

**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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Laetare  
March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022

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*“And Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks He distributed them to the disciples, and the disciples to those sitting down; and likewise of the fish, as much as they wanted.”*

*St. John 6:11*

## The Order of Divine Service

### The Ringing of the Bell

**The Hymn** “Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness” TLH 305

*(The Pastor silently prays Psalm 24 while the congregation joins in silent self-examination and reflection on God’s Commandments. Prayers are located on back cover.)*

*Stand*

**The Invocation and Address** TLH p. 15

**Versicles** *(All may kneel)* TLH p. 15

**Confession and Absolution** TLH p. 16

*Stand (if kneeling)*

**The Introit** *(Tone 2)* INSERT

**The Kyrie** TLH p. 17

**The Salutation** TLH p. 19

**The Collect for the Day** INSERT

**The Collect for the Season of Lent** INSERT

*Sit*

**The Epistle** Isaiah 49:8-13

**The Gradual** INSERT

*Stand*

**The Holy Gospel** St. John 6:1-15

**The Nicene Creed** *(Bow at the words “And was made man.”)* TLH p. 22

*Sit*

**The Hymn** “Christ, the Life of All the Living” TLH 151

**The Sermon** *This Is Truly the Prophet*

*Stand*

**The Offertory** TLH p. 22-23

**The General Prayer** LSBH p. 115-116

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

**The Hymn** “Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Living Bread” TLH 312

*Stand*

**The Exhortation** LSBH p. 117

**The Lavabo** LSBH p. 118

*(The Pastor washes his hands while silently praying Psalm 26. The congregation joins in silent prayer reflecting upon the Sacrament they are about to receive. Prayers are located on back cover.)*

**The Preface** TLH p. 24

**The Proper Preface** TLH p. 25

**The Sanctus and Benedictus** TLH p. 26

**The Lord’s Prayer** TLH p. 27

**The Verba Domini** *(All may bow when the Pastor genuflects)* TLH p. 27

**The Pax Domini** *(All may bow and cross themselves)* TLH p. 27

**The Agnus Dei** *(All may kneel)* TLH p. 28

*Sit*

**The Distribution** *(Prayers are located on back cover.)*

**The Hymn** “Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior” TLH 311

*Stand*

**The Post-Communion Canticle** TLH p. 29-30

**The Thanksgiving** TLH p. 30

**The Post-Communion Collect** TLH p. 31

**The Hymn** “O Lord, We Praise Thee” TLH 313

**The Salutation** TLH p. 31

**The Benedicamus** TLH p. 31

**The Benediction** TLH p. 31

*Sit*

**Recitation of the Catechism**

The Preface to the Small Catechism & Questions 307-311 (The Work Christ, page 100).

**Announcements**

*LSBH = Lutheran Service Book and Hymnal. It is the name of the upcoming ELDoNA hymnal currently in development.*

### Holy Week and Easter Schedule

April 10<sup>th</sup>—**Palmarum:** 10:00 am. Divine Service & Bible Class

April 11<sup>th</sup>—**Holy Monday:** 6:30 p.m. Private Confession  
7:00 p.m. Divine Service

April 12<sup>th</sup>—**Holy Tuesday:** 6:30 p.m. Private Confession  
7:00 p.m. Divine Service

April 13<sup>th</sup>—**Holy Wednesday:** 6:30 p.m. Private Confession  
7:00 p.m. Divine Service

April 14<sup>th</sup>—**Maundy Thursday:** 6:30 p.m. Private Confession  
7:00 p.m. Divine Service

April 15<sup>th</sup>—**Good Friday:** 6:30 p.m. Private Confession  
7:00 p.m. Divine Service

April 16<sup>th</sup>—**The Vigil of the Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord:**  
6:30 p.m. Private Confession  
7:00 p.m. Divine Service

April 17<sup>th</sup>—**The Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord:**  
10:00 a.m. Divine Service & Bible Class

April 18<sup>th</sup>—**Easter Monday:** 6:30 p.m. Private Confession  
7:00 p.m. Divine Service

**In Our Prayers:**

- For all those who are sick or infirmed, especially, *Peggy Holder, Jo Kope, Betty Ramsey, Brandon Dennie, Nellie Noegel, Katie, Dan, Judy Horn, Patricia Bachand, Mike Miller, Barbara Miller, Matthew Scholten, Rev. Mark Mueller, John Burton, Paul Meadows, Barb Eisold, Vince Bost, Janice Heitener, Ray Heitener, Martin Kope, Sally Kope, William Noegel, Bruce Carter, Ed Payne, James Hagen, Doug DiBiase, 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, *St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church, Taylorsville, NC;* and her pastor, the *Rev. David Carver.*
- For our seminary, *St. Ignatius Lutheran Theological Seminary.*
- For our seminarians, *Ben Henson and Jacob Henson.*
- For our catechumens, especially *Nikolas Likourentzos.*
- For the moral and spiritual support of those involved with our mission in Knoxville, TN, especially, *Ana Heiser, Nikolas Likourentzos, Deacon Smithey, Sherrill Smithey, Bobby Eisold, Barb Eisold, and Bob Eisold.*
- For those struggling with addiction, especially, *Thomas Allred and John Monahan.*
- For all those who serve in the military, especially, *Nicholas Silva.*
- For peace in Ukraine.
- 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 Laetare Sunday**

	<b>Morning</b>	<b>Evening</b>
<b>Today</b>	Joshua 23-24; John 6:36-51	Judges 1-2; 2 Peter 1:2-11
<b>Monday:</b>	Judges 3-4; Luke 23:26-56	Judges 5-6; Deuteronomy 9:1-29
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Judges 7-8; Matt. 26:1-35	Judges 9-10; Deuteronomy 10:1-22
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Judges 11-12; Mt. 26:36-75	Judges 13-14; Deuteronomy 11:1-32
<b>Thursday:</b>	Judges 15-16; Matt. 27:1-38	Judges 17-18; Deuteronomy 28:1-14
<b>Friday:</b>	Judges 19-20; Mt. 27:39-66	Judges 21; Deuteronomy 28:15-68
<b>Saturday:</b>	Ruth 1-2; Mark 14:1-31	Ruth 3-4; Deuteronomy 34:1-12

**Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:**

	<b>Morning</b>	<b>Evening</b>
<b>Today:</b>	Psalms 46, 133-135	Psalms 136-139
<b>Monday:</b>	Psalms 46, 140-141	Psalms 139, 142-143
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Psalms 46, 144	Psalms 139, 145
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Psalms 46, 146	Psalms 139, 147
<b>Thursday:</b>	Psalms 46, 148	Psalms 139, 149-150
<b>Friday:</b>	Psalms 46, 1-4	Psalms 139, 5-8
<b>Saturday:</b>	Psalms 46, 9-11	Psalms 27, 12-17

**Book of Concord Readings for the Week:**

<b>Monday:</b>	The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, III.108-122
<b>Tuesday:</b>	The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, III.123-139
<b>Wednesday:</b>	The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, III.140-152
<b>Thursday:</b>	The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, III.153-166
<b>Friday:</b>	The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, III.167-176

**Reciting the Catechism Daily:**

<b>Sunday:</b>	The Ten Commandments
<b>Monday:</b>	The Apostles' Creed, The Lord's Prayer
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Holy Baptism, The Office of the Keys and Confession
<b>Wednesday:</b>	The Sacrament of the Altar

**Thursday:** The Prayers

**Friday:** The Table of Duties

**Saturday:** Christian Questions with Their Answers

**Hymns for the Week:**

**Morning:** TLH 151—"Christ, the Life of All the Living"

**Evening:** TLH 312—"Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Living Bread"

**Calendar for the Week after Laetare Sunday**

**Today: Laetare—Rose**

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

3 p.m. Divine Service in Augusta, GA

**Monday:** No Events Scheduled

**Tuesday:** No Events Scheduled

**Wednesday: Midweek Lenten Vespers—Rose**

7:00 p.m. Vespers

7:00 p.m. Divine Service & Bible Class in Fort Myers, FL (Pastor Henson)

8:00 p.m. Private Confession in Simpsonville, SC

**Thursday:** No Events Scheduled

**Friday:** *April Fool's Day*

**Saturday:** Communion Visit to Fort Myers, FL

**Next Sunday: Judica (Passion Sunday)—Violet**

10:00 a.m. Divine Service & Bible class in Fort Myers, FL & Knoxville, TN (Deacon Smithey)

Communion Visit to Fort Myers, FL

**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](http://eldona.org). There are also printed copies in the back of the nave for your use and distribution.

**Ask the Pastor**

The Rev. Joshua Sullivan of Holy Cross Ev. Luth. Church, Kerrville, TX puts out weekly videos dealing with a wide range of theological topics. Please check them out and subscribe to be notified when a new one is published at <http://www.youtube.com/user/ATPHolyCross>.

**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.

**ELDoNA 2022 Synod and Colloquium**

This year's synod and colloquium is scheduled to be held at Salem Ev. Lutheran Church, Malone, TX April 25<sup>th</sup> through the 29<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to attend, please speak with Pastor Dulas.

**ELDoNA Family Camp 2022**

St. Patrick Ev. Lutheran Church, Chipley, FL will be hosting the 2022 ELDoNA Family Camp the week of July 25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The campers will be housed and accommodated at Surfside Christian Retreat Center in Panama City Beach, FL. Their website is [surfsideretreat.org](http://surfsideretreat.org) if you want to see more information. The cost for the entire week will be \$156 per person plus \$30 for food per person.

**To Read in Preparation for this week's Festivals:**

**Today—Laetare**

**Epistle:** Galatians 4:21-31

**Gospel:** St. John 6:1-15

**April 3<sup>rd</sup>—Judica (Passion Sunday)**

**Epistle:** Hebrews 9:11-15

**Gospel:** St. John 8:46-59

**An Excerpt from Luther's Writings**

"In today's Gospel Christ gives us another lesson in faith, that we should not be overanxious about our daily bread and our temporal existence...for here we see, since the people followed Christ for the sake of God's Word and the signs, and thus sought the Kingdom of God, He did not forsake them but richly fed them. He hereby also shows that, rather than those who seek the Kingdom of God should suffer need, the grass in the desert would become wheat, or a crumb of bread would be turned into a thousand loaves; or a morsel of bread would feed as many people and just as satisfactorily as a thousand loaves; in order that the words in Matthew 4:4 might stand firm, that "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." *From Martin Luther's Sermon in the Church*

## LAETARE

March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022



### Introit (Chanted by Pastor)

P: RE- JOICE || with Jerusalem, and be glad | with | her, \*

All you | who | love | her;

P: || Rejoice for joy | with | her, \*

All you who | mourn | for | her.

P: || I was glad when they said to | me, | - \*

“Let us go into the house | of | the | Lord.” *(Isaiah 66:10; Psalm 122:1)*

### C: GLORIA PATRI (From Hymnal; Sung by Congregation)

P: || Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad | with | her, \*

All you | who | love | her;

P: || Rejoice for joy | with | her, \*

All you who | mourn | for | her. *(Isaiah 66:10)*

### Collect

Grant, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of Thy grace may mercifully be relieved; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end.

### Collect for the Season of Lent

Almighty and Everlasting God, Who hatest nothing that Thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of Thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with the Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end.



### Gradual (Chanted by Pastor)

P: || I was glad when they said to | me, | - \*

“Let us go into the house | of | the | Lord.”

P: || Peace be within your | walls, | - \*

Prosperity within your | pa- | la- | ces.

P: || Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount | Zi- | on, \*

Which cannot be moved, but abides | for- | ev- | er. *(Psalm 122:1, 7; 125:1)*

## Galatians 4:21-31

<sup>21</sup> Tell me, you who desire to be under the law, do you not hear the law? <sup>22</sup> For it is written that Abraham had two sons: the one by a bondwoman, the other by a freewoman. <sup>23</sup> But he who was of the bondwoman was born according to the flesh, and he of the freewoman through promise, <sup>24</sup> which things are symbolic. For these are the two covenants: the one from Mount Sinai which gives birth to bondage, which is Hagar—<sup>25</sup> for this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and corresponds to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children—<sup>26</sup> but the Jerusalem above is free, which is the mother of us all. <sup>27</sup> For it is written: “Rejoice, O barren, you who do not bear! Break forth and shout, you who are not in labor! For the desolate has many more children than she who has a husband.” <sup>28</sup> Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are children of promise. <sup>29</sup> But, as he who was born according to the flesh then persecuted him who was born according to the Spirit, even so it is now. <sup>30</sup> Nevertheless what does the Scripture say? “Cast out the bondwoman and her son, for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman.” <sup>31</sup> So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman but of the free.

## St. John 6:1-15

<sup>1</sup> After these things Jesus went over the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. <sup>2</sup> Then a great multitude followed Him, because they saw His signs which He performed on those who were diseased. <sup>3</sup> And Jesus went up on the mountain, and there He sat with His disciples. <sup>4</sup> Now the

Passover, a feast of the Jews, was near. <sup>5</sup> Then Jesus lifted up His eyes, and seeing a great multitude coming toward Him, He said to Philip, “Where shall we buy bread, that these may eat?” <sup>6</sup> But this He said to test him, for He Himself knew what He would do. <sup>7</sup> Philip answered Him, “Two hundred denarii worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may have a little.” <sup>8</sup> One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to Him, <sup>9</sup> “There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two small fish, but what are they among so many?” <sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. <sup>11</sup> And Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks He distributed them to the disciples, and the disciples to those sitting down; and likewise of the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup> So when they were filled, He said to His disciples, “Gather up the fragments that remain, so that nothing is lost.” <sup>13</sup> Therefore they gathered them up, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves which were left over by those who had eaten. <sup>14</sup> Then those men, when they had seen the sign that Jesus did, said, “This is truly the Prophet who is to come into the world.” <sup>15</sup> Therefore when Jesus perceived that they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him king, He departed again to the mountain by Himself alone.