

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.



Ash Wednesday
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“For where thy treasure is, there will thy heart be also.” St. Matthew 6:21

The Order of Divine Service

The Ringing of the Bell

Stand

The Processional Hymn *“O Faithful God, We Worship Thee”* ASBH 21

Silent Prayer *(Prayers are located on back cover)* ASBH p. 7

The Invocation ASBH p. 7

The Order of the Confessional Service ASBH p. 227-230

The Versicle *(All may kneel)* ASBH p. 227

Psalm 42 *(Chanted Responsively)* ASBH p. 227-228

The Exhortation ASBH p. 228-229

The Confession ASBH p. 230

The Absolution *(All proceed to the altar)* ASBH p. 230

Stand (if kneeling)

The Introit *(Congregation joins Pastor on Gloria Patri)* ASBH p. 66

The Kyrie ASBH p. 10

The Salutation ASBH p. 13

The Collect for the Day ASBH p. 66

The Collect for the Festival of Martin Luther, Confessor and Doctor

ASBH p. 141

Collect Amen ASBH p. 14

Sit

The Lesson Isaiah 59:12-21

The Epistle Joel 2:12-19

The Gradual ASBH p. 66

The Sentence for the Season of Lent ASBH p. 41

Stand

The Gospel *(Gospel Responses ASBH p. 16)* St. Matthew 6:16-21

The Creed *(All may bow at the words “And was made man.”)* INSERT

Sit

The Hymn *“When O’er My Sins I Sorrow”* INSERT

The Sermon *When Thou Fastest*

Stand

The Offertory ASBH p. 18-19

(An Alms Basin is located next to the bulletins for any Offerings)

The General Prayer ASBH p. 19-20

The Lord’s Prayer ASBH p. 20

Sit

The Hymn *“From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee”* ASBH 60

The Lavabo *(During Hymn)* ASBH p. 21

Stand

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 *(All may bow when the Pastor genuflects)* ASBH p. 30

The Pax Domini *(All may bow and cross themselves)* ASBH p. 31

The Agnus Dei *(All may kneel)* ASBH p. 31-32

Sit

The Distribution *(Prayers are located on back cover)*

The Hymn *“I Come, O Lord, to Thy Communion”* INSERT

Stand

The Nunc Dimittis ASBH p. 33-35

The Thanksgiving and Collect ASBH p. 35-36

Sit

The Hymn *“Thee Lord, Our God, We Praise”* ASBH 56

Stand

The Salutation ASBH p. 36

The Benedicamus ASBH p. 37

The Benediction ASBH p. 37

The Triple Amen *(Second Setting)* ASBH p. 38

The Recessional Hymn *“Isaiah, Filled With Deep Prophetic Awe”* INSERT

Sit

Recitation of the Catechism

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism (pages 19-21) & Questions 254-259 (Part III. The Lord’s Prayer. The Sixth Petition, pages 120-122).

Announcements

ASBH = Augustana Service Book and Hymnal: 2022 Supplement.

TLH = The Lutheran Hymnal

Ash Wednesday

19. When O'er My Sins I Sorrow

Wenn meine Sünd' mich kränken
Justus Gesenius, 1646
Tr., Catherine Winkworth, 1863

Wenn meine Sünd'
Michael Prätorius, 1609

1. When o'er my sins I sor - row, Lord,
2. Oh, what a mar - v'lous of - f'ring! Be -
3. My man - i - fold trans - gres - sion Hence -
4. There - fore, I will for - ev - er Give

I will look to Thee, And hence my com - fort
hold! the Mas - ter spares His ser - vants, and their
forth can harm me none, For Je - sus' blood - y
glo - ry un - to Thee, O Je - sus, lov - ing

bor - row, That Thou wast slain for me. —
suf - fring And grief for them He bears.
pas - sion For me God's grace hath won;
Sav - ior, For what Thou'st borne for me. —

Yea, Lord, Thy pre - cious blood was spilt
God stoop - eth from His throne on high,
His pre - cious blood my debt hath paid;
In songs of thanks I'll spend my breath

For me, O most un - wor - thy, To
For me, His guil - ty crea - ture, He
Of hell and all its tor - ments I
For Thy sad cry, Thy suf - f'ring, Thy

take a - way my guilt. —
deigns as man to die. —
am no more a - fraid. —
wrongs, Thy guilt - less death. — A - men.

5. Lord, let Thy woes, Thy patience,
My heart with strength inspire
To vanquish all temptations,
And spurn all low desire;
This thought I fain would cherish most—
What pain my soul's redemption
To Thee, O Savior cost!

6. Whate'er may be the burden,
The cross here on me laid;
Be shame or want my guerdon,
I'll bear it with Thine aid;
Give patience, give me strength to take
Thee for my bright example,
And all the world forsake.

7. And let me do to others
As Thou hast done to me,
Love all men as my brothers,
And serve them willingly,
With ready heart, nor seek my own,
But as Thou, Lord, hast helped us,
From purest love alone.

8. And let Thy cross uphold me
With strength, when I depart;
Tell me that naught can tear me
From my Redeemer's heart,
But since my trust is in Thy grace
Thou wilt accept me yonder,
Where I shall see Thy face!

186. I Come, O Lord, to Thy Communion

Ich komm' zu deinem Abendmahl
Friedrich C. Heyder, 1710

Ich sterbe täglich
Ms., Municipal Library
Leipzig, 1756

Tr., Sts. 1-11, A. T. Bonnet, 1900; Sts. 12-21, composite

Leipzig, 1756

1. I come, O Lord, to Thy Com -
2. Grant that to this, Thy heav'n - ly
3. Be - cause in sin I have been
4. Grant that I curse as dead - ly

mun-ion, For hun - gry, thirs - ty is my soul;
ta - ble, I come in faith and worth - i - ly.
rov - ing, "Un - worth - y" is my right - ful name;
poi - son Un - to my soul, the whole of sin

Thou sat - is - fi'st the hosts of Zi - on, There -
My soul by grace do Thou en - a - ble To
Yet faith - ful Shep - herd, all sheep lov - ing, This
And, lest I come in con - dem - na - tion, Ex -

fore Thy good - ness I'll ex - tol.
think de - vot - ed - ly of Thee.
stray - ing lamb do Thou re - claim.
plore my life, with - out, with - in.

My Je - sus, let Thy Flesh and Blood Be

to my soul its great - est good.

5. Thy heart is filled with loving passion,
Thy longing burns most fervently
To gather sinners with compassion
Therefore, this sinner comes to Thee.

8. Upon Thy Supper I'm bestowing
This name alone, "Love's Testament,"
For easy is it to be knowing
Thy love in this blessed Sacrament.

6. I am so weary and so laden
With sin, and come at Thy request.
By grace receive me, my heart gladden,
Refresh me as Thy welcome guest.

9. It is the best we can inherit;
It is faith's bond, its surest base.
It strengthens heart and mind and spirit,
The covenant of hope and grace.

7. For Thou wilt find a heart that lowly
Repenting, falls before Thy feet,
And there bewails its sins, yet solely
Thy merit pleads e'en as 'tis meet.

10. This meal is, for my soul, sweet pasture,
The beggar's wealth, the weak man's pow'r.
'Tis Satan's dread, the angels' rapture;
It quickens in the dying hour.

[hymn continued on next page]

186. I Come, O Lord, to Thy Communion [cont.]

11. The weak-ened faith Thou dost em - pow - er, Thou
 12. E'en as it cri - eth for its mo - ther A
 13. Thou art my Doc - tor, I Thy pa - tient. Thou

sweet, ce - les - tial feast of love. Then art Thou
 hung - ry child's de - sires are met. So dost Je -
 art my Fa - ther, I, Thine heir. Thou art my

tru - ly my strong tow - er When weak-ness me from
 sus as my dear Bro - ther Feed - eth me so I
 ark, to heav'n I sail it, Thro' wind and wave, Thou

Christ would move.
 do not fret. My Je - sus, let Thy Flesh and
 bring'st me there.

Blood Be to my soul its great - est good. A - men.

14. The Body Thou for me hast given,
 The Blood which Thou hast shed for me.
 Gives my soul strength and life and heaven,
 And to my heart grants rest and peace.

18. Thou wilt one day my body quicken
 And bring me out of the dark grave.
 Now me, the grave, can no more frighten
 In Thee it is my resting place.

15. I am with Thee wholly united,
 Thou dwell'st in me and I in Thee,
 Now my soul weeps no more, distressed,
 It laughs wholeheartedly in Thee.

19. My dead flesh will be resurrected,
 E'en though the worms have destroyed it.
 To life again will it be raised
 And in my flesh I shall see Him.

16. Who is it who will now condemn me?
 He who justifies me is here.
 The flames of hell hold no fear for me,
 With Jesus I to heav'n draw near.

20. Thus all life's pain will be discarded
 As my heart tastes the greatest sweets.
 By many griefs was I surrounded,
 But through Jesus I find release.

17. If death should quickly come upon me,
 Nonetheless will I be well-pleased,
 For He who death did long since defeat,
 To Him in faith my heart has cleaved.

21. Now my heart has become a dwelling
 Of the Most Holy Trinity.
 I stand with saints and angels, singing,
 And live in joy eternally.

197. Isaiah, Filled With Deep Prophetic Awe

Isaiah, dem Propheten, das geschah
Martin Luther, 1526
Tr., composite, 1853, 1854

Jesaia, dem Propheten
Martin Luther, 1526

I - sa - iah, filled with deep pro - phet - ic awe,

This glo - rious vi - sion of Je - ho - vah saw;

His lof - ty throne was all with glo - ry bright,

His flow - ing robes the tem - ple filled with light,

Be - side Him stood two ser - a - phim, which had

Six wings, where - with they each a - like were clad:

With two each hid his face in hum - ble fear,

While two cov - ered his feet in rev-'rence clear;

[stanza continued on next page]

197. Isaiah, Filled With Deep Prophetic Awe [cont.]

With two a - thwart the yield - ing sky they sped,

And to each oth - er thus, re - spon-sive, said:

"Ho - ly is God, the Lord of Sab - a - oth!

Ho - ly is God, the Lord of Sab - a - oth!

Ho - ly is God, the Lord of Sab - a - oth!

His glo-rious ho - nor fill - eth all the earth!"

The tem-ple's doors are sha - ken by their cry,

And clouds of smoke fill all its space on high. A-men.