

Service Folder



Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! Emmanuel is a liturgical, traditional, historical, evangelical, catholic, orthodox, confessional Lutheran congregation, in communion with the Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America (ELDoNA). We believe that the Bible is the very Word of God, inspired and without any errors. We confess the truth of Scripture according to the Lutheran Book of Concord of 1580, without exception or reservation. We observe the calendar of the traditional Church Year and follow the Historic Lectionary. We celebrate the Divine Service (also known as the Mass) every Sunday and on other festivals, and we welcome visitors to hear God's Word with us.



With regard to Holy Communion, we ask our visitors to respect our practice of *closed Communion*, which means that only communicant members of our congregation or of other congregations in communion with us are invited to commune at the Lord's Table here, after they have been examined and absolved. Classes are offered throughout the year by the pastor so that those who are interested in joining our Communion fellowship have the opportunity to learn about the Christian faith and our confession of it.

The Order of Service is *The Order of Holy Communion* (page 15) from *The Lutheran Hymnal* (TLH). The Propers (the parts that change from week to week) are noted on the following page of this Service Folder.

Ember Days. Our diocese has begun to observe "Ember Days," three weekdays set aside four times a year for emphasizing fasting, prayer, catechesis, and works of charity. That will be the focus of this Wednesday's Vespers.

EVENTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE...

- TODAY - Potluck, after the service
- Wed., Sept. 22 - Vespers, 6:30 PM (Ember Day)
- Sun., Sept. 26 - Bible class & Sunday School, 9 AM
- Divine Service 10:15 AM (Trinity 17)

Daily Lectionary for the Week of Trinity 16:

	MORNING	EVENING
Mon	Heb. 7:1-28	Jer. 37:1-21
Tue	Heb. 8:1-13	Jer. 38:1-28
Wed	Heb. 9:1-10	Jer. 32:1-44
Thu	Heb. 9:16-28	Jer. 39:1-18
Fri	Heb. 10:1-34	Jer. 29:1-23
Sat	Heb. 11:1-7	Dan. 1:1-21

HYMNS

OPENING HYMN

TLH #590 - In the Very Midst of Life

HYMN (after the Creed)

TLH #596 - This Body in the Grave We Lay

HYMN (after General Prayer)

TLH #598 - Who Knows When Death (st. 1-6)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

TLH #207 - Like the Golden Sun Ascending

TLH #192 - Awake, My Heart, with Gladness

Epistle: *Ephesians 3:13-21*

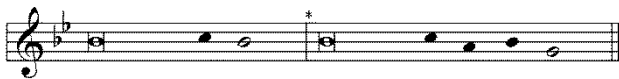
Gospel: *Luke 7:11-17*

The Order of Holy Communion begins on p. 15 of The Lutheran Hymnal.

THE INTROIT (after general Absolution)

Psalm 86:3, 5; Psalm 86:1

P (Antiphon) **BE MERciful** to me, | **O Lord**, *
 For I cry to | You all day long.
 For You, Lord, are good, and ready to | forgive, *
 And abundant in mercy to all those who | call upon You.



C **Bow down Your ear, O Lord, | hear me; ***
For I am | poor and needy.

GLORIA PATRI (p.16): **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

P (Antiphon)

The service continues with The Kyrie, p. 17.

THE GRADUAL & HALLELUJAH (after the Epistle)

Ps. 102:15-16; 115:11

P The nations shall fear the name of | the Lord, *
 And all the kings of the | earth Your glory.

C **For the Lord shall build up | Zion; ***
He shall appear | in His glory.

P Alle- | luia. *
 Al- | — le-lu-ia.

C **You who fear the Lord, trust in | the Lord; ***
He is their help and their shield. | Alleluia!

The service continues with The Triple Hallelujah & Gospel, p.20-21 in the hymnal.

from the *Large Catechism: The Creed, Third Article*

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

...Everything, therefore, in the Christian Church is ordered toward this goal: we shall daily receive in the Church nothing but the forgiveness of sin through the Word and signs, to comfort and encourage our consciences as long as we live here. So even though we have sins, the (grace of the) Holy Spirit does not allow them to harm us. For we are in the Christian Church, where there is nothing but continuous, uninterrupted forgiveness of sin. This is because God forgives us and because we forgive, bear with, and help one another.

But outside of this Christian Church, where the Gospel is not found, there is no forgiveness, as also there can be no holiness. Therefore, all who seek and wish to earn holiness not through the Gospel and forgiveness of sin, but by their works, have expelled and severed themselves from this Church.

However, while sanctification has begun and is growing daily, we expect that our flesh will be destroyed and buried with all its uncleanness. Then we will come forth gloriously and arise in a new, eternal life of entire and perfect holiness. For now we are only half pure and holy. So the Holy Spirit always has some reason to continue His work in us through the Word. He must daily administer forgiveness until we reach the life to come. At that time there will be no more forgiveness, but only perfectly pure and holy people. We will be full of godliness and righteousness, removed and free from sin, death, and all evil, in a new, immortal, and glorified body.

You see, all this is the Holy Spirit's office and work. He begins and daily increases holiness upon earth through these two things: the Christian Church and the forgiveness of sin. But in our death He will accomplish it altogether in an instant and will forever preserve us therein by the last two parts of the Creed.

Now this is the article of the Creed that must always be and remain in use. For we have already received creation. Redemption, too, is finished. But the Holy Spirit carries on His work without ceasing to the Last Day. For that purpose He has appointed a congregation upon earth by which He speaks and does everything. For He has not yet brought together all His Christian Church or granted all forgiveness. Therefore, we believe in Him who daily brings us into the fellowship of this Christian Church through the Word. Through the same Word and the forgiveness of sins He bestows, increases, and strengthens faith. So when He has done it all, and we abide in this and die to the world and to all evil, He may finally make us perfectly and forever holy. Even now we expect this in faith through the Word.