

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 Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday
October 5th, 2025

Sts. Peter & Paul Ev. Luth. Church, U.A.C.

A Parish Affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America

215 N. Main St., Ste. 1-D

Simpsonville, SC 29681

(864) 412-6330

www.spplc.org

Pastor Jerald P Dulas

(864) 832-9005 (home)

pastor@spplc.org

Deacon Floyd P Smithey, Jr.

(865) 202-9634 (cell)

deacon@spplc.org

“Young man, I say unto thee, Arise.”

St. Luke 7:14

The Order of Divine Service

| | | |
|---|---|-------------------|
| The Prelude | <i>“Nun lasst uns den Leib begraben”</i> | James Engel |
| The Ringing of the Bell | | |
| The Hymn | <i>“Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me?”</i> | TLH 523 |
| <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. 113 |
| 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. 113 |
| Collect Amen | | ASBH p. 14 |
| <i>Sit</i> | | |
| The Epistle | | Ephesians 3:13-21 |
| The Gradual | | ASBH p. 113 |
| <i>Stand</i> | | |
| The Triple Hallelujah | <i>(First Setting)</i> | ASBH p. 14 |
| The Gospel | | St. Luke 7:11-17 |
| The Creed | <i>(All may bow at the words “And was made man.”)</i> | ASBH p. 17 |
| <i>Sit</i> | | |
| The Hymn | <i>“Now Lay We Calmly in the Grave”</i> | ASBH 54 |
| The Sermon | <i>He Had Compassion on Her</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>“The Will of God is Always Best”</i> | TLH 517 |
| 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>“Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Hast Prepared”</i> | TLH 306 |
| <i>Stand</i> | | |
| The Nunc Dimittis | | ASBH p. 33-35 |
| The Thanksgiving and Collect | | ASBH p. 35-36 |
| <i>Sit</i> | | |
| The Hymn | <i>“When My Last Hour Is Close at Hand”</i> | TLH 594 |
| <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>“Was mein Gott will”</i> | Hermann Grabner |

Recitation of the Catechism

The Sacrament of the Altar (pages 25-26) & Questions 62-72 (Part I. The Ten Commandments. The Second Table, The Eighth Commandment, pages 58-60).

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, *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 our bishop, the *Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser.*
- For the parishes served by our diocese, and those in our international fellowship, especially, *All Saints Ev. Lutheran Mission, Myrtle Beach, SC;* and her pastor, the *Rev. Jerald P. Dulas.*
- 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 birthdays this week.
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week, especially *Bishop and Denise Heiser.*
- For those traveling this week, especially *Pastor and Tanya Dulas.*

Announcements

Daily Readings for the Week of the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

| | Morning | Evening |
|-------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Today | Luke 1-2; John 11:19-45 | St. Luke 3-4; 1 Corinthians 15:21-28 |
| Monday: | Luke 5-6; Hebrews 7:1-28 | St. Luke 7-8; Jeremiah 37:1-21 |
| Tuesday: | Luke 9-10; Hebrews 8:1-13 | St. Luke 11-12; Jeremiah 38:1-28 |
| Wednesday: | Luke 13-14; Hebrews 9:1-10 | St. Luke 15-16; Jeremiah 32:1-44 |
| Thursday: | Luke 17-18; Heb. 9:16-28 | St. Luke 19-20; Jeremiah 39:1-18 |
| Friday: | Luke 21-22; Heb. 10:1-34 | St. Luke 23-24; Jeremiah 29:1-23 |
| Saturday: | John 1-2; Hebrews 11:1-7 | St. John 3-4; Daniel 1:1-21 |

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

| | Morning | Evening |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Today: | Psalms 119, Part XVI, 31-32 | Psalms 36, 33-34 |
| Monday: | Psalms 119, Part XVI, 35 | Psalms 36-37 |
| Tuesday: | Psalms 119, Part XVI, 38 | Psalms 36, 39-41 |
| Wednesday: | Psalms 119, Part XVI, 42-44 | Psalms 36, 45-48 |
| Thursday: | Psalms 119, Part XVI, 49 | Psalms 36, 50-51 |
| Friday: | Psalms 119, Part XVI, 52-54 | Psalms 36, 55-57 |
| Saturday: | Psalms 119, Part XVI, 58-59 | Psalms 56, 60-63 |

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday: The Full Declaration of the Formula of Concord, IV.33-40
Tuesday: The Full Declaration of the Formula of Concord, V.1-9
Wednesday: The Full Declaration of the Formula of Concord, V.10-19
Thursday: The Full Declaration of the Formula of Concord, V.20-27
Friday: The Full Declaration of the Formula of Concord, VI.1-8

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—“Now Lay We Calmly in the Grave”

Evening: TLH 517—“The Will of God is Always Best”

Calendar for the Week of the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Today: The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

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

Monday: No Events Scheduled

Tuesday: Bishop and Denise Heiser’s Anniversary

Wednesday: SC State Fair Begins, Columbia, SC

Thursday: No Events Scheduled

Friday: Bill Kope’s Baptismal Anniversary

Fall for Greenville

Saturday: *Fall for Greenville*

Next Sunday: The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

Fall for Greenville

Columbus’ Day

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

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

Tanya Dulas’ Baptismal Anniversary

St. Ignatius of Antioch Evangelical Lutheran Seminary

The Diocesan seminary is currently on their Fall Break. Classes will resume October 13th. Please keep the seminary and her students in your prayers.

The Lutheran Herald

The October 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

“At times God permits some man to fall into anxiety and need, into pain and distress, so that the world seems as though it had no God, and it makes

a person blind, lame, dropsical, and lets anyone die, as here the widow’s son; for they are His creatures, He can do with them what He will. Now, why does He do this? He does it in such an abundance only that we may continually experience His lovingkindness. Therefore as the disciples in John 9:2 asked the Lord concerning the man blind from his birth, whether he or his parents sinned, the Lord answered and said: ‘Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents; but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.’ As though He would say: ‘God desires to be praised in this blind person,’ for He sees that the treasures of the whole world do not move us, wherefore He floods us with His goodness out of pure grace, that He may present a blind person before our eyes, for us to see what a costly treasure we have in the blessing of our sight, although we cannot recognize His grace and kindness in our fortune, that we at least might know and identify them then in our misfortune. Therefore this man had to be blind in order that the others might know themselves, and say: ‘Alas Thou good God, what a precious gift I have, what a good thing a healthy body is and a bright countenance!’ But no one takes it to heart! Yea, it is true we say: have not the cows eyes also! Now, if you were blind you would of course feel the loss, which you do not now feel, because you are well and overshadowed with God’s blessings.” *Excerpted from a sermon in the Church Postil of Martin Luther for the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday.*

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

October 12th—The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Epistle:

Ephesians 4:1-6

Gospel:

St. Luke 14:1-11