



For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf.

HEBREWS 9:24

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 10, 2024

11:00A

CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH, CONOVER

AS WE GATHER As the liturgical year is coming to its end, God our Father gives us great encouragement that our salvation and deliverance from sin and sorrow is complete because of the forgiveness won for us by the blood of Jesus, the one and only sacrifice for your sin and the source of daily cleansing, faith, hope, confidence, and love. This faith is certain and full of hope even if your current circumstances would have you think otherwise. As God provided for the widow of Zarephath (1 Kings 17), so was the widow's offering (Mark 12) an expression of confident faith in God's promised salvation. No clearer picture can be given of the certainty of hope in Christ our Savior than in the letter to the Hebrews as it tells of Christ's once-for-all sacrifice that not only forgives but takes away all sin and supplies us with newness of life by His life-giving body and blood all our days!

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We stand.

OPENING HYMN **“How Firm a Foundation”** **728**

INVOCATION

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

OPENING SENTENCES *Psalm 122:1; Hebrews 9:15*

P I was glad when they said to me,

C “Let us go to the house of the LORD!”

P Christ Jesus is the mediator of a new covenant,

**C so that those who are called may receive the promised
eternal inheritance.**

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION *Hebrews 9:22, 26b*

P Scripture says, “under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins. . . . But Christ has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself.” Let us prepare

to receive forgiveness and cleansing from God our Savior by confessing our need and repentance of our sin.

C Lord God, we come before You this day seeking Your mercy and grace for the forgiveness of our sins and the cleansing of our lives. We confess to You all our sins, both the wrong we have done as well as the love we have withheld and the good we have failed to do for others. Lord, have mercy on us.

P God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith. I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to 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 **T** Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Splendor and Honor”

950



1 Splen - dor and hon - or, maj - es - ty and pow - er
2 Praised be the true Lamb, slain for our re - demp - tion,
3 To the Al - might - y, throned in heav'n - ly splen - dor,



Are Yours, O Lord God, fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing,
By whose self - of - f'ring we are made God's peo - ple:
And to the Sav - ior, Christ our Lamb and Shep - herd,



For by Your bid - ding was the whole cre -
A priest - ly king - dom, from all tongues and
Be ad - o - ra - tion, praise, and glo - ry



a - tion Called in - to be - ing.
na - tions, Called to God's ser - vice.
giv - en, Now and for - ev - er.

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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.

Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Grant us so firmly to believe in Your Son, Jesus, that our faith may never be found wanting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

We sit.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Kings 17:8–16

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

“For the Fruit of All Creation”

arr. McCullough

EPISTLE READING

Hebrews 9:24–28

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

We stand.

GOSPEL CANTICLE

“Seek Ye First”

712



1	Seek	ye	first	the	king - dom	of God,	And	His
2	Ask	and	it	shall	be	giv - en	un - to	you,
3	Man	does	not	live	by	bread	a - lone,	But
								by



righteousness. And all these things shall be
 ye shall find, Knock and the door shall be
 every word That proceeds from the



added unto you! Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
 opened unto you, Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
 mouth of the Lord, Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

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HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 12:38-44

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 12th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

We sit.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Lord of All Hopefulness”

738

SERMON

“The Cessation of Hostilities”

Pastor Michael Geml

We stand.

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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.

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST *1 Cor. 11:26; Rev. 22:20*

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD’S PRAYER

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

We sit.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“O Savior, Precious Savior” 527

“Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus” 529

We stand.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN “Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings” 782

POSTLUDE

