

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 Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity Sunday
October 29th, 2023

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“Sir, come down ere my child die.”

St. John 4:49

The Order of Divine Service

The Prelude	<i>“O dass ich tausend (Dretzel)”</i>	Hans Arnold Metzger
The Ringing of the Bell		
<i>Stand</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“God the Father Be Our Stay”</i>	TLH 247
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. 118
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. 118
Collect Amen		ASBH p. 14
<i>Sit</i>		
The Epistle		Ephesians 6:10-17
The Gradual		ASBH p. 118
The Triple Hallelujah	<i>(First Setting)</i>	ASBH p. 14
<i>Stand</i>		
The Holy Gospel		St. John 4:46b-54
The Creed	<i>(All may bow at the words “And was made man.”)</i>	ASBH p. 17
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“By Grace I’m Saved, Grace Free and Boundless”</i>	ASBH 59
The Sermon	<i>The Man Believed</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>“Fight the Good Fight with All Thy Might”</i>	TLH 447
<i>Stand</i>		
The Exhortation		ASBH p. 21
The Lavabo		ASBH p. 21
Silent Prayer	<i>(Prayers are located on back cover)</i>	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>“Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You”</i>	TLH 444
<i>Stand</i>		
The Nunc Dimittis		ASBH p. 33-35
The Thanksgiving and Collect		ASBH p. 35-36
The Hymn	<i>“In Thee, Lord, have I Put My Trust”</i>	Δ ASBH 55
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
<i>Sit</i>		
The Postlude	<i>“Wachet auf”</i>	Johann Gottfried Walther

Recitation of the Catechism

The Apostles’ Creed (pages 13-15) & Questions 92-97 (Of Sin, pages 66-67).

Announcements

ASBH = Augustana Service Book and Hymnal: 2022 Supplement.

TLH = The Lutheran Hymnal

Δ—indicates a hymn ending in a Doxological stanza; please stand.

November 5th—The Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Epistle: Philippians 1:3-11

Gospel: St. Matthew 18:23-35

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, Barb Eisold, Becky Phillips, Bill Kope, Martin Kope, Sally Kope, John Burton, Carol Laflay, Bruce Carter, and Vito Gerardi.*
- For the *Friends and Family of Carolyn Benson*, who was called to her eternal home this past week.
- For our bishop, the *Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser.*
- For the parishes served by our diocese, and those in our international fellowship, especially, *Christ Ev. Lutheran Church, Richmond, MO*; and her pastor, the *Rev. Josiah Scheck.*
- 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.
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week.
- For those traveling this week.

Announcements

Daily Readings for the Week after the Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

	Morning	Evening
Today	2 Esdras 5-6; John 4:31-42	2 Esdras 7-8; Revelation 3:7-13
Monday:	2 Esdras 9-10; Eph. 1:1-23	2 Esdras 11-12; Micah 6:1-9
Tuesday:	2 Esdras 13-14; Eph.2:1-22	2 Esdras 15-16; Isaiah 58:1-14
Wednesday:	Ezekiel 1-2; Eph. 4:7-21	Ezekiel 3-4; Isaiah 59:1-21
Thursday:	Ezekiel 5-6; Eph. 4:29-32	Ezekiel 7-8; Jeremiah 31:1-22
Friday:	Ezekiel 9-10; Eph. 5:10-14	Ezekiel 11-12; Jeremiah 31:23-40
Saturday:	Ezekiel 13-14; Eph. 5:22-33	Ezekiel 15-16; Isaiah 48:1-22

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Psalms 119, Part XXI, 144	Psalms 47, 145
Monday:	Psalms 119, Part XXI, 146	Psalms 47, 147
Tuesday:	Psalms 119, Part XXI, 148	Psalms 47, 149-150
Wednesday:	Psalms 119, Part XXI, 1-4	Psalms 47, 5-8
Thursday:	Psalms 119, Part XXI, 9-11	Psalms 47, 12-17
Friday:	Psalms 119, Part XXI, 18	Psalms 47, 19-22
Saturday:	Psalms 119, Part XXI, 23-25	Psalms 36, 26-30

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday: The Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration, VII.85-97

Tuesday: The Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration, VII.98-106

Wednesday: The Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration, VII.107-119

Thursday: Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration, VII.120—VIII.6

Friday: The Formula of Concord, Solid Declaration, VIII.7-19

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 59—"By Grace I'm Saved, Grace Free and Boundless"

Evening: TLH 447—"Fight the Good Fight with All Thy Might"

Calendar for the Week after the Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

Today: The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

10:00 a.m. Divine Service and Bible Class in
Simpsonville, SC and Knoxville, TN (Deacon Smithey)
John Landt's Baptismal Anniversary

Monday: No Events Scheduled

Tuesday: The Festival of the Reformation—Red

4:30 p.m. Private confession

5:00 p.m. Divine Service

Halloween

Wednesday: The Festival of All Saints—White

4:30 p.m. Private confession

5:00 p.m. Divine Service

Thursday: No Events Scheduled

Friday: No Events Scheduled

Saturday: Harvest Festival—White

First Frost Date

Learn to Homebrew Day

Next Sunday: The Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

Daylight Saving Time Ends

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

Annual Budget Planning Meeting

The annual budget planning meeting is scheduled for Sunday, November 12th, after the Divine Service. The budget planning committee is made up of the Pastor, Deacon, Trustee, Treasurer, and Financial Secretary. The proposed budget will be made available to the rest of the parish after the meeting, and will be considered for approval at our next parish meeting on December 10th.

An Excerpt from Luther's Writings

"Therefore we must so live on the earth, not that we think of something different that is better to acquire than what we already possess; but that we strive to lay hold of the treasure more and more firmly and securely from day to day. We have no reason to seek anything more than faith; but here we must see to it how faith may grow and become stronger. Thus we, read in the Gospel, that, although the disciples of Christ without doubt believed (for otherwise they had not followed Him), yet He often rebuked them on account of their weak faith. They had indeed faith, but when it was put to the test, they let it sink and did not support it. So it is with all Christians; where faith is not continually kept in motion and exercised, it weakens and decreases, so that it must indeed vanish; and yet we do not see nor feel this weakness ourselves, except in times of need and temptation, when unbelief rages too strongly; and yet for that very reason faith must have temptations in which it may battle and grow." *From the Church Postil for the Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity Sunday.*

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.

To Read in Preparation for this week's Festivals:

Today—The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Epistle: Ephesians 6:10-17

Gospel: St. John 4:46b-54

October 31st—The Festival of the Reformation

Epistle: Revelation 14:6-7

Gospel: St. Matthew 11:12-15

November 1st—The Festival of All Saints

Epistle: Revelation 7:2-17

Gospel: St. Matthew 5:1-12

November 4th—Harvest Festival

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11

Gospel: St. Luke 12:15-21