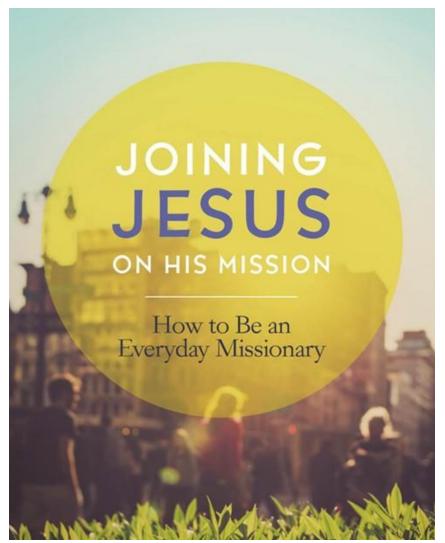
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

worship...Serve...Grow...Connect



Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost November 12, 2023 – 8:15AM

(Please note this service is being livestreamed.)

The Holy Lord's Supper: We will celebrate Holy Communion today during worship. In this meal God promises to give us his true body and blood together with the bread and wine. Through his body and blood he forgives our sins and strengthens our relationship with him and with one another. Jesus invites those who trust in his Word, repent of all sins, and set aside any refusal to forgive others. Because participation in this meal is a confession of the faith of this congregation (1 Corinthians 11:26), and because those who eat and drink Christ's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm (1 Corinthians 11:27), it is important that all Christians examine themselves before communing (1 Corinthians 11:28). We invite you to speak with the pastor after the service if you have any questions or concerns.

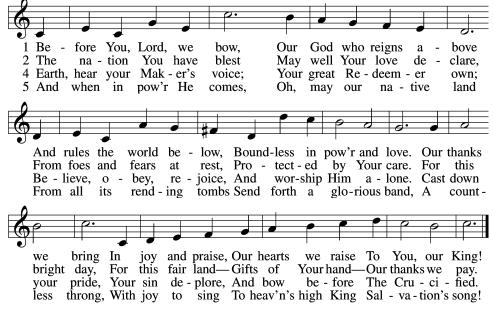
Gluten Free Communion Wafers available: For those with sensitivity to gluten, we offer gluten free communion wafers. They come from a reliable, commercially available source and care is taken to prevent any contamination with the other communion hosts. When approached by the pastor, just say "gluten free" and he will provide a host from a protected container.

Welcome & Announcements

(Please stand)

Opening Hymn

966 Before You, Lord, We Bow



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Invocation

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Opening Sentences

- **P** Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations.
- **C** You have been our good and faithful Master.
- **P** You have poured out blessings upon us.
- **C** You have given us all we need to support this body and life.
- P We meditate on all that You have done.
- **C** We ponder the work of Your hands.
- P On account of Your name, O Lord, preserve our lives.
- **C** In Your righteousness, bring us out of trouble.

Confession and Absolution

In our lives, we struggle to follow Jesus' example of love, steadfastness, and faith. We have sown hatred, shown laziness, and known many doubts. We have not kept our eyes fixed on Jesus. Yet our heavenly Father invites us to draw near to His throne in confidence and ask for forgiveness.

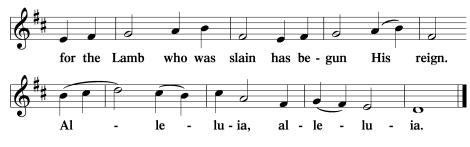
Silence for reflection.

- P Heavenly Father,
- we have sinned against You in thoughts, words, and actions. Help us to serve in joy and love. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us back to You, on account of Jesus. Amen.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die and rise for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen. We are forgiven by the steadfast love of Christ.

Service of the Word



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Salutation

P The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray.

- Lord God, we do not know the day nor the hour of the coming in glory of the Bridegroom, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.
- As we wait, continue to nourish our faith until we enter the eternal wedding feast,
- P through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

(You may be seated)

First Reading

Then the LORD said to Moses, "Rise up early in the morning and present yourself before Pharaoh and say to him, 'Thus says the LORD, the God of the Hebrews, "Let my people go, that they may serve me. For this time I will send all my plagues on you yourself, and on your servants and your people, so that you may know that there is none like me in all the earth. For by now I could have put out my hand and struck you and your people with pestilence, and you would have been cut off from the earth. But for this purpose I have raised you up, to show you my power, so that my name may be proclaimed in all the earth.

A This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Romans 10:1–17

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Exodus 9:13-16

Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved. I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. For, being ignorant of the righteousness that comes from God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.

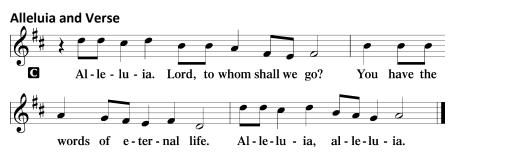
For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. But the righteousness based on faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) or "'Who will descend into the abys?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But 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); because, 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. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

But 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? And 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!" But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

A This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Children's Message





Holy Gospel

Glory to You, O Lord.

Afterward he appeared to the eleven themselves as they were reclining at table, and he rebuked them for their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen. And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

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Sermon Hymn



Sermon

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Apostles' Creed

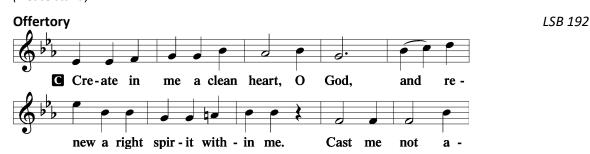
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

Ushers will collect offerings and prayer cards

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Offering

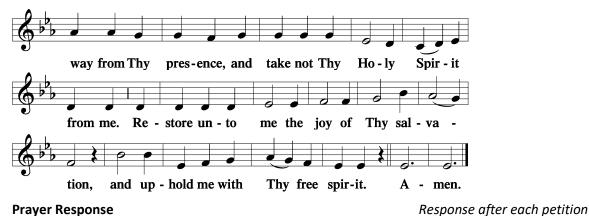
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Mark 16:14–16

515 Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

Pastor Ted Diedrick



Prayer Response

- Lord, in Your mercy, $[\mathbf{A}]$
- hear our prayer. С

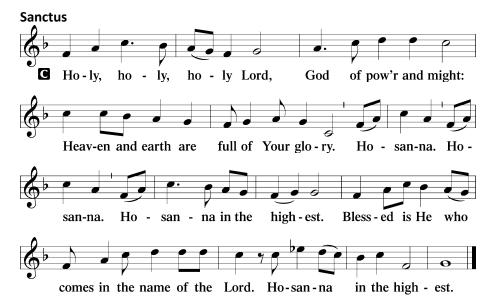
Service of the Sacrament

Preface

- P The Lord be with you.
- С And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- С We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- С It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who by His resurrection from the grave guards us from the evil one, winning for us eternal life, and who continues to direct our hearts to the love of God and to His steadfastness. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the allavailing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we ask that You keep us strong in faith for the days ahead. Grant that we follow Your Lamb through death to eternal life, when faith turns to sight and we celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in Your eternal banquet hall. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

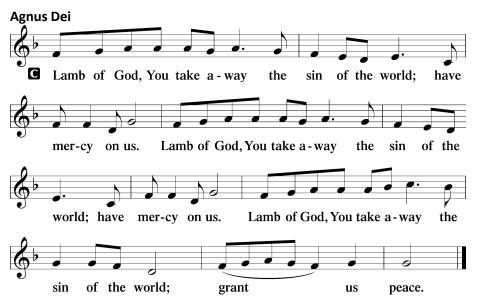
P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

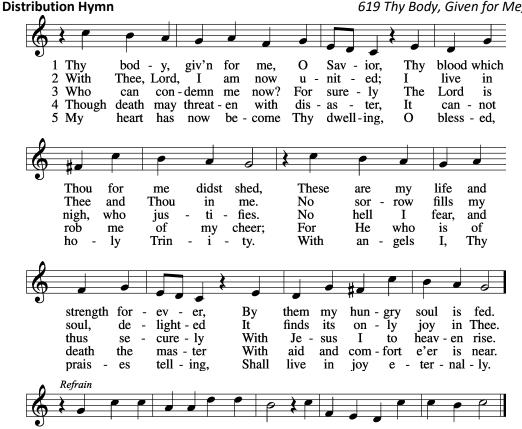
- Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.
- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



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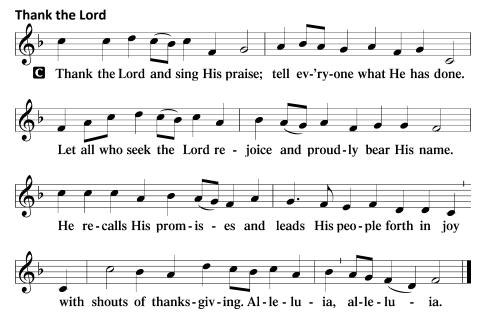
Distribution of the Holy Lord's Supper



Lord, may Thy bod-y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high-est good!

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Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

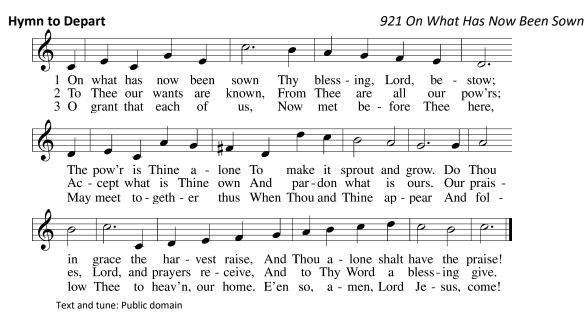
> We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

С Amen.



Benediction

- C Amen.



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