

THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 9, 2022

11:00 AM

Concordia Lutheran Church, Conover, NC

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation with confidence in the Words of our Lord Jesus, who gives not only bread and wine but his true body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm (1Cor 11:27-29). Reception of Holy Communion here at Concordia is a public confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar. Those who are not yet baptized, instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We stand.

OPENING HYMN "Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" 528

INVOCATION

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

OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 51:15, 17; 70:1

P O Lord, open my lips,

C and my mouth will declare Your praise.

P Make haste, O God, to deliver me!

C O LORD, make haste to help me!

P The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;

C a broken and contrite heart, O God, You will not despise.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

2 Timothy 2:10

P Because of the suffering and death of our Lord Jesus Christ, our heavenly Father will not hold our sins against us but offers forgiveness, life, and salvation to all who call on Him for mercy and grace. Let us then confess our sins to Him in confident faith

- C Gracious God, You have known us before we were born, and since coming to faith we have known Your amazing grace. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For Jesus' sake, turn us from selfish ways to walk in paths pleasing to You to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P In the mercy of almighty God, He gave His Son to live as one of us and to die for us. As surely as Jesus was born with Moabite Ruth in His human family tree, as certainly as the Samaritan leper was saved through his faith, and as confidently as Paul assured Timothy of "the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory," I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, You show mercy to Your people in all their troubles. Grant us always to recognize Your goodness, give thanks for Your compassion, and praise Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

We sit.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ruth 1:1-19a

L This is the Word of the Lord.

Pew Bible page 282

C Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

"With a Voice of Singing"

Martin Shaw

EPISTLE READING

2 Timothy 2:1-13

L This is the Word of the Lord.

Pew Bible page 1268

C Thanks be to God.

We stand.

GOSPEL HYMN "Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart" 806

Give thanks with a grateful heart,

Give thanks to the Holy One,

Give thanks because He's given

Jesus Christ His Son.

Give thanks with a grateful heart,

Give thanks to the Holy One,

Give thanks because He's given

Jesus Christ His Son.

And now let the weak say "I am strong,"

Let the poor say "I am rich,"

Because of what the Lord has done for us.

And now let the weak say "I am strong,"

Let the poor say "I am rich,"

Because of what the Lord has done for us.

Give thanks, give thanks.

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HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 17:11-19

Pew Bible page 1114

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 17th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

After the Gospel is read:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

We sit

HYMN OF THE DAY "Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old" 846

SERMON We stand.

"Bound to Happen"

Pastor Michael Geml

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

PREFACE

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. 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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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have not only created us to live in this life, but You have also worked faith in our hearts so that we may have eternal life, knowing and trusting You for health, protection, and forgiveness.

Grant us true faith now as we respond to our Lord's bidding and in, with, and under the bread and wine, receive His body and blood, given and shed for the forgiveness of our sins.

Keep us strong in faith throughout our earthly journey until we join Naomi and Ruth, Paul and Timothy, and unnamed saints and angels at the wedding feast of Your Son, who with You and the Holy Spirit are one God, now and forever.

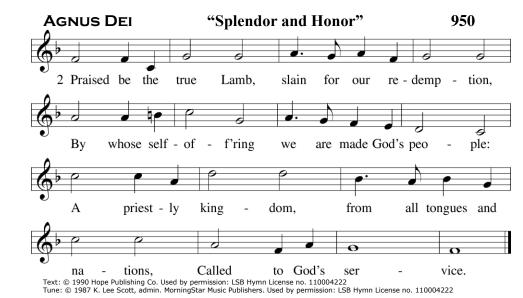
C Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

PAX DOMINI

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.



We sit.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Entrust Your Days and Burdens" 754
"Fight the Good Fight" 664

We stand.





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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing" 924

POSTLUDE