



CONCORDIA
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Ninth Sunday After Trinity
August 17, 2025
Pastor Samuel Scheltens

DIVINE SERVICE III

HYMN OF INVOCATION: 758 THE WILL OF GOD IS ALWAYS BEST

Stand - The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**
- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the

stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

INTROIT – TONE G

Psalm 54:1–3, 7; antiphon: vv. 4–5

Behold, God is my | helper;*
the Lord is the upholder | of my life.
He will return the evil to my | enemies;*
in your faithfulness put an | end to them.
O God, save me, | by your name,*
and vindicate me | by your might.
O God, | hear my prayer;*
give ear to the words | of my mouth.
For strangers have risen against me; ruthless men | seek my life;*
they do not set God be- | fore themselves.
For he has delivered me from every | trouble,*
and my eye has looked in triumph on my | enemies.
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.
Behold, God is my | helper;*
the Lord is the upholder | of my life.
He will return the evil to my | enemies;*
in your faithfulness put an | end to them.

KYRIE

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C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 187



P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



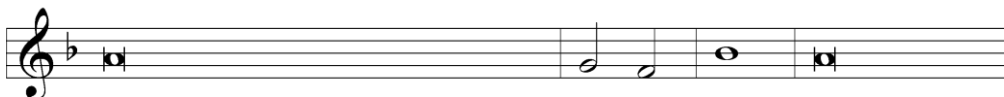
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



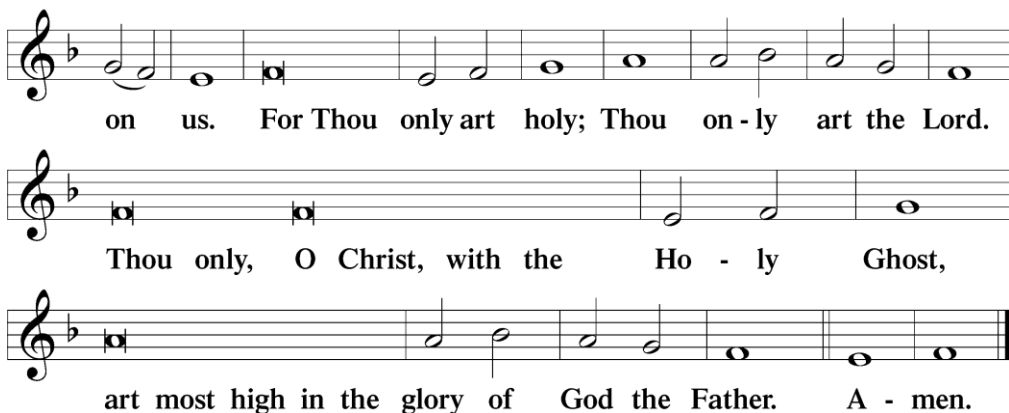
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost,
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY



P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spir - it.
P Let us pray.

P Let Your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of Your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Sit

“With the merciful you show yourself merciful;
 with the blameless man you show yourself blameless;
 with the purified you deal purely,
 and with the crooked you make yourself seem tortuous.
 You save a humble people,
 but your eyes are on the haughty to bring them down.
 For you are my lamp, O LORD,
 and my God lightens my darkness.
 For by you I can run against a troop,
 and by my God I can leap over a wall.
 This God—his way is perfect;
 the word of the LORD proves true;
 he is a shield for all those who take refuge in him.
 “For who is God, but the LORD?
 And who is a rock, except our God?
 This God is my strong refuge
 and has made my way blameless.
 He made my feet like the feet of a deer
 and set me secure on the heights.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL – TONE G

Psalm 8:1

O | LORD, our Lord,*
how majestic is your name in | all the earth!
You have set your | glory*
above the | heavens.

EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 10:6–13

Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.” We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer.

Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA

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

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 16:1-9

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

[Jesus] also said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. And he called him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.’ And the manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.’ So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of

unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the
dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
 who spoke by the prophets.
 And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
 and I look for the resurrection of the dead
 and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY: 730 WHAT IS THE WORLD TO ME

SERMON

Stand

OFFERTORY

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Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Service of the Sacrament

PREFACE

194

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary... ...Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

195



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

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THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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PAX DOMINI

197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C A - men.

AGNUS DEI

198



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 617 O LORD, WE PRAISE THEE

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 544 O LOVE, HOW DEEP

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 743 JESUS, PRICELESS TREASURE

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 696 O GOD, MY FAITHFUL GOD

Stand

THE DISMISSAL

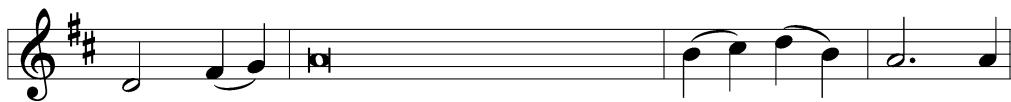
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P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C Amen.

NUNC DIMITTIS

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C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-




cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



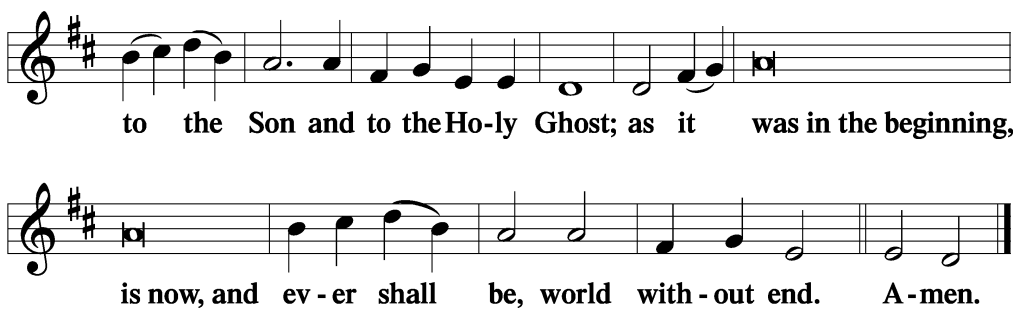
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

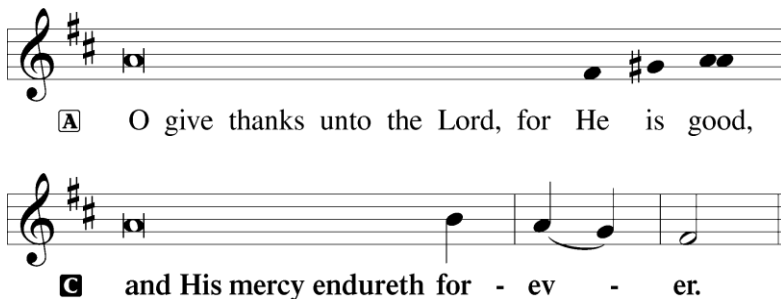


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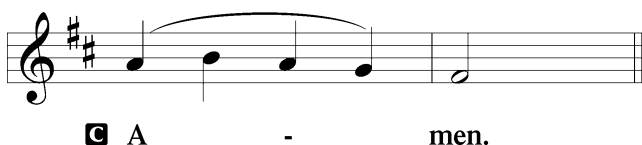
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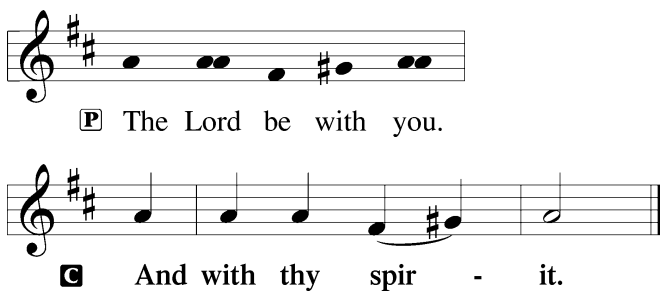
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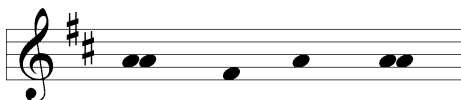
A Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God...
...through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with
You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



SALUTATION

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A Bless we the Lord.

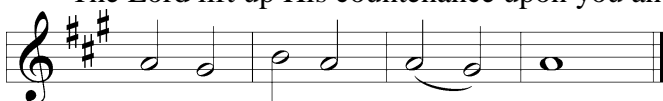


C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

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P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

HYMN TO DEPART: 823 MAY GOD BESTOW ON US HIS GRACE

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Concordia Lutheran Church and Preschool Announcements August 17, 2025

Monday evening **Weekly Divine Worship Service** - Mondays at 6:30 pm

The **West Wing Renovation** is under way and Fellowship 15 is suspended until further notice.

TEXAS FLOOD RELIEF If you want to help the victims of the Texas flood, here is how you do it.

Mail a check to:

Texas District of the Lutheran Church-LCMS
1221 Satellite View
Round Rock, TX 78665

100% of your gift goes to help victims, including pastors and members of the LCMS. On the memo line of the check put "Flood Relief".

Save the date: Annual **Women's Retreat**, October 11-12 beginning around 6:00 PM on Friday and lasts until about 3:30 PM Saturday.

We are looking for two or three more volunteers to help us earn \$150 by manning a water stop at the **Indy Women's Running Festival Marathon** on Saturday morning, August 30. Please get in touch with Ruth Everson (317-530-5761 or rudysfirst@aol.com) if you have questions or can help.

Pray for the **Preschool Ministry** and the staff: Lori Thetford, Linda Snyder, and Paula Scott. If you would like to financially support the Preschool, we happily take snack donations. We also have an Amazon wishlist: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2E3OCMOTJDDZP?ref=wl_lfu_nav_15
All deliveries can be made to the church: 305 Howard Road, Greenwood, IN 46142

The before-school sales are starting, and we are collecting items for School Kits for **Lutheran World Relief**. If you would like to help, pick a tag or two from the bulletin board. If you purchase a multi-pack of any item, please take two or three tags, when applicable. Return your purchases to the Noah Room bins marked "School Kits." Thank you for aiding children in third-world countries.

Girl Scout Troop Registration

Girl Scout Troop 1210 meets here at the church. Every year, troop registration starts about the same time as the girls go back to school. Girls 1 kindergarten, first and second are eligible to join the troop. Diana Sullivan is the troop leader. The troop will be meeting twice a month at 5pm on Sundays. If you are interested in your daughter joining the troop, you can register her online at: girlscoutsindiana.org. Just click the 'join now' button. BTW, if you are interested in becoming a co-leader, Diana would love the support. Our first meeting for year is today at 5pm.

Response in Worship and Love to our Lord for August 10, 2025

	Worship Attendance: Sunday	Worship Services - 9:30 am - 92	
Operating Budget Offering : \$2,575.00	YTD Unified Budget Offerings: \$189,990.59	2025 Operating YTD needed for budget: \$212,235.00 (\$6,855.00 weekly)	2025 Annual Budget: \$356,450.00

Birthdays:		Wedding Anniversaries:	
		Years	
Whitrock, Heidi	8/17	Daniel & Jessica Coffey	34 8/17
Bontrager, Cole	8/18	Ron & Carol Feeney	50 8/23
Fein, Leah	8/18		
Olmos, Alexis	8/19		
Miller, Carol	8/20		
Sellers, Mark	8/21		
Stephenson, David	8/22		
Horn, Becky	8/23		
McNally, Selah	8/24		

THIS WEEK AT CONCORDIA

August 17	Sunday	9:30a 10:45a	Divine Worship Sunday School
August 18	Monday	6:30p 7:00p	Divine Worship Church Council
August 19	Tuesday		
August 20	Wed.		
August 21	Thurs.		
August 22	Friday		
August 23	Saturday		
August 24	Sunday	9:30a 10:45a	Divine Worship Sunday School

Prayers & Intercessions (Matthew 8:17)

Concordia Members

Surgery/Testing/Recovery

- Lynda Martin 6/16/25
- Fred Foster 3/30/25
- Jim Roemer 2/12/23
- Tommy Ragsdale 12/11/22
- Peter Economou 4/22/19



Friends of Concordia

- Mike Smith 6/17/25
- Barb Norris 4/16/25
- Kathleen Sebastian 1/30/25
- Beverly Tewell 1/30/25
- Tyshae Smith 8/28/24
- Josephine Shafer 8/13/24
- Leeroy & Vernon Good 6/10/24
- Ralph McGraw 1/2/24
- Connie Henderson 5/14/23
- Terry & Diana Deamron 9/10/22
- Beverly Stephens 8/20/22
- Ed Stephens 2/18/24
- Terry Haskett 5/15/22
- Missy, Austin & Travis Golden 4/20/22
- Judy Heine 11/22/21
- Pat Brooks 9/23/21
- Rose Swenson 7/27/21
- Susan Soggs 1/7/21
- Rev. Howard Fabricius 1/2/21
- Minna Van Arsdale 8/7/19
- Brandon Frederking 5/2/19
- Steve Stephenson 4/28/19
- Thomas Clark 12/16/18

Battling Cancer / MS

- Kelsey Merena 10/25/22
- David Buuck 9/27/21

Homebound Concordia Members

- Sharon Bruhn, 690 South State St
Ball Brothers 125, Franklin IN 46131
- Ginny Emmons, 581 Cielo Vista Dr,
Greenwood, IN 46143

Military Servicemen & women

- Erica Stephenson, Army, National Guard
- LTJG Chloe (Owen) Munoz, 12137 Red Barn Ct, Jacksonville, FL 32226
- Ivan Munoz, (LTJG)
- Zach Goins, 822 Timbervale Trail, Highlands Ranch, CO, 80129 (Navy Reserve)
- CPL Jadon Ranbarger (2166 Marmande St., Kailua, HI 96734)
- PVT Macy Ranbarger (Camp Pendleton)

Note: Please provide updates to office for additions and removals to the "Prayers & Intercession" listing.

Emergencies: For pastoral emergencies, call Pastor Sam Scheltens at 309-824-5903.