

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 Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday
October 1st, 2017

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*“Young man, I say to you, arise.”
St. Luke 7:14*

The Order of Divine Service

Prelude	<i>“Christus ist erstanden”</i>	Samuel Scheidt
The Ringing of the Bell		
Silent Prayer		
The Hymn	<i>“Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me”</i>	TLH 523
<i>Stand</i>		
The Confiteor		
The Invocation and Address		TLH p. 15
Versicles		TLH p. 15
Confession and Absolution		TLH p. 16
The Introit	<i>(Tone 5)</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		Deuteronomy 32:39-40
<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		Ephesians 3:13-21
The Verse		INSERT
The Triple Hallelujah	<i>(First Setting)</i>	TLH p. 20
<i>Stand</i>		
The Holy Gospel		St. Luke 7:11-17
The Nicene Creed		TLH p. 22
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“The Will of God Is Always Best”</i>	TLH 517
The Sermon	<i>Do Not Weep</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>“In the Midst of Earthly Life”</i>	TLH 590
<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 Post-Communion 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>“When My Last Hour is Close at Hand”</i>	TLH 594
<i>Stand</i>		
The Salutation		TLH p. 31
The Benedicamus		TLH p. 31
The Benediction		TLH p. 31
Silent Prayer		
<i>Sit</i>		
Announcements		
Postlude	<i>“Christ lag in Todesbanden”</i>	Tobias Volckmar

The 500th Anniversary of the Reformation

As Confessional Lutherans rejoice in the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation of the Church, it is not hard for us to comprehend the spiritual trial which confronted our forefathers in the faith when they realized how far astray so much of visible Christendom had gone in their day. Contending with the forces of Rationalism, Post-Modernism and all of the hydra-headed forms of Ideology, the clear Gospel of salvation by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone is rarely heard in many so-called Lutheran churches. This Jubilee Year is an occasion for those who have been baptized into Christ Jesus to be renewed in this clear confession and to contend for the Christian verity in our generation. The Lord has granted this time to our generation, and continues to give gifts to His saints to contend with the assaults of the evil one.

It is a great joy that the Lord has granted a seminarian to our diocese who is now in his third year of studies; however, the needs of the Church are great, and there is a need for more men to step forward and receive such instruction, so that, if the Lord so wills, they may be called to such service in the fullness of time to proclaim the saving Gospel. Also, I hope that all members of the congregations affiliated with this diocese would be steadfast in support for the seminary—and all the labors of our fellowship.

—Yours in Christ, Bishop Heiser

either to condemn or excommunicate you, but to preserve your soul forever. For this purpose, such miracles and wonderful works are held before our eyes, and they also serve to the end, that we may see. As God here helps this widow in a temporal way through Christ, so He will help us not only bodily, but much more spiritually, and our soul forever, if we only put our hope in Him.” *Excerpted from a sermon in the Church Postil of Martin Luther for the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday.*

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, Jo Kope, Mike Miller, and Vince Bost.*
- For our bishop, the *Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser.*
- For the parishes served by our diocese, especially, *Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Harrison, AR; Lamb of God Ev. Lutheran Mission, Rogers, AR; Memphis Ev. Lutheran Mission, Lakeland, TN; and Emmanuel Ev. Lutheran Mission, Conway, AR, and their pastor, Rev. Eric Stefanski.*
- 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 and Nicholas Silva.*
- 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.
- For those traveling this week, especially *Gary Walcott.*

Announcements

Daily Readings for the Week after the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

	Morning	Evening
Today	Mark 1-2; John 11:19-45	St. Mark 3-4; 1 Corinthians 15:21-28
Monday:	Mark 5-6; Hebrews 7:1-28	St. Mark 7-8; Jeremiah 37:1-21
Tuesday:	Mark 9-10; Hebrews 8:1-13	St. Mark 11-12; Jeremiah 38:1-28
Wednesday:	Mark 13-14; Hebrews 9:1-10	St. Mark 15-16 Jeremiah 32:1-44
Thursday:	Luke 1-2; Hebrews 9:16-28	St. Luke 3-4 Jeremiah 39:1-18
Friday:	Luke 5-6; Hebrews 10:1-34	St. Luke 7-8 Jeremiah 29:1-23
Saturday:	Luke 9-10; Hebrews 11:1-7	St. Luke 11-12; Daniel 1:1-21

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Psalms 119, Part XVI, 1-4	Psalms 36, 5-8
Monday:	Psalms 119, Part XVI, 9-11	Psalms 36, 12-17
Tuesday:	Psalms 119, Part XVI, 18	Psalms 36, 19-22
Wednesday:	Psalms 119, Part XVI, 23-25	Psalms 36, 26-30
Thursday:	Psalms 119, Part XVI, 31-32	Psalms 36, 33-34
Friday:	Psalms 119, Part XVI, 35	Psalms 36, 36-37
Saturday:	Psalms 119, Part XVII, 38	Psalms 56, 39-41

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday:	The Epitome of the Formula of Concord, VIII.1-15
Tuesday:	The Epitome of the Formula of Concord, VIII.16-32
Wednesday:	The Epitome of the Formula of Concord, VIII.33—X.2
Thursday:	The Epitome of the Formula of Concord, X.3—XI.3
Friday:	The Epitome of the Formula of Concord, XI.4-15

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 517—“The Will of God Is Always Best”

Evening: TLH 590—“In the Midst of Earthly Life”

Calendar for the Week after the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Today: The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:00 a.m. Bible Study

5:00 p.m. ELDoNA Diocesan Phone Conference

Monday: 10:00 a.m. Pastor teaches Homiletics I class

Tuesday: No Events Scheduled

Wednesday: Pastor Dulas’ Baptismal Anniversary

Thursday: No Events Scheduled

Friday: 10:00 a.m. Pastor teaches Homiletics I class

Saturday: No Events Scheduled

Next Sunday: The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday—Green

10:00 a.m. Divine Service

11:00 a.m. Bible Study

The Lutheran Herald

The October 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 fall quarter of our seminarians last year began last Monday. His courses include: Homiletics I, Sacramental Theology, Post Reformation History, and Theology and Practice of Confession and Absolution. Please keep him and our seminary 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.

To Read in Observance for this week’s Festivals:

Today—The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Old Testament Lesson: Deuteronomy 32:39-40

Epistle: Ephesians 3:13-21

Holy Gospel: St. Luke 7:11-17

October 8th—The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

Old Testament Lesson: 1 Samuel 2:1-10

Epistle: Ephesians 4:1-6

Holy Gospel: St. Luke 14:1-11

An Excerpt from Martin Luther

“This and like miracles God does that the heart may learn how it should be disposed to Him and what it may expect from Him. As now this wife was fully convinced that there was no hope for her son, that it was impossible for her to receive Him back alive again; yea, if one had said to her: Before an hour your son will be alive again, she would have regarded it as impossible and said: It is more possible for the heavens to fall than for my son to live again. Behold, here comes God before she looks around, and does what she never dared to ask of Him, as it is impossible, and He restores her son alive to her again.

“But why does God do this? He permits man to fall so deeply into danger and anxiety, until no help or advice is within reach, and still He desires that we should not doubt, but trust in Him Who out of an impossible thing can make something possible, and make something out of nothing. If you are so deep in sin that your heart denies you all grace and the mercy of God and makes you think there is no hope for you, as many consciences are ensnared by such anxiety and distress; then turn about and look here how friendly and graciously God allows Himself to be pictured by Christ in this Gospel; that you may observe that He means it well with you from His heart; and that He is not here

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY SUNDAY

October 1st, 2017



Introit

P: BE MER- | ciful to me, O | Lord, | - *

C: For I cry to | You | all | day | long.

P: || For You, Lord, are good, and ready to for- | give, | - *

C: And abundant in mercy to all those who | call | up- | on | You.

(Psalm 86:3, 5)

P: || Bow down Your ear, O Lord, | hear | me; *
C: For I am | poor | and | need- | y.

P: || In the day of my trouble I will call up- | on | You, *
C: For You | will | an- | swer | me.

P: || I will praise You, O Lord my God, with all my | heart, | - *
C: And I will glorify Your name | for- | ev- | er- | more.

P: || For great is Your mercy toward | me, | - *
C: And You have delivered my soul from the | depths | of | She- |

ol. *(Psalm 86:1, 7, 12-13)*

GLORIA PATRI (From Hymnal)

P: || Be merciful to me, O | Lord, | - *

C: For I cry to | You | all | day | long.

P: || For You, Lord, are good, and ready to for- | give, | - *

C: And abundant in mercy to all those who | call | up- | on | You.

(Psalm 86:3, 5)

Collect

Lord, we pray Thee that Thy grace may always go before and follow after us and make us continually given to all good works; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.



Gradual

P: || The nations shall fear the name of the | Lord, | - *

C: And all the kings of the | earth | Your | glo- | ry.

P: || For the Lord shall build up | Zi- | on; *
C: He shall appear | in | His | glo- | ry. *(Psalm 102:15-16)*

Verse

P: || Alle- | lu- | ia! *
C: Al- | — | le- | lu- | ia!

P: || You who fear the Lord, trust in the | Lord; | - *
C: He is their help and their shield. | Al- | le- | lu- | ia! *(Psalm 115:11)*

P: || You who fear the Lord, trust in the | Lord; | - *

C: He is their help and their shield. | Al- | le- | lu- | ia! *(Psalm 115:11)*

Deuteronomy 32:39-40

³⁹ “Now see that I, even I, am He, and there is no God besides Me; I kill and I make alive; I wound and I heal; Nor is there any who can deliver from My hand. ⁴⁰ For I raise My hand to heaven, and say, ‘as I live forever.’”

Ephesians 3:13-21

¹³ Therefore I ask that you do not lose heart at my tribulations for you, which is your glory. ¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵ from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, ¹⁶ that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, ¹⁷ that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸ may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height—¹⁹ to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰ Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, ²¹ to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to

all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

St. Luke 7:11-17

¹¹ Now it happened, the day after, that He went into a city called Nain; and many of His disciples went with Him, and a large crowd. ¹² And when He came near the gate of the city, behold, a dead man was being carried out, the only son of his mother; and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the city was with her. ¹³ When the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, “Do not weep.” ¹⁴ Then He came and touched the open coffin, and those who carried him stood still. And He said, “Young man, I say to you, arise.” ¹⁵ So he who was dead sat up and began to speak. And He presented him to his mother. ¹⁶ Then fear came upon all, and they glorified God, saying, “A great prophet has risen up among us”; and, “God has visited His people.” ¹⁷ And this report about Him went throughout all Judea and all the surrounding region.

TLH 523 “Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me”

Paul Gerhardt, 1653

1. Why should cross and trial grieve me?

Christ is near With His cheer;
 Never will He leave me.
 Who can rob me of the Heaven
 That God’s Son For my own
 To my faith hath given?

2. Though a heavy cross I’m bearing

And my heart Feels the smart,
 Shall I be despairing?
 God, my Helper, Who doth send it,
 Well doth know All my woe
 And how best to end it.

3. God oft gives me days of gladness;

Shall I grieve If He give
 Seasons, too, of sadness?
 God is good and tempers ever
 All my ill, And He will
 Wholly leave me never.

4. Hopeful, cheerful, and undaunted

Ev’rywhere They appear
 Who in Christ are planted.
 Death itself cannot appal them,
 They rejoice When the voice
 Of their Lord doth call them.

5. Death cannot destroy forever;

From our fears, Cares, and tears
 It will us deliver.
 It will close life’s mournful story,
 Make a way That we may
 Enter heavenly glory.

6. What is all this life possesses?

But a hand Full of sand
 That the heart distresses.
 Noble gifts that pall me never
 Christ, our Lord, Will accord
 To His saints forever.

7. Lord, my Shepherd, take me to Thee.

Thou art mine; I was Thine,
 Even ere I knew Thee.
 I am Thine, for Thou hast bought me;
 Lost I stood, But Thy blood
 Free salvation brought me.

8. Thou art mine; I love and own Thee.

Light of Joy, Ne’er shall I

From my heart dethrone Thee.
 Savior, let me soon behold Thee
 Face to face,— May Thy grace
 Evermore enfold me! Amen.

TLH 517 “The Will of God Is Always Best”

Ascribed to Albrecht von Brandenburg, about 1554

1. The will of God is always best

And shall be done forever;
 And they who trust in Him are blest,
 He will forsake them never.
 He helps indeed In time of need,
 He chastens with forbearing;
 They who depend On God, their Friend,
 Shall not be left despairing.

2. God is my Comfort and my Trust,

My Hope and life abiding;
 And to His counsel wise and just,
 I yield, in Him confiding.
 The very hairs, His Word declares,
 Upon my head He numbers.
 By night and day God is my Stay,
 He never sleeps nor slumbers.

3. Lord Jesus, this I ask of Thee,

Deny me not this favor:
 When Satan sorely troubles me,
 Then do not let me waver.
 Keep watch and ward, O gracious Lord,
 Fulfil Thy faithful saying:
 Who doth believe He shall receive
 An answer to His praying.

4. When life’s brief course on Earth is run

And I this world am leaving,
 Grant me to say: “Thy will be done.”
 By faith to Thee still cleaving.
 My heav’nly Friend, I now commend
 My soul into Thy keeping,
 O’er sin and Hell, And death as well,
 Thro’ Thee the vict’ry reaping. Amen.

TLH 590 “In the Midst of Earthly Life”

Martin Luther, 1524

1. In the midst of earthly life

Snares of death surround us;
 Who shall help us in the strife
 Lest the Foe confound us?
 Thou only, Lord, Thou only!
 We mourn that we have greatly erred,
 That our sins Thy wrath have stirred.

Holy and righteous God!
Holy and mighty God!
Holy and all-merciful Savior!
Eternal Lord God!
Save us lest we perish
In the bitter pangs of death.
Have mercy, O Lord!

2. In the midst of death's dark vale
Pow'rs of Hell o'ertake us.
Who will help when they assail,
Who secure will make us?
Thou only, Lord, Thou only!
Thy heart is moved with tenderness,
Pities us in our distress.
Holy and righteous God!
Holy and mighty God!
Holy and all-merciful Savior!
Eternal Lord God!
Save us from the terror
Of the fiery pit of Hell.
Have mercy, O Lord!

3. In the midst of utter woe
When our sins oppress us,
Where shall we for refuge go,
Where for grace to bless us?
To Thee, Lord Jesus, only!
Thy precious Blood was shed to win
Full atonement for our sin.
Holy and righteous God!
Holy and mighty God!
Holy and all-merciful Savior!
Eternal Lord God!
Lord, preserve and keep us
In the peace that faith can give.
Have mercy, O Lord! Amen.

TLH 594 "When My Last Hour Is Close at Hand"

Nikolaus Herman, 1562 sts. 1-4; Unknown st. 5, 1575

1. When my last hour is close at hand,
Lord Jesus Christ, attend me;
Beside me then, O Savior, stand
To comfort and defend me.
Into Thy hands I will commend
My soul at this my earthly end,
And Thou wilt keep it safely.

2. My sins, dear Lord, disturb me sore,
My conscience cannot slumber;
But tho' as sands upon the shore
My sins may be in number,
I will not quail, but think of Thee;

Thy death, Thy sorrow, borne for me,
Thy suff'rings, shall uphold me.

3. I am a branch in Thee, the Vine,
And hence the comfort borrow
That Thou wilt surely keep me Thine
Thro' fear and pain and sorrow;
And when I die, I die to Thee,
Thy precious death hath won for me
The life that never endeth.

4. Since Thou the power of death didst rend,
In death Thou wilt not leave me;
Since Thou didst into Heaven ascend,
No fear of death shall grieve me.
For where Thou art, there shall I be
That I may ever live with Thee;
That is my hope when dying.

5. My spirit I commend to Thee
And gladly hence betake me;
Peaceful and calm my sleep shall be,
No human voice can wake me.
But Christ is with me through the strife,
And He will bear me into life
And open Heaven before me. Amen.