

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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Judica (Passion Sunday)

March 17th, 2024

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“Verily, verily, I say unto you, ‘If a man keep My word, he shall never see death.’” St. John 8:51

The Order of Divine Service

The Ringing of the Bell

Stand

The Hymn “Jesus, Refuge of the Weary” TLH 145

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)

The Introit (Congregation joins Pastor on Gloria Patri) ASBH p. 74

The Kyrie ASBH p. 10

The Salutation ASBH p. 13

The Collect for the Day ASBH p. 74

The Collect for the Season of Lent ASBH p. 66

The Collect for the Festival of St. Patrick, Bishop and Confessor ASBH p. 143

Collect Amen ASBH p. 14

Sit

The Epistle Hebrews 9:11-15

The Gradual ASBH p. 74

The Sentence for the Season of Lent ASBH p. 41

Stand

The Gospel St. John 8:46-59

The Creed (All may bow at the words “And was made man.”) ASBH p. 17

Sit

The Hymn “Lord Jesus Christ, True Man and God” ASBH 24

The Sermon He Shall Never Taste of Death

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 “Lord Jesus Christ, My Life, My Light” TLH 148

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 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 “O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee” TLH 309

Stand

The Nunc Dimittis ASBH p. 33-35

The Thanksgiving and Collect ASBH p. 35-36

The Hymn “Lord, to Thee I Make Confession” TLH 326

The Salutation ASBH p. 36

The Benedicamus ASBH p. 37

The Benediction ASBH p. 37

The Triple Amen (Second Setting) ASBH p. 37

Sit

Recitation of the Catechism

The Office of the Keys and Confession (pages 21-25) & Questions 300-311 (Part V, The Office of the Keys, and Confession, pages 133-137).

Announcements

ASBH = Augustana Service Book and Hymnal: 2022 Supplement.

TLH = The Lutheran Hymnal

Holy Week and Easter Schedule

March 24th—**Palmarum:** 10:00 am. Divine Service & Bible Class in Simpsonville, SC & 3:00 p.m. Divine Service in Augusta, GA

March 25th—**Holy Monday:** 4:30 p.m. Private Confession
5:00 p.m. Divine Service

March 26th—**Holy Tuesday:** 4:30 p.m. Private Confession
5:00 p.m. Divine Service

March 27th—**Holy Wednesday:** 4:30 p.m. Private Confession
5:00 p.m. Divine Service

March 28th—**Maundy Thursday:** 4:30 p.m. Private Confession
5:00 p.m. Divine Service

March 29th—**Good Friday:** 4:30 p.m. Private Confession
5:00 p.m. Divine Service

March 30th—**The Vigil of the Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord:**
4:30 p.m. Private Confession
5:00 p.m. Candlelight Divine Service

March 31st—**The Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord:**
10:00 a.m. Divine Service & Bible Class
3:00 p.m. Divine Service in Augusta, GA

April 1st—**Easter Monday:** 4:30 p.m. Private Confession
5:00 p.m. Divine Service

In Our Prayers:

- For all those who are sick or infirmed, especially, *Peggy Holder, Betty Ramsey, Brandon Dennie, Katie, Dan, Angelo, Kelly, Judy Horn, Mike Miller, Barbara Miller, Rev. Mark Mueller, Rev. Eric Stefanski, Paul Meadows, Vince Bost, Becky Phillips, Bill Kope, Martin Kope, Sally Kope, Bruce Carter, Rachel Epperson, Tammy Wilson, and Vito Gerardi.*
- For *Carol Laflay* who is near death.
- For our bishop, the *Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser.*
- For the parishes served by our diocese, and those in our international fellowship, especially, *St. Mary's Ev. Lutheran Church, Navotas, Philippines;* and her pastor, the *Rev. Fillmore Lorenz Alvarez.*
- For the moral and spiritual support of those involved with our mission in Knoxville, TN, *Nikolas and Ana Likourentzos; Deacon and Sherrill Smithey; Kenny Earickson;* and *Bobby, Barb, 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 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 Oculi Sunday

| | Morning | Evening |
|-------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Today | Jer. 1-3; Matt. 10:32-42 | Jeremiah 4-6; 1 Corinthians 1:21-31 |
| Monday: | Jer. 7-8; Mark 14:32-72 | Jeremiah 9-10; Jeremiah 2:1-19 |
| Tuesday: | Jer. 11-12; Mark 15:1-19 | Jeremiah 13-14; Hosea 13:9-14 |
| Wednesday: | Jer. 15-16; Mark 15:20-47 | Jeremiah 17-18; Zephaniah 3:1-8 |
| Thursday: | Jer. 19-20; John 12:1-19 | Jeremiah 21-22; Micah 3:9-12 |
| Friday: | Jer. 23-24; John 12:20-50 | Jeremiah 25-26; Isaiah 66:1-9 |
| Saturday: | Jer. 27-28; John 13:16-38 | Jeremiah 29-30; Zechariah 9:1-17 |

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

| | Morning | Evening |
|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Today: | Psalms 110, 84-85 | Psalms 27, 86-88 |
| Monday: | Psalms 110, 89 | Psalms 27, 90-92 |
| Tuesday: | Psalms 110, 93-95 | Psalms 27, 96-100 |
| Wednesday: | Psalms 110, 101-102 | Psalms 27, 103-104 |
| Thursday: | Psalms 110, 105 | Psalms 27, 106 |
| Friday: | Psalms 110, 107 | Psalms 27, 108-111 |
| Saturday: | Psalms 110, 112-115 | Psalms 67, 116-118 |

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday: The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, IV.22-47
Tuesday: The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, IV.48-74
Wednesday: The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, IV.75-85
Thursday: The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, IV.86-102
Friday: The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, IV.103-121

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: How One Should Be Taught to Pray
Friday: The Table of Duties
Saturday: Christian Questions with Their Answers

Hymns for the Week:

Morning: ASBH 24—"Lord Jesus Christ, True Man and God"
Evening: TLH 148—"Lord Jesus Christ, My Life, My Light"

Calendar for the Week after Oculi Sunday

Today: Judica (*Passion Sunday*)/The Festival of St. Patrick, Bishop and Confessor (Commemorated)—Violet

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

Monday: No Events Scheduled

Tuesday: The Festival of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Guardian of our Lord

Spring Begins

5:00 p.m. Divine Service in Pawleys Island, SC

Wednesday: Midweek Lenten Vespers—Violet

5:00 p.m. Divine Service

6:00 p.m. Private confession

Thursday: No Events Scheduled

Friday: No Events Scheduled

Saturday: No Events Scheduled

Next Sunday: Palmarum—Violet

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

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

Easter Lilies

Please consider donating an Easter lily (or two) to help decorate our sanctuary for the Easter season. Easter lilies may be brought to the church during Holy Week. We will keep them in the back until the Easter Vigil.

An Excerpt from Luther's Writings

"Why does He not say: I honour My Father, and ye dishonour Him; but says: 'Ye dishonour Me?' Impliedly He proves by this, that the Father's and His honour are alike and the same, as He and the Father are one God; yet along with this He also wishes to teach that if the Office of the Ministry, which God honours, is to be duly praised, then it must suffer disgrace. In like manner we will also do to our princes and priests; when

they attack our manner of life, we should suffer it and show love for hatred, good for evil; but when they attack our doctrine, God's honour is attacked, then love and patience should cease and we should not keep silent, but also say: I honour my Father, and you dishonour me; yet I do not inquire whether you dishonour me, for I do not seek my own honour. But nevertheless, be on your guard, there is one who seeks it and judges, that is, the Father will require it of you, and judge you and never let you go unpunished. He seeks not only His honour, but also mine, because I seek His honour, as He says in 1 Sam 2:30: 'Them that honour Me I will honour.' And it is our consolation that we are happy; although the whole world reviles and dishonours us, we are assured that God will advance our honour, and therefore will punish, judge and revenge. If one could only believe it and persevere, he will surely come. 'Verily, verily, I say unto you, if a man keep my word, he shall never see death.'" *From Martin Luther's Sermon in the Church Postil for Judica.*

The Lutheran Herald

The March 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.

To Read in Preparation for this week's Festivals:

Today— Judica (*Passion Sunday*)/The Festival of St. Patrick, Bishop and Confessor (Commemorated)

Epistle: Hebrews 9:11-15

Gospel: St. John 8:46-59

March 20th—Midweek Lenten Vespers

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:21-31

Gospel: St. Matthew 10:32-42

March 24th—Palmarum

Epistle: Philippians 2:5-11

Gospel: St. Matthew 21:1-9

The Passion According to St. Matthew St. Matthew 26:1—27:66