

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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Sundays at 8 am and 10:30 am
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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

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Introit (*Ps. 46:1-3, 7; antiphon:
Ps. 119:46*)

I will speak of your statutes before | kings, [O Lord,]*
and will not be | put to shame.
God is our ref- | uge and strength,*
an ever present help in | trouble.
Therefore we will not fear, though the | earth give way*
and the mountains fall into the heart | of the sea,
though its waters | roar and foam*
and the mountains quake with their | surging.
The Lord Almighty is | with us;*
the God of Jacob is our | fortress.
**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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and will not be | put to shame.

Collect of the Day

O Lord God, heavenly Father, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people, keep them steadfast in your grace and truth, protect and comfort them in all temptation, defend them against all enemies of your Word, and bestow on Christ's Church Militant your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gradual

 (*Ps. 146:5, 149:4*)

Blessed is he whose help is the God of | Jacob,*
whose hope is in the | Lord his God.
The Lord takes delight in his | people,*
he crowns the humble with sal- | vation.

DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE LSB 184

Welcome and Prayer

Opening HymnLSB 578

Invocation, Confession and
Absolution*LSB 184-185
Introit—*See Propers**

Kyrie*LSB 186

Gloria in Excelsis*LSB 187-189

Salutation and Collect of the Day*

Scripture Readings (*on back*):

Old Testament.....Isaiah 55:6-11

Gradual—*See Propers*

Epistle Romans 10:5-17

Alleluia*LSB 190

Gospel* John 15:1-11

Nicene Creed* LSB 191

Hymn of the DayLSB 583

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

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Words of Institution* LSB 197

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Distribution Hymns.... ...LSB 586,
589, 587, 577

Nunc Dimittis* LSB 199-200

Thanksgiving*LSB 200-201

Salutation*LSB 201

Benedicamus*LSB 202

Benediction* LSB 202

Closing HymnLSB 582

*Please Stand

Hymns for today—

OPENING HYMN

LSB 578 Thy Strong
Word

SERMON HYMN

LSB 583 God Has Spoken
by His Prophets

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 586 Preach You The
Word

LSB 589 Speak, O Lord,
Your Servant Listens

LSB 587 I Know My Faith
is Founded

LSB 577 Almighty God,
Your Word is Cast

CLOSING HYMN

LSB 582 God's Word Is
Our Great Heritage

Old Testament: Isaiah 55:6-11

⁶"Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; ⁷let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. ⁸For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord. ⁹For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. ¹⁰"For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, ¹¹so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

Epistle: Romans 10:5-17

⁵For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. ⁶But the righteousness based on faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?' "(that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷or " 'Who will descend into the abyss?' "(that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and

Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." ¹⁴But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

Holy Gospel: John 15:1-11

¹"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. ²Every branch of mine that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. ³Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. ⁹As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹These



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