

**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 Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord  
March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024

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*“And they went out, and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them: and they said nothing to any one; for they were afraid.” St. Mark 16:8*

## The Order of Divine Service

<b>The Prelude</b>	<i>“Christ lag in Todesbanden”</i>	Tobias Volckmar
<b>The Ringing of the Bell</b>		
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Processional Hymn</b>	<i>“Christ Is Arisen”</i>	TLH 187
<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. 82
<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. 82
<b>Collect Amen</b>		ASBH p. 14
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Epistle</b>		1 Corinthians 5:6-8
<b>The Gradual</b>		ASBH p. 82
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Sequence Hymn</b>	<i>“Christians, To the Paschal Victim”</i>	INSERT
<b>The Gospel</b>		St. Mark 16:1-8
<b>The Athanasian Creed</b>		ASBH p. 39-40
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“Christ Jesus Lay in Death’s Strong Bands”</i>	ASBH 29
<b>The Sermon</b>	<i>Be Not Amazed</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>“Christ the Lord is Risen Today; Alleluia!”</i>	TLH 191
<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>“Thy Table I Approach”</i>	TLH 310
<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>“Jesus Christ is Risen Today, Alleluia!”</i>	Δ TLH 199
<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. 37
<b>The Recessional Hymn</b>	<i>“He’s Risen, He’s Risen, Christ Jesus, the Lord”</i>	TLH 198

*Sit*

<b>The Postlude</b>	<i>“Easter Hymn”</i>	Heinrich Fleischer
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### Recitation of the Catechism

The Apostles’ Creed (pages 13-15) & Questions 343-351 (Part VI, The Sacrament of the Altar. Fourthly, Of the Salutary Use of the Lord’s Supper, pages 147-150).

### Announcements

*ASBH = Augustana Service Book and Hymnal: 2022 Supplement.*

*TLH = The Lutheran Hymnal*

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

### Holy Week and Easter Schedule

March 31<sup>st</sup>—**The Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord:**

10:00 a.m. Divine Service & Bible Class

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

April 1<sup>st</sup>—**Easter Monday:**

4:30 p.m. Private Confession

5:00 p.m. Divine Service

April 8<sup>th</sup>—**The Festival of the Annunciation of our Lord (Transferred):**

4:30 p.m. Private Confession

5:00 p.m. Divine Service

## 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, Becky Phillips, Bill Kope, Martin Kope, Sally Kope, Bruce Carter, Carol Laflay, 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. Luke Ev. Lutheran Church, Kenai/Nikiski, AK, and Homer Ev. Lutheran Mission, Homer, AK;* and their pastor, the *Rev. Timothy H. Tolar.*
- For the moral and spiritual support of those involved with our mission in Knoxville, TN, *Nikolas and Ana Likourentzos; Deacon and Sherrill Smithey; Kenny Earickson; and Bobby, Barbara, 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 Octave of the Feast of the Resurrection

	<b>Morning</b>	<b>Evening</b>
<b>Today</b>	Acts 1; St. Matthew 28:1-8	Acts 2; 1 Peter 1:3-12
<b>Monday:</b>	Acts 3; John 20:1-18	Acts 4; 1 Corinthians 15:12-20
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Acts 5; Matt. 28:1-15	Acts 6; Ezekiel 21:25-27
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Acts 7; John 20:1-18	Acts 8; Haggai 2:20-23
<b>Thursday:</b>	Acts 9; Luke 24:1-12	Acts 10; Zechariah 6:9-15
<b>Friday:</b>	Acts 11; Luke 24:36-49	Acts 12; Ezekiel 17:22-24
<b>Saturday:</b>	Acts 13; Mark 16:9-14	Acts 14; Isaiah 44:21-28

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

	<b>Morning</b>	<b>Evening</b>
<b>Today:</b>	Psalms 2, 57, 111, 148	Psalms 113, 114, 149-150
<b>Monday:</b>	Psalms 16, 1-4	Psalms 30, 5-8
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Psalms 16, 9-11	Psalms 30, 12-17
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Psalms 16, 18	Psalms 30, 19-22
<b>Thursday:</b>	Psalms 16, 23-25	Psalms 26-30
<b>Friday:</b>	Psalms 16, 31-32	Psalms 30, 33-34
<b>Saturday:</b>	Psalms 16, 35	Psalms 21, 36-37

### Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

<b>Monday:</b>	The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, III.108-122
<b>Tuesday:</b>	The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, III.123-139
<b>Wednesday:</b>	The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, III.140-152
<b>Thursday:</b>	The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, III.153-166
<b>Friday:</b>	The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, III.167-176

### Reciting the Catechism Daily:

<b>Sunday:</b>	The Ten Commandments
<b>Monday:</b>	The Apostles' Creed, The Lord's Prayer
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Holy Baptism, The Office of the Keys and Confession
<b>Wednesday:</b>	The Sacrament of the Altar
<b>Thursday:</b>	How One Should Be Taught to Pray
<b>Friday:</b>	The Table of Duties
<b>Saturday:</b>	Christian Questions with Their Answers

## Hymns for the Week:

**Morning:** ASBH 29—"Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands"

**Evening:** TLH 191—"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!"

## Calendar for the Octave of the Feast of the Resurrection

**Today: The Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord—White**

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

**Monday: Easter Monday—White**

*April Fool's Day*

4:30 p.m. Private confession

5:00 p.m. Divine Service

**Tuesday: Within the Octave of the Feast of the Resurrection—White**

**Wednesday: Within the Octave of the Feast of the Resurrection—White**

**Thursday: Within the Octave of the Feast of the Resurrection—White**

*Last Frost Date*

**Friday: Within the Octave of the Feast of the Resurrection—White**

**Saturday: Within the Octave of the Feast of the Resurrection—White**

**Next Sunday: Quasi modo geniti—White**

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

## An Excerpt from Luther's Writings

"I have often said before that feeling and faith are two different things. It is the nature of faith not to feel, to lay aside reason and close the eyes, to submit absolutely to the Word, and follow it in life and death. Feeling however does not extend beyond that which may be apprehended by reason and the senses, which may be heard, seen, felt and known by the outward senses; For this cause feeling is opposed to faith and faith is opposed to feeling. Therefore the author of the Epistle to the Hebrews writes of faith: 'Now faith is assurance of things hoped for, a conviction of things not seen.' For if we would see Christ visibly in heaven, like the visible sun, we would not need to believe it. But since Christ died for our sins and was raised for our justification, we cannot see it nor feel it, neither can we comprehend it with our reason. Therefore we must disregard our feeling and accept only the Word, write it into our heart and cling to it, even though it seems as if my sins were not taken from me, and even though I still feel them within me. Our feelings must not be considered, but we must constantly insist that death, sin and hell have been conquered,

although I feel that I am still under the power of death, sin and hell. For although we feel that sin is still in us, it is only permitted that our faith may be developed and strengthened, that in spite of all our feelings we accept the Word, and that we unite our hearts and consciences more and more to Christ. Thus faith leads us quietly, contrary to all feeling and comprehension of reason, through sin, through death and through hell. Then we shall see salvation before our eyes, and then we shall know perfectly what we have believed, namely, that death and all sorrow have been conquered." *From Martin Luther's Sermon in the Church Postil for Easter from the mid-1520s.*

## The Lutheran Herald

The April 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 Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord**

**Epistle:**

1 Corinthians 5:6-8

**Gospel:**

St. Mark 16:1-8

**April 1<sup>st</sup>—Easter Monday**

**Epistle:**

Acts 10:34-41

**Gospel:**

St. Luke 24:13-35

**April 7<sup>th</sup>—Quasi modo geniti**

**Epistle:**

1 John 5:4-10

**Gospel:**

St. John 20:19-31

# Christians, To the Paschal Victim

**Cantor**



1. Chris-tians, to the Pasch - al Vic - tim Of - fer your thank - ful prais - es.

**Choir**



2. A Lamb the sheep re - deem - eth: Christ, Who on - ly is sin - less,

**Sopranos and Altos**



Rec - on - cil - eth sin - ners to the Fa - ther. 3. Death and life have con - tend - ed



In that con - flict stu - pen - dous; The Prince of Life Who died, reigns im - mor - tal.



4. Speak, Ma - ry, de - clar - ing — What thou saw - est way - far - ing.

**Solo - Woman**



5. "The tomb of Christ, Who is liv - ing, The glo - ry of Je - sus' res ur - rec - tion.



6. "Bright an - gels at - tend - ing, — The shroud and nap - kin rest - ing.



7. "Yea, Christ, my Hope, is a ris - en; To Gal - i - lee He goes be - fore — you."

**Choir**



8. Hap - py they who hear the wit - ness, Ma - ry's word be - liev - ing



A - bove the tales of Jew' - ry, — de - ceiv - ing. 9. Christ in - deed from death is ris - en,



Our new life — ob - tain - ing. Have mer - cy, Vic - tor King, ev - er reign - ing.



A - men, Hal - le - lu - jah!