

# 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.

## Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

September 25, 2022

*Choir sings italics*

**Introit** (Ps. 86:4, 6, 15a, 16; antiphon: Ps. 86:1a, 2a, 3)



*Incline your ear, O LORD, and | answer me,\*  
save your servant, who trusts in | you—you are my God.*

*Be gracious to | me, O Lord,\*  
for to you do | I cry all the day.*

*Gladden the soul | of your servant,\*  
for to you, O Lord, do | I lift up my soul.*

*Give ear, O LORD, | to my prayer;\*  
listen | to my plea for grace.*

*But you, O Lord, are a God merci- | ful and gracious;\*  
turn to me and be | gracious to me;*

*give your strength | to your servant,\*  
and save the son | of your maidservant.*

**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.**

*Incline your ear, O LORD, and | answer me,\*  
save your servant, who trusts in you—you | are my God.*

*Be gracious to me, | O Lord,\*  
for to you do I cry | all the day.*

**Collect of the Day**  
O Lord, we implore You, let Your continual pity cleanse and defend Your Church; and because she cannot continue in safety without Your aid, preserve her evermore by Your help and 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.118:8-9)  
It is better to take refuge | in the LORD\*  
than to | trust in man.

It is better to take refuge | in the LORD\*  
than to trust in | princes.

**Verse** (Ps.95:1)  
*Oh come, let us sing | to the Lord;  
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of | our salvation!*

## DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE LSB 184

Welcome and Prayer

**Opening Hymn ..... LSB 754**

Invocation, Confession and Absolution\* ..... LSB 184-185

Introit—*See Propers\**

Kyrie\* ..... LSB 186

Gloria Patri\* ..... LSB 186

Hymn of Praise\* ..... Gloria in Excelsis

Salutation and Collect of the Day\*

Scripture Readings (*on back*):

Old Testament..... 1 Kings 17:8–16

*Children's Choir*..... LSB 736

Epistle ..... Galatians 5:25–6:10

Alleluia and Verse\* ..... LSB 190

Gospel\* ..... Matthew 6:24–34

Nicene Creed\* ..... LSB 191

**Hymn of the Day ..... LSB 760**

Sermon..... *Pastor Clint K. Poppe*

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 728, 729, 636, 725**

Nunc Dimittis\* ..... LSB 199-200

Thanksgiving\* ..... LSB 200-201

Salutation and Benedicamus\* ..... LSB 201-202

Benediction\* ..... LSB 202

**Closing Hymn ..... LSB 719**

\*Please Stand

## Hymns for today—

### OPENING HYMN

**LSB 754**.....Entrust Your Days  
and Burdens

### SERMON HYMN

**LSB 760**.....What God  
Ordains Is Always Good

### DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

**LSB 728**.....How Firm a  
Foundation

**LSB 729**...I Am Trusting Thee,  
Lord Jesus

**LSB 636**.....Soul, Adorn  
Yourself with Gladness

**LSB 725**.....Children of the  
Heavenly Father

### CLOSING HYMN

**LSB 719**.....I Leave All  
Things to God's Direction

### Old Testament: 1 Kings 17:8–16

<sup>8</sup>Then the word of the LORD came to him,  
<sup>9</sup>"Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to  
Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have  
commanded a widow there to feed you."  
<sup>10</sup>So he arose and went to Zarephath.  
And when he came to the gate of the city,  
behold, a widow was there gathering  
sticks. And he called to her and said,  
"Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I  
may drink." <sup>11</sup>And as she was going to  
bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring  
me a morsel of bread in your hand." <sup>12</sup>And  
she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I  
have nothing baked, only a handful of  
flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And  
now I am gathering a couple of sticks that  
I may go in and prepare it for myself and  
my son, that we may eat it and die." <sup>13</sup>And  
Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go and do  
as you have said. But first make me a  
little cake of it and bring it to me, and af-  
terward make something for yourself and  
your son." <sup>14</sup>For thus says the LORD the  
God of Israel, 'The jar of flour shall not be  
spent, and the jug of oil shall not be em-  
pty, until the day that the LORD sends rain  
upon the earth.'" <sup>15</sup>And she went and did  
as Elijah said. And she and he and her  
household ate for many days. <sup>16</sup>The jar of  
flour was not spent, neither did the jug of  
oil become empty, according to the word  
of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

### Epistle: Galatians 5:25–6:10

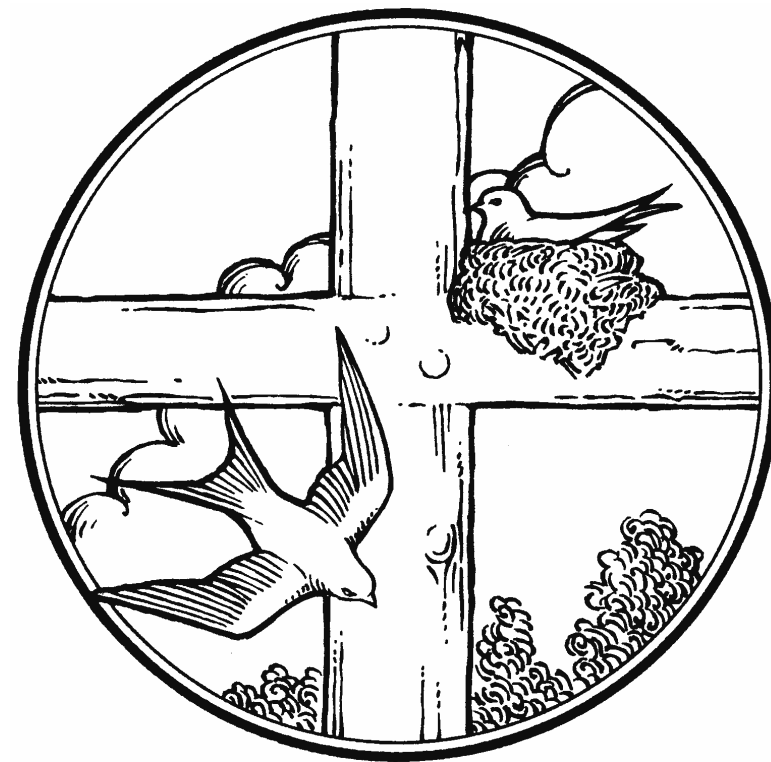
<sup>25</sup>If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk  
by the Spirit. <sup>26</sup>Let us not become conceit-  
ed, provoking one another, envying one  
another. <sup>6:1</sup>Brothers, if anyone is caught in  
any transgression, you who are spiritual  
should restore him in a spirit of gentle-  
ness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you  
too be tempted. <sup>2</sup>Bear one another's bur-  
dens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. <sup>3</sup>For  
if anyone thinks he is something, when he  
is nothing, he deceives himself. <sup>4</sup>But let  
each one test his own work, and then his  
reason to boast will be in himself alone  
and not in his neighbor. <sup>5</sup>For each will  
have to bear his own load. <sup>6</sup>One who is  
taught the word must share all good  
things with the one who teaches. <sup>7</sup>Do not  
be deceived: God is not mocked, for  
whatever one sows, that will he also reap.  
<sup>8</sup>For the one who sows to his own flesh

will from the flesh reap corruption, but the  
one who sows to the Spirit will from the  
Spirit reap eternal life. <sup>9</sup>And let us not  
grow weary of doing good, for in due sea-  
son we will reap, if we do not give up.  
<sup>10</sup>So then, as we have opportunity, let us  
do good to everyone, and especially to  
those who are of the household of faith.

### Holy Gospel: Matthew 6:24–34

<sup>24</sup>[Jesus said:] "No one can serve two  
masters, for either he will hate the one  
and love the other, or he will be devoted  
to the one and despise the other. You  
cannot serve God and money.  
<sup>25</sup>"Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious  
about your life, what you will eat or what  
you will drink, nor about your body, what  
you will put on. Is not life more than food,  
and the body more than clothing? <sup>26</sup>Look  
at the birds of the air: they neither sow  
nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet  
your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you  
not of more value than they? <sup>27</sup>And which  
of you by being anxious can add a single  
hour to his span of life? <sup>28</sup>And why are  
you anxious about clothing? Consider the  
lilies of the field, how they grow: they nei-  
ther toil nor spin, <sup>29</sup>yet I tell you, even  
Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed  
like one of these. <sup>30</sup>But if God so clothes  
the grass of the field, which today is alive  
and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will  
he not much more clothe you, O you of  
little faith? <sup>31</sup>Therefore do not be anxious,  
saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What  
shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'  
<sup>32</sup>For the Gentiles seek after all these  
things, and your heavenly Father knows  
that you need them all. <sup>33</sup>But seek first the  
kingdom of God and his righteousness,  
and all these things will be added to you.  
<sup>34</sup>"Therefore do not be anxious about to-  
morrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for  
itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trou-  
ble."

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