

The Lord's Supper
Good Shepherd Community Church

*What shall I render to the LORD
for all his benefits to me?
I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD,*

*I will pay my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all his people.* Psalm 116:12-14

Invitation: All of you who love our Lord Jesus Christ and are seeking to live your lives under his Lordship and for his glory in the fellowship of his church, are welcomed to join us at this Holy Table.

Prayer: Leader: Holy and gracious Father, in your infinite love you made us for yourself, and when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

Thank you that Christ offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the sins of all your people in every generation and every place, including us gathered here today. **Amen.**

Words of Institution: On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread. When he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine. When he had given thanks, he gave it to his disciples and said, "Drink this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we join to proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ ascended.
Christ will come again!*

Leader: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we humble ourselves before you.

Sanctify this bread and cup through the Word and by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the body and blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of our new and unending life in him.

Leader: Christ, our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed for us.

People: ***Therefore, let us keep the feast. Hallelujah!***

All: ***In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we receive this bread. We take it and eat it in remembrance that Jesus has died for us. And we feed on him in our hearts by faith, with thanksgiving. Amen.***

All: ***In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we receive this cup. We take it and drink it in remembrance that our Savior's blood was shed for us. And we are thankful. Amen.***

Prayer: Eternal God, our Father in heaven, you have fed us with spiritual food in the Communion of Christ's body and blood. Send us now into the world in peace and grant us strength and courage to love you and to serve our neighbors in our Savior's love. **Amen.**