

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 people be instructed 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 Bishops, 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 Festival of the Annunciation of our Lord
April 4th, 2018 (Transferred)

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*“And having come in, the angel said to her,
‘Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you;
blessed are you among women!’”*

St. Luke 1:28

The Order of Divine Service

Prelude	<i>“Wo Gott zum Haus”</i>	Johann Pachelbel
The Ringing of the Bell		
Silent Prayer		
The Hymn	<i>“Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now”</i>	Δ TLH 3
<i>Stand</i>		
The Confiteor		
The Address		TLH p. 15
Versicles		TLH p. 15
Confession and Absolution		TLH p. 16
The Introit	<i>(Tone 2)</i>	INSERT
The Kyrie		TLH p. 17
The Gloria in Excelsis		TLH p. 17-19
The Salutation		TLH p. 19
The Collect for the Day		INSERT
<i>Sit</i>		
The Lesson		Micah 5:2-4
<i>After each Lesson: V: This is the Word of the Lord.</i>		
<i>R: Thanks be to God.</i>		
The Gradual		INSERT
The Epistle		Isaiah 7:10-16
The Verse		INSERT
The Triple Hallelujah	<i>(Second Setting)</i>	TLH p. 20
<i>Stand</i>		
The Holy Gospel		St. Luke 1:26-38
The Nicene Creed		TLH p. 22
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“Praise We the Lord This Day”</i>	Δ TLH 274
The Sermon	<i>You Will Bring Forth a Son</i>	
<i>Stand</i>		
The Offertory	<i>“Create in Me A Clean Heart, O God”</i>	TLH p. 22-23
<i>Sit</i>		
The Offering		
<i>Stand</i>		
The General Prayer		TLH p. 23
<i>Sit</i>		
Hymn	<i>“Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior”</i>	TLH 311
<i>Stand</i>		
The Preface		TLH p. 24
The Proper Preface		TLH p. 25
The Sanctus and Benedictus		TLH p. 26
The Lord’s Prayer		TLH p. 27
The Verba Domini		TLH p. 27

The Pax Domini		TLH p. 27
The Agnus Dei		TLH p. 28
<i>Sit</i>		
The Distribution		
<i>Stand</i>		
The Canticle	<i>“The Nunc Dimittis”</i>	TLH p. 29-30
The Thanksgiving	<i>(“And His mercy endureth forever”)</i>	TLH p. 30
The Post-Communion Collect		
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“My Soul doth Magnify the Lord”</i>	TLH 275
The Salutation		TLH p. 31
The Benedicamus		TLH p. 31
The Benediction		TLH p. 31
Silent Prayer		
<i>Sit</i>		
Announcements		
Postlude	<i>“Yorkshire”</i>	Hans Arnold Metzger

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

THE FESTIVAL OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD

April 4th, 2018



Introit

P: THE RICH || among the people will seek your | fav- | or. *

C: She shall be brought to the King in robes of man- | y | col- | ors;

P: || The virgins, her companions who follow her, shall be brought to |

You. | - *

C: With gladness and rejoicing they | shall | be | brought. (*Psalm 45:12b, 14-15a*)

P: || My heart is overflowing with a good | theme; | - *

C: I recite my composition concern- | ing | the | King.

P: || Your throne, O God, is forever and | ev- | er; *

C: A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of | Your | king- | dom.

P: || Therefore God, Your God, has a- | noint-ed • | You *

C: With the oil of gladness more than Your | com- | pan- | ions.

P: || I will make Your name to be remembered in all gener- | a- | tions; *

C: Therefore the people shall praise You forever | and | ev- | er. (*Psalm 45:1a, 6, 7b, and 17*)

GLORIA PATRI (From Hymnal)

P: || The rich among the people will seek your | fav- | or. *

C: She shall be brought to the King in robes of man- | y | col- | ors;

P: || The virgins, her companions who follow her, shall be brought to |

You. | - *

C: With gladness and rejoicing they | shall | be | brought. (*Psalm 45:12b, 14-15a*)

Collect

We beseech Thee, O Lord, pour Thy grace into our hearts, that, as we have known the Incarnation of Thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by His Cross and Passion we may be brought unto the glory of His Resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.



Gradual

P: || There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of | Jes- | se, *

C: And a Branch shall grow out | of | his | roots.

P: || Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a | Son, | - *

C: And shall call His name Im- | man- | u- | el. (*Isaiah 11:1; 7:14*)

Verse

P: || Alle- | lu- | ia! *

C: Al- | le- | lu- | ia!

P: || Therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be | born | - *

C: Will be called the Son of God. Al- | le- | lu- | ia! (*St. Luke 1:35c*)

Micah 5:2-4

² “But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of you shall come forth to Me the One to be Ruler in Israel, Whose goings forth are from of old, from everlasting.” ³ Therefore He shall give them up, until the time that she who is in labor has given birth; Then the remnant of His brethren shall return to the children of Israel. ⁴ And He shall stand and feed His flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD His God; And they shall abide, for now He shall be great to the ends of the earth.

Isaiah 7:10-16

¹⁰ Moreover the LORD spoke again to Ahaz, saying, ¹¹ “Ask a sign for yourself from the LORD your God; ask it either in the depth or in the height above.” ¹² But Ahaz said, “I will not ask, nor will I test the LORD!” ¹³ Then he said, “Hear now, O house of David! Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but will you weary my God also? ¹⁴ Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: ‘Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.’ ¹⁵ Curds and honey He shall eat, that He may know to refuse the evil and choose the good. ¹⁶ For before the Child shall know to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land that you dread will be forsaken by both her kings.”

St. Luke 1:26-38

²⁶ Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, ²⁷ to a virgin

betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin’s name was Mary. ²⁸ And having come in, the angel said to her, “Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!” ²⁹ But when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and considered what manner of greeting this was. ³⁰ Then the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹ And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name JESUS. ³² He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. ³³ And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end.” ³⁴ Then Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I do not know a man?” ³⁵ And the angel answered and said to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God. ³⁶ Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren. ³⁷ For with God nothing will be impossible.” ³⁸ Then Mary said, “Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word.” And the angel departed from her.

TLH 3 “Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now”

Unknown, 1651

1. Lord Jesus Christ, be present now,
Our hearts in true devotion bow,
Thy Spirit send with grace divine,
And let Thy truth within us shine.

2. Unseal our lips to sing Thy praise,
Our souls to Thee in worship raise,
Make strong our faith, increase our light
That we may know Thy Name aright:

3. Until we join the hosts that cry,
“Holy art Thou, O Lord, most high!”
And in the light of that blest place
Fore’er behold Thee face to face.

Δ 4. Glory to God the Father, Son,
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To Thee, O blessèd Trinity,
Be praise throughout eternity! Amen.

TLH 274 “Praise We the Lord This Day”

Unknown, 1846

1. Praise we the Lord this day,
This day so long foretold,
Whose promise shone with cheering ray
On waiting saints of old.

2. The Prophet gave the sign
For faithful men to read:
A virgin, born of David’s line,
Shall bear the promised Seed.

3. Ask not how this should be,
But worship and adore
Like her whom God’s own majesty
Came down to shadow o’er.

4. She meekly bowed her head
To hear the gracious word,
Mary, the pure and lowly maid,
The favored of the Lord.

5. Blessèd shall be her name
In all the Church on Earth,
Through whom that wondrous mercy came,
Th’ incarnate Savior’s birth.

Δ 6. Jesus, the Virgin’s Son,
We praise Thee and adore,

Who art with God the Father One
And Spirit evermore. Amen.

TLH 311 “Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior”

John Huss, 1415

1. Jesus Christ, our blessèd Savior,
Turned away God’s wrath forever;
By His bitter grief and woe
He saved us from the evil Foe.

2. As His pledge of love undying
He, this precious food supplying,
Gives His Body with the bread
And with the wine the Blood He shed.

3. Whoso to this Board repairerth
May take heed how He preparerth;
For if he does not believe,
Then death for life he shall receive.

4. Praise the Father, Who from Heaven
Unto us such food hath given
And, to mend what we have done,
Gave into death His only Son.

5. Thou shalt hold with faith unshaken
That this food is to be taken
By the sick who are distrest,
By hearts that long for peace and rest.

6. Christ says: “Come, all ye that labor,
And receive My grace and favor;
They who feel no want nor ill
Need no physician’s help nor skill.

7. “Useless were for thee My Passion,
If thy works thy weal could fashion.
This feast is not spread for thee
If thine own Savior thou wilt be.”

8. If thy heart this truth professes
And thy mouth thy sin confesses,
His dear guest thou here shalt be,
And Christ Himself shall banquet thee. Amen.

TLH 275 “My Soul doth Magnify the Lord”

Unknown, 1535

1. My soul doth magnify the Lord,
My spirit shall in God rejoice;
My low estate He did regard,
Exalting me by gracious choice.

2. Henceforth all men shall call be blest,
For great things He hath done to me.
The mighty God is now my Guest;
The Holy One hath set me free.

3. His mercy is on all who fear,
Who trust in Him from age to age;
His arm of strength to all is near,
The proud He scatt'reth though they rage.

4. The strong He casteth from their seat
And raiseth men of low degree;
To hungry souls He giveth meat,
The rich depart in poverty.

5. He helped His servant Israel;
Remembering His eternal grace,
As from of old He did foretell
To Abraham and all his race.

6. So praise with me the Holy One,
Who cometh in humility.
Divine Redeemer, God's own Son,
Eternal glory be to Thee! Amen.