

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.

Eighth Sunday after Trinity

July 25, 2021

Introit (Ps. 48:1, 3, 11, 14; antiphon: Ps. 48:9-10)



We have thought on your steadfast love, | O God,*
in the midst of your | temple.

As your name, O God, so your praise reaches to the ends | of the
earth.*

Your right hand is filled with | righteousness.

Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised*
in the city of our God, His holy | mountain.

Within her | citadels*

God has made himself known as a | fortress.

Let Mount Zion | be glad!*

Let the daughters of Judah rejoice because of your | judgments!

This is God, our God forever and | ever.*

He will guide us for- | ever.

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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earth.*

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Collect of the Day

Grant to us, Lord, the Spirit to think and do always such things as
are right, that we, who cannot do anything that is good without You,
may be enabled by You to live according to Your will; through Jesus
Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the
Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gradual (Ps. 78:1)

Be a rock of ref- | uge for me,*

a strong fortress to | save me!

In you, O LORD, do I take | refuge;*
let me never be | put to shame.

DIVINE SERVICE SETTING

THREE LSB 184

Welcome and Prayer

Opening Hymn LSB 668

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 Jeremiah 23:16-29

Gradual—*See Propers*

Epistle Romans 8:12-17

Alleluia and Verse* LSB 190

Gospel* Matthew 7:15-23

Nicene Creed* LSB 191

Hymn of the Day **LSB 769**

Sermon *Vicar Timothy Steele*

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 745,**

623, 596, 576

Nunc Dimittis* LSB 199-200

Thanksgiving* LSB 200-201

Salutation and Benedicamus*

..... LSB 201-202

Benediction* LSB 202

Closing Hymn **LSB 643**

*Please Stand

Hymns for today—

OPENING HYMN

LSB 668.....Rise! To Arms!
With Prayer Employ You

SERMON HYMN

LSB 769Eternal Spirit of
the Living Christ

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 745.....In God, My Faith-
ful God

LSB 623...Lord Jesus Christ,
We Humbly Pray

LSB 596.....All Christians Who
Have Been Baptized

LSB 576.....My Hope Is Built
on Nothing Less

CLOSING HYMN

LSB 643.....Sent Forth by
God's Blessing

Old Testament: Jeremiah 23:16–29

¹⁶Thus says the LORD of hosts: “Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. ¹⁷They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, ‘It shall be well with you’; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, ‘No disaster shall come upon you.’” ¹⁸For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD to see and to hear his word, or who has paid attention to his word and listened? ¹⁹Behold, the storm of the LORD! Wrath has gone forth, a whirling tempest; it will burst upon the head of the wicked. ²⁰The anger of the LORD will not turn back until he has executed and accomplished the intents of his heart. In the latter days you will understand it clearly. ²¹“I did not send the prophets, yet they ran; I did not speak to them, yet they prophesied. ²²But if they had stood in my council, then they would have proclaimed my words to my people, and they would have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their deeds. ²³“Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God afar off? ²⁴Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD. ²⁵I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, ‘I have dreamed, I have dreamed!’” ²⁶How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, ²⁷who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? ²⁸Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD. ²⁹Is not my word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?”

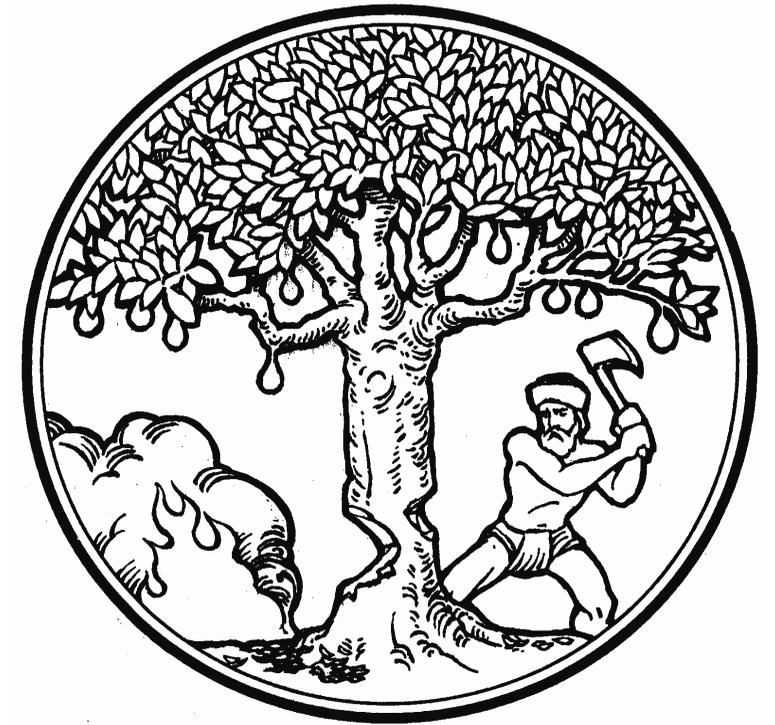
Epistle: Romans 8:12–17

¹²So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. ¹³For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 7:15–23

¹⁵[Jesus said:] “Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. ¹⁶You will recognize them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? ¹⁷So, every healthy tree bears good fruit, but the diseased tree bears bad fruit. ¹⁸A healthy tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a diseased tree bear good fruit. ¹⁹Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ²⁰Thus you will recognize them by their fruits. ²¹“Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. ²²On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’” ²³And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.’”

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