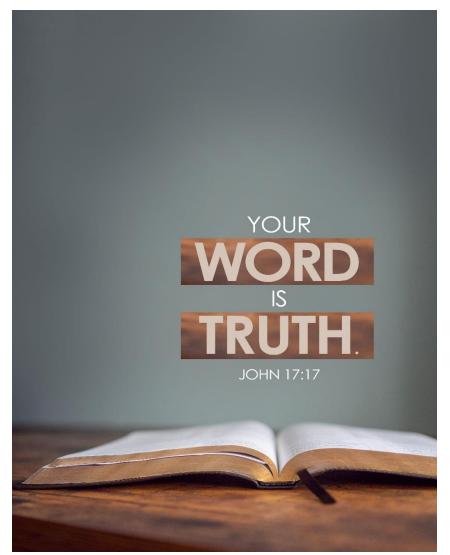
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Worship...Serve...Grow...Connect



Seventh Sunday of Easter May 12, 2024 – 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

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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 Hear my prayer, O LORD;
- Iet my cry come to You!

P Do not hide Your face from me in the day of my distress!

- Incline Your ear to me; answer me speedily in the day when I call!
- P O God, save me, by Your name, and vindicate me by Your might.
- **C** O God, hear my prayer; give ear to the words of my mouth.
- **P** The LORD has heard my plea;
- **C** the LORD accepts my prayer.

Confession and Absolution

Let us come before God, to whom all hearts are open and from whom no secrets are hidden and confess our sins in the name of Him who died and rose again to give us forgiveness and life.

Silence for meditation and reflection

- I confess that I have lived as if God did not matter and as if I mattered most. My Lord's name I have not honored as I should; my worship and prayer have faltered. I have not let His love have its way with me and so my love for others has failed. There are many whom I have hurt and many whom I failed to help. My thoughts and desires are soiled with sin. I have sinned against God and against you, my brothers and sisters. There is no health in me. But for the promise of Christ, I would have no hope. Because of Christ's promise, I am made bold to ask for mercy. Forgive me, renew me, and lead me, O Lord, so that I may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. Upon this your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

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.

Merciful Father, You have given us Your Word and with it Your Spirit, that by the testimony of the prophets and evangelists, we may know the truth that sets us free from sin and fear. Guard Your Word within us, that by this faithful testimony we may be made bold in witness and faithful in service; through Jesus Christ, 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

Acts 1:12–26

Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." (Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) "For it is written in the Book of Psalms, "May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it'; and "'Let another take his office.' So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son. And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know that you have eternal life. And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

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Children's Message

(Please stand)

1 John 5:9–15

Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] "Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

(You may be seated)

Sermon Hymn 531 Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus Hail, Thou once de spis - ed Je - sus! Hail, Thou Gal - i -2 Pas - chal Lamb, by God ap - point - ed, All our sins on 3 Je - sus, hail! En throned in There for - ev - er glo - ry, Thou didst suf - fer an King! Thou didst le to re - lease us; Thee were laid; By al - might - y love a - noint - ed, Thou hast a - bide; All the heav'n-ly hosts a - dore Thee, Seat - ed to free sal - va - tion bring. Thou u sal Sav - ior. Hail. ni ver full a - tone - ment made. All Thy peo - ple for - giv - en are Thy Fa - ther's side. There for sin - ners Thou art plead-ing; at sin Bear of and shame! By Thy er our mer - it Through the Thy blood; O - pened vir tue of is the Thou There dost our place pre - pare, Ev _ er for us find fa Life Thy we vor: is giv en through name. heav - en, of Rec gate on ciled are we with God. ap ter - ced - ing Till in glo - ry we pear. in Text and tune: Public domain

Sermon

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Apostles' Creed

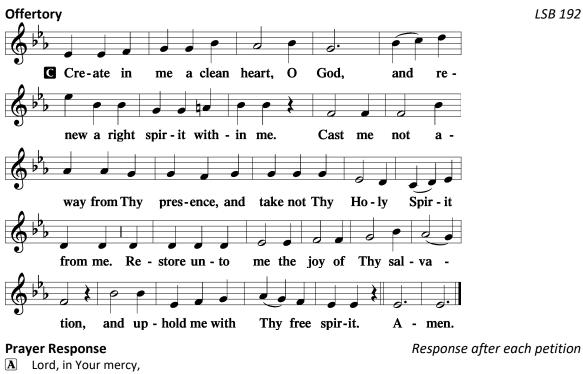
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the 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.

(You may be seated)

Offering

Pastor Ted Diedrick

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C hear our prayer.

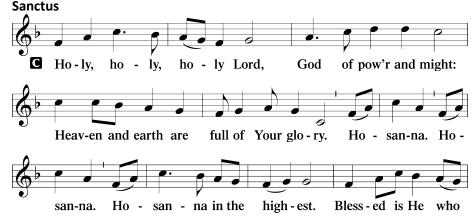
Service of the Sacrament

Preface

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

Proper Preface

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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comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

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

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

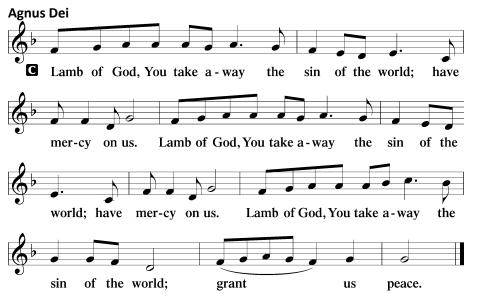
O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment.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

Distribution Hymn 696 O God, My Faithful God 10 God, my faith - ful God, True foun-tain ev - er flow ing, 2 Grant me the strength to do With read - y heart and will - ing 3 Keep me from say - ing words That lat - er need re - call - ing; With kind - ly words and ac - tions, 4 Lord, let me win my foes d. With - out whom noth - ing per-fect gifts be-stow All ing: is, -What - ev - er You com-mand, My call-ing here ful - fill ing; i - dle speech May from my lips be fall -Guard me lest ing; find good friends For coun-sel and cor - rec And let me tion. 0 0 a health - y Give me frame, And may Ι have with in do what I That Ι should While trust - ing You bless to Ι But when with - in my place must and ought to speak, You have taught, Help me, as To love both great and small А con-science free from blame, А soul un - stained by sin. For The out-come for You must give good, suc - cess. my Then to my words give grace Lest Ι of - fend the weak. And by Your Spir - it's might То live in peace with all. 5 Let me depart this life 6 And on that final day Confiding in my Savior; When all the dead are waking. By grace receive my soul Stretch out Your mighty hand, That it may live forever; My deathly slumber breaking. And let my body have Then let me hear Your voice, A quiet resting place Redeem this earthly frame, Within a Christian grave; And bid me to rejoice And let it sleep in peace. With those who love Your name. Text and tune: Public domain (Please stand) Thank the Lord



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Post-Communion Collect

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.

C Amen.

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Benediction

- P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
- C Amen.

Hymn to Depart

917 Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise



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