

Take a moment to notice the * at the beginning of various portions of the order of service. The * indicates the place where it is inappropriate to enter or leave the sanctuary because it marks a time of prayer or respect for the Word of the Lord. Please be considerate of others around you by honoring these notations.



In the Sacrament of Holy Communion, the Risen Christ gives us His body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins, the strengthening of our faith, and the renewal of our joy in Him. In joyful obedience to His Word, it is our practice to ascertain doctrinal unity for those partaking of the Sacrament. We therefore ask guests desiring to commune to kindly speak with the pastor or an elder before the service.

MISERICORDIAS DOMINI
(TENDER MERCIES OF THE LORD)
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Good Shepherd Cares for His Sheep

April 23, 2023

AS WE GATHER: 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 soul 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 straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls” (1Peter 2:25).

*COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Pastor: O God,
People: through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP
Divine Service I

Announcements

Opening Hymn: LSB 710
“The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want”

*Confession/Absolution: LSB 151

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Kyrie: LSB 152ff

*This Is the Feast: LSB 155

*Salutation: LSB 156

*Collect of the Day: (Printed)

Catechism Review

Old Testament: Ezekiel 34:11-16
Pew Bible Page 1341

Epistle: 1 Peter 2:21-25
Pew Bible Page 1889

*Alleluia and Verse: LSB 156

*Holy Gospel: John 10:11-16
Pew Bible Page 1666

*Nicene Creed: LSB 158

Hymn of the Day: LSB 666
“O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe”

Sermon

Offertory Chancel Choir
“The King of Love My Savior Is”

*Prayer of the Church

*Lords Prayer LSB 162

*Benediction LSB 166
This concludes the service for online viewing

*SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT
LSB 160ff

Distribution Hymns:
“Lord Jesus Christ,...” LSB 625
“I Am Jesus’ Little Lamb” LSB 740

*Thank the Lord: LSB 164

*Post-Communion Collect: LSB 166

*Benediction: LSB 166

Closing Hymn: LSB 474
“Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen”

Please help us keep our prayer requests current by calling the office (235.6705) with updates – especially with our long term requests and military personnel.

As Prayer Warriors with Love, Inc.: For women- a woman please pray her family to experience God's love. Please also pray for financial stability and be able to get her family into a larger living situation rather than a motel. a woman please pray for her upcoming Mayo appointment; that help can be found for the cramping she has in her hands. a woman please pray that her sons and daughters will have a new blessed life here in Waterloo after leaving abuse in MI. a woman currently living in a vehicle please pray for change in her life. Please pray that her upcoming surgery on the 18th is successful. a woman please pray for her husband, kids, and grandkids, none of which live nearby. a woman new to the area, please pray for her and her kids to settle here. Please pray over the lives of her 3 kids. a woman please pray for her safety in the apartment she is currently living in. a woman please pray over her current circumstances, and over the mental health of her and her family. a woman please pray that her foot would heal completely. Also, please pray for her as she continues to grieve over the death of her baby boy earlier this year. a woman please pray that they can get thru this after losing everything in a house fire recently. a woman please pray over her life, and her current circumstances. Please pray that she will take steps in a positive direction. a woman please pray that her and her husband will raise their children well. a woman please pray that she will not let the grief of her miscarriage last year keep her from having a job, or joy. a woman please pray that she persists, and earns her Associates Degree. She is only 6 credits away. a woman please pray for her physical health--headaches. Please also pray for her family, and for her finances to improve now that she is starting a new job. For men- For a man please pray for a life change for the positive, also please pray over the falling out with his family. a man please pray for safety for his family. a man please pray for his safety. a man please pray over his health issues. a man please pray for his sister's health issues. a man please pray for his sobriety - to emotionally * spiritually grow & make amends as needed. Please also pray for his sister - flown to Iowa City with chest pain. a man please pray over his health, and his finances. Also, please pray for a better relationship with his ex wife and son. a man please pray over his life in general. a man please pray for a new job, as he lost his a month ago. Please pray that he will use discernment as he has limited finances right now.

Begin now graduation was Tuesday! Please pray also that God will continued to be revealed in all that happens during the evening event; that his name will be glorified.



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