

# THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**JULY 03, 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 "From All That Dwell Below the Skies" 816** 

# INVOCATION

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

# **CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION**

Psalm 124:8; 30:3-4

- P Our help is in the name of the LORD,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O LORD, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Almighty God, heavenly Father, hear the prayers of confession we bring before You.

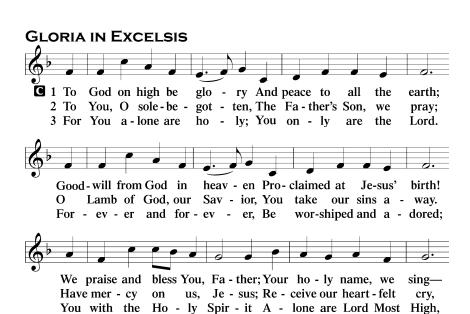
A moment of silence for personal prayers of confession.

- P Together we pray:
- C Gracious Lord, we confess that we have not feared, loved, and trusted in You above all things. We have allowed other things to distract us from Your presence in our homes and Your mission in our lives. We have not extended Your saving love to others as we ought, choosing to keep Your

good blessings to ourselves instead of sharing them with those around us. Have mercy upon us, O Lord. Grant us the Spirit of Jesus, who cleanses us from our sin that we may worship You with joyful hearts and proclaim Your kingdom all our days. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. His kingdom has come near to you in Christ, and you are blessed to be part of His mission and ministry. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, it is my joy to proclaim Jesus' words of peace to you and, by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

#### C Amen.





Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

# SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

Almighty God, You have built Your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus Himself as the cornerstone. Continue to send Your messengers to preserve Your people in true peace that, by the preaching of Your Word, Your Church may be kept free from all harm and danger; 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**

Isaiah 66:10-14

L This is the Word of the Lord.

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C Thanks be to God.

#### RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 66:1-7

- L Shout for joy to God, all the earth;
- C sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise!
- L Say to God, "How awesome are Your deeds! So great is Your power that Your enemies come cringing to You.
- C All the earth worships You and sings praises to You; they sing praises to Your name."
- L Come and see what God has done:
- C He is awesome in His deeds toward the children of man.
- L He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot.
- C There did we rejoice in Him, who rules by His might forever, whose eyes keep watch on the nations—let not the rebellious

#### exalt themselves.

#### **EPISTLE READING**

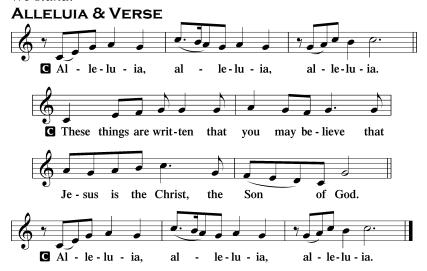
Galatians 6:1-10, 14-18

L This is the Word of the Lord.

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C Thanks be to God.

We stand.



#### HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 10:1-20

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P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 10<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" 646

**SERMON** "Sweet Land of Liberty" Pastor Michael Geml

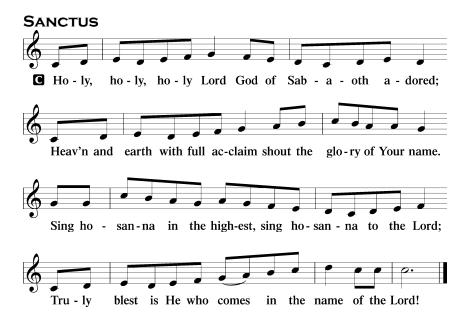
#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

#### **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, for the countless blessings You so freely give to us and to all who belong to the household of faith. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into this world to bear our burdens and pay the penalty for our sins by His death upon the cross. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, Satan is defeated and the peace of Jesus is offered to all who trust in Him! Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant that the healing medicine of Your Word and Sacrament may put to flight the diseases of our souls that, with willing hearts, we may ever love and serve You.

#### C Amen.

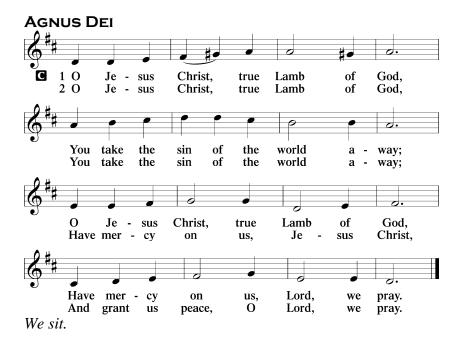
#### Words of Institution

#### LORD'S PRAYER

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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

# C And also with you.



# **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"	717
"When Peace, like a River"	<b>763</b>
"Forgive Us, Lord, for Shallow Thankfulness"	<b>788</b>

We stand.

**POST-COMMUNION COLLECT** 

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN "God Bless Our Native Land" 965

**POSTLUDE**