

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.

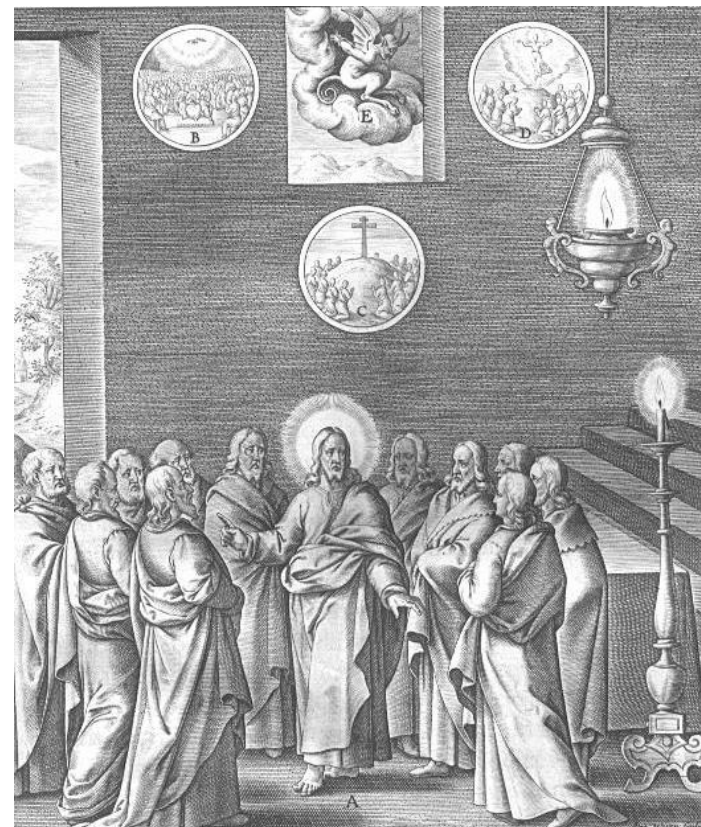
A Prayer after Communion

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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Cantate
May 18th, 2025

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“Howbeit when He, the Spirit of truth, is come, He shall guide you into all the truth.” St. John 16:13

The Order of Divine Service

The Prelude	<i>“Nun lob, mein’ Seel”</i>	Johann Christoph Bach
The Ringing of the Bell		
The Hymn	<i>“My Soul, Now Bless Thy Maker”</i>	TLH 34
<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		ASBH p. 8
Versicles	<i>(All may kneel)</i>	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. 87
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. 87
Collect Amen		ASBH p. 14
<i>Sit</i>		
The Epistle		James 1:16-21
The Gradual		ASBH p. 87
<i>Stand</i>		
The Triple Hallelujah	<i>(First Setting)</i>	ASBH p. 14
The Gospel		St. John 16:5-15
The Creed	<i>(All may bow at the words “And was made man.”)</i>	ASBH p. 17
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“Look Down, O Lord, From Heav’n, Behold”</i>	ASBH 33
The Sermon	<i>Now I Go unto Him That Sent 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>“O God, Thou Faithful God”</i>	TLH 395
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>“Invited, Lord, by Boundless Grace”</i>	TLH 308
<i>Stand</i>		
The Nunc Dimittis		ASBH p. 33-35
The Thanksgiving and Collect		ASBH p. 35-36
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“Praise the Almighty, My Soul, Adore Him”</i>	Δ TLH 26
<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>“O Gott, du frommer Gott”</i>	Johann Gottfried Walther

Recitation of the Catechism

The Apostles’ Creed (pages 13-15) & Questions 260-262 (Part III. The Lord’s Prayer. The Seventh Petition, pages 122-123).

Announcements

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

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

In Our Prayers:

- For all those who are sick or infirmed, especially, *Peggy Holder, Patricia Wood, Betty Ramsey, Brandon Dennie, Katie, Dan, Kelly, Judy Horn, Mike Miller, Barbara Miller, Rev. Mark Mueller, Rev. Eric Stefanski, Paul Meadows, Vince Bost, Glen Madden, Becky Phillips, Bill Kope, Martin Kope, Sally Kope, Rachel Epperson, Tammy Wilson, Michelle Harris, Jamey Hochstein, Jack Newton, Graham Hardaway, Eleanor Cannon, David Benson, Chuck Webber, 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, *Salem Ev. Lutheran Church, Malone, TX*; and her pastors, the *Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser* and the *Rev. Dcn. Anthony Oncken.*
- That the Lord might send *Faithful Laborers* into His harvest.
- For *St. Ignatius Evangelical Lutheran Seminary* and our seminarians, *Duncan Geldenhuys* and *Jonathon Teo Zin Han.*
- For the moral and spiritual support of those involved with our mission in Knoxville, TN, *Deacon and Sherrill Smithey*, and *Bob, Barbara, and Bobby 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, especially *Vince Bost.*
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week.
- For those traveling this week, especially *Pastor and Tanya Dulas.*

Announcements

Daily Readings for the Week after Cantate Sunday

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Rev. 8; St. John 8:21-36	Revelation 9; 2 Corinthians 5:14-21
Monday:	Rev. 10; St. John 8:12-20	Revelation 11; Zechariah 12:1-14
Tuesday:	Rev. 12; St. John 8:21-29	Revelation 13; Isaiah 65:1-7
Wednesday:	Rev. 14; St. John 8:30-45	Revelation 15; Isaiah 65:8-16
Thursday:	Rev. 16; St. John 9:1-13	Revelation 17; Jeremiah 8:4-13
Friday:	Rev. 18; St. John 9:14-34	Revelation 19; Zechariah 8:18-23
Saturday:	Rev. 20; St. John 9:35-41	Revelation 21; Isaiah 49:22-26

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Psalms 139, 89	Psalms 126, 90-92
Monday:	Psalms 139, 93-95	Psalms 126, 96-100
Tuesday:	Psalms 139, 101-102	Psalms 126, 103-104
Wednesday:	Psalms 139, 105	Psalms 126, 106
Thursday:	Psalms 139, 107	Psalms 126, 108-111
Friday:	Psalms 139, 112-115	Psalms 126, 116-118
Saturday:	Psalms 139, 119:1-40	Psalms 124, 119:41-88

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday: The Apology to the Augustana, XVI (VIII).9—XVIII (VIII).10
Tuesday: The Apology to the Augustana, XIX (VIII).1—XX (VIII).15
Wednesday: The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, XXI (IX).1-16
Thursday: The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, XXI (IX).17-30
Friday: The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, XXI (IX).31-39

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 33—"Look Down, O Lord, From Heav'n, Behold"

Evening: TLH 395—"O God, Thou Faithful God"

Calendar for the Week after Cantate Sunday

Today: Cantate—White

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

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

Greenville Greek Festival

Fair @ Heritage Park

Monday: Pastor on Vacation

Fair @ Heritage Park

Tuesday: Pastor on Vacation

Deacon Smitley's Baptismal Anniversary

Fair @ Heritage Park

Wednesday: Pastor on Vacation

Fair @ Heritage Park

Ware Shoals Catfish Festival

Thursday: Pastor on Vacation

Vince Bost's Birthday

Fair @ Heritage Park

Ware Shoals Catfish Festival

Friday: Pastor on Vacation

Last Day of School for Greenville County

Fair @ Heritage Park

Ware Shoals Catfish Festival

Saturday: Pastor on Vacation

Fair @ Heritage Park

Ware Shoals Catfish Festival

Next Sunday: Rogate—White

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

Pastor on Vacation

Fair @ Heritage Park

The Lutheran Herald

The May 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

"Wherever Christ is now preached and acknowledged, there He reigns in us, from the right hand of His Father, and is Himself here below in the hearts of men. There He reigns with might, power and dominion over you and all your enemies, and guards you from sin, death, devil and hell. Thus is His resurrection and ascension our comfort, life, blessing, righteousness and everything in one. This is what the Lord means when He speaks of righteousness, that the people thereby should become pious and righteous, that He ascends to heaven to the Father and we see Him no more. This the world does not know, therefore the Holy Spirit must come and convict the world of it.

How does this come to pass? Just as we have heard. Am I to become pious, it will not be enough for me to perform outwardly good works, but I must do them from the bottom of my heart, gladly and willingly, so that I may be free from the fear of sin, death and the devil; be joyous, and with a good conscience, and all confidence stand before Him and know how I stand with Him. This no work, no creature can give unto me, but Christ alone, who has ascended into heaven—there, where one cannot see Him, but must believe that He sits yonder and wishes to help one. Such a faith makes me acceptable unto God; Christ gives me the Holy Spirit into my heart, who makes me willing and happy in the doing of every good work. In this manner I become righteous, and in no other; for the works themselves make me more and more unwilling, the longer I occupy myself with them." *From Martin Luther's Sermon in the Church Postil for Cantate Sunday, 1523.*

To Read in Preparation for this week's Festivals:

Today—Cantate

Epistle:

James 1:16-21

Gospel:

St. John 16:5-15

May 25th—Rogate

Epistle:

James 1:22-27

Gospel:

St. John 16:23b-30