

Bethlehem Lutheran Church



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The Order of Service

Divine Service Setting Three without Holy Communion (LSB 184)

*(Please stand if you are able for portions of the liturgy marked with an *)*

Opening Hymn: Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia **LSB 463**

Confession and Absolution* **LSB 184**

Introit *(Ps. 33:1, 18-20; antiphon: Ps. 33:5b, 6a)*

The earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. Alleluia.

By the word of the LORD the heavens were made. Alleluia.

Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous!

Praise befits the upright.

Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him,

on those who hope in his steadfast love,

that he may deliver their soul from death

and keep them alive in famine.

Our soul waits for the LORD;

he is our help and our shield.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginnings,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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Kyrie* **LSB 186**

Gloria in Excelsis* **LSB 187**

Collect of the Day*: O God, 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.

Old Testament: Ezekiel 34:11-16

¹¹ “For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. ¹² As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all

places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³ And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. ¹⁴ I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵ I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. ¹⁶ I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

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

Gradual: Alleluia! [The Lord] was known to them in the breaking of the bread. Alleluia. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me. Alleluia.

Epistle: 1 Peter 2:21-25

²¹ For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. ²² He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. ²³ When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴ He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵ For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

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

Sequence Hymn: Christ is Arisen

LSB 459-460

P: Christians, to the Paschal Victim Offer your thankful praises! The Lamb the sheep has ransomed: Christ, who only is sinless, Reconciling sinners to the Father. Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous: The Prince of life, who died, Reigns immortal.

C: LSB 459 Stz 1

P: "Speak, Mary, declaring What you saw when wayfaring." "The tomb of Christ, who is living, The glory of Jesus' resurrection; Bright angels attesting, The shroud and napkin resting. My Lord, my hope, is arisen; To Galilee He goes before you."

C: LSB 459 Stz 2

P: Christ indeed from death is risen, Our new life obtaining. Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning!

C: LSB 459 Stz 3

Holy Gospel: John 10:11-18

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20th chapter. **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

11 I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. 12 He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. 13 He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. 14 I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, 15 just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. 16 And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. 17 For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. 18 No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Apostles' Creed*	LSB 192
Hymn of the Day: The King of Love My Shepherd Is	LSB 709
Sermon	
Offertory*	LSB 192
Prayer of the Church	
Lord's Prayer*	LSB 196
Concluding Collect*	
Benediction*	LSB 202
Hymn: Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven	LSB 477