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.



Invocavit February 26th, 2023

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"Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve." St. Matthew 4:10

The Order of Divine Service

The Ringing of the Bell Stand	
The Hymn "All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall"	ASBH 49
Silent Prayer (Prayers are located on back cover)	ASBH p. 7
The Invocation	ASBH p. 7
The Confession of Sins	ASBH p. 8
Versicles (All may kneel)	ASBH p. 8
Confession and Absolution	ASBH p. 8-9
Stand (if kneeling)	715D11 p. 0 7
The Introit (Congregation joins Pastor on Gloria Patri)	ASBH p. 67
The Kyrie	ASBH p. 10
The Salutation	ASBH p. 13
The Collect for the Day	ASBH p. 67
The Collect for the Season of Lent	ASBH p. 66
Collect Amen	ASBH p. 14
Sit	715B11 p. 11
	nthians 6:1-10
The Gradual	ASBH p. 67
The Sentence for the Season of Lent	ASBH p. 41
Stand	110211 p 1
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The Creed (All may bow at the words "And was made man.)	ASBH p. 17
Sit	1
The Hymn "O Christ, Who Art the Light and Day"	ASBH 20
The Sermon The Tempter Came	
Stand	
The Offertory A	SBH p. 18-19
(An Alms Basin is located next to the bulletins for any C	Offerings)
The General Prayer A	SBH p. 19-20
The Lord's Prayer	ASBH p. 20
Sit	
The Hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"	ASBH 22
Stand	
The Exhortation	ASBH p. 21
The Lavabo	ASBH p. 21
Silent Prayer (Prayers are located on back cover)	ASBH p. 21
The Preface	ASBH p. 22
The Proper Preface A	SBH p. 23-27
The Sanctus and Benedictus A	SBH p. 27-28
The Lord's Prayer	ASBH p. 29
The Verba Domini (All may bow when the Pastor genuflects)	ASBH p. 30
The Pax Domini (All may bow and cross themselves)	ASBH p. 31

The Agnus Dei	(All may kneel)	ASBH p. 31-32
Sit		
The Distribution	(Prayers are located on back cover,)
The Hymn	"I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"	TLH 315
Stand		
The Nunc Dimittis		ASBH p. 33-35
The Thanksgiving	and Collect	ASBH p. 35-36
The Hymn	"Lord, Keep Us in Thy Word and Work"	INSERT
The Salutation		ASBH p. 36
The Benedicamus		ASBH p. 37
The Benediction		ASBH p. 37
The Triple Amen	(Second Setting)	ASBH p. 38
Sit		

Recitation of the Catechism

How One Should Be Taught to Pray, (pages 27-29) & Questions 168-170 (The Third Article, Of Sanctification, page 93).

Announcements

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

In Our Prayers:

- For all those who are sick or infirmed, especially, Peggy Holder, Jo Kope, Betty Ramsey, Brandon Dennie, Nellie Noegel, Katie, Dan, Angelo, Kelly, Judy Horn, Mike Miller, Barbara Miller, Rev. Mark Mueller, Paul Meadows, Vince Bost, Barb Eisold, Martin Kope, Sally Kope, Bruce Carter, Denise Heiser, and Vito Gerardi.
- For our bishop, the *Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser*.
- For the parishes served by our diocese, and those in our international fellowship, especially, *Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Herrin, IL*; and her pastors, the *Rev. Michael D. Henson* and the *Rev. Dcn. Gary K. Harroun*.
- For our seminary, St. Ignatius Lutheran Theological Seminary.
- For our seminarians, *Ben Henson* and *Jacob Henson*.
- For the moral and spiritual support of those involved with our mission in Knoxville, TN, *Ana Heiser*, *Nikolas Likourentzos*, *Deacon Smithey*, *Sherrill Smithey*, *Bobby Eisold*, *Barb Eisold*, and *Bob Eisold*.
- For those struggling with addiction, especially, *Thomas Allred*, *Brennan David*, and *John Monahan*.
- For all those who serve in the military, especially, *Nicholas Silva*.
- For *Nikolas Likourentzos* and *Anastasia Heiser* who are engaged to be married.
- 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 Invocavit

	Morning	Evening
Today	Num. 9-10; Luke 22:24-32	Numbers 11-12
		James 1:2-15
Monday:	Num. 13-14; Luke 9:28-62	Numbers 15-16;
		Numbers 3:5-13
Tuesday:	Num. 17-18; Luke 10:1-22	Numbers 19-20;
		Numbers 10:11-36
Wed.: Nu	m. 21-22; Luke 10:38—11:13	Numbers 23-24;
		Numbers 11:1-35
Thursday:	Num. 25-26; Luke 11:29-36	Numbers 27-28;
		Numbers 12:1-15
Friday:	Num. 29-30; Luke 11:37-54	Numbers 31-32;
		Numbers 13:1-25
Saturday:	Num. 33-34; Luke 12:1-34	Numbers 35-36;
		Numbers 13:26-33

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Psalms 32, 120-125	Psalms 16, 126-132
Monday:	Psalms 32, 133-135	Psalms 16, 136-139
Tuesday:	Psalms 32, 140-144	Psalms 16, 145-150
Wednesday:	Psalms 32, 1-4	Psalms 16, 5-8
Thursday:	Psalms 32, 9-11	Psalms 12-17
Friday:	Psalms 32, 18	Psalms 16, 19-22
Saturday:	Psalms 32, 23-25	Psalms 25-30

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday: The Augsburg Confession, XXVII.27-48

Tuesday: The Augsburg Confession, XXVII.49—XXVIII.11 **Wednesday:** The Augsburg Confession, XXVIII.12-38 **Thursday:** The Augsburg Confession, XXVIII.39-60

Friday: The Augsburg Confession, XXVIII.61—Conclusion.17

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: ASBH 20—"O Christ, Who Art the Light and Day"

Evening: ASBH 22—"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Calendar for the Week after Invocavit

Today: Invocavit—Violet

10:00 a.m. Divine Service and Bible class 3:00 p.m. Divine Service in Augusta, GA

Monday: Seminary Spring Quarter Begins

Tuesday: No Events Scheduled

Wednesday: Wednesday of Ember Week in Lent-Violet

4:30 p.m. Private confession 5:00 p.m. Divine Service

Thursday: No Events Scheduled

Friday: Friday of Ember Week in Lent—Violet Saturday: Saturday of Ember Week in Lent—Violet

Next Sunday: Reminiscere—Violet

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

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.

Parish Assembly Meeting

The next scheduled parish meeting is in two weeks on Sunday, March 12th, 2023 after the Divine Service. We will begin discussing the 10-year celebration of our parish's founding in July. Please make arrangements to be there. Non-members may attend in an observatory role.

An Excerpt from Luther's Writings

"The Scriptures present to us two kinds of true fasting: one, by which we try to bring the flesh into subjection to the spirit, of which St. Paul speaks in 2 Cor. 6:5, 'In labours, in watchings, in fastings.' The other is that which we must bear patiently, and yet receive willingly because of our need and poverty, of which St. Paul speaks in 1 Cor. 4:11, 'Even unto this present hour we both hunger, and thirst,' and Christ in Mt. 9:15, 'When the bridegroom shall be taken away from them, then will they fast.' This kind of fasting Christ teaches us here while in the wilderness alone without anything to eat, and while He suffers His penury without murmuring. The first kind of fasting, one can end whenever he wills, and can satisfy it by food; but the other kind we must observe and bear until God Himself changes it and satisfies us. Hence it is much more precious than the first, because it moves in greater faith." From Martin Luther's Sermon for Invocavit.

To Read in Preparation for this week's Festivals:

Today—Invocavit

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10 **Gospel:** St. Matthew 4:1-11

March 1st—Wednesday of Ember Week in Lent

Epistle: Exodus 24:12-18 **Gospel:** St. Matthew 12:38-50

March 3rd—Friday of Ember Week in Lent

Lesson: Ezekiel 18:20-28 **Gospel:** St. John 5:1-15

March 4th—Saturday of Ember Week in Lent

Lesson: Deuteronomy 26:12-19 **Epistle:** 1 Thessalonians 5:14-23

March 5th—Reminiscere

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 4:1-7 **Gospel:** St. Matthew 15:21-28

Lord, Keep Us in Thy Word and Work (TLH 261)

