

**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 Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday  
September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023

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*“Young man, I say unto thee, Arise.”*  
*St. Luke 7:14*

## The Order of Divine Service

<b>The Prelude</b>	<i>“Nun lasst uns den Leib begraben”</i>	James Engel
<b>The Ringing of the Bell</b>		
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me?”</i>	TLH 523
<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. 113
<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. 113
<b>Collect Amen</b>		ASBH p. 14
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Epistle</b>		Ephesians 3:13-21
<b>The Gradual</b>		ASBH p. 113
<b>The Triple Hallelujah</b>	<i>(First Setting)</i>	ASBH p. 14
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Holy Gospel</b>		St. Luke 7:11-17
<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>“This Body in the Grave We Lay”</i>	ASBH 54
<b>The Sermon</b>	<i>He That Was Dead Sat Up</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>“The Will of God Is Always Best”</i>	TLH 517
<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>“Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Hast Prepared”</i>	TLH 306
<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>“When My Last Hour Is Close at Hand”</i>	TLH 594
<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>“Was mein Gott will”</i>	Hermann Grabner

## Recitation of the Catechism

How One Should Be Taught to Pray (pages 27-29) & Questions 56-61 (The Second Table, The Seventh Commandment, pages 56-58).

## Announcements

ASBH = Augustana Service Book and Hymnal: 2022 Supplement.

TLH = The Lutheran Hymnal

## 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, Paul Meadows, Vince Bost, Barb Eisold, Becky Phillips, Bill Kope, Martin Kope, Sally Kope, Carol Laflay, Bruce Carter, 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, *Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Herrin, IL;* and her pastors, the *Rev. Michael Henson* and the *Rev. Dcn. Gary Harroun.*
- For the moral and spiritual support of those involved with our mission in Knoxville, TN, *Nikolas and Ana Likourentzos; 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 celebrating a birthday this week, especially *Tanya Dulas.*
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week.
- For those traveling this week.

## Announcements

### Daily Readings for the Week after the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

	Morning	Evening
<b>Today</b>	Tobit 11-12; John 11:19-45	Tobit 13-14; 1 Corinthians 15:21-28
<b>Monday:</b>	Judith 1-2; Hebrews 7:1-28	Judith 3-4; Jeremiah 37:1-21
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Judith 5-6; Hebrews 8:1-13	Judith 7-8; Jeremiah 38:1-28
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Judith 9; Hebrews 9:1-10	Judith 10; Jeremiah 32:1-44
<b>Thursday:</b>	Judith 11; Hebrews 9:16-28	Judith 12; Jeremiah 39:1-18
<b>Friday:</b>	Judith 13; Heb. 10:1-34	Judith 14; Jeremiah 29:1-23
<b>Saturday:</b>	Judith 15; Hebrews 11:1-7	Judith 16; Daniel 1:1-21

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

	Morning	Evening
<b>Today:</b>	Psalms 119:1-40, 121-128	Psalms 36, 119:41-88
<b>Monday:</b>	Psalms 119:89-128	Psalms 36, 119:129-176
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Ps. 119, Part XVI, 120-125	Psalms 36, 126-132
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Ps. 119, Part XVI, 133-135	Psalms 36, 136-139
<b>Thursday:</b>	Ps. 119, Part XVI, 140-141	Psalms 36, 142-143
<b>Friday:</b>	Psalms 119, Part XVI, 144	Psalms 36, 145
<b>Saturday:</b>	Ps. 119, Part XVI, 146-147	Psalms 56, 148-150

### Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

**Monday:** The Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration, III.8-17  
**Tuesday:** The Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration, III.18-25  
**Wednesday:** The Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration, III.26-30  
**Thursday:** The Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration, III.31-35  
**Friday:** The Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration, 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 54—"This Body in the Grave We Lay"  
**Evening:** TLH 517—"The Will of God Is Always Best"

**Calendar for the Week after the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity**

**Today: The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green**

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

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

**Monday:** No Events Scheduled

**Tuesday:** No Events Scheduled

**Wednesday:** No Events Scheduled

**Thursday:** No Events Scheduled

**Friday: The Festival of St. Michael and All Angels—White**

**Saturday:** Tanya Dulas' Birthday

**Next Sunday: The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green**

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

**An Excerpt from Luther's Writings**

"In the first place notice what lovingkindness and grace were shown to this woman by Christ. We must truly confess she did not merit them; for she is going out of the city with her friends, where there is nothing but crying and weeping. The good woman thought of nothing as little as that she should again lead back her son into the city alive, and for this reason she does not desire it, nor does she ask it, much less has she deserved it. She never thought of such a thing that Christ should come hither; yea, she did not at the time know Christ nor did she know anything of His helping the people. Here all merit and preparations for meeting Him are out of the question.

"Now all this has been written to the end that just as here this deed of mercy befell this widow freely and entirely of grace, only because it solicited Christ's sympathy, so from this we can draw the general rule that applies to all the merciful deeds of God, that they all overtake us without our merits, even before we seek them. He lays the foundation and makes the beginning. But why does He pity us? In this way it

continues to be the grace of God. Otherwise, if we deserved it, it would not be grace. And if it be of grace, then we can say to Him: 'Thou art a gracious God, Thou doeth good also to them who deserve it not.'" *Excerpted from a sermon in the Church Postil of Martin Luther for the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday.*

**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](http://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 Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday**

**Epistle:** Ephesians 3:13-21

**Gospel:** St. Luke 7:11-17

**September 29<sup>th</sup>—The Festival of St. Michael and All Angels**

**Epistle:** Revelation 12:7-12

**Gospel:** St. Matthew 18:1-11

**October 1<sup>st</sup>—The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday**

**Epistle:** Ephesians 4:1-6

**Gospel:** St. Luke 14:1-11