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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.

✝ *Soli Deo Gloria* ✝

Wednesday in the Fifteenth Sunday After Trinity

September 16, 2026

Introit *(Psalm 86:4, 6, 15a, 16; antiphon: Psalm 86:1a, 2a, 3)*

Incline your ear, O Lord, and | answer me,*
save your servant, who trusts in you—you | are my God.
Be gracious to me, | O Lord,*
for to you do I cry | all the day.
Gladden the soul of your | servant,*
for to you, O Lord, do I lift | up my soul.
Give ear, O Lord, | to my prayer;*
listen to my | plea for grace.
But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and | gracious;*
turn to me and be gra- | cious to me;
give your strength to your | servant,*
and save the son of your maid- | servant.
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.
Incline your ear, O Lord, and | answer me,*
save your servant, who trusts in you—you | are my God.
Be gracious to me, | O Lord,*
for to you do I cry | all the day.

Collect of the Day

O Lord, we implore You, let Your continual pity cleanse and defend Your Church; and because she cannot continue in safety without Your aid, preserve her evermore by Your help and goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gradual *(Psalm 118:8-9)*

It is better to take refuge | in the Lord*
than to | trust in man.
It is better to take refuge | in the Lord*
than to trust in | princes.

Verse *(Psalm 95:1)*

Oh come, let us sing | to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal- | vation!

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*Please Stand

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LSB 694 ..... Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower

CLOSING HYMN

LSB 882 ..... O Christ, Who Art the Light and Day

Old Testament: 1 Kings 17:8-16

8 Then the word of the Lord came to him,
9 "Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs
to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have
commanded a widow there to feed you."
10 So he arose and went to Zarephath.
And when he came to the gate of the city,
behold, a widow was there gathering
sticks. And he called to her and said,
"Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I
may drink." 11 And as she was going to
bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring
me a morsel of bread in your hand."
12 And she said, "As the Lord your God
lives, I have nothing baked, only a
handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in
a jug. And now I am gathering a couple
of sticks that I may go in and prepare it
for myself and my son, that we may eat it
and die." 13 And Elijah said to her, "Do
not fear; go and do as you have said. But
first make me a little cake of it and bring
it to me, and afterward make something
for yourself and your son. 14 For thus says
the Lord the God of Israel, 'The jar of
flour shall not be spent, and the jug of
oil shall not be empty, until the day that
the Lord sends rain upon the earth.'"
15 And she went and did as Elijah said.
And she and he and her household ate
for many days. 16 The jar of flour was not
spent, neither did the jug of oil become
empty, according to the word of the
Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

Epistle: Galatians 5:25-6:10

25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk
by the Spirit. 26 Let us not become
conceited, provoking one another,
envying one another. 6:1 Brothers, if
anyone is caught in any transgression,
you who are spiritual should restore him
in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on
yourself, lest you too be tempted. 2 Bear
one another's burdens, and so fulfill the
law of Christ. 3 For if anyone thinks he is
something, when he is nothing, he
deceives himself. 4 But let each one test
his own work, and then his reason to
boast will be in himself alone and not in
his neighbor. 5 For each will have to bear
his own load. 6 One who is taught the
word must share all good things with the
one who teaches. 7 Do not be deceived:
God is not mocked, for whatever one
sows, that will he also reap. 8 For the one
who sows to his own flesh will from the
flesh reap corruption, but the one who
sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit
reap eternal life. 9 And let us not grow
weary of doing good, for in due season
we will reap, if we do not give up. 10 So
then, as we have opportunity, let us do
good to everyone, and especially to those
who are of the household of faith.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 6:24-34

24 [Jesus said:] "No one can serve two
masters, for either he will hate the one
and love the other, or he will be devoted
to the one and despise the other. You
cannot serve God and money.
25 "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious
about your life, what you will eat or what
you will drink, nor about your body,
what you will put on. Is not life more
than food, and the body more than
clothing? 26 Look at the birds of the air:
they neither sow nor reap nor gather into
barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds
them. Are you not of more value than
they? 27 And which of you by being
anxious can add a single hour to his span
of life? 28 And why are you anxious about
clothing? Consider the lilies of the field,
how they grow: they neither toil nor spin,
29 yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his
glory was not arrayed like one of these.
30 But if God so clothes the grass of the
field, which today is alive and tomorrow
is thrown into the oven, will he not much
more clothe you, O you of little faith?
31 Therefore do not be anxious, saying,
'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we
drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' 32 For the
Gentiles seek after all these things, and
your heavenly Father knows that you
need them all. 33 But seek first the
kingdom of God and his righteousness,
and all these things will be added to you.
34 "Therefore do not be anxious about
tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious
for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own
trouble."

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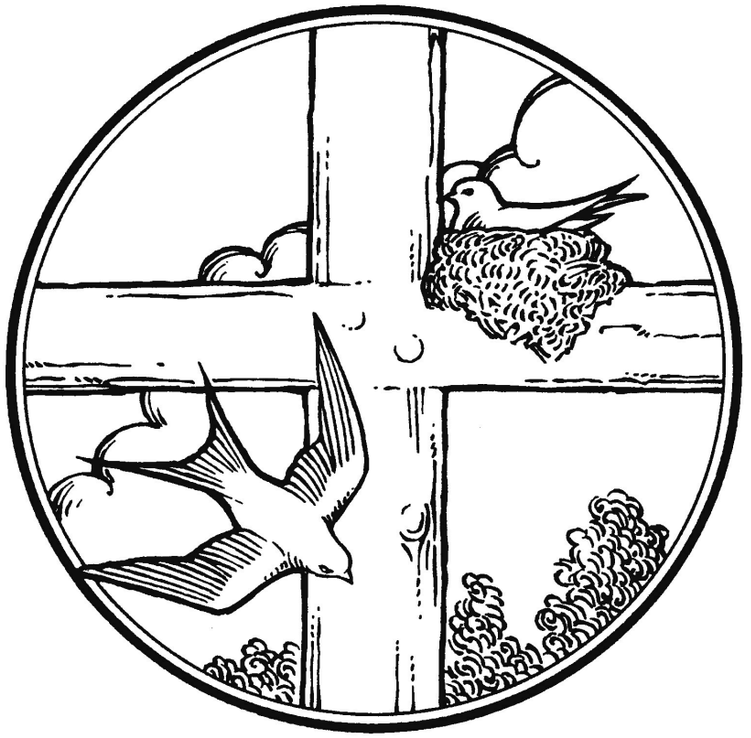

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