

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 Ninth Sunday after Trinity Sunday
August 2nd, 2026

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“And his lord commended the unrighteous steward because he had done wisely.”

St. Luke 16:8

The Order of Divine Service

The Prelude	<i>“Wie schön leuchtet”</i>	Michael Praetorius
The Ringing of the Bell		
The Hymn	<i>“O Holy Spirit, Enter In”</i>	INSERT
<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	<i>(All may kneel)</i>	ASBH p. 8
Versicles		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. 106
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. 106
Collect Amen		ASBH p. 14
<i>Sit</i>		
The Epistle		1 Corinthians 10:6-13
The Gradual		ASBH p. 106
<i>Stand</i>		
The Triple Hallelujah	<i>(First Setting)</i>	ASBH p. 14
The Gospel	<i>(Gospel Responses ASBH p. 16)</i>	St. Luke 16:1-9
The Creed	<i>(All may bow at the words “And was made man.”)</i>	ASBH p. 17
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“Oh, Blest the House, Whate’er Befall”</i>	ASBH 47
The Sermon	<i>He Was Wasting His Goods</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>“Jesus, Priceless Treasure”</i>	ASBH 51
<i>Stand</i>		
The Exhortation		ASBH p. 21
The Lavabo		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>“In Thee Alone, O Christ, My Lord”</i>	ASBH 41
<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. 37
<i>Sit</i>		
The Postlude	<i>“Wo Gott zum Haus”</i>	Johann Pachelbel

Recitation of the Catechism

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism (pages 19-21) & Questions 131-138 (Part II).
The Creed. The Second Article. Of Redemption, pages 80-83).

Announcements

ASBH = Augustana Service Book and Hymnal.

In Our Prayers:

- For all those who are sick or infirmed, especially, *Dan, Katie, Kelly, Maggie Alford, Vince Bost, Doris Creasi, Brandon Dennie, Vito Gerardi, Cliff Hardaway, Michelle Harris, Peggy Holder, Judy Horn, Glen Madden, Paul Meadows, Barbara Miller, Mike Miller, Rev. Mark Mueller, Jack Newton, Richard Noegel, Becky Phillips, Betty Ramsey, Rev. Eric Stefanski, Stacy Tolar, Chuck Webber, and Gerald Weerts.*
- For our bishop, the *Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser.*
- For the parishes served by our diocese, and those in our international fellowship, especially, *Faith Ev. Lutheran Church, Tualatin, OR.*
- 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* and *John Monahan.*
- For all those who serve in the military.
- For those celebrating birthdays this week.
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week.
- For those traveling this week.

Announcements

Daily Readings for the Week after the Ninth Sunday after Trinity

	Morning	Evening
Today	Prov. 5-6; Luke 12:32-48	Proverbs 7-8; 2 Timothy 1:3-14
Monday:	Prov. 9-10; 2 Cor. 8:1-24	Proverbs 11-12; 1 Kings 3:16-28
Tuesday:	Prov. 13-14; 2 Cor. 9:1-15	Proverbs 15-16; 1 Kings 4:22-34
Wednesday:	Prov. 17-18; 2 Cor. 10:1-18	Proverbs 19-20; 1 Kings 5:1-18
Thursday:	Prov. 21-22; 2 Cor. 11:1-18	Proverbs 23-24; 2 Chronicles 3:1-17
Friday:	Prov. 25-26; 2 Cor. 12:10—13:13	Proverbs 27-28; 1 Kings 8:1-66
Saturday:	Prov. 29-30; Gal. 1:1-24	Proverbs 31; 1 Kings 7:1-12

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Ps. 119, Part IX, 9-11	Psalms 139, 12-17
Monday:	Ps. 119, Part IX, 18	Psalms 139, 19-22
Tuesday:	Ps. 119, Part IX, 23-25	Psalms 139, 26-30
Wednesday:	Psalms 119, Part IX, 31-32	Psalms 139, 33-34
Thursday:	Psalms 119, Part IX, 35	Psalms 139, 36-37
Friday:	Psalms 119, Part IX, 38	Psalms 139, 39-41
Saturday:	Psalms 119, Part IX, 42-44	Psalms 143, 45-48

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday: Preface to the Christian Book of Concord, 21-25
Tuesday: Epitome of the Formula of Concord, Summary—I.10
Wednesday: Epitome of the Formula of Concord, I.11-25
Thursday: Epitome of the Formula of Concord, II.1-15
Friday: Epitome of the Formula of Concord, II.16—III.11

Reciting the Catechism Daily:

Sunday: The Ten Commandments

Monday: The Apostles' Creed

Tuesday: The Lord's Prayer

Wednesday: Holy Baptism, The Office of the Keys, and Confession

Thursday: The Sacrament of the Altar

Friday: How One Should Be Taught to Pray

Saturday: The Table of Duties

Hymns for the Week:

Morning: ASBH 47—"Oh, Blest the House, Whate'er Befall"

Evening: ASBH 51—"Jesus, Priceless Treasure"

Calendar for the Week after the Ninth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Today: The Ninth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

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

Monday: 8:00 a.m. Matins

Tuesday: *National Night Out*

8:00 a.m. Matins

Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. Matins

Thursday: 8:00 a.m. Matins

Friday: *SC Tax Free Weekend*

8:00 a.m. Matins

Saturday: *SC Tax Free Weekend*

Next Sunday: The Tenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

SC Tax Free Weekend

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

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

St. Ignatius of Antioch Evangelical Lutheran Seminary

The Diocesan seminary is currently having their summer intensives. They will be taking six courses over the summer, each lasting a week, or two, depending on credit unit. Please keep the seminary and her students in your prayers.

The Lutheran Herald

The August 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 for your use and distribution.

An Excerpt from Luther's Writings

"Now one thought remains: How will they receive us into the eternal tabernacles, as the text here says? Will they lead us in by the hand? No, but when we come before the judgment seat of God, poor persons whom

we have assisted here, will stand in heaven and say: 'he has washed my feet, he gave me drink, food, clothing and the like.' He will certainly be my friend and a witness of my faith, whatever words he may use to declare it. Then a beggar will be more useful to me than St. Peter or St. Paul, for there none of these can help. But when a beggar comes and says: 'My God, this he has done unto me as Thy child!' that will help me, for God will say: 'Whatsoever you have done unto these, you have done unto me.' Therefore these poor people will not be our helpers but our witnesses so that God shall receive us. By this I would not object to your honoring St. Peter and other saints, for he is a member of Christ and of God. But you do better by giving your neighbor a penny, than by building a church of gold for St. Peter. For to help your neighbor is commanded, but it is not commanded to build a church to St. Peter. Now everything is twisted the wrong way, one goes to a certain passage in St. James, another to Aix-la-Chapelle, another to Rome, to seek help from the departed saints. But the poor people, who are the real sainthood, are left behind lying in the streets. Let this be sufficient on this Gospel." *From Martin Luther's sermon from the Church Postil for the Ninth Sunday after Trinity Sunday.*

To Read in Preparation for this week's Festivals:

Today—The Ninth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 10:6-13

Gospel: St. Luke 16:1-9

August 2nd—The Tenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Gospel: St. Luke 19:41-48

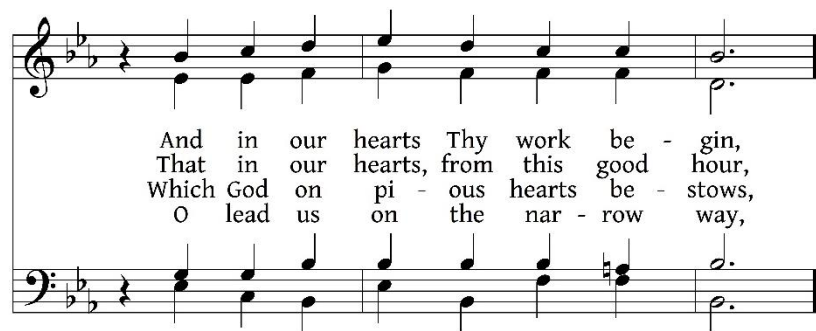
246. O Holy Spirit, Enter In

O Heil'ger Geist, kehre bei uns ein
Michael Schirmer, 1640, alt.
Tr., Catherine Winkworth, 1863, alt.

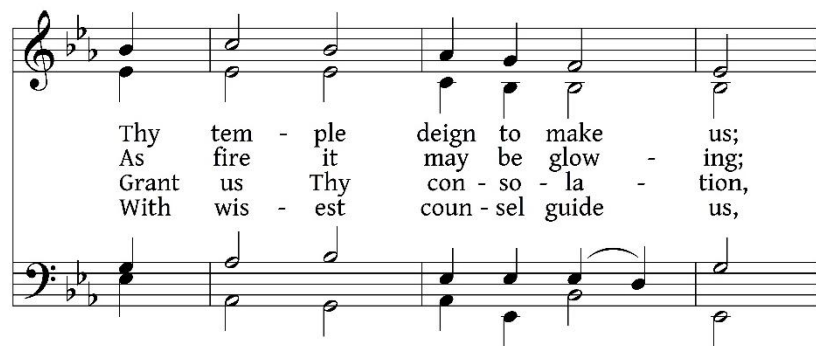
Wie schön leuchtet
Philipp Nicolai, 1599



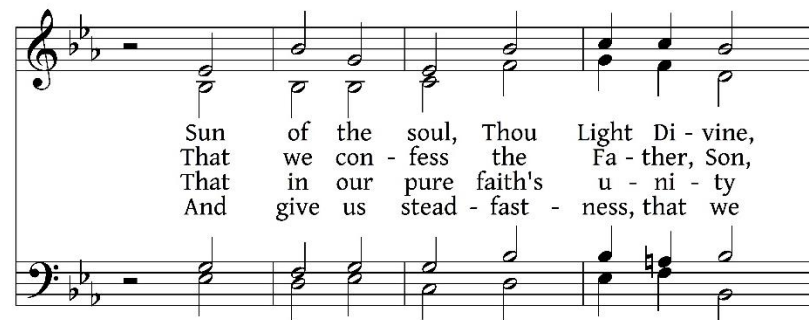
1. O Ho - ly Spir - it, en - ter in,
2. Give to Thy Word im - pres - sive pow'r,
3. Thou Foun - tain whence all wis - dom flows,
4. Left to our - selves we shall but stray;



And in our hearts Thy work be - gin,
That in our hearts, from this good hour,
Which God on pi - ous hearts be - stows,
O lead us on the nar - row way,



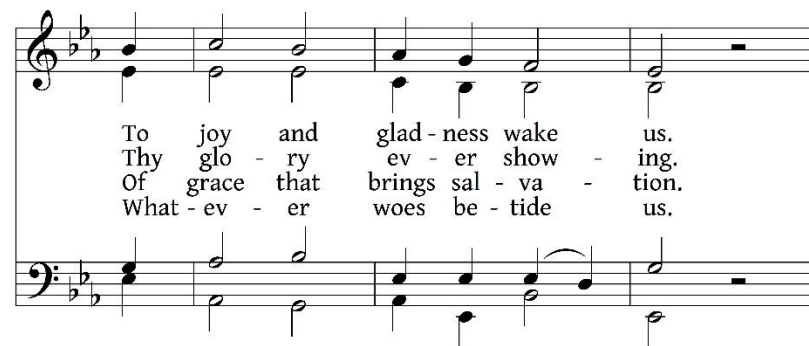
Thy tem - ple deign to make us;
As fire it may be glow - ing;
Grant us Thy con - so - la - tion,
With wis - est coun - sel guide us,



Sun of the soul, Thou Light Di - vine,
That we con - fess the Fa - ther, Son,
That in our pure faith's u - ni - ty
And give us stead - fast - ness, that we



A - round and in us bright - ly shine,
And Thee, the Spir - it, Three in One,
We faith - ful wit - ness - es may be,
May ev - er faith - ful prove to Thee,



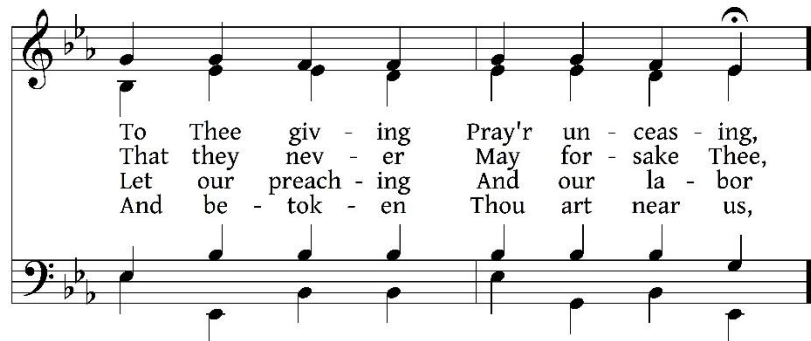
To joy and glad - ness wake us.
Thy glo - ry ev - er show - ing.
Of grace that brings sal - va - tion.
What - ev - er woes be - tide us.

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246. O Holy Spirit, Enter In [cont.]



That we To Thee Tru - ly liv - ing,
O stay And sway Our souls ev - er,
Hear us, Cheer us By Thy teach - ing;
Lord, now Heal Thou All hearts brok - en;



To Thee giv - ing Pray'r un - ceas - ing,
That they nev - er May for - sake Thee,
Let our preach - ing And our la - bor
And be - tok - en Thou art near us,



Still may be in love in - creas - ing.
But by faith their Re - fuge make Thee.
Praise Thee, Lord, and bless our neigh - bor.
Whom we trust to light and cheer us. A-men.

5. Thy heav'nly strength sustain our heart,
That we may act the valiant part
With Thee as our Reliance;
Be Thou our Refuge and our Shield,
That we may never quit the field,
Bidding all foes defiance;
Descend, Defend From all errors
And earth's terrors: Thy salvation
Be our constant consolation.

6. O Mighty Rock, O Source of Life,
Let Thy dear Word, 'mid doubt and strife,
Be so within us burning,
That we be faithful unto death,
In Thy pure love and holy faith,
From Thee true wisdom learning!
Thy grace And peace On us shower;
By Thy power Christ confessing,
Let us win our Savior's blessing.

7. O gentle Dew, from heav'n now fall
With pow'r upon the hearts of all,
Thy tender love instilling;
That heart to heart more closely bound,
Fruitful in kindly deeds be found,
The law of love fulfilling;
Then, Lord, Discord Shall not grieve Thee;
We receive Thee; Where Thou livest,
Peace, and love, and joy Thou givest.

8. Grant that our days, while life shall last,
In purest holiness be passed,
Be Thou our Strength forever;
Grant that our hearts henceforth be free
From sinful lust and vanity,
Which us from Thee must sever.
Keep Thou Pure now From offenses
Heart and senses. Blessed Spirit!
Let us heav'nly life inherit.

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

Sancti, venite, Corpus Christi sumite

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Latin author unknown, c. 680

"Genevan Psalter," 1551

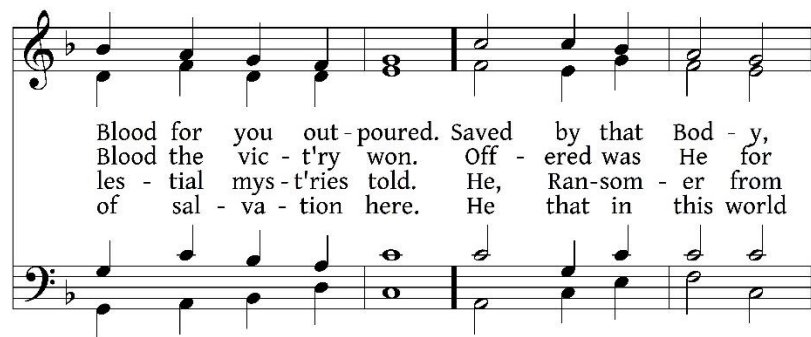
Tr., John M. Neale, 1851, alt.



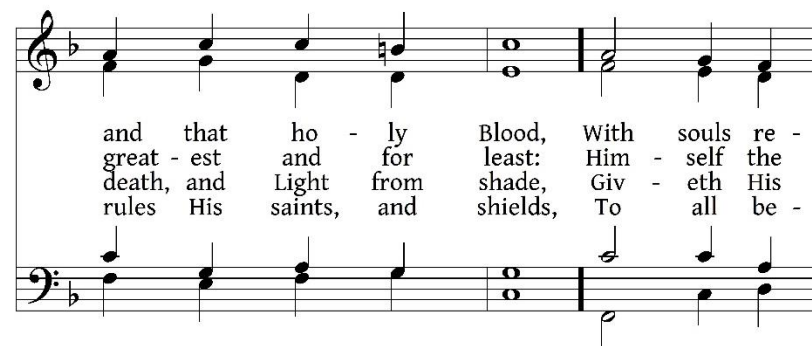
1. Draw nigh, and take the Bod - y of the
 2. Sal - va - tion's Giv - er, Christ, the On - ly
 3. Vic - tims were of - fered by the Law of
 4. Ap - proach ye then with faith - ful hearts sin -



Lord, And drink the ho - ly
 Son, By His dear Cross and
 old, That, in a type, ce
 cere, And take the safe - guard



Blood for you out-poured. Saved by that Bod - y,
 Blood the vic - t'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, from shade, Giv - eth His
 rules His 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.