

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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Ember Wednesday in Lent
March 12th, 2025

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“For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the whale; so shall the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.” St. Matthew 12:40

The Order of Divine Service

The Ringing of the Bell

Stand

The Processional Hymn *“Jesus, I Will Ponder Now”* TLH 140

Silent Prayer *(Prayers are located on back cover)* ASBH p. 7

The Invocation ASBH p. 7

The Confession of Sins *(All may kneel)* ASBH p. 8

Versicles ASBH p. 8

Confession and Absolution ASBH p. 8-9

Stand (if kneeling)

The Introit *(Congregation joins Pastor on Gloria Patri)* ASBH p. 68

The Kyrie ASBH p. 10

The Salutation ASBH p. 13

The Collect for the Day ASBH p. 68

The Collect for Invocavit ASBH p. 67

The Collect for the Season of Lent ASBH p. 66

Collect Amen ASBH p. 14

Sit

The Epistle Exodus 24:12-18

The Gradual ASBH p. 68

The Sentence for the Season of Lent ASBH p. 41

Stand

The Gospel St. Matthew 12:38-50

The Creed *(All may bow at the words “And was made man.”)* INSERT

Sit

The Hymn *“A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth”* TLH 142

The Sermon *The Sign of Jonah the Prophet*

Stand

The Offertory ASBH p. 18-19

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

The General Prayer ASBH p. 19-20

The Lord’s Prayer ASBH p. 20

Sit

The Hymn *“O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken”* TLH 143

The Lavabo *(During Hymn)* ASBH p. 21

Stand

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 *(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”* Δ TLH 315

Stand

The Nunc Dimittis ASBH p. 33-35

The Thanksgiving and Collect ASBH p. 35-36

Sit

The Hymn *“Not All the Blood of Beasts”* TLH 156

Stand

The Salutation ASBH p. 36

The Benedicamus ASBH p. 37

The Benediction ASBH p. 37

The Triple Amen *(First Setting)* ASBH p. 37

The Recessional Hymn *“I Come to Thee, O Blessed Lord”* TLH 330

Sit

Recitation of the Catechism

The Apostles’ Creed (pages 13-15) & Questions 116-125 (Part II. The Creed. The First Article. Of Creation, pages 75-78).

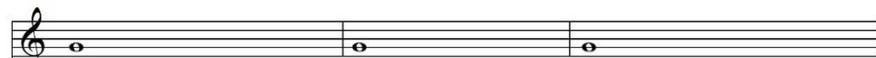
Announcements

ASBH = Augustana Service Book and Hymnal: 2022 Supplement.

TLH = The Lutheran Hymnal

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

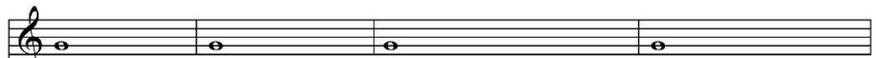
The Nicene Creed



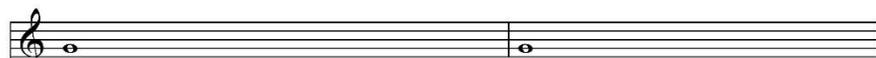
I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven
and Earth and of all things visible
and invisible,



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,



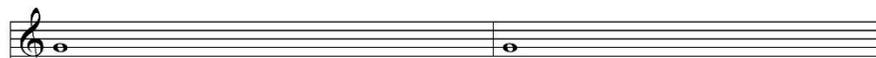
Being of one substance with the Father, By Whom all things were made;



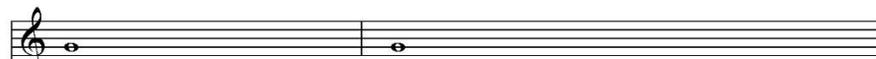
Who for us men and for our salvation
came down from Heaven And was incarnate by the Holy
Ghost of the Virgin Mary



+ 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,



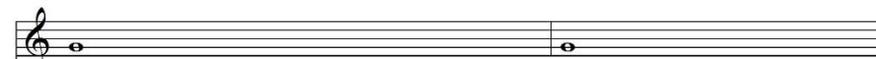
And sitteth on the right
hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to
judge both the quick and the dead;



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.