22nd Sunday after Trinity

Novermber 16, 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: 766 OUR FATHER, WHO FROM HEAVEN ABOVE

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,
- 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.

Psalm 130:1-2, 7-8; antiphon: vv. 3-4

C Amen.

Service of the Word





If you, O LORD, should mark in- | iquities,*

O Lord, who could stand?

But with you there is for- | giveness,*

that you | may be feared.

Out | of the depths*

I cry to you, O LORD!

O Lord, | hear my voice!*

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for | mercy!

O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is | steadfast love,* and with him is plentiful re- | demption.

And he will redeem | Israel*

from all his in- | iquities.

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.

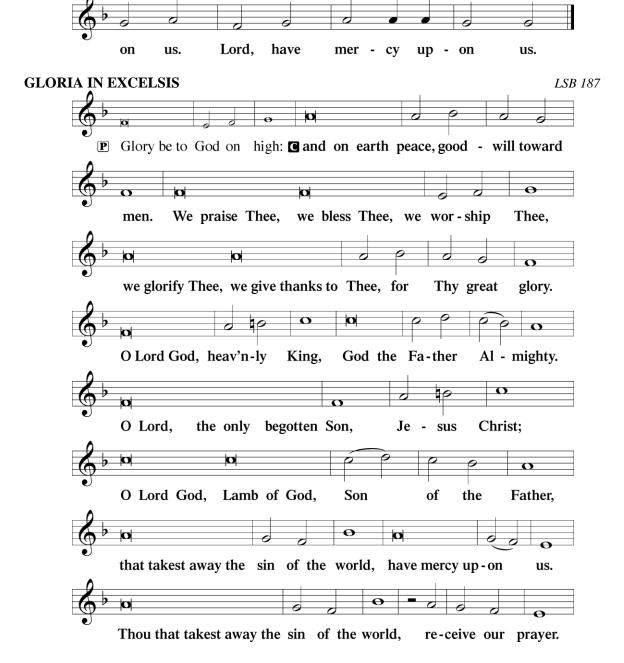
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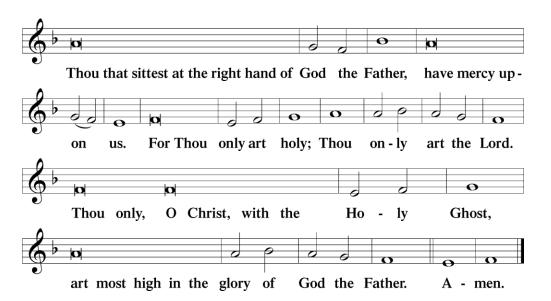
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But with you there is for- | giveness,*

that you | may be feared.







SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY



P O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of Your Church, especially in times of persecution, and grant that what we ask in faith we may obtain; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



"With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high?

Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old?

Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil?

Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"

He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

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

GRADUAL

Psalm 133:1, 3b



Behold, how good and pleas- | ant it is* when brothers dwell in | unity!

For the LORD has commanded the | blessing,* life for- | evermore.

EPISTLE Philippians 1:3–11

I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is

excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

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

Stand



HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 18:21–35*

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



Peter came up and said to [Jesus], "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.

"Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. And should not you have had

mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

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: 611 CHIEF OF SINNERS THOUGH I BE

SERMON

Stand



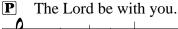
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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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

PREFACE 194





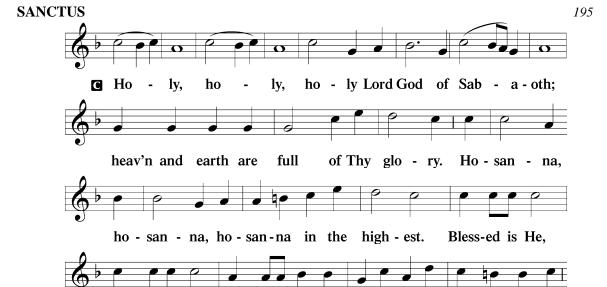
P Lift up your hearts.



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:



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.

LORD'S PRAYER 196

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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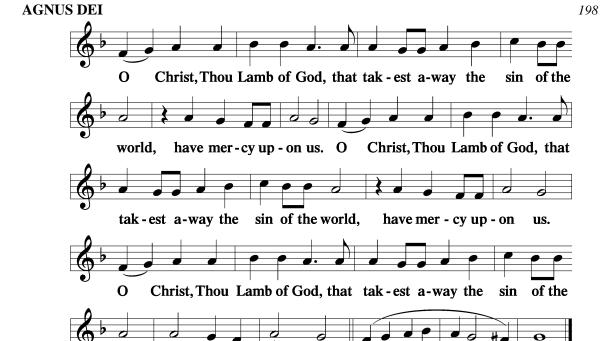
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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

world, grant us Thy





Sit

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.

Α

peace.

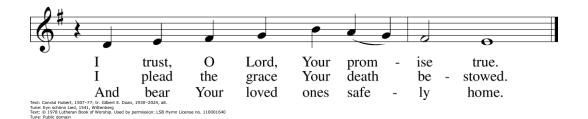
Concordia is a member of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, and so those who are members in good standing of another church in the Missouri Synod or another body in fellowship with it are welcome to eat and drink the Supper with us here today after speaking with Pastor.

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: 618 I COME, O SAVIOR, TO THY TABLE DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 972 I TRUST, O CHRIST, IN YOU ALONE



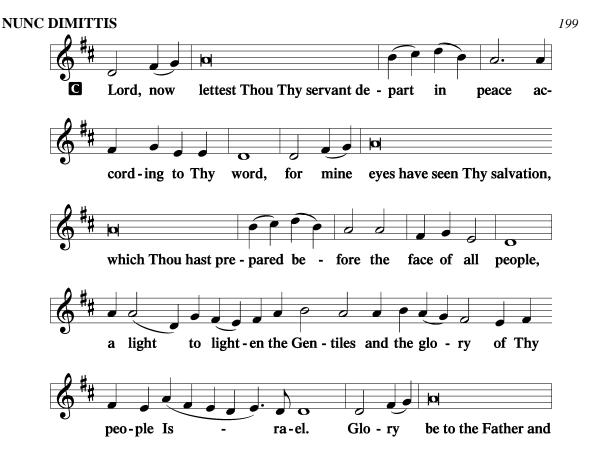


DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 606 I LAY MY SINS ON JESUS

Stand

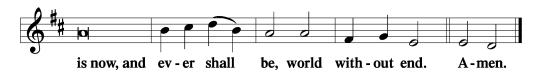
THE DISMISSAL LSB 199

- 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.





to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,



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.

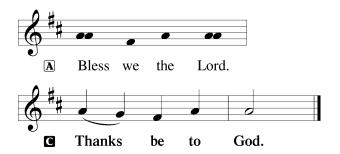


SALUTATION 201



P The Lord be with you.



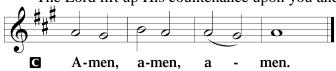


BENEDICTION 202

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: 647 LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE CHURCH'S HEAD

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Concordia Lutheran Church and Preschool Announcements November 16, 2025

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: Advent Dinners (November/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.

Our Fall Congregational Meeting will be today, following the 9:30 am worship service.

The season of Advent will be here soon. We will have **Advent meals** starting at 5pm on December 3 and 10. Please, sign up on the bulletin board so we have an idea of how much food to prepare. Congregation members are welcome to bring desserts, but it is not required.

Our **Congregational Christmas Party** will be Sunday, December 14th during the Education Hour. If you are interested in helping with the event, please contact Sarah Shadday. We will also have a **cookie exchange** that day. If you would like to participate, please bring 1-2 batches of one type of cookie. Participants will be able to put together a tray of cookies made up of all the different cookie brought in. We will also share some of the cookies with our homebound members. Please look for the cookie sign up on the bulletin board so we don't get to many of the same type of cookies. If you would like to participate but don't want to bake a batch of cookies, talk to Sarah Shadday.

Please pray for **Susan Bass Henrickson** and the family of Susan's father-in-law, **Dan Bass**, in his passing last Sunday. Please pray for **Mike Emkes** and his family in the passing of his mother, **Orpha Emkes**, last Monday.

Last Sunday - Nov. 9, 2025						THIS WEEK AT CONCORDIA			
					Date	Day	Time	Event	
Last		Worship			16-Nov	Sunday	09:30 AM	Divine Worship	
Week	Time	Attendance	Operating Budget Offering	\$3,103.11			10:45 AM	Sunday School	
Sunday	09:30 AM	82	YTD Unified Budget Offerings	\$258,968.46			11:00 AM	Congregational Meeting	
							06:00 PM	Women's Bible Study	
			2025 Operating YTD needed for Budget		17-Nov	Monday	06:30 PM	Divine Worship	
Monday	06:30 PM	N/A	(\$6,855.00 weekly)	\$301,350.00			07:00 PM	Church Council	
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			2025 Annual Budget	\$356,450.00	19-Nov	Wednesday			
					20-Nov	Thursday	08:00 AM	Preschool Thanksgiving Meal	
Birthdays (this week):			Wedding Anniversaries (this week):	Years	21-Nov	Friday			
					22-Nov	Saturday			
Reinke, Caroline		11/16			23-Nov	Sunday		Giving Tree	
					_		09:30 AM	Divine Worship	
Graham, Mi Sun		11/20					10:45 AM	Sunday School	
DoFobio Woody		44/00					11:00 AM	Concordia Anniversary Dinner	
DeFabis, Wendy		11/23					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
- Pat Barnes, 2339 S 135, Rm 308, 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)
- PFC Macy Ranbarger (MCAS New River, NC)

Concordia Member - death of family

- Family of Dan Bass in his passing. Susan Bass Henrickson's father-inlaw.
- Family of Orpha Emkes in her passing. Mike Emkes's mother.

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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