

# CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH CONOVER, NC

## EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 26, 2020 11:00 AM

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*We stand.*

### OPENING HYMN

### “Come, Thou Almighty King”

1 Come, Thou al - might - y King, Help us Thy  
2 Come, Thou in - car - nate Word, Gird on Thy  
3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, Thy sa - cred  
△ 4 To Thee, great One in Three, E - ter - nal

name to sing; Help us to praise; Fa - ther all -  
might - y sword; Our prayer at - tend. Come and Thy  
wit - ness bear In this glad hour! Thou, who al -  
prais - es be Hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - 'reign

glo - ri - ous, O'er all vic - to - ri - ous,  
peo - ple bless, And give Thy Word suc - cess,  
might - y art, Now rule in ev - 'ry heart,  
maj - es - ty May we in glo - ry see,

Come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.  
And let Thy righ - teous - ness On us de - scend.  
And ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.  
And to e - ter - ni - ty Love and a - dore.

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### INVOCATION

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

**P** Do good, O Lord, to those who hold fast to Your name  
**C** and to those upright in heart.

**P** But those who turn aside to their crooked ways,  
**C** the Lord will lead away with evildoers.

*Silence for self-examination*

**P** Let us confess our sins to God, our Father.

**C** O Lord, have mercy upon us poor, miserable sinners. We have offended You in thought, word, and deed. We have sinned against our neighbor. Spare us, O God, who confess our sins to You and who hide not our faults from Your eyes. Restore the penitent and forgive us all our sins according to the promise of Your mercy revealed to us in Jesus Christ, our Lord. As He suffered and died to cover our sins, cover us with His righteousness, and grant us grace that today and every day we live upright, sober, and godly lives 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. Through the mercy of God in Christ Jesus, our Savior, you have been made children of God in Baptism and live because of His mercy. 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 ✠ 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.

**C** Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love, that, receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*We sit.*

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

Deuteronomy 7:6-9

**C** Thanks be to God.

## EPISTLE READING

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

Romans 8:28-39

**C** Thanks be to God.

*We stand.*

## HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 13:44-52

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 13<sup>th</sup> 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

### “Church of God, Elect and Glorious”



1 Church of God, e - lect and glo - rious, Ho - ly  
2 God has called you out of dark - ness In - to  
3 Once you were an al - ien peo - ple, Strang - ers  
4 Church of God, e - lect and ho - ly, Be the



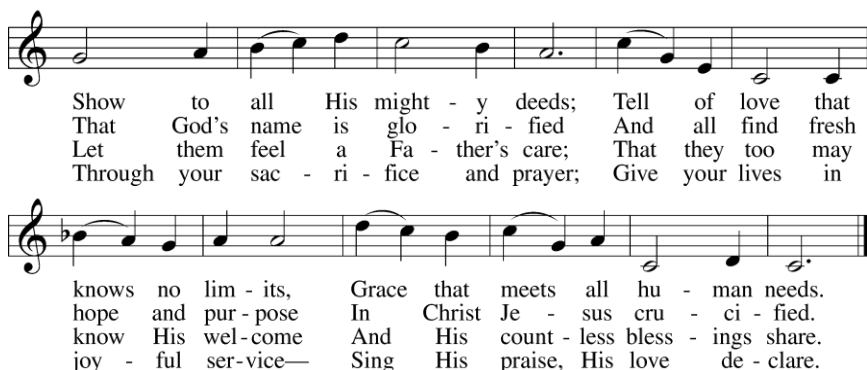
na - tion, cho - sen race; Called as God's own  
His most mar - v'lous light; Brought His truth to  
to God's heart of love; But He brought you  
peo - ple He in - tends; Strong in faith and



spe - cial peo - ple, Roy - al priests and heirs of  
life with - in you, Turned your blind - ness in - to  
home in mer - cy, Cit - i - zens of heav'n a -  
swift to an - swer Each com - mand your Mas - ter



grace: Know the pur - pose of your call - ing,  
sight: Let your light so shine a - round you  
bove: Let His love flow out to oth - ers,  
sends: Roy - al priests, ful - fill your call - ing



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## SERMON

Pastor Michael Geml

*We stand.*

## APOSTLES' CREED

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

## LORD'S PRAYER

## BENEDICTION

## CLOSING HYMN

## “When Peace, like a River”

1 When peace, like a river, attendeth my way;  
When sorrows, like sea billows, roll;  
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,  
It is well, it is well with my soul. Refrain

**ref It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.**

2 Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,  
Let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate  
And hath shed His own blood for my soul. Refrain

3 He lives—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought;  
My sin, not in part, but the whole,  
Is nailed to His cross, and I bear it no more.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! Refrain

4 And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend;  
Even so it is well with my soul. Refrain

## POSTLUDE