

# Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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## Communion Statement:

In our congregation we follow the historic Lutheran practice of closed communion. This is nothing new, nor a novel innovation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Rather, for many centuries, this was the universal practice of all of Christendom, and to this day, is still practiced by the majority of the Christian Church.

*We observe closed communion because the Lord's Supper is a public profession of our unity of faith. (1 Corinthians 10:16-17)*

*We believe Christ's body and blood are truly present in the bread and the wine for forgiveness of our sins. (1 Corinthians 11:23-25)*

*We observe closed communion to protect people in body and soul from taking the Lord's Supper to their judgment and harm. (1 Corinthians 11:27-32)*

Our practice is prompted by our love, care, and concern for all people. If you are not a communicant member of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, please do not commune today.

However, please know that we look forward to having you at the Lord's Table soon. We sincerely invite you to visit with Pastors Poppe or Moline about the joys of Holy Communion. They will offer you instruction about our Lutheran faith and this sacrament of the Lord's Supper, so you will be ready to stand with us and partake of this wonderful meal.

## Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity

November 15, 2020

**Introit** (*Ps. 85:1, 7, 9, 11; antiphon: Jeremiah 29:11a, 12*)



I know the plans I have for you, de- | clares the LORD,\*  
plans for wholeness and not for | evil.  
Then you will call upon me and come and | pray to me,\*  
and I will | hear you.

LORD, you were favorable | to your land;\*  
you restored the fortunes of | Jacob.

Show us your steadfast love, | O LORD,\*  
and grant us your sal- | vation.

Surely his salvation is near to those who | fear him,\*  
that glory may dwell | in our land.

Faithfulness springs up | from the ground,\*  
and righteousness looks down | from the sky.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
and to the Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

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## Collect of the Day

O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## Gradual

 (*Ps. 44:7-8*)

You have saved us | from our foes\*  
and have put to shame those who | hate us.  
In God we have boasted con- | tinually,\*  
and we will give thanks to your name for- | ever.

## DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE LSB 184

Welcome and Prayer  
**Opening Hymn** ..... **LSB 966**  
Invocation, Confession and  
Absolution\* ..... LSB 184-185  
Introit—*See Propers*\*  
Kyrie\* ..... LSB 186  
Hymn of Praise\* ..... Gloria in Excelsis  
Salutation and Collect of the Day\*  
Scripture Readings (*on back*):  
Old Testament ..... Proverbs 8:11-22  
Gradual— *See Propers*  
Epistle ..... Philippians 3:17-21  
Alleluia and Verse\* ..... LSB 190  
Gospel\* ..... Matthew 22:15-22  
Apostles' Creed\* ..... LSB 192  
**Hymn of the Day** ..... **LSB 714**  
Sermon: ..... Rev. Adam Moline  
Offertory and Offering\* ... LSB 192-193  
Prayer of the Church\*

**SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**  
Preface\* ..... LSB 194  
Sanctus\* ..... LSB 195  
Lord's Prayer\* ..... LSB 196  
Words of Institution\* ..... LSB 197  
Agnus Dei\* ..... LSB 198  
**Distribution Hymns** ..... **LSB 850,  
940, 781, 578**  
Nunc Dimittis\* ..... LSB 199-200  
Thanksgiving\* ..... LSB 200-201  
Salutation and Benedicamus\*  
..... LSB 201-202  
Benediction\* ..... LSB 202  
**Closing Hymn** ..... **LSB 422**

\*Please Stand

## Hymns for today—

### OPENING HYMN

**LSB 966**.....Before You, Lord,  
We Bow

### HYMN OF THE DAY

**LSB 714**..... Who Trusts in God  
a Strong Abode

### DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

**LSB 850**....God of Grace and  
God of Glory

**LSB 940**..... Holy God, We  
Praise Thy Name

**LSB 781**.... We Give Thee But  
Thine Own

**LSB 578**..... Thy Strong Word

### CLOSING HYMN

**LSB 422**.....On My Heart  
Imprint Your Image

### Old Testament:

#### Proverbs 8:11–22

<sup>11</sup>For wisdom is better than jewels, and all that you may desire cannot compare with her. <sup>12</sup>“I, wisdom, dwell with prudence, and I find knowledge and discretion. <sup>13</sup>The fear of the LORD is hatred of evil. Pride and arrogance and the way of evil and perverted speech I hate. <sup>14</sup>I have counsel and sound wisdom; I have insight; I have strength. <sup>15</sup>By me kings reign, and rulers decree what is just; <sup>16</sup>by me princes rule, and nobles, all who govern justly. <sup>17</sup>I love those who love me, and those who seek me diligently find me. <sup>18</sup>Riches and honor are with me, enduring wealth and righteousness. <sup>19</sup>My fruit is better than gold, even fine gold, and my yield than choice silver. <sup>20</sup>I walk in the way of righteousness, in the paths of justice, <sup>21</sup>granting an inheritance to those who love me, and filling their treasuries. <sup>22</sup>“The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old.”

### Epistle:

#### Philippians 3:17–21

<sup>17</sup>Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. <sup>18</sup>For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. <sup>19</sup>Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they

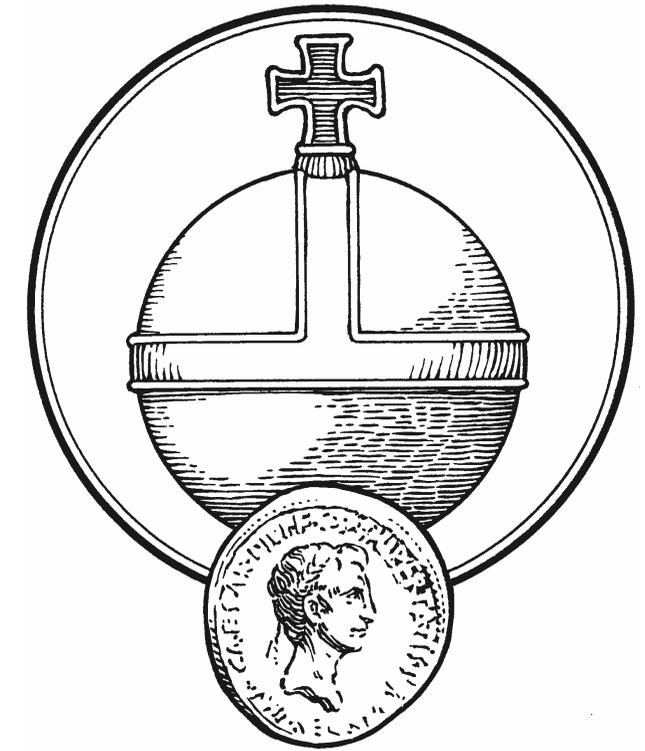
glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. <sup>20</sup>But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup>who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

### Holy Gospel:

#### Matthew 22:15–22

<sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. <sup>16</sup>And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone’s opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. <sup>17</sup>Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?” <sup>18</sup>But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? <sup>19</sup>Show me the coin for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. <sup>20</sup>And Jesus said to them, “Whose likeness and inscription is this?” <sup>21</sup>They said, “Caesar’s.” Then he said to them, “Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” <sup>22</sup>When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

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