

Hymn "The Day of Resurrection" #478

The Nunc Dimittis p.199
Thanksgiving, Salutation
Benedicamus, Benediction
[We are seated for announcements]

Final Hymn "Have No Fear, Little Flock" #735

Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is risen! **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

Our Lord Jesus is the Good Shepherd. (John 10:11-16) He is not like the hireling, who cares nothing for the sheep and only for himself, who flees when he sees the wolf coming. Rather, Jesus is the Good Shepherd who seeks out His scattered sheep to deliver them. (Ezek 34:11-16). He gathers them and feeds them in rich pasture. He binds up the broken and strengthens the sick. He lays down His life for wandering and wayward sheep. On the cross Christ bore in His body the attacks of the predators of sin and death and the devil for you that you might be saved. He now lives to restore your souls in the still waters of baptism, to lead you in the paths of righteousness by the voice of His Gospel, to prepare the table of His holy supper before you, that you may dwell in the house of the Lord forever. (Psalm 23) For you were like sheep going astray, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls. (1 Peter 2:21-25)

Lessons for Next Sunday:

The 3rd Sunday after Easter

Old Testament of the Day: Isaiah 40.25-31
Psalm of the Week: Psalm 66
Epistle of the Day: 1 Peter 2.11-20
Holy Gospel of the Day: John 16.16-22

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A Guide to The Divine Service

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*Misericordias Domini:
The Tender Mercies of the Lord
The 2nd Sunday after Easter
The Good Shepherd Sunday*

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*The Conservative Reformation and Its Theology, p. 159
Rev. Dr. Charles P. Krauth, 1871*

NOTE ON PARTICIPATING IN THE LORD'S SUPPER

As intended by Christ and as practiced by the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church throughout history, "closed communion" is observed here, in which the Lord's Supper is distributed only to those who:

- (a) are baptized in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit;
- (b) have been instructed in the truth of Holy Scriptures as taught in the Lutheran Confessions, have been confirmed in this Lutheran faith and practice, and now embrace this same Lutheran faith in the same way that it is believed, taught, confessed, and practiced in this congregation;
- (c) believe that in this Sacrament the real body and blood of Christ are truly distributed to them and orally received by them, bestowing on them the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation;
- (d) repent of all their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this holy meal.

Guests at our services who are able to affirm these facts should speak to our pastor or the elder on duty before receiving the Sacrament. To other guests with us today, we express to you our sincere interest, friendship, and concern, and we assure you that it is for the spiritual welfare of all that we practice "closed communion," even as we continue to work toward the day in which all divisions over doctrine and practice within Christ's Church will be resolved. Those desiring to learn more about our beliefs are asked to speak with one of our pastors.

[We rise and face the Processional Cross]

Confession of Sins and Holy Absolution p.185

Entr. Hymn "Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia" #466



The Service of the Word begins with the Introit

Antiphon of the Day: The earth is full of the tender mercies of the Lord; / Alle- / luia! * He loveth righteousness and judgment; Alleluia! / Alle- / lu_ - / ia! || By the word of the Lord were the heavens made / Alle- / luia! * And all the host of them by the breath of His mouth. Alleluia! / Alle- / lu_ - / ia!

(Ps. 33. 5b, 5a, 6; KJV)

The counsel of the Lord / standeth for / ever: * the thoughts of His heart / to all / gene- / rations. || Blessed is the nation whose / God is the / Lord: * and the people whom He hath chosen / for His / own in- / heritance.

Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon / them that / fear Him. * upon / them that / hope in His / mercy! || To deliver their / soul from / death * and to keep / them a- / live in / famine.

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- The Gloria Patri, The Kyrie p. 186**
- The Gloria in Excelsis p. 187**
- Salutation, Collect of the Day p. 189**

The Collect for the 2nd Sunday after Easter: Merciful Father, who by the humiliation of Thy Son didst raise up the fallen world, grant to Thy faithful people perpetual gladness, and make those whom Thou hast delivered from the danger of everlasting death to be partakers of eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **Amen!**

The Collect for The Season of Easter: Almighty God, who through Thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ, hast overcome death and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life, we humbly beseech Thee that, as Thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by Thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect: through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **Amen!**

[We are seated]

Old Testament of the Day Ezekiel 34:11-16

[I will seek out My Sheep]

Responsorial Hymn: Psalm 23
"The King of Love My Shepherd Is" #709

Epistle of the Day 1 Peter 2:21-25

[You were straying like sheep!]

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

[We rise]

The Holy Gospel of the Day
The Gradual and Alleluia

Rejoice in the Lord! / Alle- / luia! * O ye righteous: Alleluia! / Alle- / lu_ / ia! ||

For praise is comely for the upright: Alle- / luia! * Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, according as we hope in Thee: Alleluia! / Alle- / lu_ / ia!

Announcement of the Holy Gospel

Holy Gospel of the Day John 10:11-16

[I Am the Good Shepherd!]

Responses to the Holy Gospel **p. 190**

The Nicene Creed p. 191

[We are seated]

Chief Hymn **"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" #711**

Sermon

[We rise]

Offertory **"This Is The Feast" p.155**

[We are seated]

The offering is received

God richly bless you for your support of His work among us!

[We rise]

The Prayers of the Church
The Te Deum Laudamus [See Handout]
The Kyrie, The Our Father, The Collects
"God Bless Our Native Land"