Twelfth Sunday After Trinity

September 7, 2025
Pastor Samuel Scheltens

DIVINE SERVICE III

HYMN OF INVOCATION: 556 DEAR CHRISTIANS, ONE AND ALL, REJOICE

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.

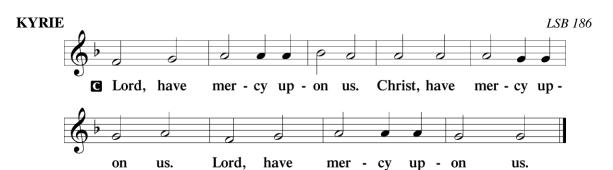
C Amen.

Service of the Word

INTROIT - TONE G

Psalm 70:2b, 4a, 5b; antiphon: vv. 1–2a

Make haste, O God, to de- | liver me!* O LORD, make haste to | help me! Let them be put to shame and con- | fusion* who | seek my life! Let them be | turned back* and brought to dishonor who de- | sire my hurt! May all who seek | you rejoice* and be | glad in you! You are my help and my de- | liverer;* O LORD, do | not delay! 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. Make haste, O God, to de- | liver me!* O LORD, make haste to | help me! Let them be put to shame and con- | fusion* who seek my life!

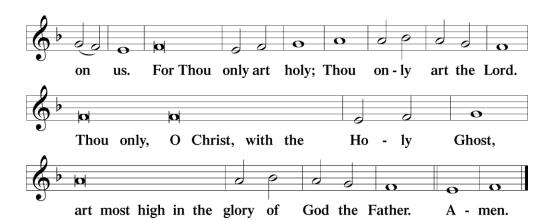


GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 187



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



SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY



Almighty and merciful God, by Your gift alone Your faithful people render true and laudable service. Help us steadfastly to live in this life according to Your promises and finally attain Your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Is it not yet a very little while
until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field,
and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest?

In that day the deaf shall hear
the words of a book,
and out of their gloom and darkness
the eyes of the blind shall see.

The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD,
and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel.

For the ruthless shall come to nothing
and the scoffer cease,
and all who watch to do evil shall be cut off,
who by a word make a man out to be an offender,
and lay a snare for him who reproves in the gate,
and with an empty plea turn aside him who is in the right.

Therefore thus says the LORD, who redeemed Abraham, concerning the house of Jacob:

"Jacob shall no more be ashamed,
no more shall his face grow pale.

For when he sees his children,
the work of my hands, in his midst,
they will sanctify my name;
they will sanctify the Holy One of Jacob
and will stand in awe of the God of Israel.

And those who go astray in spirit will come to understanding,
and those who murmur will accept instruction."

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

GRADUAL - TONE G

Psalm 34:1-2

I will bless the LORD at | all times;*
his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast | in the LORD;*
let the humble hear | and be glad.

EPISTLE 2 Corinthians 3:4–11

Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God. Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God, who has made us competent to be ministers of a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit. For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

Now if the ministry of death, carved in letters on stone, came with such glory that the Israelites could not gaze at Moses' face because of its glory, which was being brought to an end, will not the ministry of the Spirit have even more glory? For if there was glory in the ministry of condemnation, the ministry of righteousness must far exceed it in glory. Indeed, in this case, what once had glory has come to have no glory at all, because of the glory that surpasses it. For if what was being brought to an end came with glory, much more will what is permanent have glory.

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

Stand



HOLY GOSPEL Mark 7:31–37

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.



[Jesus] returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. And Jesus charged them to tell no

one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, C 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.

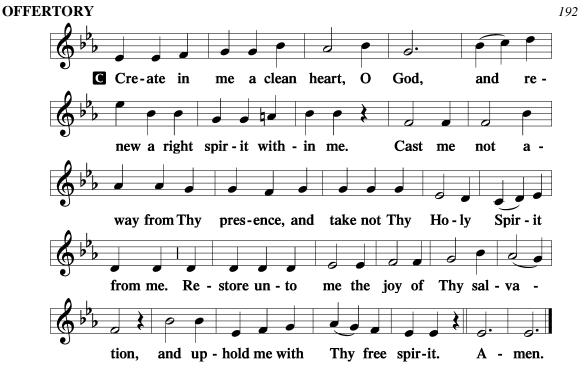
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life \pm of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY: 545 WORD OF GOD, COME DOWN ON EARTH

SERMON

Stand



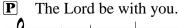
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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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

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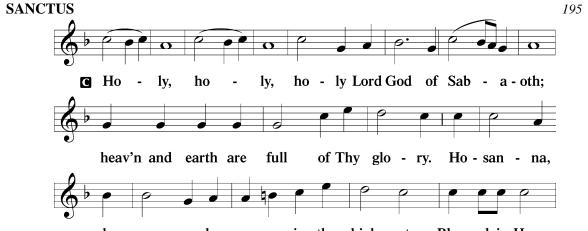
P Lift up your hearts.



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:



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



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



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

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THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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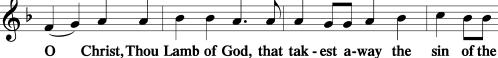
The peace of the Lord be with you always.





PAX DOMINI

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



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



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



Sit

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 617 O LORD, WE PRAISE THEE

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 841 O SON OF GOD, IN GALILEE

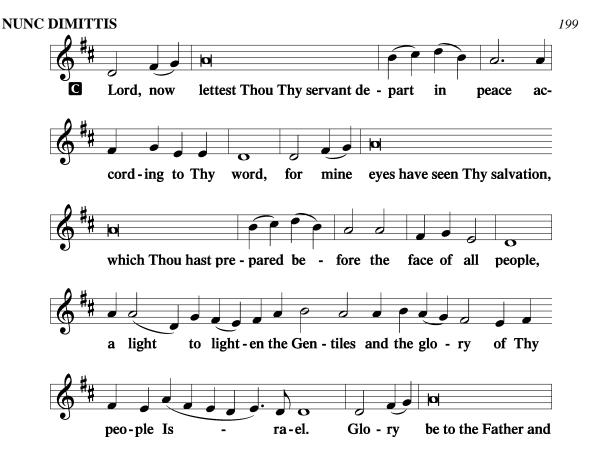
DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 846 YOUR HAND, O LORD, IN DAYS OF OLD

Stand

THE DISMISSAL LSB 199

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.







THANKSGIVING LSB 200



O give thanks unto the Lord, for He



POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

 \mathbf{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.



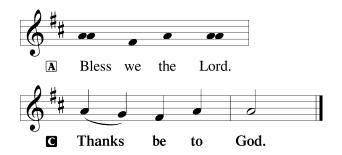
men. SALUTATION



P The Lord be with you.



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BENEDICTION 202

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 H give you peace.



HYMN TO DEPART: 820 MY SOUL, NOW PRAISE YOUR MAKER

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Concordia Lutheran Church and Preschool Announcements September 7, 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

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.

Saturday, October 18th 9am-noon, we'll have a church work day to start moving the boxes from storage, back to Fellowship Hall and the kitchen. We will have other jobs available too.

Sunday, October 5th 5pm-8pm, we'll have a Congregational Campfire at Southeastway Park 5624 S Carroll Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46239 Shelter #1. Water, hot dogs, chips, and s'mores are provided. There will be a hayride that will leave our shelter site at 5:20pm. Everyone is invited. Please sign up on the bulletin board.

Response in Worship and Love to our Lord for August 31, 2025

Worship Attendance:		Worship Services -	
	Sunday	9:30 am - 76	
	Monday	6:30 pm - 20	
Operating Budget	YTD Unified Budget	2025 Operating YTD needed for	2025 Annual Budget:
Offering: \$5,726.76	Offerings: \$213,180.35	budget: \$232,800.00	\$356,450.00
		(\$6,855.00 weekly)	

Birthdays:		Wedding Anniversarie	s: Years	
Waltz II, Gene	9/11	Don & Lynn Dombroski	48	9/13
Mihu, Kaitlin	9/13	Jim & Becky Lanning	51	9/14
Stephenson, Gini	9/14			

THIS WEEK AT CONCORDIA

Sept 7	Sunday	9:30a 10:45a 6:00p	Divine Worship Sunday School Women's Bible Study
Sept 8	Monday	6:30p 7:00p	Divine Worship Elders
Sept 9	Tuesday	7:00p	Women's Bible Study
Sept 10	Wed.		
Sept 11	Thurs.		
Sept 12	Friday		
Sept 13	Saturday		
Sept 14	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
- Pat Barnes, St. Francis Hospital

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