

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 Twelfth Sunday after Trinity Sunday
August 22nd, 2021

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“Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.”
St. Mark 7:34

The Order of Divine Service

The Prelude	“ <i>Nun lob, mein’ Seel’</i> ”	Johann Christoph Bach
The Ringing of the Bell		
The Hymn	“ <i>Praise the Almighty, My Soul, Adore Him</i> ”	Δ TLH 26

(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

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

Stand (if kneeling)

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

Sit

The Epistle		2 Corinthians 3:4-11
The Gradual		INSERT
The Triple Hallelujah	<i>(First Setting)</i>	TLH p. 20

Stand

The Holy Gospel		St. Mark 7:31-37
The Nicene Creed	<i>(Bow at the words “And was made man.”)</i>	TLH p. 22

Sit

The Hymn	“ <i>My Soul, Now Bless Thy Maker</i> ”	TLH 34
The Sermon	<i>Immediately His Ears Were Opened</i>	

Stand

The Offertory		TLH p. 22-23
The Reception of a New Member		
The General Prayer		LSBH p. 115-116

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

The Hymn	“ <i>My God, My Faithful God</i> ”	TLH 526
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Stand

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
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>Oh, How Great Is Thy Compassion</i> ”	TLH 384
<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>Oh, that I Had a Thousand Voices</i> ”	TLH 30
The Salutation		TLH p. 31
The Benedicamus		TLH p. 31
The Benediction		TLH p. 31
<i>Sit</i>		
The Postlude	“ <i>Auf meinen lieben Gott</i> ”	Friedrich Zachow
Recitation of the Catechism	The Office of the Keys and Confession	
Announcements		

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

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, *Faith Ev. Lutheran Church, Beaverton, OR;* and her pastor, the *Rev. Daniel Mensing.*
- 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.
- For those traveling this week.

Announcements

Daily Readings for the Week after the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

	Morning	Evening
Today	Sirach 12-13; Matt. 12:31-42	Sirach 14-15; James 3:1-12
Monday:	Sirach 16-17; Col. 2:1-23	Sirach 18-19; 2 Kings 4:1-44
Tuesday:	Sir. 20-21; Col. 3:18—4:18	Sirach 22-23; 2 Kings 5:1-27
Wednesday:	Sir. 24-25; 1 Thess. 1:1-10	Sirach 26-27; 2 Kings 6:1-23
Thursday:	Sir. 28-29; 1 Thess. 2:1-20	Sirach 30-31; 2 Kings 6:24—7:20
Friday:	Sirach 32-33; 1 Thess. 3:1-13	Sirach 34-35; 2 Kings 8:1-15
Saturday:	Sir. 36-37; 1 Thess. 4:8-12	Sirach 38-39; 2 Kings 9:1-37

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Psalms 119, Part XII, 107	Psalms 104, 108-111
Monday:	Ps. 119, Part XII, 112-115	Psalms 104, 116-118
Tuesday:	Psalms 119:1-40, 89-96	Psalms 104, 119:41-88
Wednesday:	Psalms 119:89-128	Psalms 104, 119:129-176
Thursday:	Ps. 119, Part XII, 120-125	Psalms 104, 126-132
Friday:	Ps. 119, Part XII, 133-135	Psalms 104, 136-139
Saturday:	Ps. 119, Part XII, 140-141	Psalms 146, 142-143

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Mon.:	Solid Decl. of the Formula of Concord. Rule and Norm. 14-20
Tuesday:	The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord. I. 1-6
Wednesday:	The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord. I. 7-15
Thursday:	The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord. I. 16-25
Friday:	The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord. I. 26-32

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 34—“My Soul, Now Bless Thy Maker”

Evening: TLH 526—“In God, My Faithful God”

Calendar for the Week after the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Today: The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:15 a.m. Bible class

Monday: Visit to Fort Myers, FL

5:00 p.m. Divine Service

Tuesday: The Festival of St. Bartholomew, Apostle and Martyr—Red

Visit to Fort Myers, FL

Wednesday: No Events Scheduled

Thursday: No Events Scheduled

Friday: No Events Scheduled

Saturday: No Events Scheduled

Next Sunday: The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday/The Festival of the Beheading of St. John the Baptist (Commemorated) —Green

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:15 a.m. Bible class

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

Sherrill Smithey’s Birthday

New Member Welcome

Today, after a successful examination by the pastor, we welcome into communion fellowship John Landt during the Divine Service. He is a Lutheran who is originally from Minnesota, but most recently moved from the Dallas, TX area to Fort Myers, FL. He will be a part of our new mission in that area: St. Bartholomew Ev. Lutheran Mission, UAC. Welcome, John, and we look forward to getting to know you all better!

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 August 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 Twelfth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 3:4-11

Gospel: St. Mark 7:31-37

August 29th—The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday/The Festival of the Beheading of St. John the Baptist (Commemorated)

Epistle: Galatians 3:15-22

Gospel: St. Luke 10:23-37

An Excerpt from Martin Luther’s Sermons

“Now you here observe the nature of faith which grows out of the Word. For the Word first sets forth to us the mercy and goodness of God; then faith causes us to cleave unto it with a firm confidence, and to obey the Word. For we are now conscious of this in our hearts, and are satisfied; for as soon as we believe, we are already with Christ in this inheritance, and are justified.” *This sermon is from the Church Postil of Martin Luther for the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity Sunday.*

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY SUNDAY

August 22nd, 2021



Introit (Chanted by Pastor)

P: MAKE HASTE, || O God, to de- | *liv-er* • | me! *

Make haste to | help | me, | O | Lord!

P: || Let them be ashamed and con- | found- | ed *

— | Who | seek | my | life.

P: || Let them be turned back and con- | fused | - *

Who | de- | sire | my | hurt. (*Psalm 70:1-2*)

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

P: || Make haste, O God, to de- | *liv-er* • | me! *

Make haste to | help | me, | O | Lord!

P: || Let them be ashamed and con- | found- | ed *

— | Who | seek | my | life. (*Psalm 70:1-2a*)

Collect

Almighty and Merciful God, of Whose only gift it cometh that Thy faithful people do unto Thee true and laudable service: Grant, we beseech Thee, that we may so faithfully serve Thee in this life, that we fail not finally to attain Thy heavenly promises; 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 will bless the Lord at | all | times; *

His praise shall continually | be | in | my | mouth.

P: || My soul shall make its boast in the | Lord; | - *

The humble shall hear of | it | and | be | glad.

P: // Alleluia! Alleluia! Sing aloud to God, our | Strength; | - *

Make a joyful shout to the God of Jacob. / Al- | le- | lu- | ia!

(*Psalm 34:1-2; 81:1*)

2 Corinthians 3:4-11

⁴ And we have such trust through Christ toward God. ⁵ Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think of anything as being from ourselves, but our sufficiency is from God, ⁶ who also made us sufficient as ministers of the new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life. ⁷ But if the ministry of death, written and engraved on stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not look steadily at the face of Moses because of the glory of his countenance, which glory was passing away, ⁸ how will the ministry of the Spirit not be more glorious? ⁹ For if the ministry of condemnation had glory, the ministry of righteousness exceeds much more in glory. ¹⁰ For even what was made glorious had no glory in this respect, because of the glory that excels. ¹¹ For if what is passing away was glorious, what remains is much more glorious.

St. Mark 7:31-37

³¹ Again, departing from the region of Tyre and Sidon, He came through the midst of the region of Decapolis to the Sea of Galilee. ³² Then they brought to Him one who was deaf and had an impediment in his speech, and they begged Him to put His hand on him. ³³ And He took him aside from the multitude, and put His fingers in his ears, and He spat and touched his tongue. ³⁴ Then, looking up to heaven, He sighed, and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” ³⁵ Immediately his ears were opened, and the impediment of his tongue was loosed, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶ Then He commanded them that they should tell no one; but the more He commanded them, the more widely they proclaimed it. ³⁷ And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, “He has done all things well. He makes both the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.”

TLH 26 “Praise the Almighty, My Soul, Adore Him”

Johann D. Herrnschmidt, 1714

1. Praise the Almighty, my soul, adore Him!
Yea, I will laud Him until death.
With songs and anthems I'll come before Him
As long as He doth give me breath.
From Him my life and all things came;
Bless, O my soul, His holy name.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

2. Trust not in princes, they are but mortal;
Earth-born they are and soon decay.
Naught are their counsels at life's last portal,
When the dark grave doth claim its prey.
Since, then, no man can help afford,
Trust ye in Christ, our God and Lord.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

3. Blessèd, yea, blessed is he forever
Whose help is in the Lord most high,
Whom from the saving faith naught can sever
And who in hope to Christ draws nigh.
To all who trust in Him, our Lord,
Counsel and aid He doth afford.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

4. God the Almighty, the great Creator,
Ruler of sky and land and sea,
All things ordainèd, and sooner or later
They come to pass unfaillingly.
His rule is over rich and poor,
His promise ever standeth sure.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

5. Penitent sinners, for mercy crying,
Pardon and peace from Him obtain;
Ever the wants of the poor supplying,
Their faithful God He doth remain.
He helps His children in distress,
The widows and the fatherless.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Δ 6. Praise, O mankind, now the Name so holy
Of Him Who doth such wondrous things!
All that hath being, to praise Him solely,
With happy heart its “Amen” sings!
Children of God, with angel host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Amen.

TLH 34 “My Soul, Now Bless Thy Maker”

Johann Gramann, 1525

1. My soul, now bless thy Maker!
Let all within me bless His Name
Who maketh thee partaker
Of mercies more than thou dar'st claim.
Forget Him not Whose meekness
Still bears with all thy sin,
Who healeth all thy weakness,
Renews thy life within;
Whose grace and care are endless
And saved thee thro' the past;
Who leaves no suff'rer friendless,
But rights the wronged at last.

2. He shows to man His treasure
Of judgment, truth, and righteousness,
His love beyond all measure,
His yearning pity o'er distress,
Nor treats us as we merit,
But lays His anger by,
The humble, contrite spirit
Finds His compassion nigh;
And high as Heaven above us,
As break from close of day,
So far, since He doth love us,
He puts our sins away.

3. For as a tender father
Hath pity on his children here,
He in His arms will gather
All who are His in childlike fear.
He knows how frail our powers
Who but from dust are made;
We flourish like the flowers,
And even so we fade;
The wind but o'er them passes,
And all their bloom is o'er,—
We wither like the grasses,
Our place knows us no more.

4. God's grace alone endureth,
And children's children yet shall prove
How He with strength assureth
The hearts of all that seek His love.
In Heav'n is fixed His dwelling,
His rule is over all;
Angels, in might excelling,
Bright hosts, before Him fall.
Praise Him, Who ever reigneth,
All ye who hear His Word,
Nor our poor hymns disdaineth—
My soul, oh, bless the Lord! Amen.

TLH 526 “In God, My Faithful God”
ascribed to Sigismund Weingärtner, 1607

1. In God, my faithful God,
I trust when dark my road;
Tho' many woes o'ertake me,
Yet He will not forsake me.
His love it is doth send them
And, when 'tis best, will end them.

2. My sins assail me sore,
But I despair no more.
I build on Christ, Who loves me;
From this Rock nothing moves me.
To Him I all surrender,
To Him, my soul's Defender.

3. If death my portion be,
Then death is gain to me
And Christ my Life forever,
From whom death cannot sever.
Come when it may, He'll shield me,
To Him I wholly yield me.

4. O Jesus Christ, my Lord,
So meek in deed and word,
Thou once didst die to save us
Because Thy love would have us
Be heirs of heavenly gladness
When ends this life of sadness.

5. “So be it,” then I say
With all my heart each day.
We, too, dear Lord, adore Thee.
We sing for joy before Thee.
Guide us while here we wander
Until we praise Thee yonder. Amen.

TLH 384 “Oh, How Great Is Thy Compassion”
Johann Olearius, 1671

1. Oh, how great is Thy compassion,
Faithful Father, God of grace,
That with all our fallen race
And in our deep degradation
Thou wast merciful that we
Might be saved eternally!

2. Thy great love for this hath striven
That we may from sin be free
And forever live with Thee;
Yea, Thy Son Himself hath given
In His grace an earnest call
To His Supper unto all.

3. And for this our soul's salvation
Voucheth Thy good Spirit, Lord,
In Thy Sacraments and Word.
He imparteth consolation,
Granteth us the gift of faith
That we fear nor Hell nor death.

4. Lord, Thy mercy will not leave me—
Truth doth evermore abide,—
Then in Thee I will confide.
Since Thy Word cannot deceive me,
My salvation is to me
Well assured eternally.

5. I will praise Thy great compassion,
Faithful Father, God of grace,
That with all our fallen race
And in our deep degradation
Thou wast merciful that we
Might bring endless praise to Thee. Amen.

TLH 30 “Oh, that I Had a Thousand Voices”
Johann Mentzer, 1704

1. Oh that I had a thousand voices
To praise my God with thousand tongues!
My heart, which in the Lord rejoices,
Would then proclaim in grateful songs
To all, wherever I might be,
What great things God hath done for me.

2. O all ye pow'rs that He implanted,
Arise, and silence keep no more;
Put forth the strength that He hath granted,
Your noblest work is to adore.
O soul and body, be ye meet
With heartfelt praise your Lord to greet!

3. Ye forest leaves so green and tender,
That dance for joy in summer air;
Ye meadow grasses, bright and slender;
Ye flow'rs so wondrous sweet and fair;
Ye live to show His praise alone,
With me now make His glory known.

4. All creatures that have breath and motion,
That throng the earth, the sea, the sky,
Now join me in my heart's devotion,
Help me to raise His praises high,
My utmost pow'rs can ne'er aright
Declare the wonders of His might.

5. Lord, I will tell, while I am living,
Thy goodness forth with every breath
And greet each morning with thanksgiving

Until my heart is still in death;
Yea, when at last my lips grow cold,
Thy praise shall in my sighs be told.

6. O Father, deign Thou, I beseech Thee,
To listen to my earthly lays;
A nobler strain in Heaven shall reach Thee,
When I with angels hymn Thy praise
And learn amid their choirs to sing
Loud hallelujahs to my King. Amen.