

[We rise]	<b>The Prayers of the Church</b>	
	<b>The <i>Te Deum Laudamus</i></b>	Handout
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### The 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Today is “The Faithful Official Sunday”. The Old Testament of the Day, from Genesis, depicting the Creation of the world, at first does not seem to have a connection with the other readings. But when one takes a closer look at the Gospel and sees the problem that Jesus faces in the people of His day - not believing unless they see signs and wonders - then the connection can be made. In the Creation, the power of God’s Word is clearly evident, as St. Paul says in Romans 1, “Ever since the creation of the world His invisible nature, namely, His eternal power and deity, has been clearly perceived in the things that have been made.” Yet, men do not believe in the power of God’s Creative Word! Christ chastises those in His day, and Christians today, for sinfully seeking signs (apart from the Word and Sacraments!) to confirm God’s presence and faithfulness. Christ teaches to believe in His Word alone, in which is found Truth, Peace, Righteousness, and Salvation. In the Epistle, St. Paul speaks of the spiritual enemies (the devil and his hosts of wickedness) that threaten to steal away the promises of God. St. Paul therefore urges Christians to “stand,” “be strong in the Lord,” and to “put on the whole armor of God.” This armor consists of the Truth, Peace, Salvation and the Sword of the Spirit which come from the Gospel. And the Faith and Righteousness of Christ remain ours through the Spirit’s preserving work in the preaching of the Gospel, in Absolution, and in the Lord’s Supper. And finally, the Holy Gospel presents us with a certain Roman official who, after hearing Jesus teach of the sin of demanding signs from God in order to believe, took Jesus at His Word and believed the promise, “Go your way; your son lives!” This Gentile’s faith stands to condemn the unbelief of the Jewish masses when Jesus says, “Unless you people see signs and wonders, you will by no means believe.” May the Word from God, declaring that we have received “new life” with Christ through the forgiveness of sins, be met with the same response of faith found in our text: “So the man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him, and he went his way.”

### **Next Sunday: Observing the Feast St. James of Jerusalem – Step-brother of Jesus (23 October)**

First Lesson of the Day:	Acts 15.12-22a
Psalm of the Week:	Psalm 1
Epistle of the Day:	1 Corinthians 15.1-11
Holy Gospel of the Day:	Matthew 13.54-58

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# A Guide to The Divine Service

9:00 A.M.

16 October 2011



*Sending Out the Seventy-Two--Unknown, 17<sup>th</sup> century*

*Si iniquitates observabis Domine*  
**If You should mark iniquities, O Lord**

The Feast of St. Luke, Evangelist (transferred from 18 Oct.)  
[The 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity]

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**NOTE ON PARTICIPATING IN THE LORD'S SUPPER**

As intended by Christ and as practiced by the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church throughout history, "closed communion" is observed here, in which the Lord's Supper is distributed only to those who:

- (a) are baptized in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit;
- (b) have been instructed in the truth of Holy Scriptures as taught in the Lutheran Confessions, have been confirmed in this Lutheran faith and practice, and now embrace this same Lutheran faith in the same way that it is believed, taught, confessed, and practiced in this congregation;
- (c) believe that in this Sacrament the real body and blood of Christ are truly distributed to them and orally received by them, bestowing on them the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation;
- (d) repent of all their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this holy meal.

Guests at our services who are able to affirm these facts should speak to our pastor or the elder on duty before receiving the Sacrament. To other guests with us today, we express to you our sincere interest, friendship, and concern, and we assure you that it is for the spiritual welfare of all that we practice "closed communion," even as we continue to work toward the day in which all divisions over doctrine and practice within Christ's Church will be resolved. Those desiring to learn more about our beliefs are asked to speak with one of our pastors.

**[We rise and face the Processional Cross]**

**Confession of Sins and Holy Absolution p.185**

Entr. Hymn "Lord, 'Tis Not that I Did Choose Thee" #573

**The Service of the Word begins with the Introit**



*Antiphon:* If Thou, O LORD, shouldst / mark in- / iquities, \* O / Lord\_\_ , / who could / stand? || But there is for- / giveness with / Thee, \* that / Thou\_\_ / mayest be / feared. (Ps. 130.4-5)

**Out of the depths have I cried unto / Thee, O / LORD; \*  
O / Lord\_\_ , / hear my / voice! || Let Thine ears / be at- /  
tentive \* to the / voice of my / suppli- / cations.**

O Israel, / hope in the / LORD; \* for / with the LORD / there is / mercy, || With Him is a- / bundant re- / demption, \* and He shall redeem Israel / from all / his in- / iquities. (Psalm 130.1-2, 7-8)

**If Thou, O LORD, shouldst / mark in- / iquities, \* O /  
Lord\_\_ , / who could / stand? || But there is for- /  
giveness with / Thee, \* that / Thou\_\_ / mayest be /  
feared.**

**The Gloria Patri, The Kyrie p. 186**

**The Gloria in Excelsis p. 187**

**Salutation p. 189**

**The Collect for the Feast of St. Luke, Evangelist:** O Lord God, heavenly Father, pour out, we beseech, Thy Holy Spirit upon Thy faithful people, keep them steadfast in Thy grace and truth, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all enemies of Thy Word, and bestow on Christ's Church Militant Thy saving peace; 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. **Amen!**

**The Collect for the 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity:** O Lord, we beseech Thee to keep Thy household, the Church, in continual godliness that through Thy protection she may be free from all adversities and devoutly given to serve Thee in good works, to the glory of Thy name; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **Amen!**

[We are seated]

Old Testament of the Day . . . . . Isaiah 35.5-8

*[The ransomed of the Lord return]*

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God!**

Epistle of the Day . . . . . 2 Timothy 4.5-18

*[St. Paul's instructions to St. Timothy]*

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

**[We rise] The Holy Gospel of the Day  
The Gradual of the Day and Alleluia**

(using the Introit Psalm tone)

Be- / hold how / good: \*

**And / how\_ / pleasant it / is: ||**

Indeed / for the / brethren \*

**To / dwell to- / gether in / unity!**

The Lord com- / manded / blessing : \*

**Even / life for- / ever- / more . |||**

The Lord healeth the / broken in / heart : \*

**And / bindeth / up their / wounds.**

**The Triple Alleluia p. 190**

**The Holy Gospel  
Announcement of the Holy Gospel**

Holy Gospel of the Day Luke 10.1-9

*[Jesus sends out the Seventy-Two]*

Responses to the Holy Gospel p. 190-191

**The Nicene Creed p. 191**

[We are seated]

Chief Hymn "Chief of Sinners Though I Be" #611

Sermon

[We rise] **The Offertory: "Create in Me" p. 192**

[We are seated]

**The offering is received**

*God richly bless you for your support of His work among us!*