

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.

Christmas 1

December 27, 2020

Introit (Ps. 93:1, 3-4; antiphon: Ps. 93: 5, 2)



Your decrees are very | trustworthy;*
holiness befits your house, O LORD, for- | evermore.
Your throne is established | from of old;*
you are from ever- | lasting.
The LORD reigns; he is robed in | majesty;*
the LORD is robed; he has put on strength | as his belt.
Yes, the world is es- | tablished;*
it shall nev- | er be moved.
The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted | up their
voice;*
the floods lift up their | roaring.
Mightier than the thunders of many waters, mightier than the
waves | of the sea,*
the LORD on high is | mighty!
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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holiness befits your house, O LORD, for- | evermore.
Your throne is established | from of old;*
you are from ever- | lasting.

Collect of the Day

O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gradual (Ps.45:2a, 1b)

You are the most handsome of the | sons of men;*
grace is poured up- | on your lips.
I address my verses | to the king;*
my tongue is like the pen of a | ready scribe.

DIVINE SERVICE SETTING ONE LSB 151

Welcome and Prayer
Opening Hymn..... LSB 389
Invocation, Confession and
Absolution* LSB 151
Introit—*See Propers**
Kyrie* LSB 152
Scripture Readings (*on back*):
Old Testament Isaiah 11:1-5
Epistle Galatians 4:1-7
Alleluia and Verse*—*See Propers*
Gospel* Luke 2:(22-31) 33-40
Hymn of the Day..... LSB 359
Sermon: Vicar Timothy Steele
Apostles' Creed LSB 159
Prayer of the Church*
Offering and Offertory* LSB 159
SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT
Preface* LSB 160
Sanctus* LSB 161
Lord's Prayer* LSB 162
Words of Institution* LSB 162
Agnus Dei* LSB 163
**Distribution Hymns LSB 368,
380, 393, 358**
Nunc Dimittis* LSB 165
Collect* LSB 166
Benediction* LSB 166
Closing Hymn..... LSB 390

*Please Stand

Hymns for today—

OPENING HYMN

LSB 389.....Let All Together Praise
Our God

SERMON HYMN

LSB 359..... Lo, How a Rose E'er
Blooming

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 368....Angels We Have Heard
on High

LSB 380...Hark! The Herald Angels
Sing

LSB 393.....Infant Holy, Infant
Lowly

LSB 358... From Heaven Above to
Earth I Come

CLOSING HYMN

LSB 390.....Let Us All with Glad-
some Voice

Old Testament: Isaiah 11:1–5

¹There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. ²And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. ³And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear, ⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. ⁵Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins.

Epistle: Galatians 4:1–7

¹I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, ²but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. ³In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. ⁴But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. ⁶And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁷So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

Holy Gospel: Luke 2:(22-31) 33–40

³³And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. ³⁴And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed ³⁵(and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed." ³⁶And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, ³⁷and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem. ³⁹And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

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