21st Sunday after Trinity November 9, 2025

Novermber 9, 2025 Pastor Samuel Scheltens

Greetings in Christ, and welcome to Concordia Evangelical Lutheran Church!

If you are visiting us for the first time or have not before received Communion from Pastor Scheltens, please speak to Pastor before approaching the altar for the first time.

DIVINE SERVICE III

HYMN OF INVOCATION: 734 I TRUST, O LORD, YOUR HOLY NAME

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



Psalm 119:1, 38-40; antiphon: Liturgical Text



The whole world is | in your power;*

O Lord, King Almighty, no one can | gainsay you.

For you have made | heaven and earth;*

you are | Lord of all!

Blessèd are those whose way is | blameless,*

who walk in the law of the LORD!

Confirm to your servant your | promise,*

that you | may be feared.

Turn away the reproach | that I dread,*

for your just de- | crees are good.

Behold, I long for your | precepts;*

in your righteousness | give me life!

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.

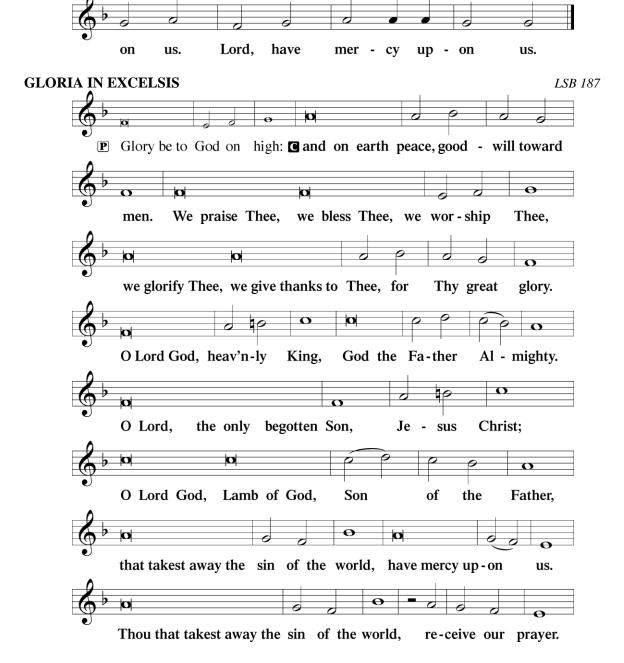
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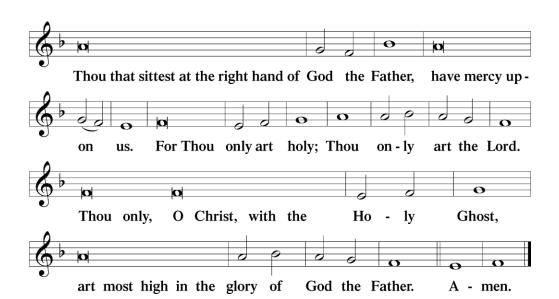
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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY



P O Lord, keep Your household, the Church, in continual godliness that through Your protection she may be free from all adversities and devoutly given to serve You in good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

And God said, "Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth." And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth." And it was so. And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, "Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens." So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and

multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds." And it was so. And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth." And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

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



Psalm 90:1-2

Lord, you have been our | dwelling place* in all gener- | ations.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth | and the world,*

from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

EPISTLE Ephesians 6:10–17

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

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

Stand



HOLY GOSPEL John 4:46–54

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourth chapter.



[Jesus] came again to Cana in Galilee, where he had made the water wine. And at Capernaum there was an official whose son was ill. When this man heard that Jesus had come from Judea to Galilee, he went to him and asked him to come

down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death. So Jesus said to him, "Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe." The official said to him, "Sir, come down before my child dies." Jesus said to him, "Go; your son will live." The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and went on his way. As he was going down, his servants met him and told him that his son was recovering. So he asked them the hour when he began to get better, and they said to him, "Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him." The father knew that was the hour when Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live." And he himself believed, and all his household. This was now the second sign that Jesus did when he had come from Judea to Galilee.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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

whose kingdom will have no end.

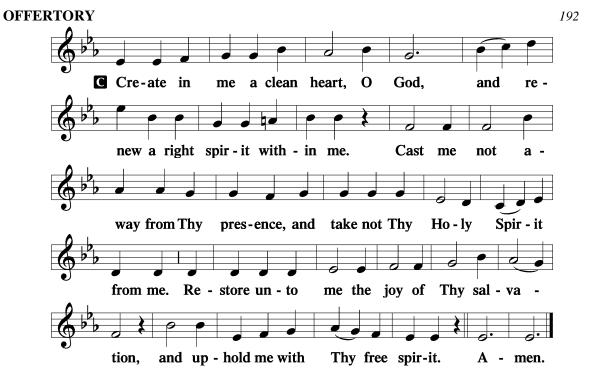
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made: who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven 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, 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: 607 FROM DEPTHS OF WOE I CRY TO THEE

SERMON

Stand



Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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 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:





Everyone who eats the Lord's Supper here, where Christ gives us His Body and His Blood for the forgiveness of sins and the nourishing of our faith, confesses that they are in full agreement with what we teach and believe here at Concordia.

Concordia is a member of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, and so those who are members in good standing of another church in the Missouri Synod or another body in fellowship with it are welcome to eat and drink the Supper with us here today after speaking with Pastor.

If you are not a member of a Missouri Synod congregation, you are always welcome to hear God's Word with us, and you may still come forward and receive a blessing from Pastor; please cross your arms so Pastor and other communion assistants know that you are just visiting us today.

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 617 O LORD, WE PRAISE THEE

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 666 O LITTLE FLOCK, FEAR NOT THE FOE

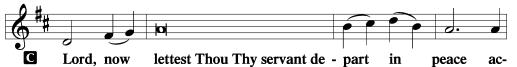
DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 402 THE ONLY SON FROM HEAVEN

Stand

THE DISMISSAL LSB 199

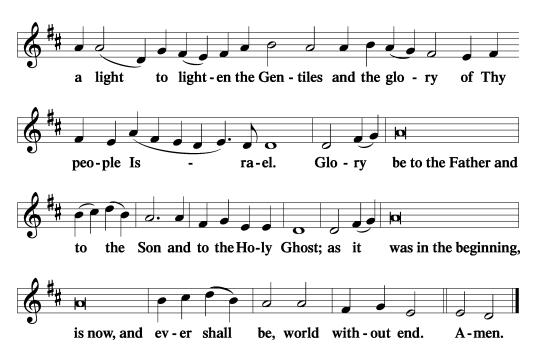
- The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.
- C Amen.

NUNC DIMITTIS

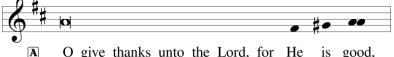








THANKSGIVING LSB 200



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



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.



SALUTATION 201



P The Lord be with you.





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: 533 JESUS HAS COME AND BRINGS PLEASURE

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Concordia Lutheran Church and Preschool Announcements November 9, 2025

Seminary Gift Cards are being collected for Concordia Fort Wayne's Christmas Marketplace. We will collect gift cards through today. Gift cards should be in increments of \$10, \$20, and \$25 so the seminary can share more with more students. Gift cards can be to grocery stores, gas stations, clothing stores, restaurants, or more. Cash may also be accepted and gift cards will be purchased to send to the Christmas Shop. Thank you for supporting the men who are studying to become pastors and their families.

Anniversary Meal will take place on Sunday, November 23 after the Divine Service. Sign up will be in the church lobby. Church will provide the meat and the dessert. Members of Concordia are welcomed to bring a side dish to enhance the meal.

Thrivent Action Teams are still needed this year. If you are a Thrivent member, you likely have FREE Action Teams which can be \$250 to sponsor an event. Events we're looking for sponsors include: Anniversary Dinner (November), Advent Dinners (November/December), Church Christmas Party (December), Christmas Cookie Exchange (December), Preschool Christmas Gifts (December), and Preschool Program Reception (December). If you are a Thrivent member and are willing to sponsor one of these events, let Sarah Shadday sarah.shadday@concordia-lcms.com or 314-330-3782 know and she can help with the forms.

Honey Sunday for the **Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch fundraiser** concludes today. The recommended purchase price is \$10 each. All of the proceeds are sent to the Ranch and the ranch will send each bottle directly to your home. Forms and sample is located in the foyer. Thank you for your support in advance LWCC.

Christmas Card Collection for Chloe Munoz (Owen). She is being deployed. Dean and Tammy are collecting Christmas cards for her until November 14. There is a gray cube under the bulletin board for them.

Our Fall Congregational Meeting will be next Sunday, Nov. 16, following the 9:30 am worship service.

In order to keep our newly renovated fellowship hall and kitchen as clean and beautiful as possible, the council as decided to restrict **Fellowship 15** to coffee, juice, and pastries. All food should be removed after the Sunday School hour. Thank you!

LWML meeting for all ladies of Concordia, Sunday November 9th @ 3pm in the newly renovated Fellowship Hall.

Lutheran High School - will have a **Veterans Day Service**, Nov. 11 at 9:20 am in the Ruth Lilly Auditorium. They will honor those that served. RSVP at www.lhsi.org.

Last Sunday - Nov. 2, 2025						THIS WEEK AT CONCORDIA			
Last		Worship				Date	Day	Time	Event
Week	Time	Attendance	Operating Budget Offering	\$7,050.00		09-Nov	Sunday		Honey Sunday
Sunday	09:30 AM	112	YTD Unified Budget Offerings	\$255,865.35				09:30 AM	Divine Worship
			2025 Operating YTD needed for Budget					10:45 AM	Sunday School
Monday	06:30 PM	5	(\$6,855.00 weekly)	\$294,495.00				06:00 PM	Women's Bible Study
			2025 Annual Budget	\$356,450.00		10-Nov	Monday	06:30 PM	Divine Worship
			2025 Affiliali Budget	\$330,430.00		11-Nov	Tuesday	07:00 PM	Women's Bible Study
Birthdays (this week):			Wedding Anniversaries (this week):	Years		12-Nov	Wednesday		
	` '		` '			13-Nov	Thursday	06:00 AM	Men's Bible Study
Warren, Lorna		11/9	Matthew & Sarah Shadday	10	11/14	14-Nov	Friday		
Carlisle, Annalise		11/9				15-Nov	Saturday		
Kearns, Doug		11/15				16-Nov	Sunday	09:30 AM	Divine Worship
Drooks Dob		44/45						10:45 AM	Sunday School
Brooks, Deb		11/15						11:00 AM	Congregational Meeting
Reinke, Caroline		11/16						06:00 PM	Women's Bible Study

Prayers & Intercessions (Matthew 8:17)

Concordia Members Surgery/Testing/Recovery

- Craig Smith 9/30/25
- Jim Lanning 9/29/25
- Betty Economou 9/22/25
- Lynda Martin 6/16/25
- Jim Roemer 2/12/23
- Tommy Ragsdale 12/11/22
- Peter Economou 4/22/19

Friends of Concordia

- Chuck Buth 9/23/25
- 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
- Norma Krall, Aspen Trace, Rm #515

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.

Pastor Scheltens' Office Hours:

Mon and Wed mornings - By appointment Tues and Thurs mornings - Available for walk-ins Afternoons - open for visits

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