

#### 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 by this congregation, 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 and are a faithful member of a congregation of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod or a synod that has altar fellowship with the LC-MS, and continues to embrace this same Lutheran faith in the same way that it is believed, taught, confessed, and practiced at this congregation;
- (c) believe that in this Sacrament Christ Jesus is truly present (The Real Presence) in, with, and under the bread and wine which is the Real Body and Blood of Christ that is distributed to and orally received by you, bestowing on you the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation;
- (d) that you have truly examined yourself and have repented of all your sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this Holy Meal.

If you are a guest at Shepherd of the Springs Lutheran Church, we kindly ask that you first speak with our pastor before receiving this Blessed Sacrament. It is in accord with Holy Scripture that we practice Closed Communion and, therefore, it is an expression of our sincere friendship and concern for your spiritual welfare. If you desire to learn more about our beliefs we ask you to speak with our pastor.

#### Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

##### *Jesus Is Our Good Samaritan*

The Law cannot help us or give us life. Rather, it confines everyone under sin as wounded and naked before God (Gal. 3:15–22). So it is that two figures of the Law, the priest and the Levite, passed by the injured man on the side of the road (St. Luke 10:23–37). Only the promised Seed of Abraham can rescue us and make us righteous before God. Only the Good Samaritan, our Lord Jesus, had compassion. He came down to us in our lost and dying condition, pouring on the oil and wine of the Sacraments. He placed us on His own animal, bearing our sin and brokenness in His body on the cross to restore us. Jesus brought us to the inn, that is, the Church, and gave the innkeeper two denarii, that His double forgiveness might continue to be ministered to us. In this way the Lord, by whose Law we are torn and stricken, heals us and revives us by His Gospel and raises us up with Himself.

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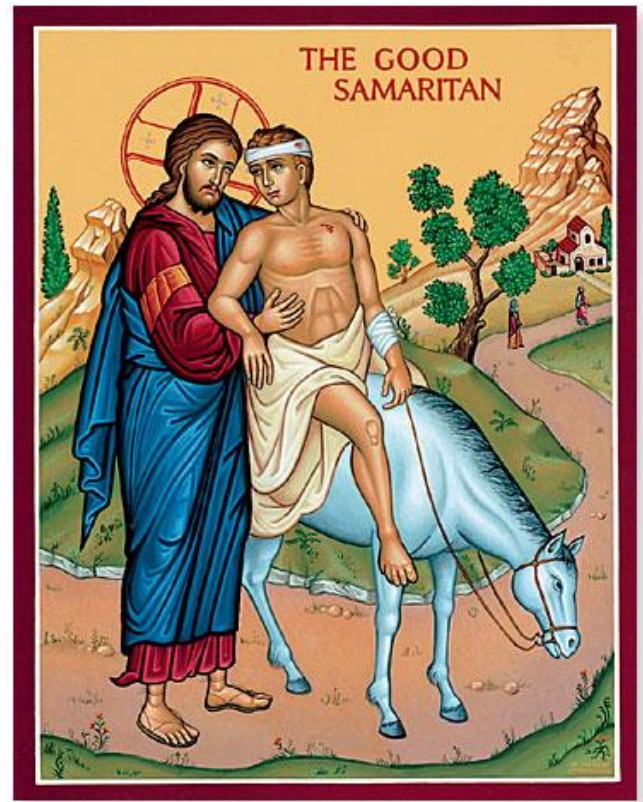
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# A Guide to the Divine Service

9:00 a.m.

August 30, 2026



*Respice, Domine, in testamentum tuum*  
“Have respect, O Lord, unto Thy covenant”

#### **Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity The Good Samaritan Sunday**

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[We rise and face the Processional Cross]

Processional Hymn

**“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” #700**

**Confession of Sins and Holy Absolution p. 184**

### **Service of the Word**

#### **Introit**

Have regard for the covenant, O Lord;

**let not the downtrodden turn back in shame.**

Arise, O God, defend Your cause;

**do not forget the clamor of Your foes.**

O God, why do You cast us off forever?

**Why does Your anger smoke against the sheep of  
Your pasture?**

Remember Your congregation,

**which You have purchased of old,**

which You have redeemed to be the tribe of Your heritage!

**Remember Mount Zion, where You have dwelt.**

Do not forget the life of Your poor forever.

**Let the poor and needy praise Your name.**

(Ps. 74:1-2, 19b, 21b; antiphon: Ps. 74:20a, 21a, 22a, 23a)

***Gloria Patri, Kyrie* p. 186**

***Gloria in Excelsis* p. 187**

**Salutation p. 189**

**Collect for the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity** – Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and charity; and that we may obtain what You have promised, make us love what You have commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. **A - - - men!**

[We are seated]

Prophecy of the Day **Leviticus 19:9-18**

*[Moral and Ceremonial Laws]*

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

#### **Gradual**

You are the God who works wonders;

**You have made known Your might among the  
peoples.**

You with Your arm redeemed Your people,

**the children of Jacob and Joseph.**

(Ps. 77:14-15)

Epistle of the Day **Galatians 3:16-22**

*[The Law and The Promise]*

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

[We rise] **Triple Alleluia p. 190**

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

Holy Gospel of the Day

**St. Luke 10:23-37**

*[The Good Samaritan]*

Responses to the Holy Gospel

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**Athanasian Creed**

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[We are seated]

Hymn of the Day

**“O God of Mercy, God of Might”**

**#852**

Sermon

[We rise]

**Offertory**

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[We are seated]

**The offering is received**

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

[We rise]

**Prayer of the Church**

### **Service of the Sacrament**

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*[Please review our Communion Policy on the back of this Guide]*

[We are seated for the Distribution of the Body and Blood of Christ]

Hymn

**“Lord Jesus, Think on Me”**

**#610**

[We rise]

**Doxology**

**#805**

**Dismissal, *Nunc Dimittis*, Thanksgiving, p. 199**

**Salutation, *Benedicamus*, Benediction**

[We are seated for announcements]

[We rise for the Recessional Hymn]

**“Abide, O Dearest Jesus”**

**#919**

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### **Readings for Next Sunday:**

#### **The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity**

Prophecy of the Day:

Proverbs 4:10-23

Epistle of the Day:

Galatians 5:16-24

Holy Gospel of the Day:

St. Luke 17:11-19