

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**

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 “Christ the Eternal Lord” 829**

## **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*

**Pastor:** Oh, fear the LORD, you His saints;  
**People:** **those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.  
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!**

*Silence for self-examination*

**Pastor:** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

**People:** **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.**

**Pastor:** 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 ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** **Amen.**

**Pastor:** He who began this good work in you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. Peace be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**

## **“In Thee Is Gladness”**

**818**

### **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

**P** Almighty and everlasting God, You have revealed Your truth to all in the person of Your Son and have bound Yourself to what He accomplished upon the cross. Give to us faith to trust in Your mercy and confidence to walk in His way to eternal life; through the same 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**

**Proverbs**

**9:1-10 or Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18**

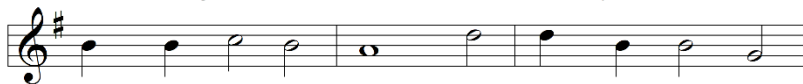
**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM HYMN “Come, Children, Learn to Fear the Lord”**



1 Come, chil - dren, learn to fear the Lord And  
 2 De - part from mis - chief, prac - tice love, Pur -  
 3 His eyes a - wake to guard the just, His  
 4 What though the sor - rows here they taste Are



that your days be long, Let not a false or  
 sue the works of peace; So shall the Lord your  
 ears at - tend their cry; When bro - ken spir - its  
 sharp and te - dious too, The Lord, who saves them



spite - ful word Be found up - on your tongue.  
 ways ap - prove, And set your souls at ease.  
 dwell in dust, The God of grace is nigh.  
 all at last, Is their sup - port - er now.

5 When desolation, like a flood,  
 O'er the proud sinner rolls,  
 Saints find a refuge in their God,  
 For He redeemed their souls.

**EPISTLE READING**

**Ephesians 5:6-21**

P 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, Seek and  
 3 Man does not live by bread a - lone, But by



right - eous - ness. And all these things shall be  
 ye shall find, Knock and the door shall be  
 ev - 'ry word That pro - ceeds from the



add - ed un - to you! Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!  
o - pened un - to 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

Matthew 14:22-33

Pew Bible page 1042

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 14<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

“You Are the Way; through You Alone” 526

## SERMON

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Pastor Michael Geml

## BACKPACK BLESSING & BLESSING OF EDUCATORS

P As we celebrate the start of a new school year, we give thanks that God has provided our students with many opportunities to learn more about the world around them.

**C Learning is discovered in our schools, in our church, in our family, in our community, and in our world. Learning surrounds us.**

P Bless our institutions of education and all who enrich our children’s learning through their teaching, guidance, and leadership.

**C We ask for God’s blessings on our children as they grow in knowledge and wisdom.**

P Be ever present with them in the classroom, on the playground, and at home, that they may experience Your loving care in all they do.

**C Keep these precious children safe, excited, and ever seeking to learn more about the special gifts You have given to them.**

P We commit these children to You in prayer and ask for Your blessings on their academic journey.

*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 Holy and mighty, holy and merciful Lord, from the beginning You held forth the hope of redemption that the people lost to You because of sin might be returned to You by means of the Savior long promised. Now having fulfilled all things for our salvation by the offering of His flesh for the life of the world and His blood to atone for our sin, grant us Your Holy Spirit that we whom He has bidden may come in confidence to receive all that He has promised. Now, by His own bidding, we come in His name to His Supper, that we may be strengthened in body and soul until life eternal.

**C Amen.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### **PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST** *1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 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**

“Sing with All the Saints in Glory” 671

“O God, My Faithful God” 696

*We stand.*

## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

## BENEDICTION

**CLOSING HYMN** “Now Thank We All Our God” 895

## POSTLUDE



# Sermon Notes

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JOHN  
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