Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

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Meet at the cross:

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 Moline or Good– road 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. If you are not yet prepared to receive communion, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest and the pastor will give you a baptismal blessing.

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

October 1, 2023

Introit (*Ps.* 119:1-2, 5-6; antiphon: *Ps.* 119:137, 124)



Righteous are you, | O LORD,* and right | are your just decrees. Deal with your servant according to your | steadfast love.* and teach | me your statutes. Blessèd are those whose | way is blameless,* who walk in the | law of the LORD! Blessèd are those who keep his | testimonies,* who seek | him with their whole heart. Oh that my ways | may be steadfast* in keeping | your statutes! Then I shall not be | put to shame,* having my eyes fixed on all | your commandments. 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. Righteous are you, | O LORD,* and right | are your just decrees. Deal with your servant according to your | steadfast love.* and teach | me your statutes.

Collect of the Day

Lord, we implore You, grant Your people grace to withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds to follow You, the only God; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gradual (Ps.33:12, 6)

Blessèd is the nation whose God | is the LORD,* the people whom he has chosen | as his heritage! By the word of the LORD the | heavens were made,* and by the breath of his | mouth all their host.

Verse (*Ps. 116:1*)

 $I \mid love the LORD,^*$

because he has heard my voice and my | pleas for mercy.

DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE LSB 184

Welcome and Praver Opening Hymn LSB 644 Invocation, Confession and Absolution*.....LSB 184-185 Introit—See Propers* Gloria Patri*.....LSB 186 Kyrie*....LSB 186 Hymn of Praise*...... Gloria in Excelsis Salutation and Collect of the Day* Scripture Readings (on back): Old Testament...... Proverbs 25:6--14 Gradual–See Propers Epistle Ephesians 4:1-6 Alleluia and Verse*.....LSB 190 Gospel*..... Luke 14:1-11 Nicene Creed* LSB 191 Hymn of the Day LSB 557 Sermon Pastor Thomas Goodroad 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 618, 617, 636, 639, 708 Nunc Dimittis*.....LSB 199-200 Thanksgiving*LSB 200-201 Salutation*LSB 201 Benedicamus*.....LSB 202 Benediction* LSB 202 Closing Hymn LSB 698 *Please Stand

Hymns for today-

OPENING HYMN

LSB 644... The Church's One Foundation

SERMON HYMN

LSB 557 Seek Where You May to Find a Way

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 618 I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

- LSB 617 ... O Lord, We Praise Thee
- LSB 636..... Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness
- LSB 639.....Wide Open Stand the Gates
- LSB 708.... Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart

CLOSING HYMN

LSB 698..... May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill

Old Testament: Proverbs 25:6–14

⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great, ⁷ for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble. What your eyes have seen ⁸do not hastily bring into court, for what will you do in the end, when your neighbor puts you to shame? ⁹Argue your case with your neighbor himself, and do not reveal another's secret, ¹⁰lest he who hears you bring shame upon you, and your ill repute have no end. ¹¹A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in a setting of silver. ¹²Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold is a wise reprover to a listening ear. ¹³Like the cold of snow in the time of harvest is a faithful messenger to those who send him; he refreshes the soul of his masters. ¹⁴Like clouds and wind without rain is a man who boasts of a gift he does not give.

Epistle: Ephesians 4:1–6

¹I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Holy Gospel: Luke 14:1-11

¹One Sabbath, when [Jesus] went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. ²And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. ³And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath. or not?" ⁴But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. ⁵And he said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?" ⁶And they could not reply to these things. ⁷Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, ⁸"When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, ⁹and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this person,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. ¹¹For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

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