

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.

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity ***The Cry of Faith: Lord, Have Mercy***

The ten lepers cried out from a distance, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" (St. Luke 17:11–19). Their condition cut them off from God and others. So also do the works of the flesh cut us off from God and others. "Those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God" (Gal. 5:16–24). Thus we cry out with the lepers, "Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy," eagerly seeking His good gifts. Jesus said to the lepers, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed. So too, we walk by faith and not by sight, being confident of Jesus' help before we see any evidence of it, trusting that Jesus' cleansing words of forgiveness will restore us to wholeness in the resurrection. Let us be as the one leper who returned to the true High Priest to give Him thanks and glory, since Jesus bore our infirmities in His sacrifice at Calvary. His words are life to those who find them, and health to all their flesh (Prov. 4:10–23).

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A Guide to the Divine Service

9:00 a.m.

September 6, 2026



Surge vade quia fides tua te salvum fecit
"Arise, go thy way;
for thy faith hath made thee whole"

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity **The Ten Lepers Sunday**

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[We rise and face the Processional Cross]

Processional Hymn

“Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good” #819

Confession of Sins and Holy Absolution p. 184

Service of the Word

Introit

Behold our shield, O God;

look on the face of Your anointed!

For a day in Your courts

is better than a thousand elsewhere.

How lovely is Your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!

My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD.

Blessèd are those who dwell in Your house,

ever singing Your praise!

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God

than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

The LORD bestows favor and honor.

No good thing does He withhold from those who walk up rightly.

(Ps. 84:1-2a, 4, 10b, 11b; antiphon: Ps. 84:9-10a)

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

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

Salutation p. 189

Collect for the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity – O Lord,
keep Your Church with Your perpetual mercy; and because of
our frailty we cannot but fall, keep us ever by Your help from
all things hurtful and lead us to all things profitable to our
salvation; 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 **Proverbs 4:10-23**

[Watch Over Your Heart]

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

Gradual

It is good to give thanks to the LORD,

to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;

to declare Your steadfast love in the morning,

and Your faithfulness by night.

(Ps. 92:1-2)

Epistle of the Day **Galatians 5:16-24**

[Walking in the Spirit]

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 17:11-19**

[The Ten Lepers]

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

Nicene Creed p. 191

[We are seated]

Hymn of the Day

“From God Can Nothing Move Me” #713

[rise st. 7]

Sermon

[We rise] **Offertory p. 192**

[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 p. 194

[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 **“Jesus Comes Today with Healing” #620**

[We rise] **Doxology #805**

Dismissal, *Nunc Dimittis*, Thanksgiving, p. 199
Salutation, *Benedicamus*, Benediction

[We are seated for announcements]

[We rise for the Recessional Hymn]

“Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices” #811

Readings for Next Sunday:

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Prophecy of the Day: 1 Kings 17:8-16

Epistle of the Day: Galatians 5:25-6:10

Holy Gospel of the Day: St. Matthew 6:24-34