

**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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Septuagesima  
February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025

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*“For the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that was a householder, who went out early in the morning to hire laborers into his vineyard.”*

*St. Matthew 20:1*

## The Order of Divine Service

<b>The Prelude</b>	<i>“Es ist das Heil”</i>	Jacobus Kloppers
<b>The Ringing of the Bell</b>		
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice”</i>	ASBH 35
<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>	<i>(All may kneel)</i>	ASBH p. 8
<b>Versicles</b>		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. 63
<b>The Kyrie</b>		ASBH p. 10
<b>The Salutation</b>		ASBH p. 13
<b>The Collect for the Day</b>		ASBH p. 63
<b>Collect Amen</b>		ASBH p. 14
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Epistle</b>		1 Corinthians 9:24—10:5
<b>The Gradual</b>		ASBH p. 63
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Gospel</b>		St. Matthew 20:1-16
<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>“Salvation unto Us Has Come”</i>	ASBH 16
<b>The Sermon</b>	<i>It Is My Will</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>“If God Himself Be For Me”</i>	TLH 528
<b>The Lavabo</b>	<i>(During Hymn)</i>	ASBH p. 21
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Exhortation</b>		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, We Humbly Pray”</i>	TLH 314
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Nunc Dimittis</b>		ASBH p. 33-35
<b>The Thanksgiving and Collect</b>		ASBH p. 35-36
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“Seek Where Ye May to Find a Way”</i>	TLH 383
<i>Stand</i>		
<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
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Postlude</b>	<i>“Such’, wer da will”</i>	Paul Kickstat

### Recitation of the Catechism

How One Should Be Taught to Pray (pages 27-29) & Questions 82-91 (Part I. The Ten Commandments. The Close of the Commandments, pages 63-66).

### 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, Kelly, Judy Horn, Mike Miller, Barbara Miller, Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser, Rev. Mark Mueller, Rev. Eric Stefanski, Paul Meadows, Vince Bost, Glen Madden, Becky Phillips, Bill Kope, Martin Kope, Sally Kope, Rachel Epperson, Tammy Wilson, Marlin Palm, Jamey Hochstein, Isaac Wigington, Jack Newton, Graham Hardaway, Chuck Webber, 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, *Lamb of God Ev. Lutheran Church, Rogers, AR; and her pastor, the Rev. Martin Jackson.*
- That the Lord might send *Faithful Laborers* into His harvest.
- For *St. Ignatius Evangelical Lutheran Seminary* and our seminarians, *Duncan Geldenhuys* and *Jonathon Teo Zin Han.*
- For our catechumens, especially *Gabriel Bunch.*
- For the moral and spiritual support of those involved with our mission in Knoxville, TN, *Deacon and Sherrill Smithey, and Bob, Barbara, and Bobby 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 week after Septuagesima Sunday

	Morning	Evening
<b>Today</b>	Gen. 1-3; Matt. 25:14-30	Genesis 4-6; Acts 17:22-34
<b>Monday:</b>	Gen. 7-9; Mark 5:21-43	Genesis 10-12; Exodus 5:1-23
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Gen. 13-15; Mark 6:1-29	Genesis 16-18; Exodus 6:1-13
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Gen. 19-21; Mark 6:30-56	Genesis 22-24; Exodus 11:1-10
<b>Thursday:</b>	Gen. 25-27; Mark 7:1-30	Genesis 28-30; Exodus 12:1-28
<b>Friday:</b>	Gen. 31-33; Mark 8:10—9:1	Genesis 34-36; Exodus 12:29-42
<b>Saturday:</b>	Gen. 37-39; Mark 9:2-32	Genesis 40-42; Exodus 13:1-22

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

	Morning	Evening
<b>Today:</b>	Psalms 23, 79-80	Psalms 143, 81-83
<b>Monday:</b>	Psalms 23, 84-85	Psalms 143, 86-88
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Psalms 46, 89	Psalms 46, 90-92
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Psalms 23, 93-95	Psalms 143, 96-100
<b>Thursday:</b>	Psalms 23, 101-102	Psalms 143, 103-104
<b>Friday:</b>	Psalms 23, 105	Psalms 143, 106
<b>Saturday:</b>	Psalms 23, 107	Psalms 25, 108-111

### Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

**Monday:** The Augsburg Confession, XIII.1—XVII.5

**Tuesday:** The Augsburg Confession, XVIII.1—XX.11

**Wednesday:** The Augsburg Confession, XX.12-40

**Thursday:** The Augsburg Confession, XXI.1—XXII.12

**Friday:** The Augsburg Confession, XXIII.1-26

### 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 16—“Salvation unto Us Has Come”

**Evening:** TLH 528—“If God Himself Be For Me”

**Calendar for the week after Septuagesima Sunday**

**Today: Septuagesima Sunday—Violet**

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

**Monday: *President’s Day***

**Tuesday: The Festival of Martin Luther, Confessor and Doctor—White**

7:00 p.m. Catechesis

**Wednesday:** No Events Scheduled

**Thursday:** 7:00 p.m. Catechesis

Vince Bost’s Baptismal Anniversary

**Friday: *Seminary Winter Quarter Ends***

**Saturday: *Washington’s Birthday***

1:00 p.m. Divine Service in Athens, GA

**Next Sunday: Sexagesima Sunday—Violet**

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

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

**St. Ignatius of Antioch Evangelical Lutheran Seminary**

Classes for the Winter Quarter will conclude this Friday, February 21<sup>st</sup>. They will then have a short break before the Spring Quarter begins. Please keep the seminary and her students in your prayers.

**An Excerpt from Luther’s Writings**

“Now when the Gospel comes and makes all alike, as Paul teaches in Rom 3:23, so that they who have done great works are no more than public sinners, and must also become sinners and tolerate the saying: ‘All have sinned,’ Rom 3:23, and that no one is justified before God by his works; then they look around and despise those who have done nothing at all, while their great worry and labor avail no more than such idleness and reckless living. Then they murmur against the householder, they imagine it is not right; they blaspheme the Gospel, and become hardened in their ways; then they lose the favor and grace of God, and are obliged to take

their temporal reward and trot from Him with their penny and be condemned; for they served not for the sake of mercy but for the sake of reward, and they will receive that and nothing more, the others however must confess that they have merited neither the penny nor the grace, but more is given to them than they had ever thought was promised to them. These remained in grace and besides were saved, and besides this, here in time they had enough; for all depended upon the good pleasure of the householder.” *From Martin Luther’s Sermon for Septuagesima, 1525.*

**The Lutheran Herald**

The February 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—Septuagesima**

**Epistle:** 1 Corinthians 9:24—10:5

**Gospel:** St. Matthew 20:1-16

**February 18<sup>th</sup>—The Festival of Martin Luther, Confessor and Doctor**

**Epistle:** Romans 10:5-17

**Gospel:** St. John 15:1-11

**February 23<sup>rd</sup>—Sexagesima**

**Epistle:** 2 Corinthians 11:19—12:9

**Gospel:** St. Luke 8:4-15