Eleventh Sunday After Trinity August 31, 2025

Pastor Samuel Scheltens

DIVINE SERVICE III

HYMN OF INVOCATION: 607 FROM DEPTHS OF WOE I CRY TO THEE

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

- 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,
- 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,
- 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.

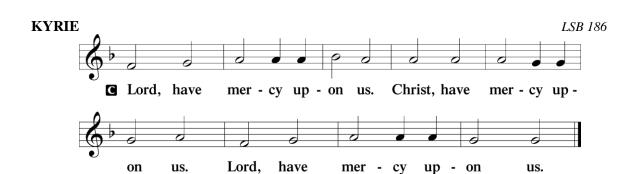
Service of the Word

INTROIT - TONE G

Psalm 68:1, 3, 7a, 10b, 19; antiphon: vv. 5b, 6a, 35b

God is in his holy habi- tation;* [he] settles the solitary | in a home. The God of Israel—he is the one* who gives power and strength to his | people. God shall arise, his enemies shall be | scattered;* and those who hate him shall flee be- | fore him! But the righteous shall be glad; they shall exult be- | fore God;* they shall be jubilant | with joy! O God, when you went out before your | people.* in your goodness, O God, you provided for the | needv. Blessèd be the Lord, who daily | bears us up;* God is our sal- | vation. 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. God is in his holy habi- | tation;* [he] settles the solitary | in a home. The God of Israel—he | is the one*

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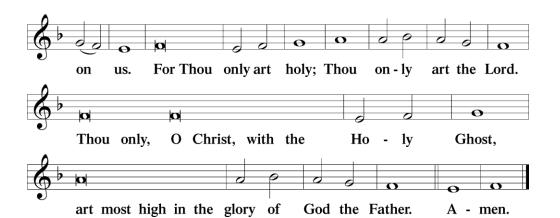


GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 187



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



SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY



Almighty and everlasting God, always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than we either desire or deserve, pour down upon us the abundance of Your mercy, forgiving those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things that we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 4:1–15

Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, "I have gotten a man with the help of the LORD." And again, she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a worker of the ground. In the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground, and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering, but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell. The LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen? If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is for you, but you must rule over it."

Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him. Then the LORD said to Cain, "Where is Abel your brother?" He said, "I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?" And the LORD said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to me from the ground. And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. When you work the ground, it shall no longer yield to you its strength. You shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth." Cain said to the LORD, "My punishment is greater than I can bear. Behold, you have driven me today away from the ground, and from your face I shall be hidden. I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me." Then the LORD said to him, "Not so! If anyone kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold." And the LORD put a mark on Cain, lest any who found him should attack him.

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

GRADUAL - TONE G

Psalm 28:7b, 1a, 2a

In [God] my heart trusts, and | I am helped;*
my heart exults, and with my song I give | thanks to him.
To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not | deaf to me,*
hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to | you for help.

EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 15:1–10

Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.

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

Stand



HOLY GOSPEL Luke 18:9–14

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



[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



NICENE CREED

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: 559 OH, HOW GREAT IS YOUR COMPASSION

SERMON

Stand



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.



P Lift up your hearts.



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



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:





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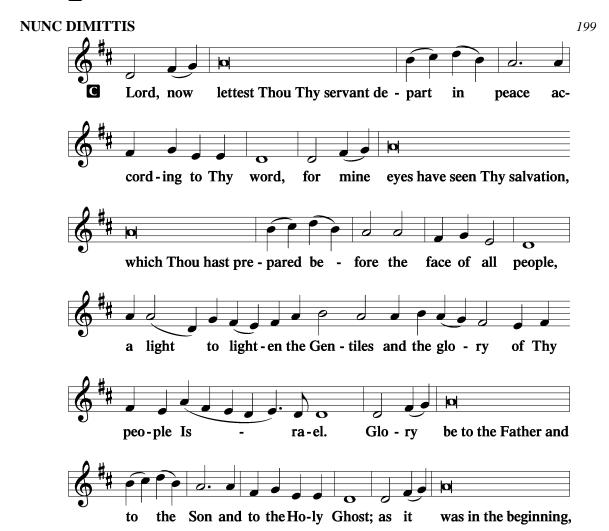
DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 619 THY BODY, GIVEN FOR ME, O SAVIOR
DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 972 I TRUST, O CHRIST, IN YOU ALONE
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DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 615 WHEN IN THE HOUR OF DEEPEST NEED

Stand

THE DISMISSAL LSB 199

- 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.

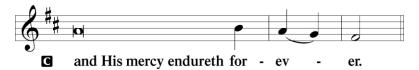




THANKSGIVING LSB 200



A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

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.

201



G A - men. SALUTATION



P The Lord be with you.



• And with thy spir - it.



A Bless we the Lord.



BENEDICTION 202

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.



HYMN TO DEPART: 613 TO THEE, OMNISCIENT LORD OF ALL

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Concordia Lutheran Church and Preschool Announcements August 31, 2025

Pray for **Norma Krall**, hospitalized at Community hospital diagnosed with COVID and having breathing problems.

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.

Save the date: Annual **Women's Retreat**, October 11-12 beginning around 4:00 PM on Friday and lasts until about 4:00 PM Saturday. Look for more details on the LWCC information board

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 = list d wl Ifu nav 15
All deliveries can be made to the church: 305 Howard Road, Greenwood, IN 46142

Thank you to everyone who shopped and picked up supplies for the **school kits**. We plan to assemble the 28 school kits in early September.

Thank you to all who remembered to bring in their **mite boxes** for July, received \$ 165.50. Our next gathering of Mites will be in Oct.

It's Chicago's Pizza and Football time again. You get a large 1 topping pizza for \$16.00. Please support our **West Wing Renovation**. Checks are to be made out to Concordia Lutheran Church. Please give all checks and cash to Diane Smith. This will run for 3 weeks. You will receive a gift card good for a Large 1 topping pizza at any Chicago Pizza.

Response in Worship and Love to our Lord for August 24, 2025

	Worship Attendance: Sunday	Worship Services - 9:30 am - 87	
Operating Budget	YTD Unified Budget	2025 Operating YTD needed for budget: \$225,945.00 (\$6,855.00 weekly)	2025 Annual Budget:
Offering: \$12,550.00	Offerings: \$207,453.59		\$356,450.00

Birthdays:		Wedding Anniversaries: Years		
Smith, Diane	8/31	Steve & Janet Bertsch	61	9/1
Distler, Albi	9/2	Vince & Wendy DeFabis	38	9/5
Barnes, Pat	9/2	·		
Crouch, Gaby	9/4			
Yeater, Jayme	9/4			
Hartley, Bryan	9/6			
Harriey, Dryan	3/3			

THIS WEEK AT CONCORDIA

August 31	Sunday	9:30a 10:45a	Divine Worship Sunday School
Sept 1	Monday	6:30p 6:30p	Divine Worship Properties
Sept 2	Tuesday		
Sept 3	Wed.		
Sept 4	Thurs.		
Sept 5	Friday		
Sept 6	Saturday		
Sept 7	Sunday	9:30a 10:45a 6:00p	Divine Worship Sunday School Women's Bible Study

Prayers & Intercessions (Matthew 8:17)

Concordia Members Surgery/Testing/Recovery

- Norma Krall 8/28/25
- Lynda Martin 6/16/25
- Jim Roemer 2/12/23
- Tommy Ragsdale 12/11/22
- Peter Economou 4/22/19

Friends of Concordia

- 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
- Phillis Infante, 1501 S Meridian St Apt 139, Indianapolis, IN 46225

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 (NAS Pensacola)

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

Emergencies: For pastoral care, call Pastor Sam Scheltens at 309-824-5903, email pastorscheltens@concordia-lcms.com