

No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.'



John 6:44

**TWELFTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST**

**AUGUST 11, 2024**

**11:00A**

**CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH, CONOVER**

**AS WE GATHER** Many grumbled when Jesus said, “I am the bread of life” (John 6:35). Perhaps we grumble as well. We are always looking for God to meet our expectations and to answer our needs as we see best. But we meet the Lord where He reveals Himself—from a manger that cradles the Son of God in flesh and blood to a cross on which the King dies to free His people from their sin, down to bread that promises His body and a cup, His blood. Where we will meet Him on the ground of faith, He will not leave us wanting. He will bestow upon us far more than we ask or dare to desire—the communion of His body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins and as pledge of the eternal life to come. What a blessed mystery is given to us by faith.

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*We stand.*

**OPENING HYMN**      “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”      **803**

## INVOCATION

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

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

*Psalm 34:8–10*

P Oh, fear the LORD, you His saints;

**C those who seek the LORD lack no good thing. Blessed is the one who takes refuge in Him!**

*Silence for self-examination*

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

**C I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and given to us His only Son to suffer and die for our salvation. 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.**

P He who began this good work in you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C Amen.**

### HYMN OF PRAISE “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” 802



1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
 3 To all life Thou giv - est— to both great and small—  
 4 Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,



In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
 Nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, Thou rul - est in might;  
 In all life Thou liv - est, the true Life of all;  
 Thine an - gels a - dore Thee, all veil - ing their sight;



Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
 Thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove  
 We blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree  
 All laud we would ren - der: O help us to see



Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, Thy great name we praise.  
 Thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
 And with - er and per - ish— but naught chang - es Thee.  
 'Tis on - ly the splen - dor of light that hides Thee.

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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.

Gracious Father, Your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Grant that Christ, the bread of life, may live in us and we in Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

*We sit.*

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Kings 19:1-8

L This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM HYMN “Lord, I Will Bless Thee All My Days”



1 Lord, I will bless Thee all my days, Thy praise shall  
2 Come, mag - ni - fy the Lord with me, Come, let us  
3 I told Him all my se - cret grief, My se - cret  
4 To Him the poor lift up their eyes, Their fac - es  
5 His ho - ly an - gels pitch their tents A - round the



dwel up - on my tongue; My soul shall glo - ry  
all ex - alt His name; I sought th'e - ter - nal  
groan - ing reached His ears; He gave my in - ward  
feel the heav'n - ly shine; A beam of mer - cy  
ones that serve the Lord; O fear and love Him,



in Thy grace, While saints re - joice to hear the song.  
God, and He Has not ex - posed my hope to shame.  
pains re - lief, And calmed the tu - mult of my fears.  
from the skies Fills them with light and joy di - vine.  
all His saints, Taste of His grace, and trust His Word.

**EPISTLE READING**

**Ephesians 4:17-5:2**

L This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

*We stand.*

**GOSPEL CANTICLE**

**“Blessed Jesus, Living Bread”**



1 Bless - ed Je - sus, liv - ing Bread, By Your  
 2 Word of God by which we live: What we  
 3 All we ev - er need and more, Flow - ing  
 4 We are in that crowd You fed With Your



self our souls are fed: Give us all the  
 hun - ger for You give— For the bod - y  
 from Your bound - less store; At Your ta - ble  
 blest, a - bun - dant Bread. Moved by ev - 'ry



eyes to see All that You were sent to be.  
 and the soul, Life with God, life new and whole.  
 ev - 'ry guest Sees Your mer - cy man - i - fest.  
 hu - man care, Bless the Bread we eat and share.

**HOLY GOSPEL**

**John 6:35-51**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 6<sup>th</sup> 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**

**“Father, We Thank Thee”**

**652**

**SERMON**

**“I Can’t Draw”**

**Pastor Michael Geml**

*We stand.*

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

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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.

**C** Amen.

## 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 Recalling before You our Lord's incarnation into our flesh, His obedient life, His life-giving death upon the cross, His burial, His resurrection from the dead, His ascension to Your right hand of glory, and His coming again as Lord and judge of all, we pray You to grant us all needful gifts of His grace to endure in this life to the day of His coming when we shall enter with Him into the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom without end. As He has taught us, so we are bold 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

"Eat This Bread" 638

"I Lie, O Lord, within Your Care" 885

*We stand.*

## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

## BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN "Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" 685

## POSTLUDE

