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.

Fifth Sunday after Trinity

July 9, 2023

Introit (*Ps.* 27:1a, 11-12, 14; antiphon: *Ps.* 27:7, 9b)



*Hear, O Lord, when I | cry aloud;**

be gracious to me and | answer me!

O you who have | been my help,*

forsake me not, O God of my sal- | vation!

The LORD is my light and my sal- | vation;*

whom | shall I fear?

Teach me your way, | O LORD,*

and lead me on a level path because of my | enemies.

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

for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe out | violence.

Wait | for the LORD;*

be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait | for the LORD!

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.

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Collect of the Day

O God, You have prepared for those who love You good things that surpass all understanding. Pour into our hearts such love toward You that we, loving You above all things, may obtain Your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gradual (Ps. 84:9, 8)
Behold our shield, | O God;*
look on the face of your a- | nointed!
O LORD God of hosts, | hear my prayer;*
give ear, O God of | Jacob!

Verse (Ps. 21:1)

O LORD, in your strength the king re- | joices* and in your salvation how greatly | he exults.

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^{*}Please Stand

Hymns for today—

OPENING HYMN

LSB 616 ... Baptismal Waters Cover Me

SERMON HYMN

LSB 427...... In the Cross of Christ I Glory

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 454.... Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle

LSB 578 Thy Strong Word

LSB 617 ... O Lord, We Praise Thee

LSB 688 "Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake

CLOSING HYMN

LSB 922.... Go, My Children, with my Blessing

Old Testament: 1 Kings 19:11-21

¹¹[The LORD] said, "Go out and stand on

the mount before the LORD." And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. 12And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. ¹³And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁴He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." 15 And the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. 16 And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. 1/And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. ¹⁸Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him." ¹⁹So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him. ²⁰And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said. "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." And he said to him, "Go back again, for what have I done to you?" 21And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the vokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

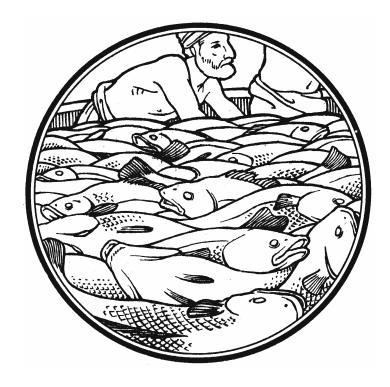
¹⁸The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being

saved it is the power of God. 19 For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." ²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. 22For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom. ²³but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles. ²⁴but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. 25 For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

Holy Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

¹On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on [Jesus] to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, ² and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. ⁴And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." ⁵And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." ⁶And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. ⁷They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink, 8But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." 9For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, ¹⁰ and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon. "Do not be afraid: from now on you will be catching men." ¹¹And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

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