



## *Good Shepherd Lutheran Church*

*A Member of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod*

**Worship Schedule: Sunday 9:00am**

**Education Hour: Sunday @ 10:30am**

**Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday from 8am-12:00pm  
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We, the members of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, believing the Bible to be God's inspired and inerrant Word, acknowledging that Jesus Christ is Lord, and affirming that we are saved by Grace through faith in Him alone, offer the following as our statement of mission:

Empowered by the Holy Spirit and loving our neighbors as ourselves, we, as ambassadors for Christ, must strive to make disciples of all nations; Using the gifts the Lord has given to each of us, we must help the saints to grow in unity of faith through regular worship attendance, the partaking of the Sacraments, the study of God's Word, and by ministering to the spiritual needs of others; we will persevere in prayer and thanksgiving for all the opportunities and blessings which God places before us.

**Fourth Sunday in Advent (Rorate Coeli)  
December 18, 2022**

Opening Song: "How Deep the Father's Love For Us" GSLC 45

**Opening Versicles** (Advent)

**L** This is the day which the Lord has made;

**C** **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

**L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

**L** Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.

**C** **Our God shall come; He does not keep silence.**

**L** Prepare the way of the Lord.

**C** **Make His paths straight.**

**L** Shower, O heavens, from above, and let the skies rain down righteousness.

**C** **Let the earth open, that salvation may sprout forth.**

**L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

**C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**Old Testament Canticle**

**LSB 261**

**C**

*Refrain*



**C** The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



He has be - come my sal - va - tion.



With joy will you draw wa - ter from the



wells of sal - va - tion. And you will say in that



day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call up - on His name,

make known His deeds a-mong the peo-ples, pro -



claim that His name is ex - alt - ed."

*Refrain*

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



He has be - come my sal - va - tion."

Sing prais - es to the Lord, for He has done

glo - rious-ly; let this be made known in all the

earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O in -

hab - i - tants of Zi - on, for great in your midst is the



Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el."

*Refrain*

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



He has be - come my sal - va - tion."

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son  
 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;  
 as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will  
 be for - ev - er. A - men.

*Refrain*  
 The Lord God is my strength and my song, and  
 He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

## Children's Message

### Readings from Holy Scripture

Old Testament Reading: **Deuteronomy 18:15-19**

### Psalm 111 (antiphon vs. 9)

<sup>9</sup>He sent redemption to his people;  
 he has commanded his covenant forever.  
 Holy and awesome is his name!

<sup>1</sup>Praise the Lord!  
 I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,  
 in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

<sup>2</sup>**Great are the works of the Lord,  
 studied by all who delight in them.**

<sup>3</sup>Full of splendor and majesty is his work,  
 and his righteousness endures forever.

<sup>4</sup>**He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;  
 the Lord is gracious and merciful.**

<sup>5</sup>He provides food for those who fear him;

he remembers his covenant forever.

**<sup>6</sup>He has shown his people the power of his works,  
in giving them the inheritance of the nations.**

<sup>7</sup>The works of his hands are faithful and just;  
all his precepts are trustworthy;

**<sup>8</sup>they are established forever and ever,**  
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

<sup>9</sup>He sent redemption to his people;  
he has commanded his covenant forever.  
Holy and awesome is his name!

**<sup>10</sup>The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;  
all those who practice it have a good understanding.**  
His praise endures forever!

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
and to the Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

<sup>9</sup>He sent redemption to his people;  
he has commanded his covenant forever.  
Holy and awesome is his name!

Epistle: **Philippians 4:4-7**

Holy Gospel: **John 1:19-28**

### **Responsory** (Advent)

**L** Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch.

**C This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.**

**L** He shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

**C This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.**

**L** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

**C This is the name by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righteousness.**

### **Ten Commandments**

**C You shall have no other gods.**

**You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.**

**Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.**

**Honor your father and your mother.**

**You shall not murder.**

**You shall not commit adultery.**

**You shall not steal.**

**You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.**

**You shall not covet your neighbor's house.**

**You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant,  
his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.**

## **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.**

## **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.**

## ***The Sacrament of the Altar***

### **As The Head Of The Family Should Teach It In A Simple Way To His Household**

#### **Who receives this sacrament worthily?**

*Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words. "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words has exactly what they say: "forgiveness of sins."*

## **Sermon**

**Sermon Hymn: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"      LSB 357**

## Offering

### Prayer

LSB 265

**L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For . . . *[additional bids for prayer may be inserted here]* . . . let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

### Collect of the Day

**L** Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come and help us by Your might, that the sins which weigh us down may be quickly lifted by Your grace and mercy; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

### Collect for the Word

**L** Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## Morning Prayer

**C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

## New Testament Canticale

LSB 266



**C** Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -



lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.



Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.



Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.



Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -



lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He



lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to  
 sin and a - live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.  
*Refrain*  
 Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -  
 lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

### Blessing

- L** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**
- L** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
- C** **Amen.**

Closing Song: **“Praise the Father Praise the Son”** **GSLC 47**

### Acknowledgment

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So when one looked at the icon, one could adore and ponder the holy Christ Himself who, as it were, stood behind the icon. A good way to think of the pastor, especially when he is celebrating the lord’s Supper, is to think of him as an icon: in this case, a living icon. Behind him stands Christ, or rather, in him. He serves as Christ, saying, “This is my body”, etc. Thus it is very helpful for the pastor, when he is attentive to this most important matter of celebrating the Sacrament, to be wearing the chasuble, in order visually to remind the people and himself that here especially he is standing in for Christ, serving as Christ to the people.

*Layman’s Guide to the Liturgy. The Lutheran Mass, General. - Why does the pastor only wear that pretty robe some of the time. Paragraph 1b, Pg 25.*

**Those serving the Lord today and  
next week December 18th – 25th**

**12/18**

**Music:** Praise Band

**Acolyte:** Jaxen Stauffer

**Elder:** Cory Brockman

**Ushers:** Travis Peterson & Kerry Kerr

**Counters:** David Sturrock

**Servers:** Augie, Tarin, Jed

**12/21<sup>st</sup> - Midweek Service**

**Music:** Beth Steuck

**Acolyte:** Alex Sturrock

**Ushers:** Grant Lingl & Kerry Kerr

**Meal Servers:** LWML

**12/24 – Christmas Eve**

**Music:** Beth Steuck

**Elder:** Grant Lingl

**Ushers:** John Mark Stefanic & Kerry Kerr

**12/25-The Nativity of our Lord**

**Music:** Beth Steuck

**Acolyte:** John Mark Stefanic

**Elder:** Scott Peterson

**Ushers:** Travis Peterson & Kerry Kerr

**Counters:** Stephen Davis

**Servers:** N/A

**Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

Attendance: 106

Communicants: 68

**This Week at Good Shepherd  
December 18<sup>th</sup> – 25th**

**Sunday – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent**

9am – Service of Prayer & Preaching –  
PRAISE BAND

10:30am – Education Hour

4pm – Children’s Christmas Program

**Tuesday**

7pm – AA Meeting

**Wednesday**

7am – Men’s Bible Study @ McDonald’s

5:30pm - Confirmation

5:30pm – Chimes Practice

**5:45pm - Advent Meal**

**7:00 – Evening Prayer**

**Thursday**

Church Office Closed

**Saturday - Christmas Eve**

6pm – Lessons and Carols

**Sunday – Christmas Day**

9am – Divine Service III

In addition, we might ask God to cause the grain and fruits of the field to grow and thrive abundantly. Then we might ask God to help us manage our household well by giving and preserving for us an upright spouse, children, and servants, causing our work, craft, or occupation, whatever it may be, to prosper and succeed, and granting us faithful neighbors, and good friends, etc. In addition, we may ask God both to endow with wisdom, strength, and prosperity the magistrates, and officials, so that they might govern well and be victorious over the Turks and all our enemies, and to grant their subjects and general populace to live together in obedience, peace, and concord.

*The Book of Concord – The Lord’s Prayer, 77*

## The Congregation at Prayer

### How to use this bulletin for daily prayer all week long.

*Reading God's Word and offering up our prayers to God should be part of our daily routine. Below is an outline for a simple daily devotion.*

*Also included is a portion of the Small Catechism for the week and the prayers of our parish.*

Invocation: **In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Introit: **Bulletin Insert**

Learn by Heart Bible: **Proverbs 11:22; 2 Peter 2:21**

Catechism: **The Lord's Prayer: The Second Petition**

Daily Readings:

Sunday: **Is. 34:1-2, 8-35:10; Micah 1:1-7:20; Rev. 9. 6:1-17**

Monday: **Is. 40:1-17; Rev. 7:1-17**

Tuesday: **Is. 40:18-41:10; Rev. 8:1-13**

Wednesday: **Is. 42:1-25; Rev. 9:1-12**

Thursday: **Is. 43:1-24; Rev. 9:13-10:11**

Friday: **Is. 43:25-44:20; Rev. 11:1-19**

Saturday: **Is. 44:21-45:13, 20-25; Dan. 10:1-12:13; Is. 48:1-22; Rev. 12:1-17**

Readings for next Sunday: **Isaiah 52:7-10; Hebrew 1:1-12; John 1:1-18**

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

- **Birthdays:** Ellianna Brockberg 12/18; Clark Davis 12/24
- **Sickness/Illness/Recovery:** Dennis Chihansky, friend of Kathy Dahl; Austin Williams, grandson of Steve & Carrie Davis; Laura Kero, aunt of Gwen Sturrock; Corey Bimberg, nephew of Gwen Sturrock; Pastor Stefanic; Harper Thiesen, granddaughter of Gay Brockberg; Helen Berner; Kendra Brockman; Jayden Manthei; Lena Peterson, mother of Travis Peterson; David Gannot, friend of Denny Brockberg; Rev. Carl Berner; Anita Johnson, sister of Kathy Brockberg; Marge Meffert, sister-in-law of Mary Meffert; Carol Nienkirk; Joanne Christoffer; Diane, Aunt of Lisa Haen; Jon Gullickson; Lorraine Gullickson; David Sturrock; Floyd Brecheisen, brother of Gay Brockberg; Shirlene Schwab; Ruth Timm; Jon Gerken; Jean Peirce; Esther Schrunk; Karen Geske; Hester, sister of David Sturrock; Tobias Haugen, grandson of Mavis Ochsendorf; Larry Pratt; Joshua Grau, godson of Mary Meffert; Bonnie, mother of Lisa Haen
- **With child:** Ashley Peterson; Sarah Stefanic; Tyler Nelson

HYMN OF THE MONTH **LSB #357 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"**

COLLECT (**Bulletin Insert**)

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LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING: **The almighty and most merciful God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us. Amen.**

## Announcements

**\*\*The Christmas Program will be today December 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm.\*\*  
Children in the program, should be here by 3:30 pm.**

**Spiritual Discipline for December:** Read one chapter from the Gospel of Luke every day.

**Join us for Bible Study as we consider the book of Acts.**

**4th Midweek Advent services are Wednesday, December 14th at 7pm.** Come and see Jesus with us!

**Thank you to everyone who contributed to Ukraine victims in the past weeks.** Almost \$500 was given. And thanks for attending the pulled pork meal. LCMS will be distributing the money to dispersed people for spiritual, food, clothing or fuel needs.

**\*Ushers Needed for December for the Christmas Season!!\*** - Please contact Kerry Kerr. Couples, families, youths, confirmation students and older are welcome to usher.

**\*Greeters Needed for Christmas Season - \*** - We are looking for families, couples, teenagers, kids and parents, grandmas and grandpas – We need YOU! If this is something you would like to do...please contact Linda Erickson or Gerri in the office. They will get you signed up.

**New bookmarks can be found on the resource table** that include dates of both testaments, reminders of how to distinguish between law and gospel, and more.

**EDUCATION & EDIFICATION...Issues, Etc.** is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's interview topics include: The Movie "Avatar," Marriage Enrichment, Looking Forward to Christmas Sunday, Jesus Heals Jairus's Daughter and more. You can listen on-demand at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

*If you missed being here last Sunday and would like a bulletin, they are available in the foyer on the free materials table.*