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#### Communion Statement

#### We will be celebrating Holy Communion at this service

We consider this to be a family meal partaken in and with the Real Presence of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The term "Communion" describes the relationship between the participants, certainly between each person and our Savior whose meal it is, but also with all who come together to consume Christ's body and blood in and with the bread and wine. To properly celebrate Communion all participants should be in communion, sharing the same confession of faith as is taught by the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS). We welcome all those who regularly confess this faith as members or regular attenders of Lamb of God. Those who belong to another LCMS congregation and wish to join with us as fellow family members are asked to speak to an Elder prior to the beginning of service. Those who are visiting but not members of an LCMS congregation may approach the communion rail and receive a blessing with their arms folded in front of their chest, or remain seated.

This has been the practice of the Church from the beginning, which according to earliest records would dismiss all those not baptized and confirmed before the Lord's Supper was celebrated. We are celebrating this Sacrament in keeping with this tradition. If you are from outside the LCMS confession, please know that we are not judging you or your faith. We are not implying that you are not a Christian or worthy of the gifts Christ won for you on the cross. We are simply acknowledging that since you do not have the same confession as we do you are not "in communion" with us. If you still desire to participate in Holy Communion in the future at Lamb of God please speak with Pastor Mark after the service.

Thank you for honoring our celebration of Holy Communion.

\*\* Note: For those concerned about consuming alcohol-the individual cups in the center of each tray contain diluted wine. (1 drop of wine in water)

2 Also Gluten Free wafers available.

# Lamb of God Lutheran Church

Who witness, have fellowship & show compassion.

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10:00 AM

Divine Service, Setting Three

Fourth Sunday of Easter May 12, 2019

Fellowship Register

Please sign the register that you will find in the book holder and pass it on to the others sitting in your pew. Guests are invited to sign the register and please include your address. Thank you.

Pre-Service Music

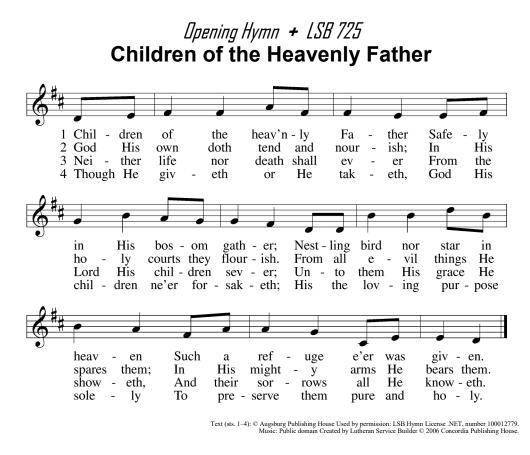
Welcome & Announcements



The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

(The Peace of the Lord is given and received)

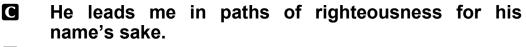


Confession & Absolution + LSB 184

- P In the name of the Father and of the 
   ↑ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C O most merciful God, who has given Your onlybegotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.
- P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.
- C Amen.

- **P** The LORD is my shepherd;
- I shall not want.
- **P** He makes me lie down in green pastures.
- **C** He leads me beside still waters.
- **P** He restores my soul.



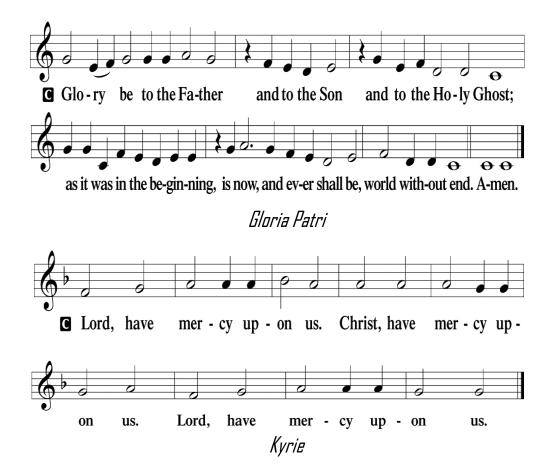
Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me;

**G** your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

**P** You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

- **G** you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
- Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

**C** and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

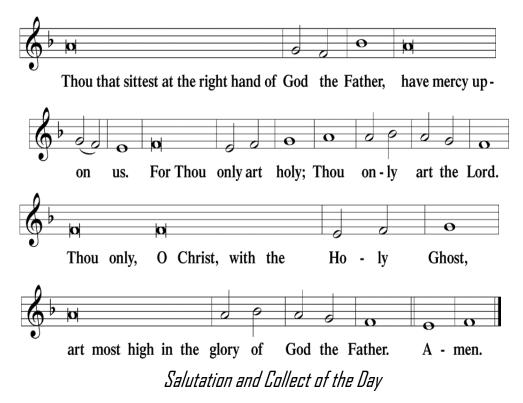


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Gloria in Excelsis + LSB 187



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**P** The Lord be with you.

#### **G** And with thy spirit.

▶ Let us pray. Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C Amen.

#### Please be seated.



#### First Reading + Acts 20:17–35

<sup>17</sup>Now from Miletus [Paul] sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. <sup>18</sup>And when they came to him, he said to them:

"You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, <sup>19</sup>serving the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; <sup>20</sup>how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, <sup>21</sup>testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>22</sup>And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, <sup>23</sup>except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. <sup>24</sup>But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. <sup>25</sup>And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. <sup>26</sup>Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all of you, <sup>27</sup> for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. <sup>28</sup>Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. <sup>29</sup>I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; <sup>30</sup> and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. <sup>31</sup>Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. <sup>32</sup>And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. <sup>33</sup>I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. <sup>34</sup>You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. <sup>35</sup>In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

#### C Thanks be to God.

#### Epistle + Revelation 7:9–17

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, <sup>10</sup>and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" <sup>11</sup>And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" <sup>14</sup>I said to

him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

<sup>15</sup> "Therefore they are before the throne of God,

and serve him day and night in his temple;

and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

<sup>16</sup> They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;

the sun shall not strike them,

nor any scorching heat.

<sup>17</sup> For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,

and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

#### **C** Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as able. Holy Gospel + John 10:22-30

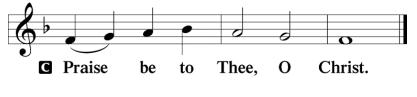
**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the  $10^{\text{th}}$  chapter.

<sup>22</sup>At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup>and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of



the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly." <sup>25</sup>Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me, <sup>26</sup>but you do not believe because you are not part of my flock. <sup>27</sup>My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup>I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup>My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. <sup>30</sup>I and the Father are one."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Apostle's Creed

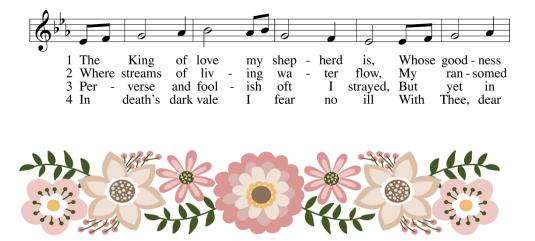
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

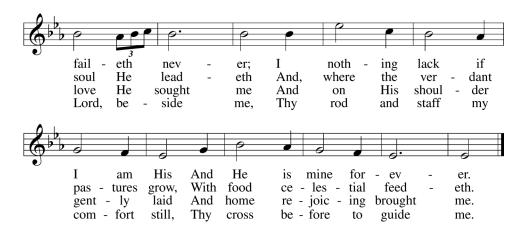
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the 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.

Please be seated.

#### *Hymn of the Day + LSB 709* **The King of Love My Shepherd Is**





- 5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth; And, oh, what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever!

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Sermon + John 10:27-30 "Knowing the Shepherd's Voice.

We Receive Our Tithes & Offerings

*Offering Verse* You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

#### Please stand, as able. The Offertory Hymn + LSB 192 The Prayers of the Church

**P** Lord, in Your mercy,

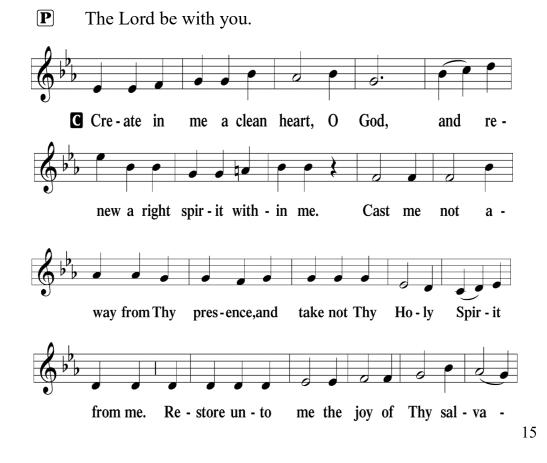
Amen.

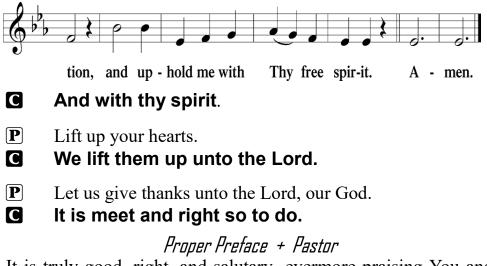
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**C** hear our prayer.

P All these things, dear Father, we ask in the name of Jesus, our Good Shepherd, through whom we have confidence and the boldness to pray.







It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and saying:



- Taught by our Lord and trusting in His promises we are bold to pray.
- 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

Words of Institution



#### Agnus Dei + LSB 198

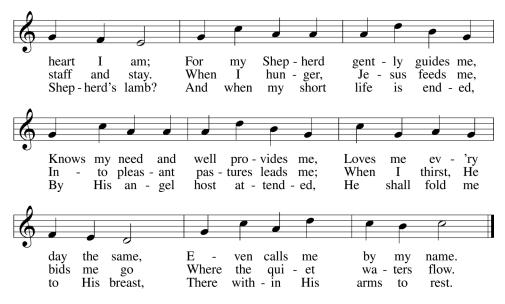
+ Distribution of the Blessed Sacrament +

Note: Diluted wine in center cups for those concerned about alcohol. Gluten Free wafers available on Altar-let the Elder serving communion know.

Distribution Hymn + LSB 740

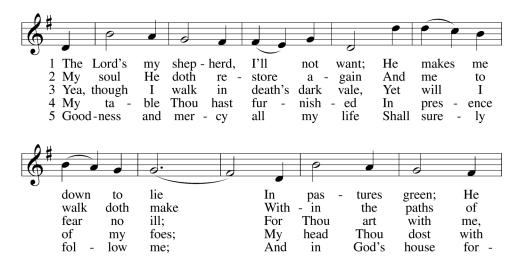
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#### Distribution Hymn + LSB 7/D The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want





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Distribution Hymn + LSB 625 Sung to the tune of LSB 622

#### Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread



- Lord Jesus Christ, life-giving bread, May I in grace possess You.
   Let me with holy food be fed, In hunger I address You.
   Prepare me well for You, O Lord, And, humbly by my prayer implored, Give me Your grace and mercy.
- 2 To pastures green, Lord, safely guide, To restful waters lead me; Your table well for me provide, Your wounded hand now feed me. Though weary, sinful, sick, and weak, Refuge in You alone I seek, To share Your cup of healing.
- O bread of heav'n, my soul's delight, For full and free remission
   I come with prayer before Your sight In sorrow and contrition.
   Your righteousness, Lord, cover me That I receive You worthily, Assured of Your full pardon.

Hymn continues on next page.

I do not merit favor, Lord, My weight of sin would break me; In all my guilty heart's discord, O Lord, do not forsake me.
In my distress this comforts me That You receive me graciously, O Christ, my Lord of mercy!

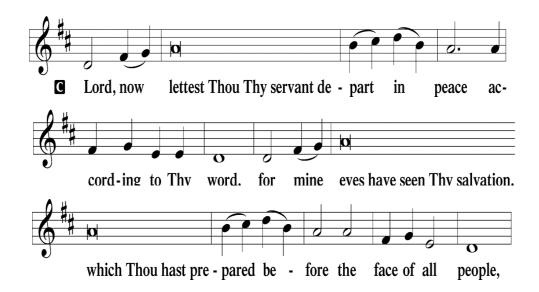
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Table Blessing

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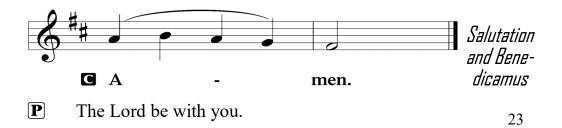
Post Communion Canticle + LSB 199

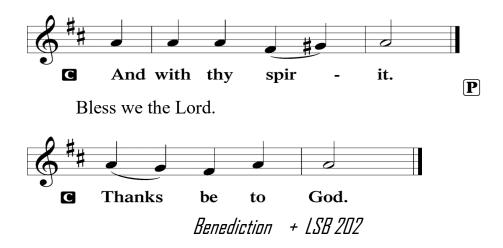


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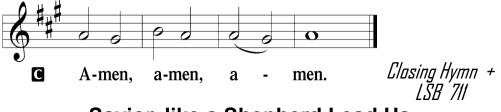


Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in lovingkindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



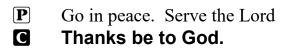


The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.



Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us







# GOT STUFF? Can we have it?



#### Donate your gently used stuff to our

# **Yard Sale**

Help us support our community: Franklin Mission / Carriage Town / and our Block Party

**Drop Off:** 

May 12: 12 PM-5PM May 13: 9AM – 8PM

## Come and Shop:

May 16<sup>th</sup> 8 AM - 4PM

### Lamb of God Lutheran Church

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# Lamb Of God Lutheran Church

May 12, 2019 Mother's Day



### Leap of Faith

For every house is built by someone, but God is the builder of everything.



