

**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.

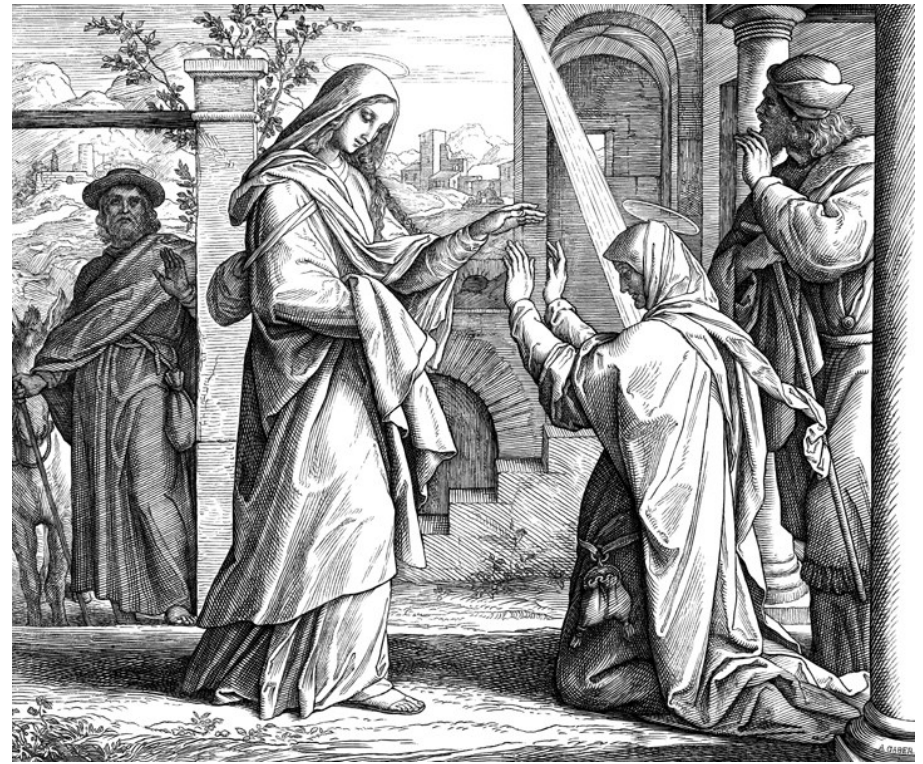
#### **A Prayer after Communion**

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 Visitation  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017

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*“But why is this granted to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?” St. Luke 1:43*

## The Order of Divine Service

<b>The Prelude</b>	<i>“D Dorian”</i>	Girolamo Frescobaldi
<b>The Ringing of the Bell</b>		
<b>Silent Prayer</b>		
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Processional Hymn</b>	<i>“Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now”</i>	Δ TLH 3
<b>The Confiteor</b>		
<b>The Invocation and Address</b>		TLH p. 15
<b>Versicles</b>		TLH p. 15
<b>Confession and Absolution</b>		TLH p. 16
<b>The Introit</b>	<i>(Tone 2)</i>	INSERT
<b>The Kyrie</b>		TLH p. 17
<b>The Gloria in Excelsis</b>		TLH p. 17-19
<b>The Salutation</b>		TLH p. 19
<b>The Collect for the Day</b>		INSERT
<b>The Collect for the Third Sunday after Trinity Sunday</b>		
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Lesson</b>		Judges 13:2-7
<i>After each Lesson:</i>	V: This is the Word of the Lord.	
	R: Thanks be to God.	
<b>The Gradual</b>		INSERT
<b>The Epistle</b>		Isaiah 11:1-5
<b>The Verse</b>		INSERT
<b>The Triple Hallelujah</b>	<i>(First Setting)</i>	TLH p. 20
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Holy Gospel</b>		St. Luke 1:39-56
<b>The Nicene Creed</b>		TLH p. 22
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“My Soul doth Magnify the Lord”</i>	TLH 275
<b>The Sermon</b>	<i>When Elizabeth Heard the Greeting of Mary</i>	
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Offertory</b>	<i>“Create in Me A Clean Heart, O God”</i>	TLH p. 22-23
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Offering</b>		
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The General Prayer</b>		TLH p. 23
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“Now Praise We Christ, the Holy One”</i>	TLH 104
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Preface</b>		TLH p. 24
<b>The Proper Preface</b>		TLH p. 25
<b>The Sanctus and Benedictus</b>		TLH p. 26
<b>The Lord’s Prayer</b>		TLH p. 27

<b>The Verba Domini</b>		TLH p. 27
<b>The Pax Domini</b>		TLH p. 27
<b>The Agnus Dei</b>		TLH p. 28
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Distribution</b>		
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Post-Communion Canticle</b>	<i>“The Nunc Dimittis”</i>	TLH p. 29-30
<b>The Thanksgiving</b>	<i>(“And His mercy endureth forever”)</i>	TLH p. 30
<b>The Post-Communion Collect</b>		
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>The Hymn</b>	<i>“O Lord, We Praise Thee”</i>	TLH 313
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>The Salutation</b>		TLH p. 31
<b>The Benedicamus</b>		TLH p. 31
<b>The Benediction</b>		TLH p. 31
<b>Silent Prayer</b>		
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>Announcements</b>		
<b>The Postlude</b>	<i>“D Major”</i>	Johann Erasmus Kindermann

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

## Foster Paws

For those looking to adopt a kitten, or know of someone else who does, the Foster Paws adoption event is on July 15<sup>th</sup>. It will be at the Senior Action Center at 310 W. Curtis St. in Simpsonville from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be loads of cats and kittens for adoption. There is no fee for adoption, but they do ask for donations. Please pass the word along.

## 2017 ELDoNA Summer Camp

The 2017 ELDoNA Summer Camp will be held in Dixon Springs State Park in Southern, IL, July 24-28. The Camp begins at Vespers on Monday and concludes after Matins on Friday. The cost is about \$75 a person, which includes your housing and meals. If you have any questions or are interested in going, please talk to Pastor Dulas.

## In Our Prayers:

- For all those who are sick or infirmed, especially, *Rev. Ned Brockwell, Lynne Smith, Doug Schultz, Denise Heiser, Rev. Donald Hunter, Emily Benson, Orlin Palm, Donna Dorgelo, Nancy, Pat, Caroline, Rev. Mark Mueller, Mike Miller, and Vince Bost.*
- For our bishop, the *Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser.*
- For the parishes served by our diocese, especially, *Holy Cross Ev. Lutheran Church, Kerrville, TX, and Leander Ev. Lutheran Mission, Leander, TX, and their pastor, Rev. Josh Sullivan.*
- For all Missionaries in our diocese, including *Rev. Jeffrey Ahonen; Rev. Eric Stefanski; Rev. Paul A. Rydecki; Rev. Josh Sullivan; and Rev. Timothy Tolar.*
- For our seminary, *St. Ignatius Evangelical Theological Lutheran Seminary, and her seminarian, Josiah Scheck.*
- For all those who serve in the military, especially, *Luke Sekula.*
- For those struggling with addiction, especially, *Thomas Allred.*
- For those near death.
- For those celebrating a birthday this week.
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week, especially, *Pastor and Tanya Dulas, and Sts. Peter and Paul Ev. Lutheran Church, Greenville, SC.*
- For those traveling this week, especially, *Dave, Mary and Brian Frey, and David and Carol Benson.*

## Announcements

### Daily Readings for the Week after the Third Sunday after Trinity

	Morning	Evening
<b>Today</b>	1 Kgs. 21-22; Lk. 15:11-32	2 Kings 1-2; Acts 9:1-18
<b>Monday:</b>	2 Kings 3-4; Acts 21:1-39	2 Kings 5-6; 1 Samuel 2:1-21
<b>Tuesday:</b>	2 Kgs. 7-8; Acts 21:40—22:29	2 Kings 9-10; 1 Samuel 3:1-21
<b>Wed.:</b>	2 Kgs. 11-12; Acts 22:30—23:35	2 Kings 13-14; 1 Samuel 4:1-22
<b>Thursday:</b>	2 Kings 15-16; Acts 24:1-27	2 Kings 17-18; 1 Samuel 5:1-12
<b>Friday:</b>	2 Kings 19-20; Acts 25:1-27	2 Kings 21-22; 1 Samuel 7:1-17
<b>Saturday:</b>	2 Kings 23-24; Acts 26:1-32	2 Kings 25; 1 Samuel 8:1-22

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

	Morning	Evening
<b>Today:</b>	Psalms 119, Part III, 9-11	Psalms 25, 12-17
<b>Monday:</b>	Psalms 119, Part III, 18	Psalms 25, 19-22
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Psalms 119, Part III, 23-25	Psalms 25, 26-30
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Psalms 119, Part III, 31-32	Psalms 25, 33-34
<b>Thursday:</b>	Psalms 119, Part III, 35	Psalms 25, 36-37
<b>Friday:</b>	Psalms 119, Part III, 38	Psalms 25, 39-41
<b>Saturday:</b>	Psalms 119, Part III, 42-44	Psalms 92, 45-48

### Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

**Monday:** The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, XIII.16—XIV.5  
**Tuesday:** The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, XV.1-17  
**Wednesday:** The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, XV.18-28  
**Thursday:** The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, XV.29-48  
**Friday:** The Apology to the Augsburg Confession, XV.49—XVI.8

### Reciting the Catechism Daily:

**Sunday:** Ten Commandments, Apostle's Creed, Lord's Prayer  
**Monday:** Baptism, Confession, Lord's Supper  
**Tuesday:** Morning & Evening Prayer; Prayers Before & After Meals

**Wednesday:** Table of Duties I—Bishops, Pastors, & Preachers; What the Hearers Owe Their Pastors; Of Civil Government; Of Subjects

**Thursday:** Table of Duties II—To Husbands; To Wives; To Parents; To Children; To Servants, Hired Men & Employees; To Employers; To the Young in General; To Widows; To All in Common

**Friday:** How One Should Be Taught to Confess

**Saturday:** Christian Questions with Their Answers

#### Hymns for the Week:

**Morning:** TLH 319—“In Thee Alone, O Christ, My Lord”

**Evening:** TLH 437—“Who Trusts in God, a Strong Abode”

#### Calendar for the Week after the Third Sunday after Trinity:

**Today:** The Festival of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary/The Third Sunday after Trinity Sunday (Commemorated)—White

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:00 a.m. Bible Study

**Monday:** No Events Scheduled

**Tuesday:** *Independence Day*

**Wednesday:** No Events Scheduled

**Thursday:** Pastor and Tanya Dulas’ Anniversary

**Friday:** Sts. Peter and Paul Ev. Lutheran Church’s Anniversary

**Saturday:** No Events Scheduled

**Next Sunday:** The Fourth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:00 a.m. Bible Study

#### The Lutheran Herald

The July 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>. There are also printed copies in the back of the nave.

#### St. Ignatius Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary

The Summer quarter is in session. This quarter’s classes include Greek Readings 4, Liturgics Practicum II, Eschatology, Renaissance History, Galatians, and Ministry and Ecclesiology. All classes are taught as intensives.

#### Needs for the McCall Hospice House

There is an urgent need at the hospice house for: Any size Kleenex (including travel size); Any size Women’s Deodorant (including travel size); Hair Brushes; and, Any Individually Wrapped Snacks. Please give all collected items to Mike Miller.

#### To Read in Observance for this week’s Festivals:

**Today—The Festival of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary/The Third Sunday after Trinity Sunday (Commemorated)**

**Old Testament Lesson:** Judges 13:2-7

**Epistle:** Isaiah 11:1-5

**Gospel:** St. Luke 1:39-56

#### July 9<sup>th</sup>—The Fourth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

**Old Testament Lesson:** Isaiah 58:6-12

**Epistle:** Romans 8:18-23

**Gospel:** St. Luke 6:36-42

#### An Excerpt from Martin Luther

“Thus the word ‘low estate’ shows us plainly that the Virgin Mary was a poor, despised, and lowly maiden, who served God in her low estate, nor knew it was so highly esteemed by Him. This should comfort us and teach us that though we should willingly be humbled and despised, we ought not to despair as though God were angry at us. Rather we should set our hope on His grace, concerned only lest we be not cheerful and contented enough in our low estate and lest our evil eye be opened too wide and deceive us by secretly lusting after lofty things and satisfaction with self, which is the death of humility. What profit is it to the damned that they are humbled to the lowest degree, since they are not willing and content to be where they are? Again, what harm is it to all angels that they are exalted to the highest degree, so long as they do not cling to their station with false desire? In short, this verse teaches us to know God aright, because it shows us that He regards the lowly and despised. For he knows God aright who knows that He regards the lowly, as we have said above. From such knowledge flows love and trust in God, by which we yield ourselves to Him and gladly obey Him.” *From Luther’s commentary on the Magnificat, Luther’s Works, vol. 21.*

THE FESTIVAL OF THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY  
July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017



**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. (*Ps. 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: || 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 45:1, 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. (*Ps. 45:12b, 14-15a*)

**Collect**

Almighty God, Who hast dealt wonderfully with Thy handmaiden, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and hast chosen her to be the mother of Thy Son and hast graciously made known that Thou regardest the poor and lowly and the despised, grant us grace in all humility and meekness to receive Thy Word with hearty faith and so to be made one with 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: || There shall be a Root of Jesse, who shall stand as a banner to the | peo- | ple; \*

C: For the Gentiles | shall | seek | Him. (*Isaiah 11:1, 10b*)

**Verse**

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

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

P: || “Blessèd are you, O Mary, among women, and blessèd is the fruit of your | womb! | - \*

C: Behold, there will be a fulfillment of those things which were told you from the Lord.” Al- | le- | lu- | ia! (*Luke 1:42b, 45b paraphrased*)

**Judges 13:2-7**

<sup>2</sup>Now there was a certain man from Zorah, of the family of the Danites, whose name was Manoah; and his wife was barren and had no children. <sup>3</sup>And the Angel of the LORD appeared to the woman and said to her, “Indeed now, you are barren and have borne no children, but you shall conceive and bear a son. <sup>4</sup>Now therefore, please be careful not to drink wine or similar drink, and not to eat anything unclean. <sup>5</sup>For behold, you shall conceive and bear a son. And no razor shall come upon his head, for the child shall be a Nazirite to God from the womb; and he shall begin to deliver Israel out of the hand of the Philistines.” <sup>6</sup>So the woman came and told her husband, saying, “A Man of God came to me, and His countenance was like the countenance of the Angel of God, very awesome; but I did not ask Him where He was from, and He did not tell me His name. <sup>7</sup>And He said to me, ‘Behold, you shall conceive and bear a son. Now drink no wine or similar drink, nor eat anything unclean, for the child shall be a Nazirite to God from the womb to the day of his death.’”

**Isaiah 11:1-5**

<sup>1</sup>There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots. <sup>2</sup>The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD. <sup>3</sup>His delight is in the fear of the LORD, and He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes, nor decide by the hearing of His ears; <sup>4</sup>But with righteousness He shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; He shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked. <sup>5</sup>Righteousness shall be the belt of His loins, and faithfulness the belt of His waist.

**St. Luke 1:39-56**

<sup>39</sup>Now Mary arose in those days and went into the hill country with haste, to a city of Judah, <sup>40</sup>and entered the house of Zacharias and greeted Elizabeth. <sup>41</sup>And it happened, when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, that the babe leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. <sup>42</sup>Then she spoke out with a loud voice and said, “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! <sup>43</sup>But why is this granted to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? <sup>44</sup>For indeed, as soon as the voice of your greeting sounded in my ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy. <sup>45</sup>Blessed is she who believed, for there will be a fulfillment of those things which were told her from the Lord.” <sup>46</sup>And Mary said: “My soul magnifies the Lord, <sup>47</sup>and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior. <sup>48</sup>For He has regarded the lowly state of His maidservant; For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed. <sup>49</sup>For He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is His name. <sup>50</sup>And His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation. <sup>51</sup>He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. <sup>52</sup>He has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted the lowly. <sup>53</sup>He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty. <sup>54</sup>He has helped His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy, <sup>55</sup>as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed forever.” <sup>56</sup>And Mary remained with her about three months, and returned to her house.

**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 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 me 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’rèth 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.

**TLH 104 “Now Praise We Christ, the Holy One”**

Coelius Sedulius, about 450; German version,  
Martin Luther, 1524, abridged

1. Now praise we Christ, the Holy One,  
The blessed Virgin Mary’s Son,  
Far as the glorious sun doth shine,  
E’en to the world’s remote confine.
2. He Who Himself all things did make  
A servant’s form vouchsafed to take  
That He as man mankind might win  
And save His creatures from their sin.
3. The grace and pow’r of God the Lord  
Upon the mother was outpoured;  
A virgin pure and undefiled  
In wondrous wise conceived a child.
4. The noble mother bore a Son,—  
For so did Gabriel’s promise run, —  
Whom John confessed and leaped with joy  
Ere yet the mother knew her Boy.
5. Upon a manger filled with hay  
In poverty content He lay;  
With milk was fed the Lord of all,  
Who feeds the ravens when they call.
6. The heavenly choirs rejoice and raise  
Their voice to God in songs of praise.  
To humble shepherds is proclaimed  
The Shepherd Who the world hath framed.
7. All honor unto Christ be paid,  
Pure Offspring of the favored maid,  
With Father and with Holy Ghost,  
Till time in endless time be lost. Amen.

**TLH 313 “O Lord, We Praise Thee”**

St. 1, Unknown, about 1400; Sts. 2-3, Martin  
Luther, 1524

1. O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore  
Thee,  
In thanksgiving bow before Thee.  
Thou with Thy Body and Thy Blood didst nourish  
Our weak souls that they may flourish:  
O Lord, have mercy!  
May Thy Body, Lord, born of Mary,  
That our sins and sorrows did carry,

And Thy Blood for us plead  
In all trial, fear, and need:  
O Lord, have mercy!

2. Thy holy Body into death was given,  
Life to win for us in Heaven.  
No greater love than this to Thee could bind us;  
May this feast thereof remind us!  
O Lord, have mercy!  
Lord, Thy kindness did so constrain Thee  
That Thy Blood should bless and sustain me.  
All our debt Thou hast paid;  
Peace with God once more is made:  
O Lord, have mercy!

3. May God bestow on us His grace and favor  
To please Him with our behavior  
And live as brethren here in love and union  
Nor repent this blest Communion!  
O Lord, have mercy!  
Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us;  
Grant that heav'nly-minded He make us;  
Give Thy Church, Lord, to see  
Days of peace and unity:  
O Lord, have mercy! Amen.