

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 Festival of the Conversion of St. Paul
January 25th, 2025

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“Verily I say unto you, that ye who have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of Man shall sit on the throne of His glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.” St. Matthew 19:28

The Order of Divine Service

The Prelude	<i>“Herr Jesu Christ, mein’s”</i>	Johann Gottfried Walther
The Ringing of the Bell		
The Processional Hymn	<i>“Renew Me, O Eternal Light”</i>	INSERT
<i>Stand</i>		
Silent Prayer	<i>(Prayers are located on back cover)</i>	ASBH p. 7
The Invocation		ASBH p. 7
The Confession of Sins	<i>(All may kneel)</i>	ASBH p. 8
Versicles		ASBH p. 8
Confession and Absolution		ASBH p. 8-9
<i>Stand (if kneeling)</i>		
The Introit	<i>(Congregation joins Pastor on Gloria Patri)</i>	ASBH p. 137
The Kyrie		ASBH p. 10
The Gloria in Excelsis		ASBH p. 10-13
The Salutation		ASBH p. 13
The Collect for the Day		ASBH p. 137
The Collect for the Second Sunday after Epiphany		ASBH p. 58
Collect Amen		ASBH p. 14
<i>Sit</i>		
The Epistle		Acts 9:1-22
The Gradual		ASBH p. 137
<i>Stand</i>		
The Triple Hallelujah	<i>(Second Setting)</i>	ASBH p. 15
The Gospel		St. Matthew 19:27-30
The Creed	<i>(All may bow at the words “And was made man.)</i>	INSERT
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“O Thou, Who Dost Accord Us the Highest Prize and Guerdon”</i>	ASBH 75
The Sermon	<i>Ye Also Shall Sit Upon Twelve Thrones</i>	
<i>Stand</i>		
The Offertory		ASBH p. 18-19
	<i>(An Alms Basin is located next to the bulletins for any Offerings)</i>	
The General Prayer		ASBH p. 19-20
The Lord’s Prayer		ASBH p. 20
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“From God Shall Naught Divide Me”</i>	Δ ASBH 39
The Lavabo	<i>(During Hymn)</i>	ASBH p. 21
<i>Stand</i>		
The Exhortation		ASBH p. 21
The Preface		ASBH p. 22
The Proper Preface		ASBH p. 23-27
The Sanctus and Benedictus		ASBH p. 27-28
The Lord’s Prayer		ASBH p. 29

The Verba Domini	<i>(All may bow when the Pastor genuflects)</i>	ASBH p. 30
The Pax Domini	<i>(All may bow and cross themselves)</i>	ASBH p. 31
The Agnus Dei	<i>(All may kneel)</i>	ASBH p. 31-32
<i>Sit</i>		
The Distribution	<i>(Prayers are located on back cover)</i>	
The Hymn	<i>“Jesus Christ, My Pride and Glory”</i>	TLH 408
<i>Stand</i>		
The Nunc Dimittis		ASBH p. 33-35
The Thanksgiving and Collect		ASBH p. 35-36
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfil”</i>	TLH 412
<i>Stand</i>		
The Salutation		ASBH p. 36
The Benedicamus		ASBH p. 37
The Benediction		ASBH p. 37
The Triple Amen	<i>(First Setting)</i>	ASBH p. 37
The Recessional Hymn	<i>“Lo, Many Shall Come from the East and the West”</i>	TLH 415
<i>Sit</i>		
The Postlude	<i>“Der mange skal komme”</i>	Steven Went

Recitation of the Catechism

The Lord’s Prayer (pages 15-19) & Questions 56-61 (Part I. The Ten Commandments. The Second Table. The Seventh Commandment, pages 56-58).

Announcements

*ASBH = Augustana Service Book and Hymnal: 2022 Supplement.
TLH = The Lutheran Hymnal*

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

Festival of Philip Melancthon
85. Renew Me, O Eternal Light

Erneure mich, o ew'ges Licht
Johann F. Ruopp, 1714, cento
Tr., August Crull, †1923

Herr Jesu Christ, mein's
"Hymnodus Sacer"
Leipzig, 1625

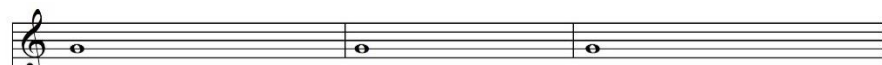
1. Re - new me, O e - ter - nal Light,
2. De - stroy in me the lust of sin;
3. Cre - ate in me a new heart, Lord,
4. Grant that I on - ly Thee may love

And let my heart and soul be bright,
From all im - pure - ness make me clean.
That glad - ly I o - bey Thy Word.
And seek those things which are a - bove

Il - lu - mined with the light of grace
Oh, grant me pow'r and strength, my God,
And naught but what Thou wilt, de - sire;
Till I be - hold Thee face to face,

That is - sues from Thy ho - ly face.
To strive a - gainst my flesh and blood.
With such new life my soul in - spire.
O Light e - ter - nal, thro' Thy grace. A - men.

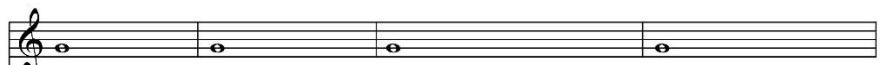
The Nicene Creed



I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven
and Earth and of all things visible
and invisible,



And in One Lord
+ Jesus Christ, the Only-Begotten
Son of God, begotten of His Father
before all worlds,



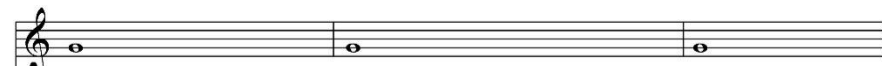
God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made,



Being of one substance with the Father, By Whom all things were made;



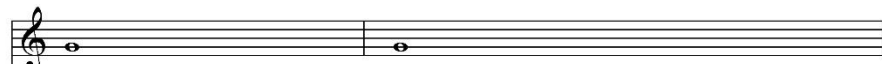
Who for us men and for our salvation
came down from Heaven And was incarnate by the Holy
Ghost of the Virgin Mary



+ And was made man; And was crucified also for us
under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and
was buried;




And the third day He rose again
according to the Scriptures; And ascended into Heaven,



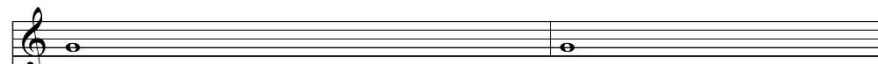
And sitteth on the right
hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to
judge both the quick and the dead;



Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost,




The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and
the Son,



Who with the Father and the Son together
is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets.



And I believe one holy Christian and
Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for
the remission of sins,



And I look for the resurrection
of the dead; + And the life of the
world to come. A - - men.

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