

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.

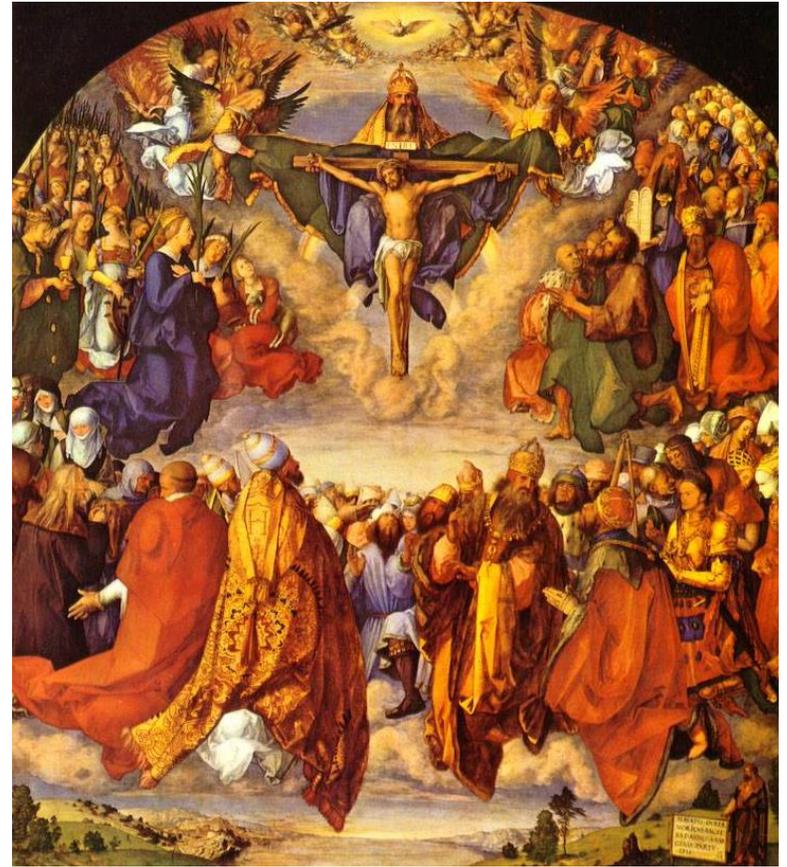
A Prayer after Communion

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 Feast of the Holy Trinity
May 27th, 2018

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“Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.” St. John 3:5

The Order of Divine Service

The Prelude	<i>“Nicæa”</i>	Thomas Canning
The Ringing of the Bell		
Silent Prayer		
<i>Stand</i>		
Processional Hymn	<i>“God Loved the World So That He Gave”</i> Δ	TLH 245
The Confiteor		
The Invocation and Address		TLH p. 15
Versicles		TLH p. 15
Confession and Absolution		TLH p. 16
The Introit	<i>(Tone 4)</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
The Collect for the Feast of Whitsunday		
<i>Sit</i>		
The Lesson		Ezekiel 18:30-32
<i>After each Lesson:</i> V: This is the Word of the Lord.		
R: Thanks be to God.		
The Gradual		INSERT
The Epistle		Romans 11:33-36
The Verse		INSERT
The Triple Hallelujah	<i>(First Setting)</i>	TLH p. 20
<i>Stand</i>		
The Holy Gospel		St. John 3:1-15
The Athanasian Creed		TLH p. 53
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“We All Believe in One True God”</i>	TLH 251 (Second Tune)
The Sermon	<i>Unless One Is Born of Water and the Spirit</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>		
The Hymn	<i>“All Glory Be to God on High”</i>	TLH 237
<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>“Holy God, We Praise Thy Name”</i>	Δ TLH 250
<i>Stand</i>		
The Salutation		TLH p. 31
The Benedicamus		TLH p. 31
The Benediction		TLH p. 31
Silent Prayer		
<i>Sit</i>		
Announcements		
The Postlude	<i>“Grosser Gott”</i>	Heinrich Fleischer

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

rest his soul and depart. Then there is anxiety and misery in the nature of a real hell; for the torment of Hell is nothing but fear, terror, dread and despair. But if I believe in God and am born anew, I close my eyes and do not grope about. I am willing that the condition of the soul be changed entirely, and I think, “O God, my soul is in Thy hands; Thou hast preserved it during my life and I have never known where Thou hast put it, neither do I wish to know, to which place Thou wilt now assign it. I only know that it is in Thy hands and Thou wilt take care of it.” Thus, we must abandon the life of the flesh and enter into a new life, being dead to the old. ... There must be a real change and an entire transformation of nature, for the natural state and natural feeling must be completely overthrown.” *From Martin Luther’s Sermon in the Church Postil for Trinity Sunday, 1522.*

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, David Benson, Nancy, Pat, Caroline, Jose, Rev. Charles D. Hudson, Rev. Mark Mueller, Eleanor Smolen, Jo Kope, Rev. Eric Stefanski, Brandon Dennie, Marie Scheck, Paul Meadows, Vera Davis, Nellie Noegel, Maile Manalo, Richard Noegel, and Vince Bost.*
- For our bishop, the *Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser.*
- For the parishes served by our diocese, especially, *Good Shepherd Ev. Lutheran Church, Tony, WI; Alpha & Omega Ev. Lutheran Mission, Winter, WI; Peace Ev. Lutheran Church, Ironwood, MI; and Apologia Ev. Lutheran Mission, Deer Park, WI; and their pastor, the Rev. Jeffrey Ahonen.*
- For our seminary, *St. Ignatius Evangelical Theological Lutheran Seminary, and her seminarian, Josiah Scheck.*
- For our catechumens.
- For all those who serve in the military, especially, *Luke Sekula, Joshua and Christopher Heck, and Nicholas Silva.*
- For those struggling with addiction, especially, *Thomas Allred.*
- For those near death.
- For those celebrating a birthday this week, especially *Lynne Smith.*
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week.
- For those traveling this week.

Announcements

Daily Readings for the Octave of the Feast of the Holy Trinity

	Morning	Evening
Today	1 Sam. 15; Matt. 28:18-20	1 Samuel 16; 2 Corinthians 13:14
Monday:	1 Sm. 17; Acts 3:1-21	1 Samuel 18; Joshua 1:1-18
Tuesday:	1 Sam. 19; Acts 4:1-37	1 Samuel 20; Joshua 3:1-17
Wednesday:	1 Sam. 21; Acts 5:1-42	1 Samuel 22; Joshua 4:1-24
Thursday:	1 Sam. 23; Acts 6:1-15	1 Samuel 24; Joshua 6:1-27
Friday:	1 Sam. 25; Acts 7:1-60	1 Samuel 26; Joshua 8:1-35
Saturday:	1 Sam. 27 Acts 8:1-40	1 Samuel 28; Joshua 9:1-27

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Psalms 67, 8, 148, 133-135	Ps. 115, 143, 136-139
Monday:	Psalms 67, 8, 148, 140-141	Psalms 115, 142-143
Tuesday:	Psalms 67, 8, 148, 144	Psalms 115, 143, 145
Wednesday:	Psalms 67, 8, 148, 146	Psalms 115, 143, 147
Thursday:	Psalms 67, 8, 148	Ps. 115, 143, 149-150
Friday:	Psalms 67, 8, 148, 1-4	Psalms 115, 143, 5-8
Saturday:	Psalms 67, 148, 9-11	Psalms 34, 12-17

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday: The Apology of the Augsburg Confession, XXI.40—XXII.8
Tuesday: The Apology of the Augsburg Confession, XXII.9—XXIII.4
Wednesday: The Apology of the Augsburg Confession, XXIII.5-13
Thursday: The Apology of the Augsburg Confession, XXIII.14-27
Friday: The Apology of the Augsburg Confession, XXIII.28-42

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 251—“We All Believe in One True God” (Second Tune)

Evening: TLH 237—“All Glory Be to God on High”

Calendar for the Octave of the Feast of the Holy Trinity

Today: The Feast of the Holy Trinity—White

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:15 a.m. Bible Study

Lynne Smith’s Birthday

Monday: *Memorial Day*

Tuesday: No Events Scheduled

Wednesday: No Events Scheduled

Thursday: No Events Scheduled

Friday: No Events Scheduled

Saturday: No Events Scheduled

Next Sunday: The First Sunday after Trinity Sunday—White

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:15 a.m. Bible Study

Mike Miller’s Baptismal Anniversary

The Lutheran Herald

The May 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 seminarian has just three summer intensives left before graduation. Please keep the seminary and the seminarian in your prayers.

Needs for the McCall Hospice House

There is an urgent need at the hospice house for the following items:

Hard Candy (individually wrapped) any kind, mints included; Chips, individual size, any kind; Ponytail Holders; Notebooks and notepads; Men’s deodorant; Hair brushes; Q-Tips; Toothpaste, in regular and travel size; and Individual teeth flossers.

Other needs for in-home patients: XL Twin Sheet Sets; Ensure, any kind; and Baby wipes and adult wipes. Please give all collected items to Mike Miller.

Vestry Meeting

The next vestry meeting is scheduled for June 10, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. Please make arrangements to be there.

Ask the Pastor

The Rev. Josh Sullivan of Holy Cross Ev. Luth. Church, Kerrville, TX puts out weekly videos dealing with a wide range of theological topics. Please check them out. and subscribe to be notified when a new one is published, at <http://www.youtube.com/user/ATPHolyCross>.

2018 ELDoNA Synod

This year’s Diocesan Synod will take place at Salem Ev. Luth. Church (Malone, TX) June 26-27. Seminarist Josiah Scheck’s colloquy is presently scheduled to take place on Tues., June 26. The seminary graduation is scheduled for Wed. evening, June 27.

To Read in Preparation for this week’s Festivals:

Today—The Feast of the Holy Trinity

Old Testament Lesson: Ezekiel 18:30-32

Epistle: Romans 11:33-36

Gospel: St. John 3:1-15

June 3rd—The First Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Old Testament Lesson: Jeremiah 9:23-24

Epistle: 1 John 4:16b-21

Gospel: St. Luke 16:19-31

An Excerpt from Luther’s Writings

“When we are about to die we feel that we must depart and we know not whither; the house of shelter is not ready and we know not whether it will be a white or a black house. For where there is flesh and blood, there is still the old Adam, who does not know where he shall go, whether below or above, to the left or to the right; on what he should

THE FEAST OF THE HOLY TRINITY

May 27th, 2018



Introit

HO- LY, - || holy, holy is the | Lord | of | hosts | - *
Of Him and through Him and to Him are | all | things. (*Isaiah 6:3b*;
Romans 11:36a)
|| O | Lord, | our | Lord, | - *
How excellent is Your name in all | the | earth,
|| You have set Your glory a- | bove | the | heav- | ens! *
Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants, You have or- |
dained | strength.
|| What is man that You are | mind- | ful | of | him, *
And the son of man that You vi- | sit | him?
|| For You have made him a little lower | than | the | an- | gels, *
And You have crowned him with glory and | hon- | or. (*Psalms 8:1-2a*,
4-5)

GLORIA PATRI (From Hymnal)

|| Holy, holy, holy is the | Lord | of | hosts | - *
Of Him and through Him and to Him are | all | things. (*Isaiah 6:3b*;
Romans 11:36a)

Collect

Almighty and Everlasting God, Who hast given unto us, Thy servants, grace, by the confession of a truth faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity, we beseech Thee that Thou wouldst keep us steadfast in this faith and evermore defend us from all adversities; Who livest and reignest, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.



Gradual

|| Blessèd are You, O Lord, Who be- | holds | the | deep, | - *
And who dwells between the Che- | ru- | bim.
|| Blessèd are You, O Lord, in the firma- | ment | of | Heav- | en, *
And greatly to be praised for- | ev- | er. (*Prayer of Azariah 1:32, 34*)

Verse

|| Al- | — | le- | lu- | ia! *
Alle- | lu- | ia!
|| Blessèd are You, O Lord God | of | our | fa- | thers, *
And greatly to be praised and glorified forever. Alle- | lu- | ia!
(*Prayer of Azariah 1:29*)

Ezekiel 18:30-32

³⁰ “Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways,” says the Lord GOD. “Repent, and turn from all your transgressions, so that iniquity will not be your ruin.” ³¹ Cast away from you all the transgressions which you have committed, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit. For why should you die, O house of Israel? ³² For I have no pleasure in the death of one who dies,” says the Lord GOD. “Therefore turn and live!”

Romans 11:33-36

³³ Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out! ³⁴ “For who has known the mind of the LORD? Or who has become His counselor?” ³⁵ “Or who has first given to Him and it shall be repaid to him?” ³⁶ For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen.

St. John 3:1-15

¹ There was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ² This man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, “Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him.” ³ Jesus answered and said to him, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.” ⁴ Nicodemus said to Him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he

enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?” ⁵ Jesus answered, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶ That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ ⁸ The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit.” ⁹ Nicodemus answered and said to Him, “How can these things be?” ¹⁰ Jesus answered and said to him, “Are you the teacher of Israel, and do not know these things? ¹¹ Most assuredly, I say to you, We speak what We know and testify what We have seen, and you do not receive Our witness. ¹² If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things? ¹³ No one has ascended to heaven but He who came down from heaven, that is, the Son of Man who is in heaven. ¹⁴ And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.”

TLH 245 “God Loved the World So That He Gave”

Unknown, 1791

1. God loved the world so that He gave
His only Son the lost to save
That all who would in Him believe
Should everlasting life receive.
2. Christ Jesus is the Ground of faith,
Who was made flesh and suffered death;
All that confide in Him alone
Are built on this chief Corner-stone.
3. God would not have the sinner die,
His Son with saving grace is nigh,
His Spirit in the Word doth teach
How man the blessed goal may reach.
4. Be of good cheer, for God’s own Son
Forgives all sins which thou hast done,
And, justified by Jesus’ Blood,
Thy Baptism grants the highest good.
5. If thou be sick, if death draw near,
This truth thy troubled heart can cheer:
Christ Jesus saves my soul from death;
That is the firmest ground of faith.

Δ 6. Glory to God the Father, Son,
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To Thee, O blessed Trinity,
Be praise now and eternally! Amen.

TLH 251 “We All Believe in One True God” (*Second Tune*)

Martin Luther, 1525

1. We all believe in one true God,
Who created Earth and Heaven,
The Father, Who to us in love
Hath the right of children given.
He both soul and body feedeth,
All we need He doth provide us;
He thro’ snares and perils leadeth,
Watching that no harm betide us.
He careth for us day and night,
All things are governed by His might.
2. We all believe in Jesus Christ,
His own Son, our Lord, possessing
An equal Godhead, throne, and might,
Source of ev’ry grace and blessing.
Born of Mary, Virgin mother,
By the power of the Spirit,

Made true man, our elder Brother,
That the lost might life inherit;
Was crucified for sinful men
And raised by God to life again.

3. We all confess the Holy Ghost,
Who sweet grace and comfort giveth
And with the Father and the Son
In eternal glory liveth;
Who the Church, His own creation,
Keeps in unity of spirit.
Here forgiveness and salvation
Daily come thro’ Jesus’ merit.
All flesh shall rise, and we shall be
In bliss with God eternally. Amen.

TLH 237 “All Glory Be to God on High”

Nikolaus Decius, 1525

1. All glory be to God on high,
Who hath our race befriended!
To us no harm shall now come nigh,
The strife at last is ended;
God showeth His good will to men,
And peace shall reign on Earth again;
Oh, thank Him for His goodness!
2. We praise, we worship Thee, we trust,
And give Thee thanks forever,
O Father, that Thy rule is just
And wise and changes never.
Thy boundless pow’r o’er all things reigns,
Done is whate’er Thy will ordains:
Well for us that Thou rulest!
3. O Jesus Christ, Thou only Son
Of God, Thy heav’nly Father,
Who didst for all our sins atone
And Thy lost sheep dost gather:
Thou Lamb of God, to Thee on high,
From out our depths, we sinners cry,
Have mercy on us, Jesus!
4. O Holy Ghost, Thou precious Gift,
Thou Comforter unailing,
O’er Satan’s snares our souls uplift
And let Thy pow’r availing
Avert our woes and calm our dread.
For us the Savior’s blood was shed;
We trust in Thee to save us. Amen.

TLH 250 “Holy God, We Praise Thy Name”

Unknown; based on the *Te Deum*

1. Holy God, we praise Thy Name;
Lord of all, we bow before Thee.
All on Earth Thy scepter claim,
All in Heav'n above adore Thee.
Infinite Thy vast domain,
Everlasting is Thy reign.

2. Hark! the glad celestial hymn
Angel choirs above are raising;
Cherubim and seraphim,
In unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord:
Holy, holy, holy, Lord!

3. Lo, th'apostles' holy train
Join Thy Sacred Name to hallow;
Prophets swell the glad refrain,
And the white-robed martyrs follow,
And from morn to set of sun
Thro' the Church the song goes on.

Δ 4. Holy Father, Holy Son,
Holy Spirit, three we name Thee;
Though in essence only one,
Undivided God we claim Thee
And, adoring, bend the knee
While we own the mystery. Amen.