

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 Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday
September 14th, 2025

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*“But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus,
‘And who is my neighbor?’” St. Luke 10:29*

The Order of Divine Service

The Prelude	<i>“O Gott, du frommer Gott”</i>	Johann Gottfried Walther
The Ringing of the Bell		
The Hymn	<i>“O God, Thou Faithful God”</i>	TLH 395
<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. 110
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. 110
Collect Amen		ASBH p. 14
<i>Sit</i>		
The Epistle		Galatians 3:15-22
The Gradual		ASBH p. 110
<i>Stand</i>		
The Triple Hallelujah	<i>(First Setting)</i>	ASBH p. 14
The Gospel		St. Luke 10:23-37
The Creed	<i>(All may bow at the words “And was made man.”)</i>	ASBH p. 17
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“Jesus, Priceless Treasure”</i>	ASBH 51
The Sermon	<i>He That Showed Mercy on Him</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>“Oh, How Great Is Thy Compassion”</i>	TLH 384
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>“Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord”</i>	INSERT
<i>Stand</i>		
The Nunc Dimittis		ASBH p. 33-35
The Thanksgiving and Collect		ASBH p. 35-36
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart”</i>	TLH 429
<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. 38
<i>Sit</i>		
The Postlude	<i>“Herzlich lieb hab’ ich dich, O Herr”</i>	James Engel

Recitation of the Catechism

The Lord’s Prayer (pages 15-19) & Questions 45-48 (Part I. The Ten Commandments. The Second Table, The Fifth Commandment, pages 52-53).

Announcements

ASBH = Augustana Service Book and Hymnal: 2022 Supplement.
TLH = The Lutheran Hymnal

September 20th—The Ember Saturday in September

Lesson: Leviticus 23:26-32
Epistle: Hebrews 9:2-12
Gospel: St. Luke 13:6-17

September 21st—The Festival of St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist/ The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Epistle: Ephesians 4:7-14
Gospel: St. Matthew 9:9-13

In Our Prayers:

- For all those who are sick or infirmed, especially, *Dan, Katie, Kelly, Vince Bost, Brandon Dennie, Connie Dulas, 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 the *Friends and Family of Charlie Kirk*, who was martyred for his faith 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.*
- 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 a birthday this week.
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week.
- For those traveling this week.

Announcements

Daily Readings for the Week of the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

	Morning	Evening
Today	Esther 6-7; Matt. 20:20-28	Esther 8; Greek Esther 16; 1 Timothy 1:5-17
Monday:	Esther 9-10; Greek Es. 10; 1 Thess. 5:12-28	Ezra 1-2; 2 Kings 10:1-36
Tuesday:	Ezra 3-4; 1 Tim. 1:1-20	Ezra 5-6; 2 Chronicles 22:1-12
Wednesday:	Ezra 7-8; 1 Tim. 2:1-15	Ezra 9-10; 2 Chronicles 23:1-21
Thursday:	Neh. 1-2; 1 Tim. 3:1-16	Nehemiah 3-4; 2 Chronicles 24:1-27
Friday:	Neh. 5-6; 1 Tim. 4:1-16	Nehemiah 7-8; 2 Kings 14:1-29
Saturday:	Neh. 9-10; 1 Tim. 5:1-25	Nehemiah 11-12; 2 Kings 15:1-38

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Psalms 119, Part XIII, 73	Psalms 146, 74-76
Monday:	Psalms 119, Part XIII, 77	Psalms 146, 78
Tuesday:	Psalms 119, Part XIII, 79-80	Psalms 146, 81-83
Wednesday:	Psalms 119, Part XIII, 84-85	Psalms 146, 86-88
Thursday:	Psalms 119, Part XIII, 89	Psalms 146, 90-92
Friday:	Psalms 119, Part XIII, 93-95	Psalms 146, 96-100
Saturday:	Ps. 119, Part XIII, 101-102	Psalms 66, 103-104

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday: The Full Declaration of the Formula of Concord, II.57-64
Tuesday: The Full Declaration of the Formula of Concord, II.65-73
Wednesday: The Full Declaration of the Formula of Concord, II.74-83
Thursday: The Full Declaration of the Formula of Concord, II.84-90
Friday: The Full Declaration of the Formula of Concord, III.1-7

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 51—"Jesus, Priceless Treasure"

Evening: TLH 384—"Oh, How Great Is Thy Compassion"

Calendar for the Week of the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Today: The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

10:00 a.m. Divine Service and Bible Class in Fort Myers,
FL

Monday: No Events Scheduled

Tuesday: No Events Scheduled

Wednesday: The Ember Wednesday in September—Violet
Constitution Day

Thursday: No Events Scheduled

Friday: The Ember Friday in September—Violet

Saturday: The Ember Saturday in September—Violet

**Next Sunday: The Festival of St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist/
The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Red**

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

St. Ignatius of Antioch Evangelical Lutheran Seminary

The diocesan seminary has begun the second year of their triennium. Our two seminarians are studying Christology, Synoptic Gospels, the Ecumenical Councils, and have readings from the Early Fathers, and the Greek New Testament. Please keep the seminary and her students in your prayers.

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. There are also printed copies in the back of the nave for your use and distribution.

An Excerpt from Luther's Writings

"But wine is sharp and signifies the holy cross that immediately follows. A Christian need not look for his cross, it is always on his back. For he thinks as St. Paul says, 2 Tim. 3:12: 'All that would live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.' This is the court-color in this kingdom. Whoever is ashamed of the color, does not belong to this king.

Then the Samaritan lifts the wounded man on his beast. This beast is Christ the Lord Himself, He carries us, we lay upon His shoulders, neck and body. There is scarcely a more lovely picture in the entire Gospel, than where Christ the Lord compares Himself to a shepherd, in Luke 15, who carries the lost sheep on his shoulders back to the fold. He still continually carries His lost sheep thus at the present day.

The stable or inn is Christianity, here in this world, where we must remain for a short time. The host is the preacher of the Word of God and of the Gospel, who is to purse and care for us.

Now here we have the substance of the Gospel. The kingdom of Christ is a kingdom of mercy and grace, in which there is nothing but a continual carrying of the lost. Christ carries our infirmities and sicknesses, He takes our sins upon Himself and has patience when we fail. We still always lay about His neck, and yet He does not become weary of carrying us, which should be the greatest comfort for us when we are in conflict with sin.

Ministers in this kingdom are to comfort the consciences, deal gently with them and feed them with the Gospel, carry the weak, heal the sick, and know how to divide the Word rightly, and administer the same to everyone according to his needs...." *This sermon is from the Church Postil of Martin Luther for the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday.*

To Read in Preparation for this week's Festivals:

Today—The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Epistle: Galatians 3:15-22

Gospel: St. Luke 10:23-37

September 17th—The Ember Wednesday in September

Lesson: Amos 9:13-15

Gospel: St. Mark 9:16-28

September 19th—The Ember Friday in September

Epistle: Hosea 14:1-9

Gospel: St. Luke 7:38-50

##. Draw Nigh, and Take the Body of the Lord

Sancti, venite, Corpus Christi sumite

Old 124th

Latin author unknown, c. 680

"Genevan Psalter," 1551

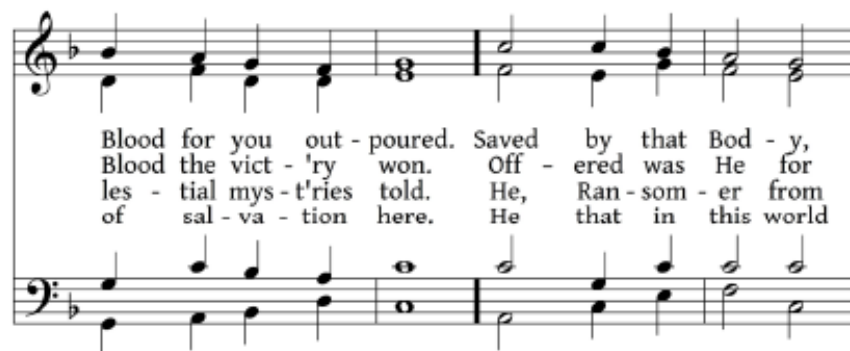
Tr., John M. Neale, 1851, alt.



1. Draw nigh, and take the Bod - y of the
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 3. Vic - tims were of - fered by the Law of
 4. Ap - proach ye then with faith - ful hearts sin -



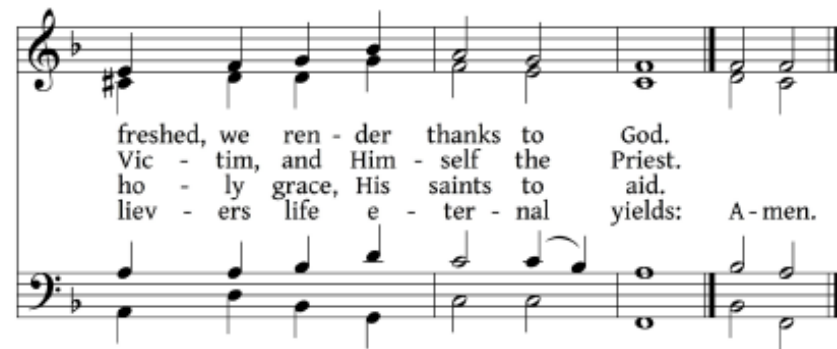
Lord, And drink the ho - ly
 Son, By His dear Cross and
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 cere, And take the safe - guard



Blood for you out - poured. Saved by that Bod - y,
 Blood the vict - 'ry won. Off - ered was He for
 les - tial mys - t'ries told. He, Ran - som - er from
 of sal - va - tion here. He that in this world



and that ho - ly Blood, With souls re -
 great - est and Light for least: Him - self the
 death, and His saints, and shade, Giv - eth His
 rules His saints, and shields, To all be -



freshed, we ren - der thanks to God.
 Vic - tim, and Him - self the Priest.
 ho - ly grace, His saints to aid.
 liev - ers life e - ter - nal yields: A - men.

5. With heav'nly Bread makes them that hunger whole,
 Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.
 Alpha and Omega, to whom shall bow
 All nations at the Doom, is with us now.