

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.

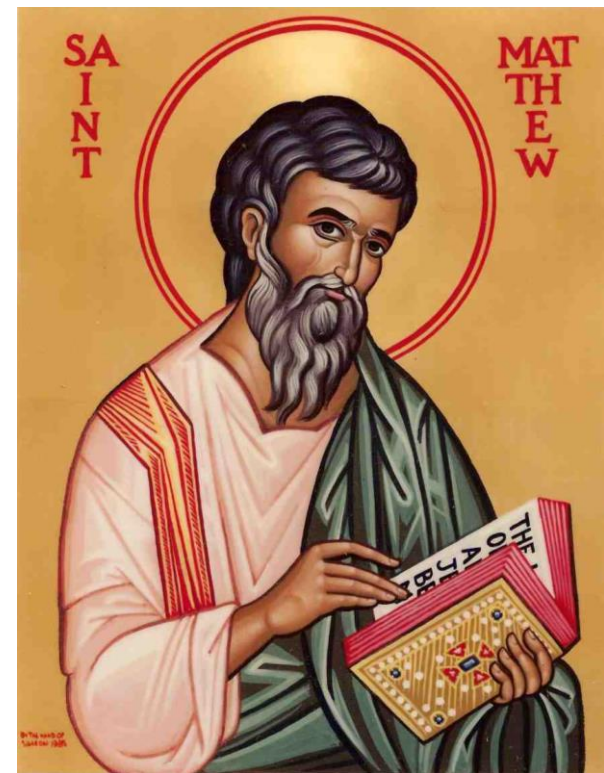
A Prayer after Communion

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.

Scripture quotations are from the Revised Version of the Holy Bible (1895) with Apocrypha. This work is in the Public Domain.



The Festival of St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
September 21st, 2025

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“And as Jesus passed by from thence, He saw a man, called Matthew, sitting at the place of toll: and He saith unto him, ‘Follow me.’ And he arose, and followed Him.” St. Matthew 9:9

The Order of Divine Service

The Prelude	<i>“Werde munter”</i>	Johann Pachelbel
The Ringing of the Bell		
The Processional Hymn	<i>“Awake, Thou Spirit, Who Didst Fire”</i>	INSERT
<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. 163
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. 163
The Collect for the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday		ASBH p. 111
Collect Amen		ASBH p. 14
<i>Sit</i>		
The Epistle		Ephesians 4:7-14
The Gradual		ASBH p. 163
<i>Stand</i>		
The Triple Hallelujah	<i>(Second Setting)</i>	ASBH p. 15
The Gospel		St. Matthew 9:9-13
The Creed	<i>(All may bow at the words “And was made man.”)</i>	INSERT
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“From All Thy Saints in Warfare, For All Thy Saints at Rest”</i> Δ	INSERT
The Sermon	<i>Many Publicans and Sinners Came</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>“Jesus Sinners Doth Receive”</i>	INSERT
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>	INSERT
<i>Stand</i>		
The Nunc Dimittis		ASBH p. 33-35
The Thanksgiving and Collect		ASBH p. 35-36
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“Send, O Lord, Thy Holy Spirit”</i>	TLH 491
<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. 38
The Recessional Hymn	<i>“Dear Lord, to Thy True Servants Give”</i>	TLH 482
<i>Sit</i>		
The Postlude	<i>“St. Michael”</i>	Jan Bender

Recitation of the Catechism

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism (pages 19-21) & Questions 49-55 (Part I. The Ten Commandments. The Second Table, The Sixth Commandment, pages 54-56).

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, *Dan, Katie, Kelly, Vince Bost, Brandon Dennie, Rachel Epperson, Vito Gerardi, Graham Hardaway, Michelle Harris, Peggy Holder, Judy Horn, Glen Madden, Paul Meadows, Barbara Miller, Mike Miller, Rev. Mark Mueller, Jack Newton, Becky Phillips, Betty Ramsey, Rev. Eric Stefanski, Chuck Webber, Gerald Weerts, and Tammy Wilson.*
- For *Connie Dulas*, who is near death.
- For our bishop, the *Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser.*
- For the parishes served by our diocese, and those in our international fellowship, especially, *Faith Ev. Lutheran Church, Tualatin, OR*; and her pastor, the *Rev. Daniel Mensing.*
- That the Lord might send *Faithful Laborers* into His harvest.
- For *St. Ignatius Evangelical Lutheran Seminary* and our seminarians, *Duncan Geldenhuys* and *Jonathan Teo Zin Han.*
- For the moral and spiritual support of those involved with our mission in Knoxville, TN, *Bob, Barbara, and Bobby Eisold*, and *Deacon and Sherrill Smithey.*
- For those struggling with addiction, especially *Thomas Allred, Brennan David*, and *John Monahan.*
- For all those who serve in the military.
- For those celebrating a birthday this week, especially *Pastor Dulas.*
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week.
- For those traveling this week.

Announcements

Daily Readings for the Week of the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

	Morning	Evening
Today	Nehemiah 13; John 5:1-15	Tobit 1-2; Acts 3:1-10
Monday:	Tobit 3-4; 1 Tim. 6:1-21	Tobit 5-6; Isaiah 6:1-13
Tuesday:	Tobit 7-8; 2 Tim. 1:1-18	Tobit 9-10; Amos 7:7-17
Wednesday:	Tobit 11-12; 2 Tim. 2:1-26	Tobit 13-14; 2 Kings 16:1-20
Thursday:	Judith 1-2; Titus 1:1-16	Judith 3-4; 2 Kings 17:1-23
Friday:	Judith 5-6; Titus 2:1-10	Judith 7-8; 2 Kings 18:1-37
Saturday:	Judith 9; Titus 2:15—3:3	Judith 10; 2 Kings 19:1-37

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Psalms 119, Part XIV, 105	Psalms 66, 106
Monday:	Psalms 119, Part XIV, 107	Psalms 66, 108-111
Tuesday:	Ps. 119, Part XIV, 112-115	Psalms 66, 116-118
Wednesday:	Psalms 119:1-40, 105-112	Psalms 66, 119:41-88
Thursday:	Psalms 119:89-128	Psalms 66, 119:129-176
Friday:	Ps. 119, Part XIV, 120-125	Psalms 66, 126-132
Saturday:	Ps. 119, Part XIV, 133-135	Psalms 34, 136-139

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday: The Full Declaration of the Formula of Concord, III. 8-17
Tuesday: The Full Declaration of the Formula of Concord, III. 18-25
Wednesday: The Full Declaration of the Formula of Concord, III. 26-30
Thursday: The Full Declaration of the Formula of Concord, III. 31-35
Friday: The Full Declaration of the Formula of Concord, III.36-43

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 52—“Show Pity, Lord! O Lord, Forgive!”

Evening: ASBH 39—“From God Shall Naught Divide Me”

Calendar for the Week of the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Today: The Festival of St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist/The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Red

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

Monday: *Autumn Begins*

Tuesday: Bill Kope’s Birthday

Wednesday: No Events Scheduled

Thursday: No Events Scheduled

Friday: No Events Scheduled

Saturday: Seminary Fall Break Begins

Next Sunday: The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

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

St. Ignatius of Antioch Evangelical Lutheran Seminary

The diocesan seminary has begun the second year of their triennium. Our two seminarians are studying Christology, Synoptic Gospels, the Ecumenical Councils, and have readings from the Early Fathers and the Greek New Testament. Please keep the seminary and her students in your prayers.

The Lutheran Herald

The September 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

“The second characteristic of faith is that it does not desire to know, nor first to be assured whether it is worthy of grace and will be heard, like the doubters, who grasp after God and tempt Him. Just as a blind man runs against a wall, so they also plunge against God, and would first gladly feel and be assured that He cannot escape out of their hands. The Epistle to the Hebrews says, 11:1: ‘Now faith is assurance of things hoped for, a

conviction of things not seen.’ This clearly means faith holds fast to what it does not see, feel or experience, either in body or soul, but as it has firm trust in God it commits itself to and relies upon it without any doubt but its hope will be realized. Thus it will also certainly be realized, and the feeling and experience will come to it unsought and unsolicited, even in and through such hope or faith.” *Excerpted from a sermon in the Church Postil of Martin Luther for the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday.*

To Read in Preparation for this week’s Festivals:

Today—The Festival of St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist/The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Epistle: Ephesians 4:7-14

Gospel: St. Matthew 9:9-13

September 28th—The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Epistle: Galatians 5:25—6:10

Gospel: St. Matthew 6:24-34

Festival of St. Boniface

87. Awake, Thou Spirit, Who Didst Fire

Wach auf, du Geist der ersten Zeugen

Carl H. von Bogatzky, 1750, cento

Tr., Catherine Winkworth, 1855, alt.

All' Ehr' und Lob

"Kirchengesangbuch"

Strassburg, 1541

1. A - wake, Thou Spir - it, who didst fire
 2. Lord, let our ear - nest prayer be heard,
 3. Oh, haste to help ere we are lost!
 4. And let Thy Word have speed - y course,

The watch - men of the Chur - ch's youth,
 The prayer Thy Son hath bid us pray;
 Send preach - ers forth, in spir - it strong,
 Through ev - 'ry land be glo - ri - fied,

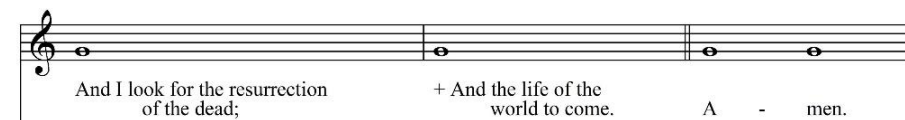
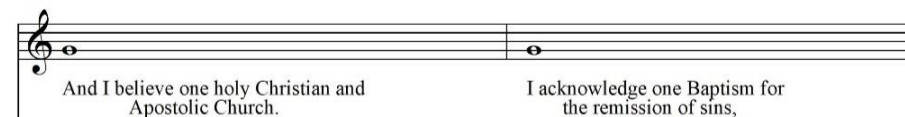
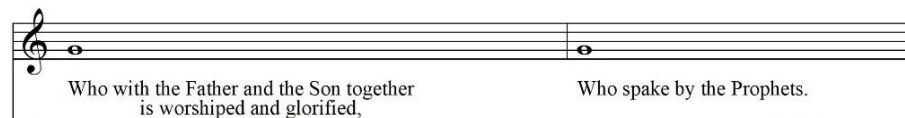
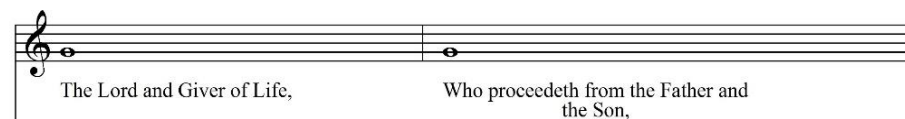
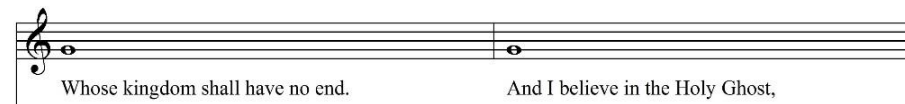
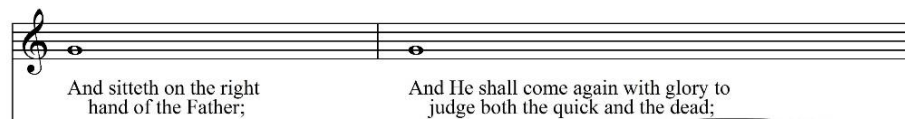
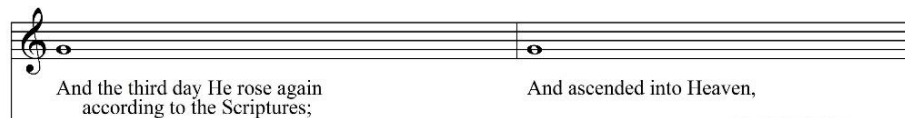
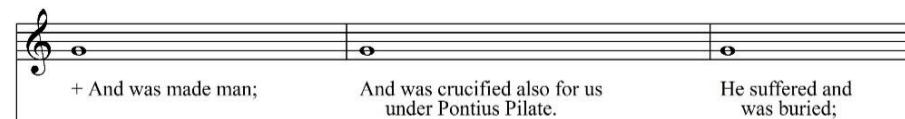
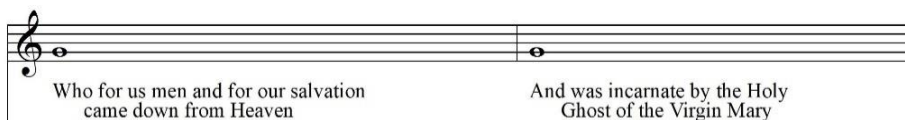
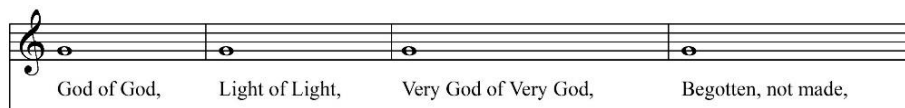
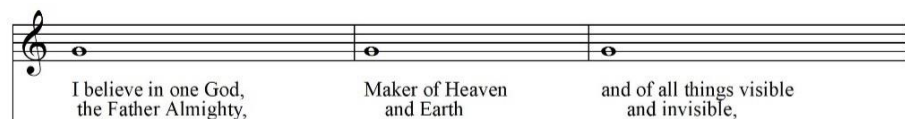
Who faced the Foe's en - ven - omed ire,
 For, lo, Thy chil - dren's hearts are stirred
 Armed with Thy Word, a daunt - less host,
 Till all the hea - then know its force

Who wit - nessed day and night Thy truth,
 In ev - 'ry land and in this our day
 Bold to at - tack the rule of wrong;
 And fill Thy church - es far and wide.

Whose voic - es loud are ring - ing still
 To cry with fer - vent soul to Thee,
 Let them the earth for Thy re - claim,
 Oh, spread the con - quest of Thy Word

And bring - ing hosts to know Thy will.
 Oh, help us, Lord! So let it be!
 Thy her - i - tage, to know Thy name.
 And let Thy king - dom come, dear Lord! A - men.

The Nicene Creed



+ — indicates that the worshippers may make a sign of reverence (bow the head, genuflect, or make the sign of the holy cross) as is appropriate.

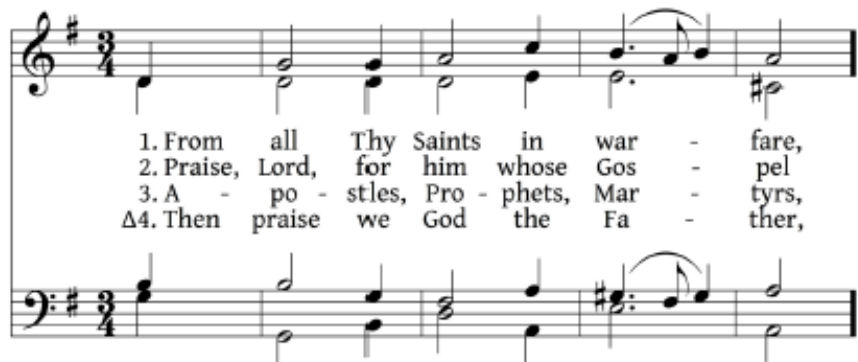
Festival of St. Matthew

102. From All Thy Saints in Warfare, For All Thy Saints at Rest

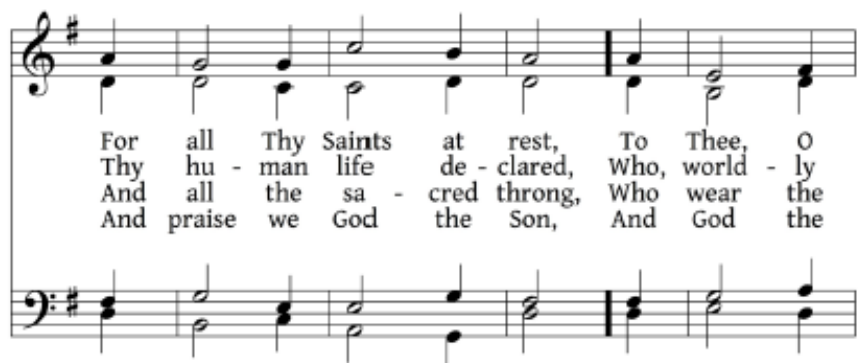
The Sarum Hymnal, 1868

Ach Gott vom Himmelreiche

"Musae Sioniae," VII, 1609




1. From all Thy Saints in war - fare,
2. Praise, Lord, for him whose Gos - pel
3. A - po - stles, Pro - phets, Mar - tyrs,
Δ4. Then praise we God the Fa - ther,



For all Thy Saints at rest, To Thee, O
Thy hu - man life de - clared, Who, world - ly
And all the sa - cred throng, Who wear the
And praise we God the Son, And God the



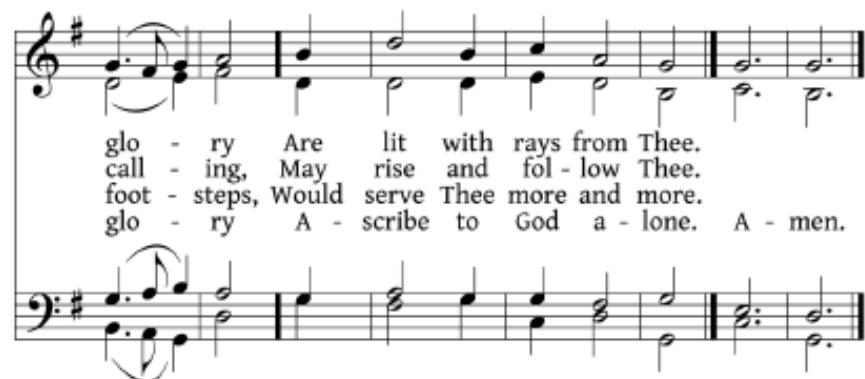
bles - sed Je - sus, All prais - es be ad - dressed.
gains for - sak - ing, Thy path of suff'r - ing shared.
spot - less rai - ment, Who raise the cease - less song;
Ho - ly Spi - rit, E - ter - nal Three in One;



Thou, Lord, didst win the bat - tle That they might
From all un - righ - teous mam - mon, Oh, give us
For these, passed on be - fore — us, Sa - vior! we
Till all the ran - somed num - ber Fall down be -



con - querors be. Their crowns of liv - ing
hearts set free; That we, what - e'er our
Thee a - dore, And, walk - ing in their
fore the Throne, And hon - or, pow'r, and



glo - ry Are lit with rays from Thee.
call - ing, May rise and fol - low Thee.
foot - steps, Would serve Thee more and more.
glo - ry A - scribe to God a - lone. A - men.

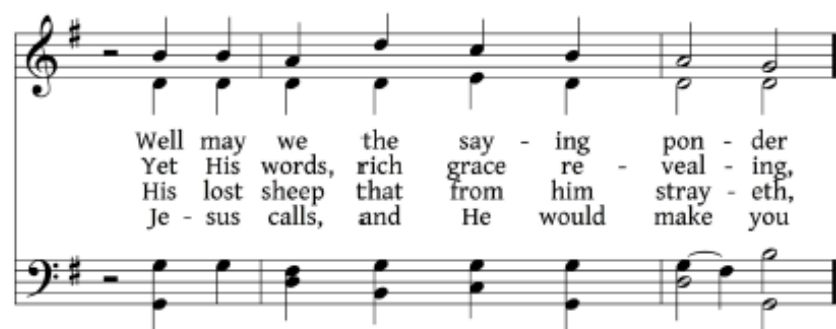
##. Jesus Sinners Doth Receive

Jesus nimmt die Sünder an
Erdmann Neumeister, 1718
Tr., composite, 1913

Meinen Jesum lass' ich nicht
"Neuverfertigtes Gesangbuch"
Darmstadt, 1699



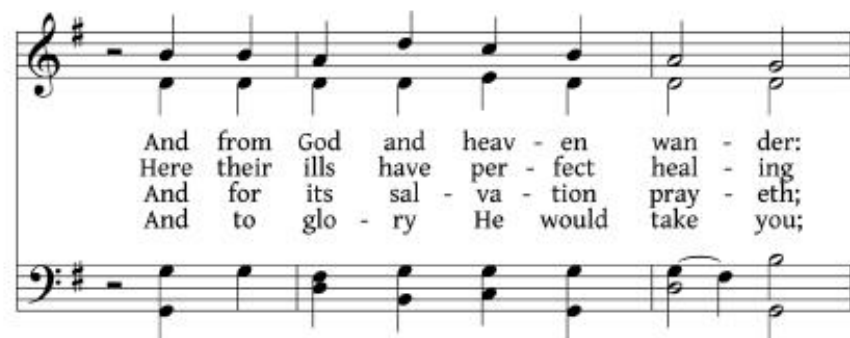
1. Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive!
2. We de - serve but grief and shame,—
3. As the shep - herd seeks to find
4. Come, then, all by guilt op - prest,



Well may we the say - ing pon - der
Yet His words, rich grace re - veal - ing,
His lost sheep that from him stray - eth,
Je - sus calls, and He would make you



Who in sin's de - lu - sions live,
Par - don, peace, and life pro - claim;
So hath Christ each soul in mind,
God's own chil - dren, pure and blest,



And from God and heav - en wan - der:
Here their ills have per - fect heal - ing
And for its sal - va - tion pray - eth;
And to glo - ry He would take you;



This a - lone can hope re - vive:
Who with hum - ble hearts be - lieve:
Fain He'd have each wan - d'r'er live:
Think on this, and well be - lieve:



Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive!
Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive!
Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive!
Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive! A - men.

5. Savior, now I come to Thee:
Great my sins, a weary burden!
Wilt Thou mercy show to me?
Can I hope to find a pardon?
I will trust: my soul relieve!
Me, a sinner, Lord, receive!

7. Now my conscience is at peace;
From the Law I stand acquitted;
Christ hath purchased my release,
And my ev'ry sin remitted.
Naught remains my soul to grieve:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

6. Rich Thy mercy—strangely good!
O how oft have I offended!
But, through Thy redeeming blood
All my fear of wrath is ended:
Yes, I now can witness give:
Jesus sinners doth receive!

8. Jesus sinners doth receive!
Happy in His ceaseless favor,
Here for heaven I will live,
There shall live with Him forever,
Joy in death these tidings give:
"Jesus sinners doth receive!"

##. Draw Nigh, and Take the Body of the Lord

Sancti, venite, Corpus Christi sumite

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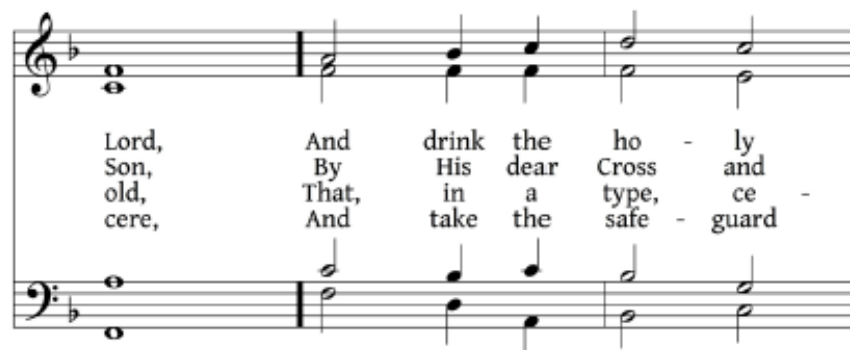
Latin author unknown, c. 680

"Genevan Psalter," 1551

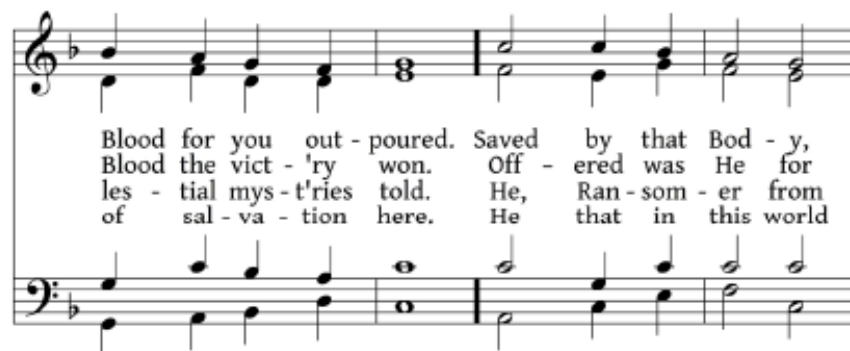
Tr., John M. Neale, 1851, alt.



1. Draw nigh, and take the Bod - y of the
 2. Sal - va - tion's Giv - er, Christ, the On - ly
 3. Vic - tims were of - fered by the Law of
 4. Ap - proach ye then with faith - ful hearts sin -



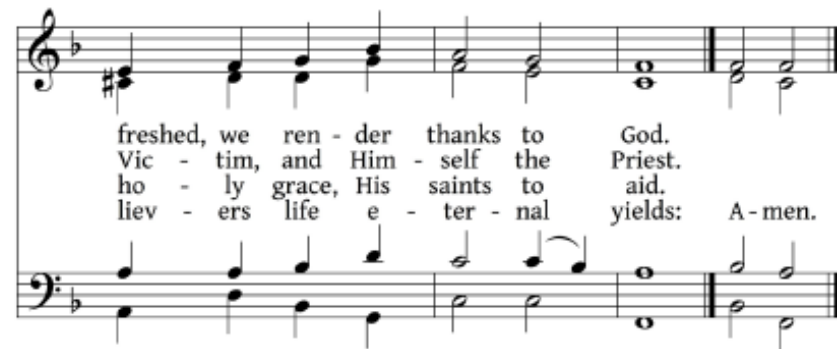
Lord, And drink the ho - ly
 Son, By His dear Cross and
 old, That in a type, ce -
 cere, And take the safe - guard



Blood for you out - poured. Saved by that Bod - y,
 Blood the vict - 'ry won. Off - ered was He for
 les - tial mys - t'ries told. He, Ran - som - er from
 of sal - va - tion here. He that in this world



and that ho - ly Blood, With souls re -
 great - est and Light for least: Him - self the
 death, and His saints, and shade, Giv - eth His
 rules His saints, and shields, To all be -



freshed, we ren - der thanks to God.
 Vic - tim, and Him - self the Priest.
 ho - ly grace, His saints to aid,
 liev - ers life e - ter - nal yields: A - men.

5. With heav'nly Bread makes them that hunger whole,
 Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.
 Alpha and Omega, to whom shall bow
 All nations at the Doom, is with us now.