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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 Moline or Goodroad 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.**

Second Sunday in Advent Populus Zion

December 8, 2024

Introit (Ps. 80:1, 3, 14, 17; antiphon: Is. 62:11b, 30:30, 29)



*Say to the daughter of | Zion,**

"Behold, | your salvation comes."

*The LORD will cause his majestic voice | to be heard,**
and you | shall have gladness of heart.

*Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph | like a flock!**

You who are enthroned upon the | cherubim, shine forth.

*Restore us, | O God;**

let your face | shine, that we may be saved!

*Turn again, O | God of hosts!**

Look | down from heaven, and see.

*But let your hand be on the man of your | right hand,**

the son of man whom you | have made strong for yourself!

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

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gradual (Ps. 50:2-3a, 5)

Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, | God shines forth.*

Our God comes; he does not | keep silence;

"Gather to me my | faithful ones,*

who made a covenant with | me by sacrifice!"

Alleluia and Verse (Luke 21:26b-27)



Al-le-lu - ia! — Al-le-lu - ia! — Al-le-lu - ia!

The powers of the heavens will be | shaken,*

and then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great | glory.

DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE LSB 184

Opening Hymn..... LSB 514

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

Introit*—*See Propers*

Kyrie* LSB 186

Salutation and Collect of the Day*

Scripture Readings (*on back*):

Old Testament.....Malachi 4:1-6

Gradual—*See Propers*

Epistle.....Romans 15:4-13

Alleluia and Verse*—*See Propers*

Gospel* Luke 21:25-36

Nicene Creed* LSB 191

Hymn of the Day..... LSB 336

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 HymnsLSB 334,

513, 672, 617, 359

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

Thanksgiving*.....LSB 200-201

Salutation*LSB 201

Benedicamus*.....LSB 202

Benediction*LSB 202

Closing Hymn..... LSB 353

**Please Stand*

Hymns for today—

OPENING HYMN

LSB 514 The Bridegroom
Soon Will Call Us

SERMON HYMN

LSB 336 Lo! He Comes
with Clouds Descending

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 334 O Lord, How
Shall I Meet You

LSB 513 The Clouds of
Judgment Gather

LSB 672 Jerusalem the
Golden

LSB 617 O Lord, We
Praise Thee

LSB 359 Lo, How a Rose
E'er Blooming

CLOSING HYMN

LSB 353 Jesus Came, the
Heavens Adoring

Old Testament: Malachi 4:1–6

¹“For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ²But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. ³And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts. ⁴Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and just decrees that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel. ⁵“Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. ⁶And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.”

Epistle: Romans 15:4–13

⁴For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. ⁵May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, ⁶that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁷Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God’s truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, “Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name.” ¹⁰And again it is said, “Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people.” ¹¹And again, “Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples extol him.” ¹²And again Isaiah says, “The root of

Jesse will come, even he who arises to rule the Gentiles; in him will the Gentiles hope.” ¹³May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

Holy Gospel: Luke 21:25–36

²⁵[Jesus said:] “There will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, ²⁶people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.” ²⁹And he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. ³⁰As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ³⁴“But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. ³⁵For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

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