>Saturday:</b>	2 Chron. 35; 2 Cor. 6:11—7:16	2 Chronicles 36; 2 Chronicles 1:1-13

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

	<b>Morning</b>	<b>Evening</b>
<b>Today:</b>	Psalms 119:57-64, 89-128	Psalms 126, 119:129-176
<b>Monday:</b>	Ps. 119, Part VIII, 120-125	Psalms 126-132
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Ps. 119, Part VIII, 133-135	Psalms 126, 136-139
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Ps. 119, Part VIII, 140-141	Psalms 126, 142-143
<b>Thursday:</b>	Psalms 119, Part VIII, 144	Psalms 126, 145
<b>Friday:</b>	Ps. 119, Part VIII, 146	Psalms 126, 147
<b>Saturday:</b>	Psalms 119, Part VIII, 148	Psalms 139, 149-150

### Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

<b>Monday:</b>	The Introduction to the Christian Book of Concord.21-25
<b>Tuesday:</b>	The Epitome of the Formula of Concord.Summary—I.10
<b>Wednesday:</b>	The Epitome of the Formula of Concord.I.11-25
<b>Thursday:</b>	The Epitome of the Formula of Concord.II.1-15
<b>Friday:</b>	The Epitome of the Formula of Concord.II.16—III.11

### Reciting the Catechism Daily:

<b>Sunday:</b>	The Ten Commandments
<b>Monday:</b>	The Apostles’ Creed, The Lord’s Prayer
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Holy Baptism, The Office of the Keys and Confession
<b>Wednesday:</b>	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 517—“The Will of God Is Always Best”

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

**Calendar for the Week after the Eighth Sunday after Trinity**

**Today: The Eighth Sunday after Trinity Sunday/The Festival of St. James the Greater, Apostle (Commemorated)—Green**

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:15 a.m. Bible class

**Monday:** SE Pastor’s Conference at Sts. Peter and Paul Ev. Lutheran Church, Simpsonville, SC

9:00 a.m. Matins (Pastor Dulas)

1:00 p.m. Paper (Bishop Heiser)

3:30 p.m. Paper (Pastor Dulas)

5:00 p.m. Vespers (Pastor Carver)

**Tuesday:** SE Pastor’s Conference at Sts. Peter and Paul Ev. Lutheran Church, Simpsonville, SC

9:00 a.m. Matins (Pastor Warr)

1:00 p.m. Paper (Pastor Dulas)

3:30 p.m. Paper (Pastor Warr)

5:00 p.m. Vespers (Bishop Heiser)

**Wednesday:** No Events Scheduled

**Thursday: The Festival of St. Olaf II, King and Martyr—Red**

Deacon Smithey’s Ordination Anniversary

Mike and Barbara Miller’s Anniversary

**Friday:** No Events Scheduled

**Saturday:** No Events Scheduled

**Next Sunday: The Ninth 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

**The Lutheran Herald**

The July 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](http://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 Eighth Sunday after Trinity Sunday/The Festival of St. James the Greater, Apostle (Commemorated)**

**Epistle:** Romans 8:12-17

**Gospel:** St. Matthew 7:15-23

**July 29<sup>th</sup>—The Festival of St. Olaf II, King and Martyr**

**Epistle:** 2 Corinthians 9:6-10

**Gospel:** St. John 12:24-26

**August 1<sup>st</sup>—The Ninth Sunday after Trinity Sunday**

**Epistle:** 1 Corinthians 10:6-13

**Gospel:** St. Luke 16:1-9

**An Excerpt from Martin Luther’s Sermons**

“As the Lord in the three previous chapters, the 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup>, explains the commandments of God, he finally concludes with these words, ‘Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them,’ v. 12. This is a Christian doctrine, and the sum and total of Christianity. Immediately follows this Gospel lesson, in which the Lord exercises the office of a good shepherd and teacher, and warns us to beware of false prophets. As though he would say, ‘Now you have heard the truth, from henceforth therefore beware of other doctrines.’ For it is certain that false teachers and false prophets will arise wherever this Word is preached.

“We must boldly consider the two kinds of doctrine, the true and good, and the false and erroneous, and that they will always accompany each other, for thus it has been from the beginning, and thus it will continue to the end of the world. Hence it will not do for us to creep along in silence, and resort to a safe and secure manner of life. The evil teachings of men and the doctrines of devils, and all our enemies oppose us without ceasing, and hence we dare not think that the issue is settled. We are not yet across the river. Therefore, the Lord

## THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY SUNDAY

July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021



### Introit (Chanted by Pastor)

P: WE HAVE || thought, O God, on Your loving- | kind- | ness, \*

In the midst | of | Your | tem- | ple.

P: || According to Your name, O God, so is Your praise to the ends  
of the | earth; | - \*

Your right hand is full | of | right- | eous- | ness.

P: || Great is the Lord, and greatly to be | praised | - \*

In the city of our God, in His | ho- | ly | moun- | tain. (*Psalm*  
*48:9-10; 1*)

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

P: || We thought, O God, on Your loving- | kind- | ness, \*

In the midst | of | Your | tem- | ple.

P: || According to Your name, O God, so is Your praise to the ends  
of the | earth; | - \*

Your right hand is full | of | right- | eous- | ness. (*Psalm 48:9-10*)

### Collect

Grant to us, Lord, we beseech Thee, the Spirit to think and do always such things as are right; that we, who cannot do anything that is good without Thee, may by Thee be enabled to live according to Thy will; 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: || Be my Rock of | re- | fuge, \*

A fortress of de- | fense | to | save | me.

P: || In You, O Lord, I put my | trust; | - \*

Let me never | be | a- | sham- | ed.

P: || Alleluia! Alleluia! For the LORD knows the way of the | right-  
| eous, \*

But the way of the ungodly shall perish. | Al- | le- | lu- | ia!

(*Psalm 31:2b, 1a; 1:6*)

### Romans 8:12-17

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, brethren, we are debtors—not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. <sup>13</sup> For if you live according to the flesh you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup> For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. <sup>15</sup> For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, “Abba, Father.” <sup>16</sup> The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup> and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together.

### St. Matthew 7:15-23

<sup>15</sup> “Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves. <sup>16</sup> You will know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes from thornbushes or figs from thistles? <sup>17</sup> Even so, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. <sup>18</sup> A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. <sup>19</sup> Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. <sup>20</sup> Therefore by their fruits you will know them. <sup>21</sup> Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. <sup>22</sup> Many will say to Me in that day, ‘Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?’ <sup>23</sup> And then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!’”

**TLH 264 “Preserve Thy Word, O Savior”**

Andreas Gryphius, 1676, Abridged

1. Preserve Thy Word, O Savior,  
To us this latter day  
And let Thy kingdom flourish,  
Enlarge Thy Church, we pray.  
Oh, keep our faith from failing,  
Keep hope’s bright star aglow.  
Let naught from Thy Word turn us  
While wand’ring here below.

2. Preserve, O Lord, Thine honor,  
The bold blasphemer smite;  
Convince, convert, enlighten,  
The souls in error’s night.  
Reveal Thy will, dear Savior,  
To all who dwell below—  
Thou Light of all the living—  
That men Thy Name may know.

3. Preserve, O Lord, Thy Zion,  
Bought dearly with Thy Blood;  
Protect what Thou hast chosen  
Against the foes’ dread brood.  
Be Thou her great Defender  
When dangers gather round;  
E’en tho’ the Earth be crumbling,  
Safe will Thy Church be found.

4. Preserve, O Lord, Thy children,  
Thine own blest heritage;  
Resist, disperse, and scatter  
Those who against Thee rage.  
Let Thy commandments guide us,  
Grant us Thy heav’nly food;  
Clothe us in Thy rich garments,  
Bought with Thy precious Blood.

5. Preserve Thy Word and preaching,  
The truth that makes us whole,  
The mirror of Thy glory,  
The power that saves the soul.  
Oh, may this living water,  
This dew of heavenly grace,  
Sustain us while here living  
Until we see Thy face!

6. Preserve in wave and tempest  
Thy storm-tossed little flock;  
Assailed by wind and weather,  
May it endure each shock.  
Take Thou the helm, O Pilot,  
And set the course aright;

Thus we shall reach the harbor  
In Thine eternal light. Amen.

**TLH 517 “The Will of God Is Always Best”**

Ascribed to Albrecht von Brandenburg, c. 1554

1. The will of God is always best  
And shall be done forever;  
And they who trust in Him are blest,  
He will forsake them never.  
He helps indeed In time of need,  
He chastens with forbearing;  
They who depend On God, their Friend,  
Shall not be left despairing.

2. God is my Comfort and my Trust,  
My Hope and Life abiding;  
And to His counsel, wise and just,  
I yield, in Him confiding.  
The very hairs, His Word declares,  
Upon my head He numbers.  
By night and day God is my Stay,  
He never sleeps nor slumbers.

3. Lord Jesus, this I ask of Thee,  
Deny me not this favor:  
When Satan sorely troubles me,  
Then do not let me waver.  
Keep watch and ward, O gracious Lord,  
Fulfil Thy faithful saying:  
Who doth believe He shall receive  
An answer to His praying.

4. When life’s brief course on Earth is run  
And I this world am leaving,  
Grant me to say: “Thy will be done.”  
By faith to Thee still cleaving.  
My heavenly Friend, I now commend  
My soul into Thy keeping,  
O’er sin and Hell, And death as well,  
Thro’ Thee the vict’ry reaping. Amen.

**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 420 “My Jesus, as Thou Wilt”**  
Benjamin Schmolck, 1704

1. My Jesus, as Thou wilt;  
Oh, may Thy will be mine!  
Into Thy hand of love  
I would my all resign.  
Thro' sorrow or thro' joy  
Conduct me as Thine own  
And help me still to say,  
My Lord, Thy will be done.

2. My Jesus, as Thou wilt,  
If needy here and poor,  
Give me Thy people's bread,  
Thy Word, so rich and sure.  
The manna from above  
Let my soul feed upon;  
And if all else should fail,  
My Lord, Thy will be done.

3. My Jesus, as Thou wilt,  
Tho' seen thro' many a tear,  
Let not my star of hope  
Grow dim or disappear.  
Since Thou on Earth hast wept  
And sorrowed oft alone,  
If I must weep with Thee,  
My Lord, Thy will be done.

4. My Jesus, as Thou wilt,  
When death itself draws nigh,  
Unto Thy wounded side  
For refuge I would fly  
And, clinging to Thee, go  
Where Thou before hast gone.  
My times are in Thy hand:  
My Lord, Thy will be done.

5. My Jesus, as Thou wilt.  
All shall be well for me;  
Each changing future scene  
I gladly trust with Thee.  
Thus to my home above  
I travel calmly on  
And sing in life or death,  
My Lord, Thy will be done. Amen.

**TLH 293 “O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace”**  
Bartholomäus Ringwaldt, 1581

1. O Holy Spirit, grant us grace  
That we our Lord and Savior  
In faith and fervent love embrace  
And truly serve Him ever,  
So that when death is drawing nigh,  
We to His open wounds may fly  
And find in them salvation.

2. Help us that we Thy saving Word  
In faithful hearts may treasure;  
Let e'er that Bread of Life afford  
New grace in richest measure.  
Yea, let us die to ev'ry sin,  
For Heav'n create us new within  
That fruits of faith may flourish.

3. And when our earthly race is run,  
Death's bitter hour impending,  
Then may Thy work in us begun  
Continue till life's ending,  
Until we gladly may commend  
Our souls into our Savior's hand  
To rest in peace eternal. Amen.