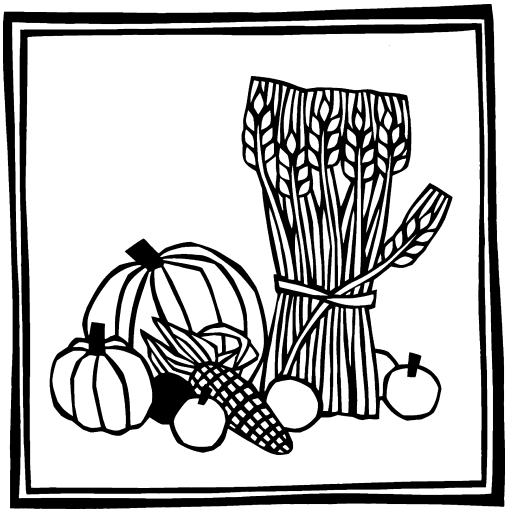
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Sunday mornings:

10:00am Worship (In-person & virtual options)

Join the 10:00am livestream on Sunday mornings or view recordings of our past services on our YouTube channel.

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Welcome, and thank you for worshipping with us this morning.

Holy Communion happens at every service and is open to all baptized.

The restroom is located in the gym; exit the sanctuary through the left door behind the altar and follow the hallway down the stairs.

We want you to feel as safe and comfortable as possible while at our church. Masks and hand sanitizer are provided for everyone in the back of the sanctuary.

Questions? Contact Desirae, Parish Admin, at dcontreras@concordiafaith.org

Fall Worship Schedule & Upcoming Events

Worship on Sundays is at 10:00am

10/1 St. Francis & Pet Blessing (Bring your pet to church)
St. Francis is the patron saint of pets, and we will recall the special way he lived and witnessed to God's love for all creation. People with pets will be invited to bring them up at the end of the service for a hands on blessing.

Sunday School for children during worship

Spiritual Practice after Worship in the Gym

10/8 Second Sunday concert and Fellowship Hour

10/15 St. Luke & Healing Service (*Anointing for Healing in our worship this Sunday)*

St. Luke is the evangelist who most shared the stories of Jesus' healing ministry. We remember the gifts of healing promised to us in our relationship to God in Christ, and offer anointing for healing to all who desire it during our worship service.

Adult Study after Worship in the Gym

10/21 125th Anniversary & Organ Re-Dedication at 3 PM (*Saturday*)

A special service and concert celebration of the church's 125th anniversary featuring organ recital pieces by three of our organists, guest preacher Rev. Stephen Bouman, members, alumni and friends gathering for a celebration reception following the service.

10/29 Reformation Sunday (*Wear Red for Reformation*)

Martin Luther posted 95 Church Reforms up on the church door for debate. Now where are we? Wear "Lutheran Red" today to commemorate the Reformation (Same as regular red)

Halloween Spooktacular concert

11/5 All Saints Sunday

We remember and give thanks for the honored dead in a solemn service that recalls our baptism and the resurrection promise to new life in God's reign.

Adult Study (Dwelling in the Word) after Worship in the Gym

Fall Worship Schedule & Upcoming Events

11/12 Community Thanksgiving Service & Second Sunday Concert

We will hold a Community Thanksgiving service to give thanks for God's blessings this year and to recognize the milestone anniversaries of our Concordia Place and Concordia Church ministry team members whose service to our church and community proclaim God's grace and love. Following worship, a Second Sunday Concert will be featured in the sanctuary at noon

Sunday School for children during worship

Thanksgiving Pot Luck in Fellowship Hall

11/19 **Adult Study (O.T. Prophets)** after Worship in the Gym

11/26 **Christ the King Sunday** (Wear something Gold to church)

The last Sunday of the Church Year is the feast day of our future king—Christ returns as Lord of all and the reign of God's peace, grace and love will be complete on that day in the life of the whole world. Wear something "gold" to commemorate the promise of the future King.

12/3 **First Sunday of Advent**

Council Meeting in the Gym (No Adult Study in December)

Sunday Fun Day 9 AM – 1 PM (Arlene Calderone)

…and more to come in December!

This worship bulletin includes all liturgy for the month of October. The worship service begins on page 5. The Prayers of the Day Readings, Hymns, and other special liturgies can be found in the insert in your bulletin.

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Hymn [printed in insert]

Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C: And also with you.

Hymn of Praise *"This is the Feast"*



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Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 3 Sing with all the peo-ple of
God, and join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or,
glo-ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.
Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.
Final refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

Prayer of the Day [printed in insert]

P: Let us pray . . . .

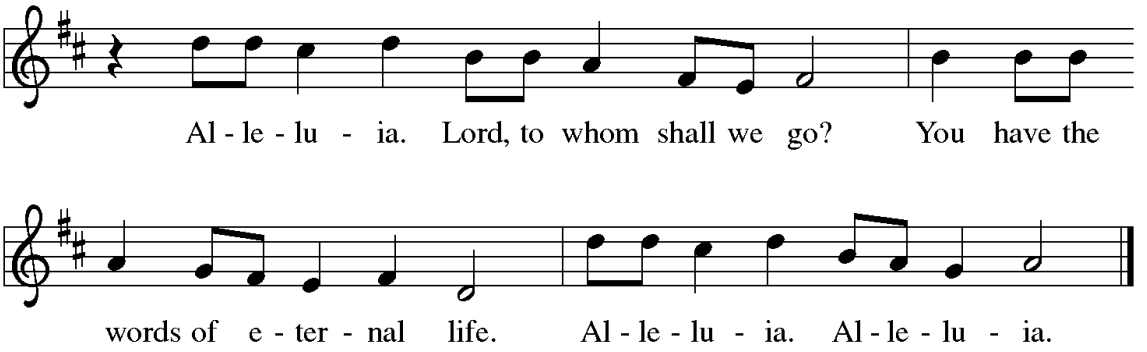
C: Amen.

First Reading [printed in insert]

Psalm *Chanted by Choir*

Second Reading [printed in insert]

Gospel Acclamation "*Alleluia*"



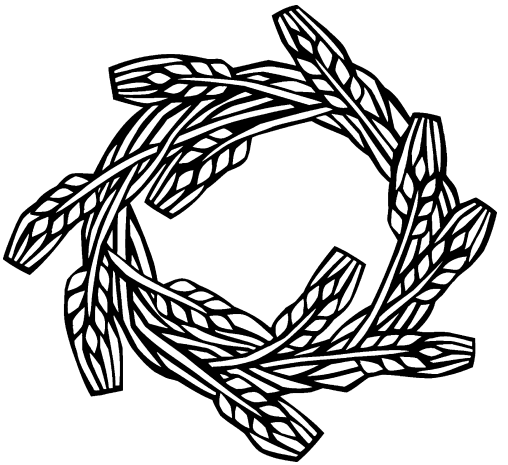
P: The Holy Gospel according to ….
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel [printed in insert]
P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Gospel Acclamation (Repeat)

Sermon Rev. Nicholas Zook

Hymn of the Day [printed in insert]



Apostle's Creed

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

A: God our Father blesses us daily with gifts that renew our lives. Trusting in God's goodness, we remember and pray for the world, the Church, and all those in need. Let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, we pray for our world. Bring an end to all war, violence, injustice and suffering, that we may all know the peace and joy of Christ's rule that your coming kingdom will bring. Let us pray to the Lord,
C: Lord, hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, we pray for your Church everywhere throughout the world. You gather people from every nation and place them into communities of faith. Make every faith community a place where your people live out their calling to witness to your saving grace through Christ our Lord. Let us pray to the Lord,
C: Lord, hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, we pray for Concordia's ministries. As Christ's presence in our community, you call us to love and serve our neighbors. Bless the ministries of Concordia Church and Concordia Place and bless the members, staff, and leaders who work in our ministries to share your love with all we serve. Let us pray to the Lord,
C: Lord, hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, we pray for all who suffer. Your grace and healing presence is never far from any who call upon you. Bring healing to all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, and comfort those who seek your presence, especially those we name before you now and silently in our hearts (*read names and pause for moment of silence*); Let us pray to the Lord…
C: Lord, hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, we give you thanks. You have blessed us abundantly with gifts to serve you and one another. Open our eyes to see your blessings in our lives, and open our hearts to share them, that all may be blessed with your redeeming presence in their lives. Let us pray to the Lord,
C: Lord, hear our prayer.

P: Receive our prayers, bless our hopes, and fill us with your grace, peace, and love.
C: Amen.

Offertory Anthem

The Offering

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Offertory Hymn WOV #760 "*For the Fruit of All Creation" (v1)*



Offertory Prayer

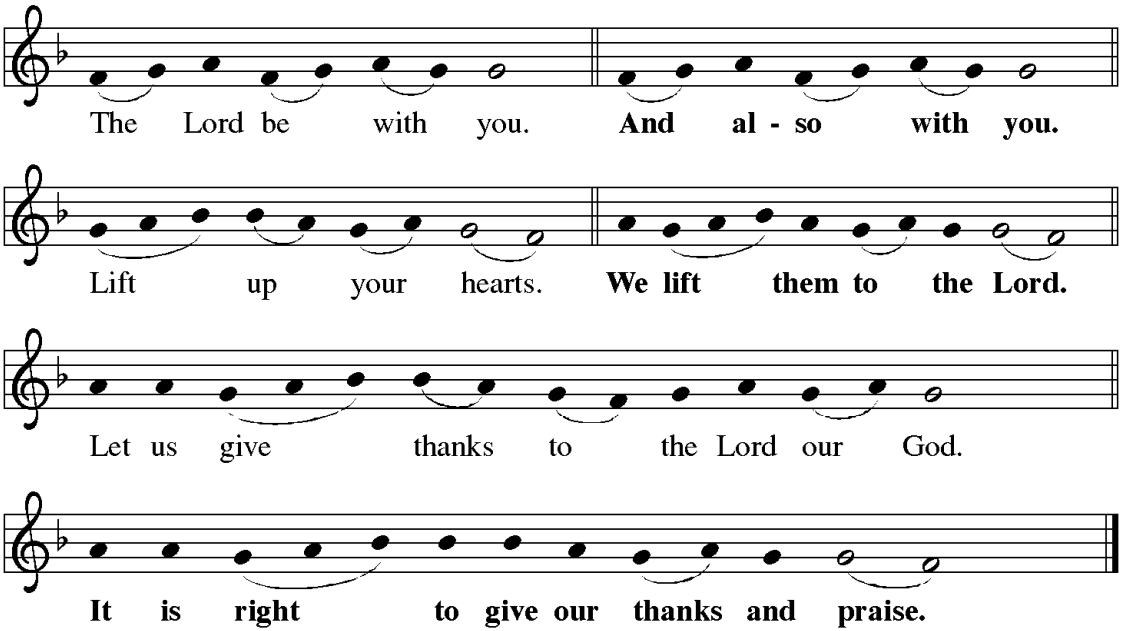
A: Bless the Lord God for all his goodness.
C: Blessed be God forever. Your blessings fill our lives. In thanksgiving, we offer these gifts and ourselves to your service, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Bless the Lord God for this gift of bread. It will become for us the bread of life.
C: Blessed be God forever.

P: Bless the Lord God for this cup of wine. It will become for us the cup of salvation.
C: Blessed be God forever.

Liturgy of the Eucharistic Meal

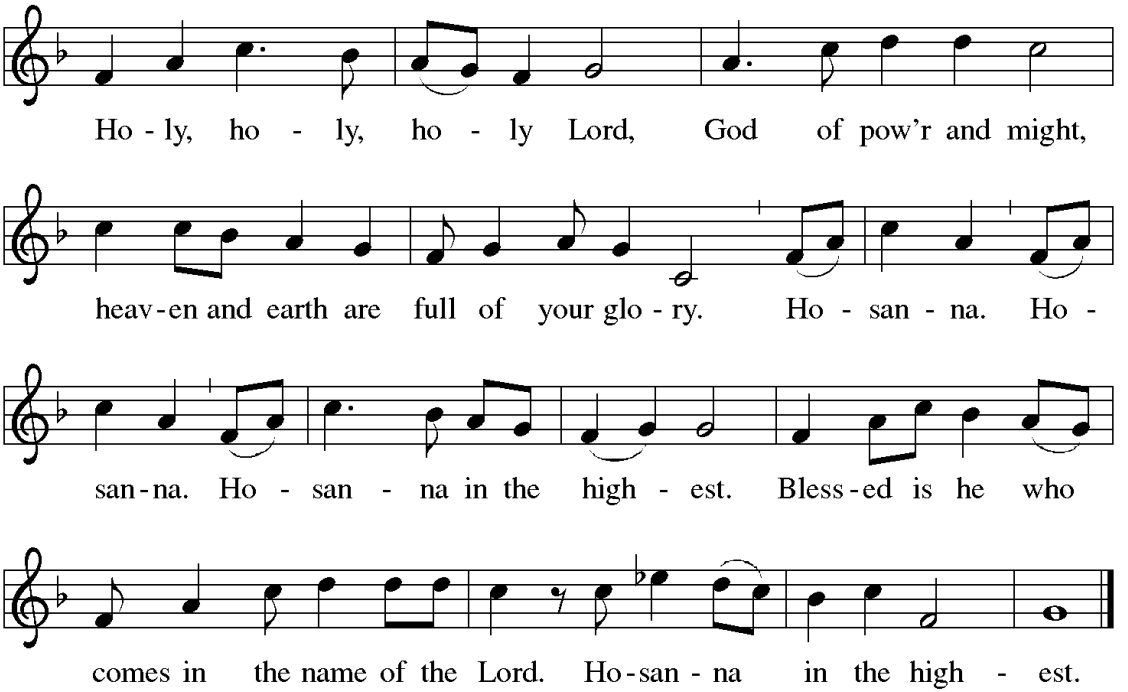
The Great Thanksgiving



Preface

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should and at all times..... we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

Sanctus



P: Blessed are you, O Lord our God.
Your abundant grace fills our lives with blessings.
All of heaven and earth sing of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
Who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
Who preached good news to the poor,
And who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

P: By our baptism, you have united us into one body in Christ.
You have set us free from bondage to sin and
redeemed our lives from the grave
so that as Christ was raised from the dead
we too might walk in newness of life.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us
he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, and said:
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."
When the supper was over he took the cup,
gave thanks to you, and said:
"Drink from this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."
We give you thanks and praise for
your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

C: Christ has died.
Christ has risen.
Christ will come again.

P: Send your Holy Spirit on us, gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of your Son.
By your Spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other,
And one in witness to all the world,
until Christ comes in final victory
and gathers us all into your everlasting kingdom.
May your saving acts be proclaimed
and your name forever be praised, Almighty Father.
We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ,
with your Holy Spirit in your holy church throughout the world.
C: Amen. Your Kingdom come.

C: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Communion Invitation

We invite all who are baptized in Christ to come forward for communion. All are welcome at the Lord's table. Parents of young children are asked to let the pastor know if they want their child to receive communion or a blessing.

Communion is served by continuous table around the altar, and you are asked to take a place as openings appear.

Communion "*Let Us Break Bread Together*"

Post Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
C: Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

A: Holy and gracious God, you have blessed us at this holy meal and united us in the fellowship of our savior, Jesus Christ. Your generous blessings renew us to go forth to serve as your faithful people until your kingdom comes and your rule is established throughout the whole world.

C: Amen. Come Lord Jesus, Come.

Closing Hymn [printed in insert]

Announcements

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you
The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.
In the name of the Father, and the Son (+), and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

~ Please return this bulletin at the end of the service ~
~ Feel free to take the insert home with you ~

Join us for these activities this fall season:

1st Sunday of the month: Sunday School & Spiritual practice with Jen
2nd Sunday of the month: 'Second Sundays' concert with Fellowship Hour
3rd Sunday of the month: Adult Study with Pastor studying Old Testament prophets

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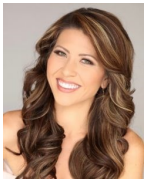
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