

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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The Sixth Sunday after Trinity Sunday
July 7th, 2024

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righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of
the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no wise
enter into the kingdom of heaven.”*

St. Matthew 5:20

The Order of Divine Service

The Prelude	<i>“Nun freuet euch”</i>	Michael Praetorius
The Ringing of the Bell		
The Hymn	<i>“If Thy Beloved Son, O God”</i>	Δ TLH 375
Silent Prayer	<i>(Prayers are located on back cover)</i>	ASBH p. 7
<i>Stand</i>		
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. 103
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. 103
Collect Amen		ASBH p. 14
<i>Sit</i>		
The Epistle		Romans 6:3-11
The Gradual		ASBH p. 103
<i>Stand</i>		
The Triple Hallelujah	<i>(First Setting)</i>	ASBH p. 14
The Gospel		St. Matthew 5:20-26
The Creed	<i>(All may bow at the words “And was made man.)</i>	ASBH p. 17
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“That Man a Godly Life Might Live”</i>	ASBH 44
The Sermon	<i>Ye Have Heard That It Was Said</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>“Through Jesus’ Blood and Merit”</i>	TLH 372
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>“All Mankind Fell in Adam’s Fall”</i>	ASBH 49
<i>Stand</i>		
The Nunc Dimittis		ASBH p. 33-35
The Thanksgiving and Collect		ASBH p. 35-36
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“In Thee Alone, O Christ, My Lord”</i>	ASBH 41
<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>“Ich dank’ dir, lieber Herre”</i>	Johann Christoph Bach

Recitation of the Catechism

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism (pages 19-21) & Questions 143-158 (Part II).
The Creed. The Second Article. Of Redemption, pages 85-89).

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, 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, Rachel Epperson, Tammy Wilson, 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;* and her pastor, the *Rev. Jerald P. Dulas*
- For the moral and spiritual support of those involved with our mission in Knoxville, TN, *Nikolas Likourentzos, Deacon and Sherrill Smithey, Kenny Earickson, 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.
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week.
- For those traveling this week.

Announcements

Daily Readings for week after the Sixth Sunday after Trinity

	Morning	Evening
Today	2 Kings 22; Matt. 19:16-30	2 Kings 23; Ephesians 2:4-10
Monday:	2 Kings 24; Rom. 14:1—15:3	2 Kings 25; 1 Samuel 26:1-25
Tuesday:	1 Chron. 1-2; Rom. 15:14-33	1 Chronicles 3-4; 1 Samuel 28:3-25
Wednesday:	1 Chron. 5-6; Rom. 16:1-27	1 Chronicles 7-8; 1 Samuel 31:1-13
Thursday:	1 Chron. 9-10; 1 Cor. 1:10-31	1 Chronicles 11-12; 2 Samuel 1:1-27
Friday:	1 Chron. 13-14; 1 Cor. 2:1-16	1 Chronicles 15-16; 2 Samuel 5:1-25
Saturday:	1 Chron. 17-18; 1 Cor. 4:6—5:5	1 Chronicles 19-20; 2 Samuel 6:1-23

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Psalms 119, Part VI, 38	Psalms 85, 39-41
Monday:	Psalms 119, Part VI, 42-44	Psalms 85, 45-48
Tuesday:	Psalms 119, Part VI, 49	Psalms 85, 50-51
Wednesday:	Psalms 119, Part VI, 52-54	Psalms 85, 55-57
Thursday:	Psalms 119, Part VI, 58-59	Psalms 85, 60-63
Friday:	Psalms 119, Part VI, 64-65	Psalms 85, 66-68
Saturday:	Psalms 119, Part VI, 69	Psalms 125, 70-72

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday: The Smalcald Articles, III.III.1-14
Tuesday: The Smalcald Articles, III.III.15-26
Wednesday: The Smalcald Articles, III.III.27-40
Thursday: The Smalcald Articles, III.III.41—III.VI.5
Friday: The Smalcald Articles, III.VII.1—III.VIII.13

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 44—“That Man a Godly Life Might Live”

Evening: TLH 372—“Through Jesus’ Blood and Merit”

Calendar for the week after the Sixth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Today: The Sixth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

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

Monday: No Events Scheduled

Tuesday: No Events Scheduled

Wednesday: No Events Scheduled

Thursday: No Events Scheduled

Friday: Pastor Dulas on Vacation

Saturday: Sts. Peter and Paul’s 11th Anniversary
Pastor Dulas on Vacation

Next Sunday: The Seventh Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

10:00 a.m. Divine Service and Bible Class in Knoxville, TN (Deacon Smithey)
Pastor Dulas on Vacation
NO Service in Simpsonville, SC or Augusta, GA

Pastor on Vacation

Pastor Dulas will be on vacation next Sunday, July 14th. There will be NO Services in either Simpsonville, SC or Augusta, GA. Everyone is welcome to attend the Service in Knoxville, TN at 10 a.m. either in person or online.

An Excerpt from Luther’s Writings

“Now let us examine the command, ‘Thou shalt not kill,’ in the sense the Jews took it, and how we should take it. The Jews considered those only murderers who committed the act of murder with their hands; while those who abstained from the outward act were considered by them as pious. In like manner they treated Christ. Having delivered Him to Pontius Pilate for trial, they remained without, thus fancying to be innocent of His blood, and to have perfectly kept the law, John 18:28. Again, Saul acted the same way toward David; he believed himself to be godly so long as he only did not kill David with his hand, 1 Sam. 19. Thus they have interpreted the law, failing to see that its roots run into the heart.

In view of this Christ here says to his Christians: ‘I say unto you, that except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no wise enter into the kingdom of heaven.’

This is a strong, yea, a dreadful sentence, whereby all false saints and hypocrites, who go about with their own external works, are condemned.

But how have we interpreted this commandment? A little better, that is to say, doubly worse is our interpretation. On this wise: it is indeed a matter of the heart that we are to be free from hatred. But a man, according to our conception, may conduct himself friendly and thus banish hatred from his heart. So we have made it a question of free will going from bad to worse. The Jews have made it a matter of deceptive appearance; we placed the issue with free will. Thus the hypocrisy of the Jews rests in their works; ours in our thoughts. For we argue thus: Well, I will forgive him, will be good to him, and thus lay hold of the doing in the strength of our free will, then it shall be accomplished.” *From the Church Postil for the Sixth Sunday after Trinity Sunday, 1523.*

The Lutheran Herald

The July 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—The Sixth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Epistle: Romans 6:3-11

Gospel: St. Matthew 5:20-26

July 14th—The Seventh Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Epistle: Romans 6:19-23

Gospel: St. Mark 8:1-9