



CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

MAY 1, 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.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

We stand and face the rear of the nave.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN "This Joyful Eastertide" 482

INVOCATION

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

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

P Merciful and loving Father, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by our sinful actions and our failure to do the good You desire. We pray You to grant to the penitent absolution and peace, that freed from the burden of guilt we enjoy the gift of a clear conscience.

C Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

“He Is Arisen! Glorious Word”

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He is a - ris - en! Glo - rious Word! Now rec - on - ciled
is God, my Lord; The gates of heav'n are o - pen.
My Je - sus did tri - um - phant die, And Sa - tan's ar -
rows bro - ken lie, De - stroyed hell's fierc - est weap - on.
O hear what cheer! Christ vic - to - rious, Ris - ing glo - rious,
Life is giv - ing. He was dead but now is liv - ing!

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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

We sit.

FIRST READING

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Acts 9:1-9

Pew Bible page 1167

SECOND READING

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Revelation 5:1-10

Pew Bible page 1314

We stand.

ALLELUIA VERSE

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 21st chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

John 21:1-14

Pew Bible page 1154

The Gospel is read.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

We sit.

HYMN OF THE DAY “Long before the World Is Waking” 485

SERMON

“Do It For Me”

Pastor Michael Geml

We stand.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

We sit.

THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION

Þ The following have been instructed and are prepared to make public their profession of Christ and reaffirm their baptisms:

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Chloe Elizabeth Brown

Anthony Dominico Charles

Abigail Rae DeHart

Larkyn Elaine Gerken

Lacey Grace Heath

Noah Aiden Hedrick

Margaret Suzann White

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We stand.

PREFACE

2 Timothy 4:22

Þ The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Þ Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

Þ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, 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

“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing”	633
“Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise”	680
“Shepherd of Tender Youth”	864
“‘Come, Follow Me,’ the Savior Spake”	688

We stand.

DISMISSAL

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P Let us pray.

Gracious God, we give thanks that You have strengthened us with the body and blood of Your Son, who alone is worthy of worship and praise.

C Use our hearts and minds, our bodies and abilities, to demonstrate His love each day until we see Him in glory face-to-face;

P through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL HYMN “Go, My Children, with My Blessing” 922

POSTLUDE