

**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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Exaudi  
May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023

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*“But when the Comforter is come, Whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, He shall bear witness of Me.” St. John 15:26*

## The Order of Divine Service

<b>The Prelude</b>	<i>“Wenn wir in höchsten Nöten”</i>	Johann Michael Bach
<b>The Ringing of the Bell</b>		
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“If God Had Not Been on Our Side”</i>	TLH 267
<b>Silent Prayer</b>	<i>(Prayers are located on back cover)</i>	ASBH p. 7
<b>The Invocation</b>		ASBH p. 7
<b>The Confession of Sins</b>		ASBH p. 8
<b>Versicles</b>	<i>(All may kneel)</i>	ASBH p. 8
<b>Confession and Absolution</b>		ASBH p. 8-9
<i>Stand (if kneeling)</i>		
<b>The Introit</b>	<i>(Congregation joins Pastor on Gloria Patri)</i>	ASBH p. 91
<b>The Kyrie</b>		ASBH p. 10
<b>The Gloria in Excelsis</b>		ASBH p. 10-13
<b>The Salutation</b>		ASBH p. 13
<b>The Collect for the Day</b>		ASBH p. 91
<b>The Collect for the Festival of the Ascension of our Lord</b>		ASBH p. 90
<b>Collect Amen</b>		ASBH p. 14
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Epistle</b>		1 Peter 1:7b-11
<b>The Gradual</b>		ASBH p. 91
<b>The Triple Hallelujah</b>	<i>(First Setting)</i>	ASBH p. 14
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Holy Gospel</b>		St. John 15:26—16:4
<b>The Creed</b>	<i>(All may bow at the words “And was made man.”)</i>	ASBH p. 17
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“Had God Not Come, Let Israel Say”</i>	ASBH 36
<b>The Sermon</b>	<i>When the Comforter Is Come</i>	
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Offertory</b>		ASBH p. 18-19
	<i>(An Alms Basin is located next to the bulletins for any Offerings)</i>	
<b>The General Prayer</b>		ASBH p. 19-20
<b>The Lord’s Prayer</b>		ASBH p. 20
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“When in the Hour of Utmost Need”</i>	ASBH 63
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Exhortation</b>		ASBH p. 21
<b>The Lavabo</b>		ASBH p. 21
<b>Silent Prayer</b>	<i>(Prayers are located on back cover)</i>	ASBH p. 21
<b>The Preface</b>		ASBH p. 22
<b>The Proper Preface</b>		ASBH p. 23-27
<b>The Sanctus and Benedictus</b>		ASBH p. 27-28
<b>The Lord’s Prayer</b>		ASBH p. 29

<b>The Verba Domini</b>	<i>(All may bow when the Pastor genuflects)</i>	ASBH p. 30
<b>The Pax Domini</b>	<i>(All may bow and cross themselves)</i>	ASBH p. 31
<b>The Agnus Dei</b>	<i>(All may kneel)</i>	ASBH p. 31-32
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Distribution</b>	<i>(Prayers are located on back cover)</i>	
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“Invited, Lord, by Boundless Grace”</i>	TLH 308
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Nunc Dimittis</b>		ASBH p. 33-35
<b>The Thanksgiving and Collect</b>		ASBH p. 35-36
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“Lord, Keep Us in Thy Word and Work”</i>	INSERT
<b>The Salutation</b>		ASBH p. 36
<b>The Benedicamus</b>		ASBH p. 37
<b>The Benediction</b>		ASBH p. 37
<b>The Triple Amen</b>	<i>(First Setting)</i>	ASBH p. 38
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Postlude</b>	<i>“Erhalt, uns Herr”</i>	Michael Praetorius

### Recitation of the Catechism

The Preface to the Small Catechism (pages 3-8) & Questions 306-311 (The Office of the Keys and Confession, pages 135-137).

### Announcements

ASBH = Augustana Service Book and Hymnal: 2022 Supplement.

TLH = The Lutheran Hymnal

## May 28<sup>th</sup>—The Feast of Pentecost (*Whitsunday*)

**Epistle:**

Acts 2:1-13

**Gospel:**

St. John 14:23-31

### In Our Prayers:

- For all those who are sick or infirmed, especially, *Peggy Holder, Jean Ritter Bauer, 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, Becky Phillips, Martin Kope, Sally Kope, Bruce Carter, Mark Lewis, 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, *Sts. Peter and Paul Ev. Lutheran Church, Simpsonville, SC; St. Michael and All Angels Ev. Lutheran Mission, Augusta, GA; All Saints Ev. Lutheran Mission, Pawleys Island, SC; St. James the Elder Ev. Lutheran Mission, Knoxville, TN; and St. Bartholomew Ev. Lutheran Mission, Fort Myers, FL; and their pastors, the Rev. Jerald P. Dulas and the Rev. Dcn. Floyd P. Smithey, Jr.*
- 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, *Nikolas and Ana Likourentzos; Ken Marshall; Deacon and Sherrill Smithey; 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 near death.
- For those celebrating a birthday this week, especially *Vince Bost.*
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week.
- For those traveling this week.

## Announcements

### Daily Readings for the Week after Exaudi

	<b>Morning</b>	<b>Evening</b>
<b>Today:</b>	Lev. 14; John 17:20-26	Leviticus 15; Romans 8:29-39
<b>Monday:</b>	Lev. 16; John 10:17-21	Leviticus 17; Zechariah 13:7-9
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Lev. 18; John 10:22-31	Leviticus 19; Zechariah 14:1-21
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Lev. 20; John 10:32-42	Leviticus 21; Isaiah 66:10-24
<b>Thursday:</b>	Lev. 22; John 11:1-27	Leviticus 23; Jeremiah 46:27-28
<b>Friday:</b>	Lev. 24; Jn. 11:28-44	Leviticus 25; Isaiah 32:9-20
<b>Saturday:</b>	Lev. 26; Jn. 11:45-57	Leviticus 27; Isaiah 57:15-21

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

	<b>Morning</b>	<b>Evening</b>
<b>Today:</b>	Psalms 93, 105	Psalms 97, 106
<b>Monday:</b>	Psalms 93, 107	Psalms 97, 108-111
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Psalms 93, 112-115	Psalms 97, 116-118
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Psalms 93, 119:1-40	Psalms 97, 119:41-88
<b>Thursday:</b>	Psalms 93, 119:89-128	Psalms 97, 119:129-176
<b>Friday:</b>	Psalms 93, 120-125	Psalms 97, 126-132
<b>Saturday:</b>	Psalms 93, 133-135	Ps. 104, 145, 139-139

### Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

**Monday:** The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, XXI.40—XXII.8  
**Tuesday:** The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, XXII.9—XXIII.4  
**Wednesday:** The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, XXIII.5-13  
**Thursday:** The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, XXIII.14-27  
**Friday:** The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, XXIII.28-42

### 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 36—“Had God Not Come, May Israel Say”

**Evening:** ASBH 63—“When in the Hour of Utmost Need”

**Calendar for the Week after Exaudi**

**Today: Exaudi—White**

*Fair @ Heritage Park*

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

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

**Monday:** *Fair @ Heritage Park*

Vince Bost’s Birthday

**Tuesday:** *Fair @ Heritage Park*

**Wednesday:** *Fair @ Heritage Park*

**Thursday:** *Fair @ Heritage Park*

**Friday:** *Fair @ Heritage Park*

**Saturday:** *Fair @ Heritage Park*

**Next Sunday: The Feast of Pentecost (Whitsunday)—Red**

*Fair @ Heritage Park*

10:00 a.m. Divine Service & Bible Class

11:15 a.m. Parish Meeting

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

**Parish Meeting**

The next parish meeting is scheduled for next Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, to take care of some matters that need to be addressed before the upcoming ELDoNA Synod and Colloquium. Please make plans to attend this important meeting!

**ELDoNA Synod & Colloquium, Augustana Ministerium, and Family Camp 2023**

The ELDoNA Synod and Colloquium will be held at Salem Ev. Lutheran Church, Malone, TX from June 26<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>. On Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, the Augustana Ministerium will meet at Salem Ev. Lutheran Church, Malone, TX for their annual meeting. The ELDoNA Family Camp will begin with Vespers on Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup> and run until Matins on Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> at Salem Ev. Lutheran Church, Malone, TX. Everyone is invited to participate in the ELDoNA Colloquium and Family Camp, and the Augustana Ministerium meeting. Please make plans to be there!

**Call Service and Ordination for the Seminarians**

The Call Service for the seminary will take place on Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup> at Salem Ev. Lutheran Church, Malone, TX. Ordination by the bishop, pastors and deacons in attendance at the ELDoNA Synod will take place during the Divine Service on Sunday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**An Excerpt from Luther’s Writings**

“Beloved, you have heretofore heard much about faith. Today you hear also of the witness of faith and of the cross that follows. Paul says to the Romans, “With the heart man believeth unto righteousness.” Rom. 10:10. If one be pious, he must begin in his heart and believe. That serves only unto godliness; it is not enough for salvation. Therefore, one must also do what the Christian life requires, and continually abide in that life. Hence, Paul adds, “If thou shalt confess with thy mouth Jesus as Lord, thou shalt be saved,” It is these two things that constitute our salvation, faith and the confession of faith. Faith rescues from sin, Hell, Satan, death and all misfortunes. Now, when we have this we have enough. We then let God live here that we may reach a hand to our neighbor and help him. Besides, God desires to have His Name praised and His Kingdom developed and extended. Therefore, we must praise His Name, confess our faith and win others to do the same, so that God’s Kingdom may be extended and His Name praised.” *From Martin Luther’s Sermon in the Church Postil for Exaudi Sunday, 1522.*

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

**Today—Exaudi**


**Epistle:**

1 Peter 4:7b-11

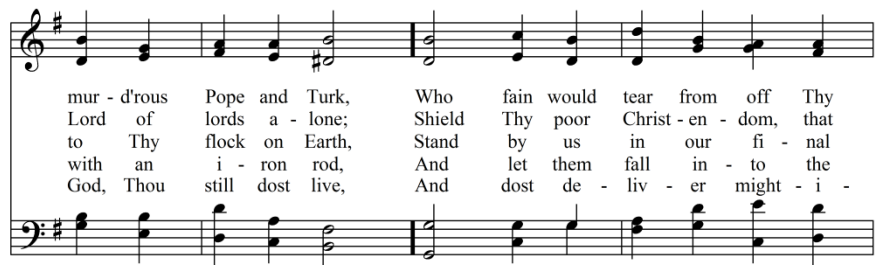
**Gospel:**

St. John 15:26—16:4

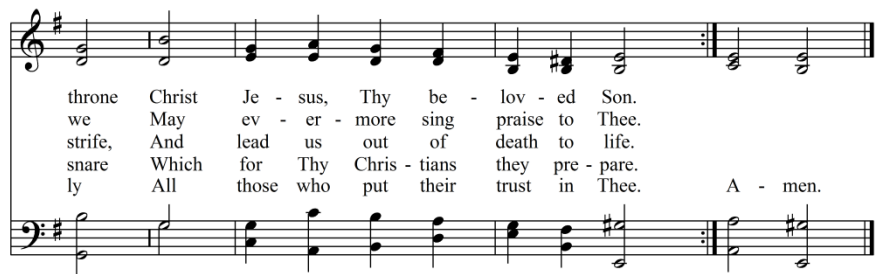
# Lord, Keep Us in Thy Word and Work (TLH 261)



1. Lord, keep us in Thy Word and work, Re - strain the  
2. Lord Je - sus Christ, Thy pow'r make known, For Thou art  
3. Thou Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Give one mind  
4. De - stroy their coun - sels, Lord our God, And smite them  
5. So that at last they may per - ceive That, Lord our



mur - d'rous Pope and Turk, Who fain would tear from off Thy  
Lord of lords a - lone; Shield Thy poor Christ - en - dom, that  
to Thy flock on Earth, Stand by us in our fi - nal  
with an i - ron rod, And let them fall in - to the  
God, Thou still dost live, And dost de - liv - er might - i -



throne Christ Je - sus, Thy be - lov - ed Son.  
we May ev - er - more sing praise to Thee.  
strife, And lead us out of death to life.  
snare Which for Thy Chris - tians they pre - pare.  
ly All those who put their trust in Thee. A - men.