# 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.

# Wednesday in the Seventh Sunday of Easter (Exaudi)

May 24, 2023

**Introit** (Ps. 27:1, 11a, 12; antiphon: Ps. 27:7a, 8b, 9a)



Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud. Alle- | luia.\*
Your face, LORD, do I seek; hide not your face from me. Alle- | luia.

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom | shall I fear?\*
The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I | be afraid?

Teach me your way, | O LORD;\*

give me not up to the will of my adver- | saries;

for false witnesses have risen a- | gainst me,\* and they breathe out | violence.

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.

Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud. Alle- | luia.\*

Your face, LORD, do I seek; hide not your face from me. Alle- | luia.

#### **Collect of the Day**

O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Verse** (*Psalm 47:8*; *John 14:18a, 28*; *16:22b*)

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

God reigns over the | nations;\*

God sits on his | holy throne.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

I will not leave you as | orphans;\*

I am going away, and I will come to you, and your hearts | will rejoice.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

#### DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE LSB 184

Welcome and Prayer

Opening Hymn	LSB 539
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619, 480	
Nunc Dimittis*	
Thanksgiving*	
Salutation*	
Benedicamus*	
Benediction*	
Closing Hymn	
*Please Stand	

### Hymns for today—

#### **OPENING HYMN**

LSB 539.....Christ Is the World's Redeemer

#### **SERMON HYMN**

**LSB 706......** Love in Christ Is Strong and Living

#### **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

LSB 491......Up Through Endless Ranks of Angels

**LSB 619**......Thy Body Given for Me, O Savior

**LSB 480....**He's Risen, He's Risen

#### **CLOSING HYMN**

**LSB 482**.....This Joyful Eastertide

## Old Testament: Ezekiel 36:22–28

<sup>22</sup>"Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord God: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. <sup>23</sup>And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the LORD, declares the Lord God, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. <sup>24</sup>I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. <sup>25</sup>I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your un-cleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. <sup>26</sup>And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. 27 And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my just decrees. <sup>28</sup>You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

### Epistle: 1 Peter 4:7–11 (12-14)

<sup>7</sup>The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. <sup>8</sup>Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. <sup>9</sup>Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. <sup>10</sup>As each has received

a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: 11whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. <sup>12</sup> Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. 13 But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. 14 If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you.

#### Holy Gospel: John 15:26—16:4

<sup>26</sup>[Jesus said:] "When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. 27 And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning. 16:1"I have said all these things to you to keep you from falling away. <sup>2</sup>They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God. <sup>3</sup>And they will do these things because they have not known the Father, nor me. <sup>4</sup>But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told them to you."

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