

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

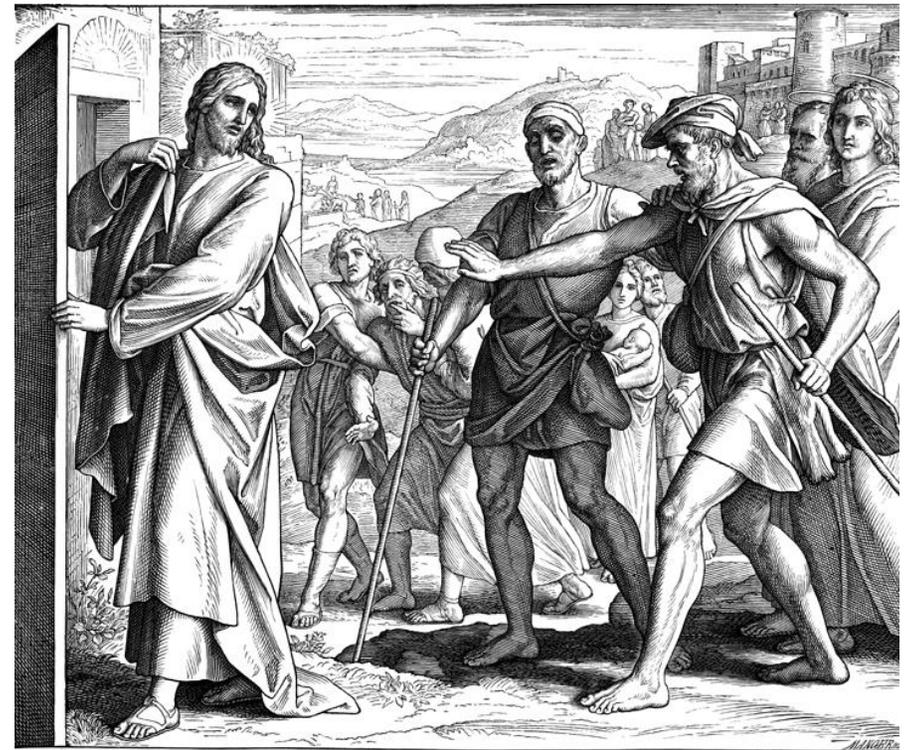
Dear Savior, upon Thy gracious invitation I come to Thine Altar. Let me find favor in Thine eyes that I may approach Thy Table in true faith and receive the Sacrament to the salvation of my soul. Amen.

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.



Quinquagesima Sunday (*Esto mihi*)
February 15th, 2026

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“And Jesus said unto him, ‘Receive thy sight; thy faith hath made thee whole.’” St. Luke 18:42

The Order of Divine Service

The Prelude	<i>“Nun freut euch”</i>	Michael Praetorius
The Ringing of the Bell		
The Hymn	<i>“In Thee, Lord, have I Put My Trust”</i>	Δ ASBH 55
<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. 65
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. 65
Collect Amen		ASBH p. 14
<i>Sit</i>		
The Epistle		1 Corinthians 13:1-13
The Gradual		ASBH p. 65
<i>Stand</i>		
The Gospel	<i>(Gospel Responses ASBH p. 16)</i>	St. Luke 18:31-43
The Creed	<i>(All may bow at the words “And was made man.”)</i>	ASBH p. 17
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“If Thy Beloved Son, O God”</i>	ASBH 18
The Sermon	<i>Thou Son of David, Have Mercy on Me</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>“Lord, as Thou Wilt, Deal Thou with Me”</i>	INSERT
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>“Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray”</i>	INSERT
<i>Stand</i>		
The Nunc Dimittis		ASBH p. 33-35
The Thanksgiving and Collect		ASBH p. 35-36
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth”</i>	INSERT
<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
<i>Sit</i>		
The Postlude	<i>“An Wasserflüssen Babylon”</i>	Friedrich Zipp

Recitation of the Catechism

The Lord’s Prayer (pages 15-19) & Questions 248-253 (Part III. The Lord’s Prayer. The Fifth Petition, pages 118-120).

Announcements

ASBH = Augustana Service Book and Hymnal: 2022 Supplement.

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

In Our Prayers:

- For all those who are sick or infirmed, especially, *Dan, Katie, Kelly, Vince Bost, Brandon Dennie, Rachel Epperson, Vito Gerardi, Graham Hardaway, Michelle Harris, Peggy Holder, Judy Horn, Glen Madden, Paul Meadows, Barbara Miller, Mike Miller, Rev. Mark Mueller, Jack Newton, Orlin Palm, Becky Phillips, Betty Ramsey, Rev. Eric Stefanski, Chuck Webber, Gerald Weerts, and Tammy Wilson.*
- For our bishop, the *Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser.*
- For the parishes served by our diocese, and those in our international fellowship, especially, *Christ Ev. Lutheran Church, Richmond, MO;* and her pastor, the *Rev. Josiah Scheck.*
- That the Lord might send *Faithful Laborers* into His harvest.
- For *St. Ignatius Evangelical Lutheran Seminary* and our seminarians, *Duncan Geldenhuys* and *Jonathan Teo Zin Han.*
- For the moral and spiritual support of those involved with our mission in Knoxville, TN, *Bob, Barbara, and Bobby Eisold,* and *Deacon and Sherrill Smithey.*
- For those struggling with addiction, especially *Thomas Allred* and *John Monahan.*
- For all those who serve in the military.
- For those celebrating birthdays this week.
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week.
- For those traveling this week.

Announcements

Daily Readings for Week after Quinquagesima Sunday

	Morning	Evening
Today	Ex. 21-22; John 12:23-36	Exodus 23-24; 1 Peter 3:18-22
Monday:	Ex. 25-26; Luke 6:1-35	Exodus 27-28; 24:1—25:9
Tuesday:	Ex. 29-30; Luke 6:43-49	Exodus 31-32
Wednesday:	Ex. 33-34; Luke 7:1-10	Exodus 35-36; 33:1-23
Thursday:	Ex. 37-38; Luke 7:18—8:3	Exodus 39-40; 34:1-10
Friday:	Num. 1-2; Luke 8:16-56	Numbers 3-4; Exodus 34:27-35
Saturday:	Num. 5-6; Luke 9:1-27	Numbers 7-8; Exodus 40:1-38

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Psalms 111, 77	Psalms 27, 78
Monday:	Psalms 111, 79-80	Psalms 27, 81-83
Tuesday:	Psalms 111, 84-85	Psalms 27, 86-88
Wednesday:	Psalms 6, 89	Psalms 130, 90-92
Thursday:	Psalms 6, 93-95	Psalms 130, 96-100
Friday:	Psalms 6, 101-102	Psalms 130, 103-104
Saturday:	Psalms 6, 105	Psalms 16, 106

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday: The Augsburg Confession, XIII.1—XVII.5
Tuesday: The Augsburg Confession, XVIII.1—XX.11
Wednesday: The Augsburg Confession, XX.12-40
Thursday: The Augsburg Confession, XXI.1—XXII.12
Friday: The Augsburg Confession, XXIII.1-26

Reciting the Catechism Daily:

Sunday: The Ten Commandments
Monday: The Apostles' Creed
Tuesday: The Lord's Prayer
Wednesday: Holy Baptism, The Office of the Keys and Confession
Thursday: The Sacrament of the Altar
Friday: How One Should Be Taught to Pray
Saturday: The Table of Duties

Hymns for the Week:

Morning: ASBH 18—"If Thy Beloved Son, O God"

Evening: INSERT—"Lord, as Thou Wilt, Deal Thou with Me"

Calendar for the Week after Quinquagesima Sunday

Today: Quinquagesima Sunday (*Esto mihi*)—Violet

10:00 a.m. Divine Service and Bible Class in Simpsonville, SC and Knoxville, TN (Deacon Smithey)

Monday: *President's Day*

Tuesday: *Mardi gras*

Shrove Tuesday

6:00 p.m. Pastor Teaches Psalms Class

Wednesday: Ash Wednesday, the First Day of Lent/The Festival of

Martin Luther, Confessor and Doctor—Violet

4:30 p.m. Private confession

5 p.m. Divine Service with the Order of Public Confession

Thursday: 6:00 p.m. Pastor Teaches Psalms Class

Friday: Vince Bost's Baptismal Anniversary

Saturday: No Events Scheduled

Next Sunday: Invocavit Sunday—Violet

Washington's Birthday

10:00 a.m. Divine Service and Bible Class in Simpsonville, SC

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

St. Ignatius of Antioch Evangelical Lutheran Seminary

The Diocesan seminary continues their Winter Quarter of their second year. Classes will continue until Friday, February 27th. I am teaching the class on the Psalms this quarter. Please keep the seminary and her students in your prayers.

The Lutheran Herald

The February 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.

An Excerpt from Luther's Writings

"This Gospel presents to us again the two thoughts of faith and love, both in that Christ says He must go up to Jerusalem and suffer crucifixion; and

in that Christ serves and helps the blind man. By the first thought, that of faith, it is proved that the Scriptures are not fulfilled except by Christ's sufferings; also that the Scriptures speak of no other theme than of Christ, and they treat only of Christ, Who must fulfil the Scriptures by His death. But if His death must do this, then our death will add nothing to that end; for our death is a sinful and a cursed death. However, if our death be sin and cursed, which is the highest and severest suffering and misfortune, what can our suffering and death merit? And since our sufferings are nothing and are lost, what can our good works do, in view of the fact that suffering is always nobler and better than doing good works? Christ alone must be supreme here and faith must firmly lay hold of Him." *From Martin Luther's Sermon for Quinquagesima (Esto mihi), 1525.*

To Read in Preparation for this week's Festivals:

Today—Quinquagesima Sunday (*Esto mihi*)

Epistle:

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Gospel:

St. Luke 18:31-43

February 18th—Ash Wednesday/The Festival of Martin Luther, Confessor and Doctor

Epistle:

Romans 10:5-17

Gospel:

St. John 15:1-11

February 22nd—Invocavit Sunday

Epistle:

2 Corinthians 6:1-10

Gospel:

St. Matthew 4:1-11

216. Lord, as Thou Wilt, Deal Thou with Me

Herr, wie du willst, so schick's mit mir
 Caspar Bienemann, 1574
 Tr., Emanuel Cronenwett, 1880

Herr, wie du willst
 "Deutsch Kirchenamt"
 Strassburg, 1525

1. Lord, as Thou wilt, deal Thou with me,
 2. Grant hon - or, truth, and self - con - trol,
 3. When I, ac - cord - ing to Thy will,

No oth - er wish I cher - ish;
 And love the Word to pon - der;
 Shall leave this vale of sad - ness,

In life and death I cling to Thee,
 From doc - trines false pre - serve my soul:
 O let Thy grace my bos - om fill,

O Lord, let me not per - ish!
 And grant both here and yon - der
 That I may go with glad - ness;

Let but Thy grace ne'er from me part,
 What will con - duce to bless - ed days;
 My spir - it I com - mend to Thee,

Else as thou wilt, grant pa - tient heart:
 Keep far all wrong and crook - ed ways
 O Lord, a bless - ed end give me

Thy will the best is ev - er.
 From all my life and do - ings.
 Thro' Je - sus Christ! Yea, A - men. A - men.

228. Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray

Henry E. Jacobs, 1910

Herr Jesu Christ, dich
"Cantionale Germanicus"
Dresden, 1628

1. Lord Je - sus Christ, we hum - bly pray

That we may feed on Thee to-day; Be - neath these forms of

bread and wine En - rich us with Thy grace di-vine. A-men.

2. The chastened peace of sin forgiv'n,
The fellowship of heirs of heav'n,
Grant as we share this wondrous food,
Thy body broken and Thy blood.

4. One bread, one cup, one body, we,
United by our life in Thee,
Thy love proclaim till Thou shalt come
To bring Thy scattered loved ones home.

3. Our trembling hearts cleave to Thy Word;
All Thou hast said Thou dost afford,
All that Thou art we here receive,
And all we are to Thee we give.

5. Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray
To keep us steadfast to that Day,
That each may be Thy welcomed guest,
When Thou shalt spread Thy heav'nly feast.

113. A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth

Ein Lämmlein geht
Paul Gerhardt, 1648
Tr., composite, 1893

An Wasserflüssen Babylon
"Deutsch Kirchenamt"
Strassburg, 1525

1. A Lamb goes un - com - plain - ing forth,
2. This Lamb is Christ, the soul's great Friend
3. "Yea, Fa - ther, yea, most will - ing - ly
4. Thou lay'st Him, Love, up - on the cross,

The guilt of all men bear - ing;
And ev - er - last - ing Sav - ior;
I'll bear what Thou com - mand - est;
With nails and spikes Him bruise - ing;

'Tis laden with the sin of earth;
Him, Him God chose, sin's reign to end
My will con - forms to Thy de - cree,
Thou slay'st Him as a lamb, His loss,

None else the bur - den shar - ing
And bring us to His fav - or.
I do what Thou de - mand - est."
From soul and bod - y ooz - ing;

It goes its way, grows weak and faint,
"Go forth, my Son!" He said, "And bail
O won - drous Love! What hast Thou done?
From bod - y 'tis the crim - son flood

To slaugh - ter led with - out com - plaint,
The child - ren, who are doomed to Hell
The Fa - ther of - fers up His Son,
Of pre - cious sac - ri - fi - cial blood,

[stanza continued on next page]

113. A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth [cont.]

Its spot - less life to of - fer;
 With - out Thine in - ter - ces - sion.
 The Son con - tent de - scend - eth!
 From soul, the strength of an - guish:

Bears shame, and stripes, and wounds, and death,
 The pun - ish - ment is great, and dread
 O Love! O Love! How strong art Thou!
 My gain it is; sweet Lamb to Thee

An - guish and mock - er - y, — and saith,
 The wrath, but Thou Thy blood shalt shed,
 In shroud and grave Thou lay'st Him low
 What can I give, whose love to me

"Will - ing all this I suf - fer."
 And save them from per - di - tion."
 Whose word the moun - tains rend - eth!
 For me doth make Thee lan - guish? A - men.

5. Lord, all my life I'll cleave to Thee,
 Thy love fore'er beholding,
 Thee ever, as Thou ever me,
 With loving arms enfolding.
 Yea, Thou shalt be my Beacon-light,
 To guide me safe through death's dark night,
 And cheer my heart in sorrow;
 Henceforth myself and all that's mine
 To Thee, my Savior, I consign,
 From whom all things I borrow.

6. By morn and eve my theme shall be
 Thy mercy's wondrous measure;
 To sacrifice myself to Thee,
 My foremost aim and pleasure.
 My stream of life shall flow for Thee,
 Its steadfast current ceaselessly
 In praise to Thee outpouring;
 And all that Thou hast done for me,
 I'll treasure in my memory,
 Thy gracious love adoring.

7. Dilate, shrine of my heart, and swell,
 To Thee shall now be given
 A treasure that doth far excel
 The worth of earth and heaven.
 Away with the Arabian gold,
 With treasures of an earthly mold!
 I found a better jewel.
 My priceless treasure, Lord my God,
 Is Thy most holy, precious blood,
 Which flowed from wounds so cruel.

8. This treasure ever I'll employ,
 This ever aid shall yield me;
 In sorrow it shall be my joy,
 In conflict it shall shield me;
 In joy, the music of my feast,
 And when all else has lost its zest,
 This manna still shall feed me;
 In thirst my drink; in want my food;
 My company in solitude,
 To comfort and to lead me.

9. Death's poison cannot harm me now,
 Thy blood new life bestoweth;
 My Shadow from the heat art Thou,
 When noonday's sunlight gloweth,
 When I'm by inward grief opprest,
 On Thee my weary soul shalt rest,
 As sick man on his pillow.
 Thou art my Anchor, when by woe
 My bark is driven to and fro
 On trouble's restless billow.

10. And when Thy glory I shall see
 And taste Thy kingdom's pleasure,
 Thy blood shall then my purple be,
 I'll clothe me in this treasure;
 It then shall be my glorious crown
 Thus I'll appear before the throne
 Of God, and need not hide me;
 And shall, by Him to Thee betrothed,
 By Thee in bridal garments clothed,
 Stand as a bride beside Thee.