

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 Twelfth Sunday after Trinity Sunday
August 18th, 2024

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“*Ephphatha,*’ that is, ‘*Be opened.*’”

St. Mark 7:34

The Order of Divine Service

The Prelude	<i>“Auf meinen lieben Gott”</i>	Friedrich Zachow
The Ringing of the Bell		
The Hymn	<i>“Praise the Almighty, My Soul, Adore Him”</i>	Δ TLH 26
<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. 109
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. 109
Collect Amen		ASBH p. 14
<i>Sit</i>		
The Epistle		2 Corinthians 3:4-11
The Gradual		ASBH p. 109
<i>Stand</i>		
The Triple Hallelujah	<i>(First Setting)</i>	ASBH p. 14
The Gospel		St. Mark 7:31-37
The Creed	<i>(All may bow at the words “And was made man.”)</i>	ASBH p. 17
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“O Christ, Our True and Only Light”</i>	ASBH 50
The Sermon	<i>His Ears Were Opened</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>“In God, My Faithful God”</i>	ASBH 62
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>“Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord”</i>	TLH 307
<i>Stand</i>		
The Nunc Dimittis		ASBH p. 33-35
The Thanksgiving and Collect		ASBH p. 35-36
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“Oh, that I Had a Thousand Voices”</i>	TLH 30
<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 dass ich tausend” (König)</i>	Max Reger

Recitation of the Catechism

The Ten Commandments (pages 9-12) & Questions 204-207 (Part II. The Creed. The Third Article. Of Sanctification. Of Eternal Life, pages 106-107).

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, Glen Madden, 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, *St. Mary's Ev. Lutheran Church, Navotas, Philippines;* and *Annunciation Ev. Lutheran Mission, Singapore;* and their pastor, the *Rev. Fillmore Lorenz Alvarez.*
- That the Lord might send *faithful laborers* into His harvest.
- For *St. Ignatius Evangelical Lutheran Seminary* and her *students.*
- For the moral and spiritual support of those involved with our mission in Knoxville, TN, *Nikolas Likourentzos, Deacon and Sherrill Smithy, 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 Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

	Morning	Evening
Today	Wis. 17-18; Matt. 12:31-42	Wisdom 19; James 3:1-12
Monday:	Sir. Prologue-1; Col. 2:1-23	Sirach 2-3; 2 Kings 4:1-44
Tuesday:	Sirach 4-5; Col. 3:18—4:18	Sirach 6-7; 2 Kings 5:1-27
Wednesday:	Sirach 8-9; 1 Thess. 1:1-10	Sirach 10-11; 2 Kings 6:1-23
Thursday:	Sir. 12-13; 1 Thess. 2:1-20	Sirach 14-15; 2 Kings 6:24—7:20
Friday:	Sirach 16-17; 1 Thess. 3:1-13	Sirach 18-19; 2 Kings 8:1-15
Saturday:	Sir. 20-21; 1 Thess. 4:8-12	Sirach 23-24; 2 Kings 9:1-37

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Psalms 119, Part XII, 89	Psalms 104, 90-92
Monday:	Psalms 119, Part XII, 93-95	Psalms 104, 96-100
Tuesday:	Ps. 119, Part XII, 101-102	Psalms 103-104
Wednesday:	Psalms 119, Part XII, 105	Psalms 104, 106
Thursday:	Psalms 119, Part XII, 107	Psalms 104, 108-111
Friday:	Ps. 119, Part XII, 112-115	Psalms 104, 116-118
Saturday:	Psalms 119:1-40, 89-96	Psalms 146, 119:41-88

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday:	The Epitome of the Formula of Concord, XI.16—XII.11
Tuesday:	The Epitome of the Formula of Concord, XII.12-31
Wed.:	The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord, Preface.1-10
Thursday:	The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord, Rule.1-7
Friday:	The Solid Declaration of the Formula of Concord, Rule.8-13

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 50—"O Christ, Our True and Only Light"

Evening: ASBH 62—"In God, My Faithful God"

Calendar for the week after the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Today: The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

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

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

Tuesday: No Events Scheduled

Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. Divine Service and Bible Class in Fort Myers, FL (Pastor Dulas)

Thursday: No Events Scheduled

Friday: No Events Scheduled

Saturday: The Festival of St. Bartholomew, Apostle—Red

Next Sunday: The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

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

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

St. Ignatius of Antioch Evangelical Lutheran Seminary

The third triennium of the diocesan seminary will begin the day after Labor Day, September 2nd, 2024. We will have two students this year, one from Singapore and one from Australia. These are both associated with our sister church in the Philippines. Because we do not have the ability for foreign visas, the entire seminary education will be online, with the practical classes being handled by Pastor Alvarez of the Philippines in person. Please keep the seminary and her new students in your prayers.

An Excerpt from Luther's Writings

"Now this I say, that you may know how far the faith of others may be of use to us, and how your own faith can help you. Other people's merits will help you to attain a merit of your own, and nothing more. And though all the angels, yea, the mercy of God itself, were ready to stand for you, it would avail you nothing, unless you cleave unto it with a faith of your own. But it may effect this, that it will assist you to obtain a faith of your own, which will help you. Furthermore, even if Christ did die for us, and pledged and gave His body and life, blood and flesh for us, and became our advocate; yet it would avail nothing, unless we believe in Him. But He can assist us in this way, that He appears before the Father and says: 'O Father, this have I done for mankind; do Thou give them faith, in order

that they may enjoy it.' This then, will help us, if we feel assured that His works and merit are our own. In the same manner one should also speak of the other saints, that no saint's intercession and merit avail unless we ourselves believe. You observe this also in our lesson. There lies the poor man, unable either to speak or to hear. They who bring him to the Lord can speak and hear. But they cannot make him speak by their hearing and speaking, and even though they all had come near him and said: 'We will speak and hear for you'; yet he would, in spite of this, have remained speechless and deaf continually, and would never have been able to speak." *This sermon is from the Church Postil of Martin Luther for the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity Sunday.*

The Lutheran Herald

The August 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 Twelfth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 3:4-11

Gospel: St. Mark 7:31-37

August 24th—The Festival of St. Bartholomew, Apostle

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:7-10

Gospel: St. Luke 22:24-30

August 25th—The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Epistle: Galatians 3:15-22

Gospel: St. Luke 10:23-37