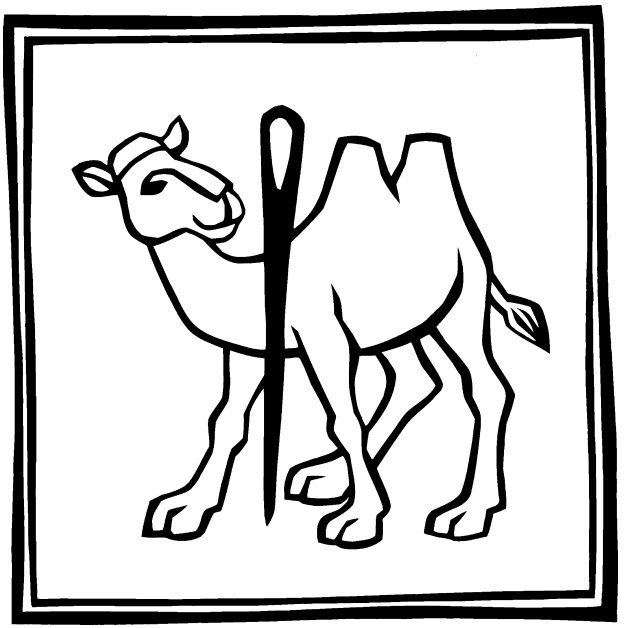
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Welcome, and thank you for worshipping with us this morning.

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

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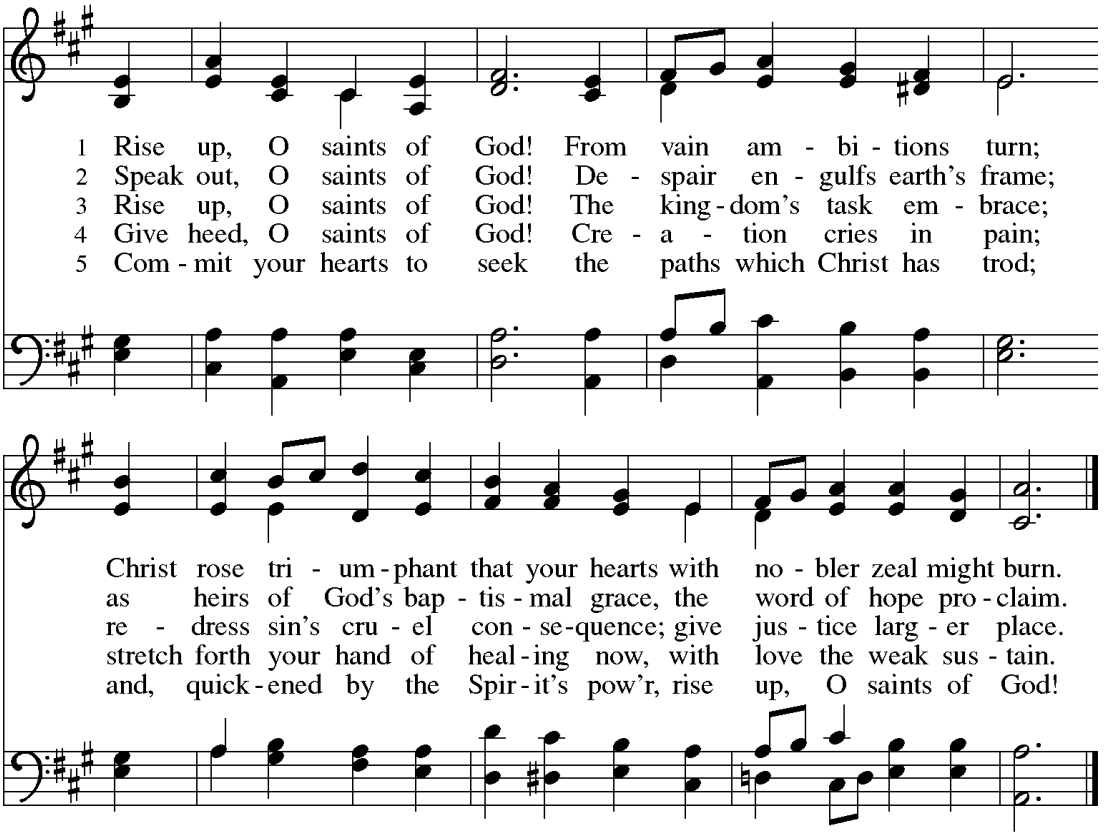
Masks and hand sanitizer are located in the back of the sanctuary should you need either.

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

Prelude "*Songs My Grandfather Taught Me*"
by Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco

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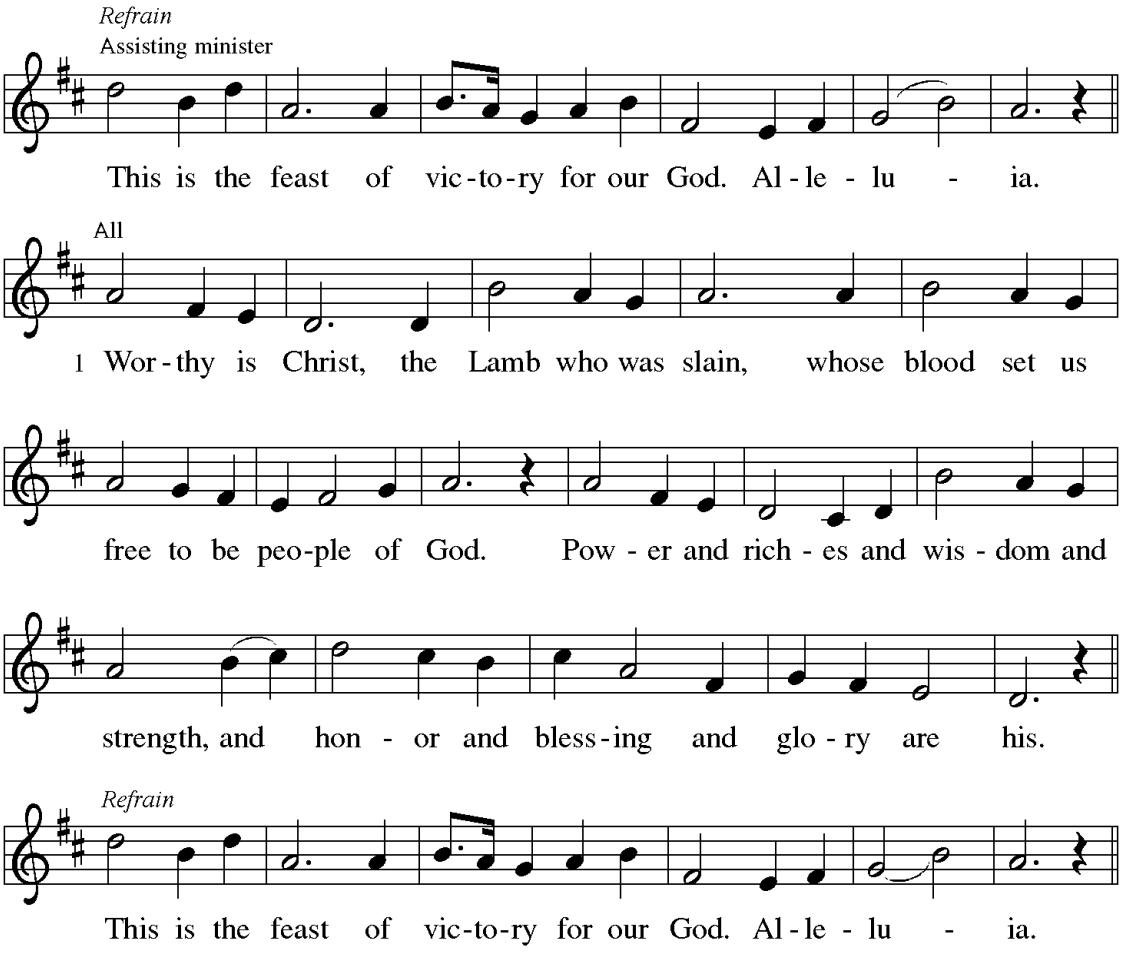
Opening Hymn ELW #669 "*Rise Up, O Saints of God*"



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.

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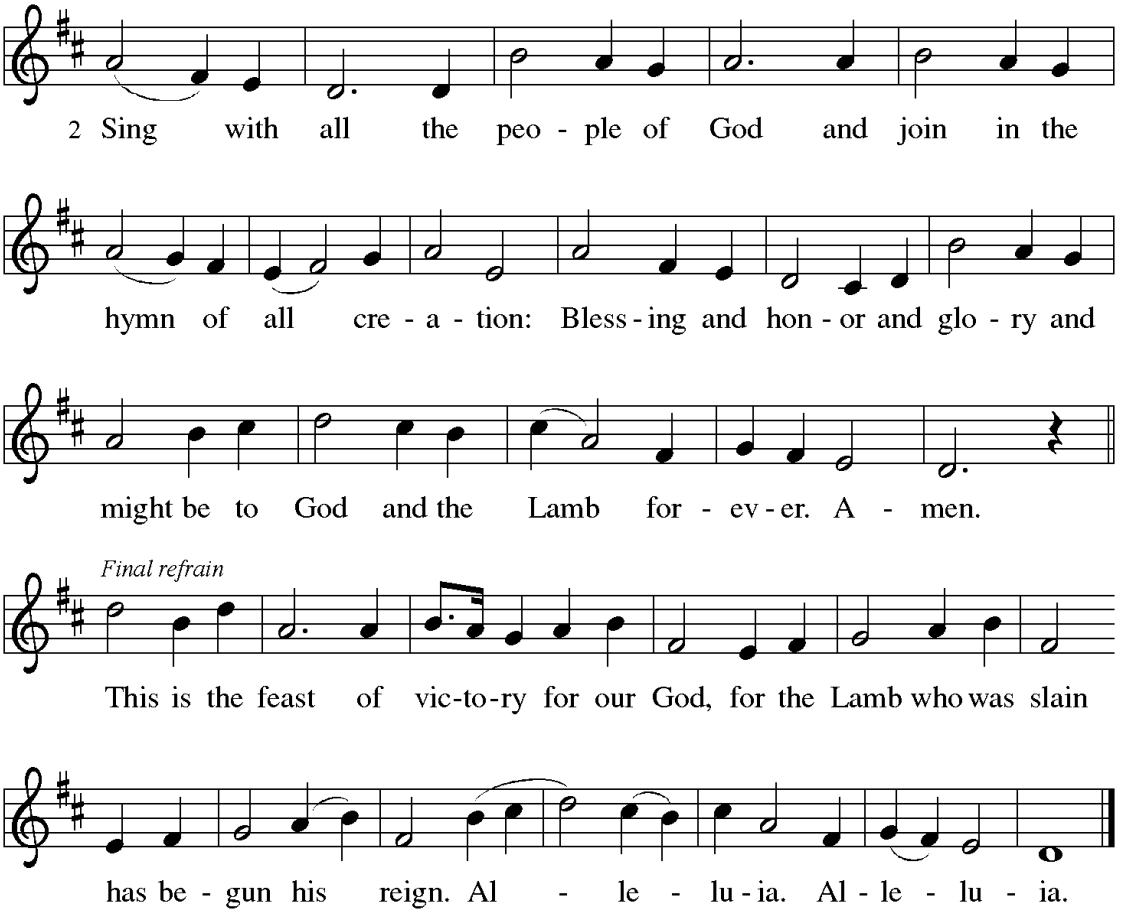
Hymn of Praise — "*This is the Feast*"



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Hymn of Praise

"*This is the Feast*"



Prayer of the Day

P: Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

First Reading — Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

6 Seek the LORD and live,
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.
7 Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,
and bring righteousness to the ground!
10 They hate the one who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.
11 Therefore because you trample on the poor
and take from them levies of grain,
you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not live in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.
12 For I know how many are your transgressions,
and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,
and push aside the needy in the gate.
13 Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;
for it is an evil time.
14 Seek good and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,
just as you have said.
15 Hate evil and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.
C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 90:12-17

Read responsively by lector; congregation reads bolded text
Choir sings antiphon indicated by 'R'

Antiphon (R)

12 So teach us to num- | ber our days
that we may apply our | hearts to wisdom.
13 **Return, O LORD; how long | will you tarry?**
Be gracious | to your servants. R
14 Satisfy us by your steadfast love | in the morning;
so shall we rejoice and be glad | all our days.
15 **Make us glad as many days as you af- | flicted us**
and as many years as we suf- | fered adversity.
16 Show your ser- | vants your works,
and your splendor | to their children.
17 **May the graciousness of the Lord our God | be upon us;**
prosper the work of our hands; pros- | per our handiwork. R

Second Reading — Hebrews 4:12-16

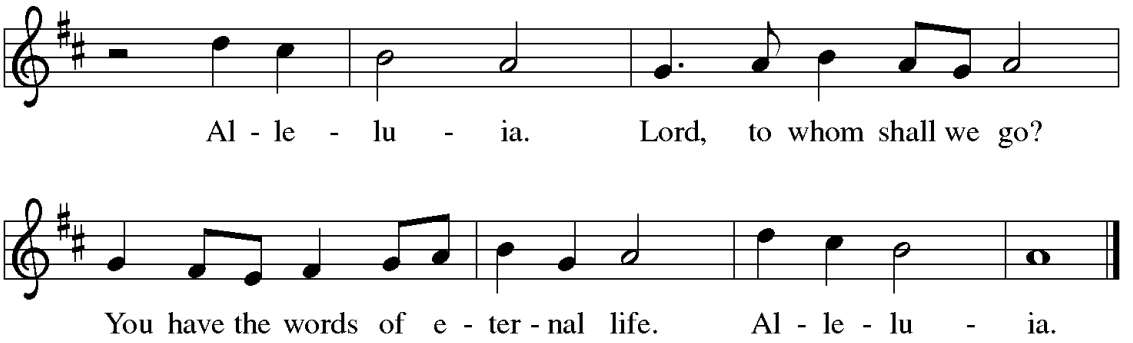
12 Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. 13 And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

14 Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. 15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. 16 Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.
C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

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



The Gospel Mark 10:17-31

17 As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and
asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" 18 Jesus said to
him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. 19 You know the
commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall
not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your
father and mother.' " 20 He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my
youth." 21 Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell
what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in
heaven; then come, follow me." 22 When he heard this, he was shocked and went
away grieving, for he had many possessions.

23 Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for
those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" 24 And the disciples were
perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to
enter the kingdom of God! 25 It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a
needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." 26 They were
greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" 27 Jesus
looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all
things are possible."

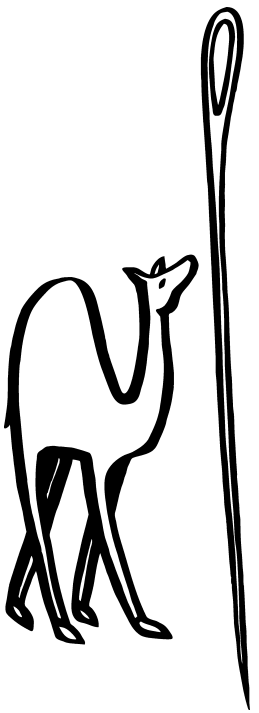
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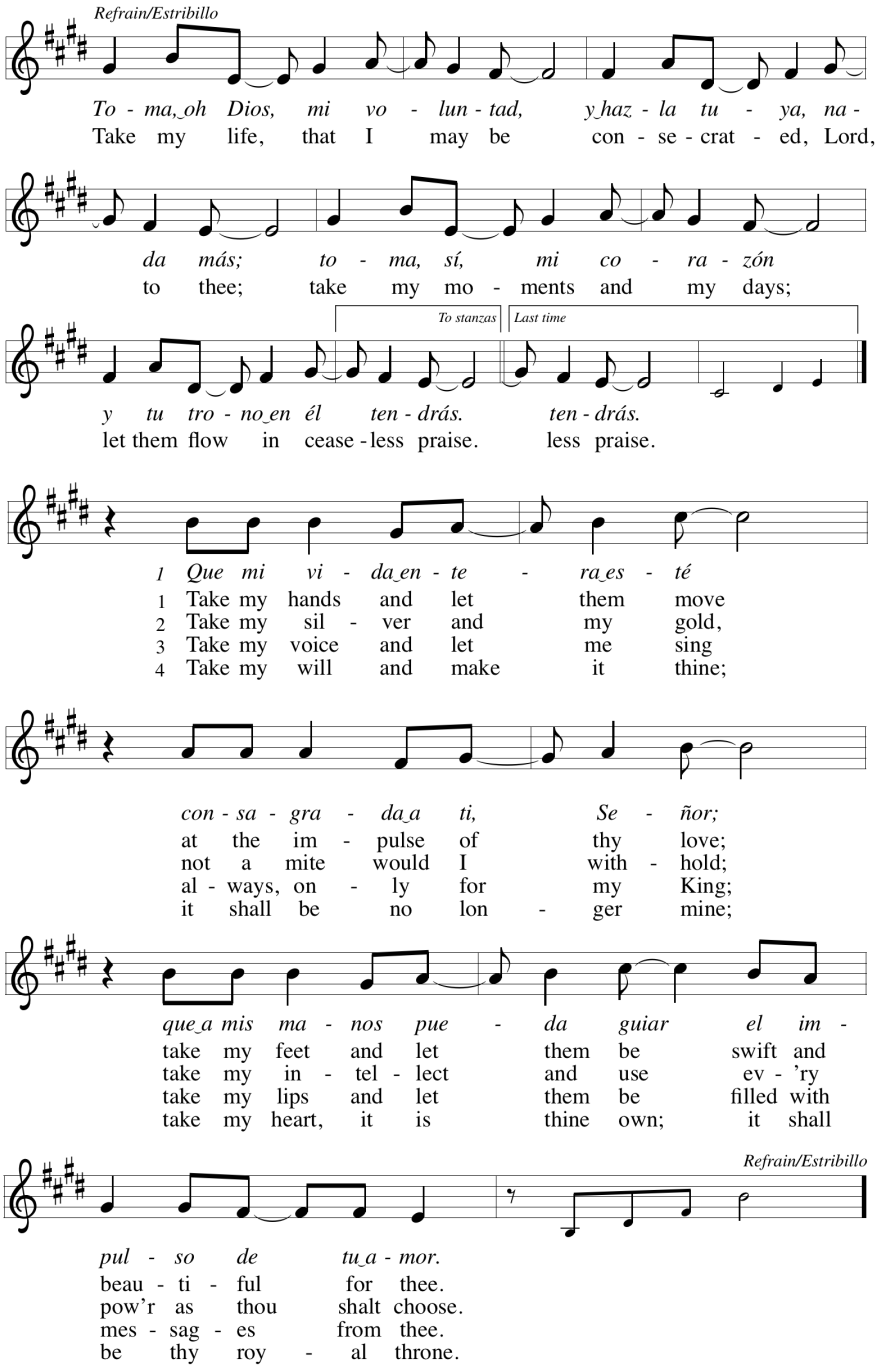
[28]Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you."
[29]Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, [30]who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. [31]But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."
P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Gospel Acclamation (repeat acclamation)

Sermon **Rev. Nicholas Zook**



Hymn of the Day ELW #583 "*Take My Life, That I May Be*"



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.

Prayers of Intercession

A: We are united to Christ in his death and resurrection through our baptism. As members of his risen body, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence.

A: Let us pray to the Lord.
C: Hear us, risen Lord.

A: Holy God, you call forth your church by the gift of the Holy Spirit. Renew your church by your spirit that it may bear witness to your grace and love. Lord, in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, we pray for the resurrection of our world when Christ will rule and the establishment of your kingdom will bring an end to war, violence, injustice and death. We especially pray for the people of Palestine, Israel, Ukraine, Russia, and Venezuela. Lord, in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, 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 with the spirit of our risen Lord that your saving grace may fill the lives of all we serve. Lord, in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.

A: Holy God, you wipe away the tears of all who cry to you in distress. Bring healing to all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, and comfort those who struggle and seek your presence, especially Lupe, Raymond, Bonnie, Bob, Melanie, Roz, Lena, Tom, Rachel, Sandy, and those whose names we speak silently or aloud [*pause for names*] ...Lord, in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer.



The Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C: And also with you.

You are invited to share the sign of peace with others.

Offertory Anthem
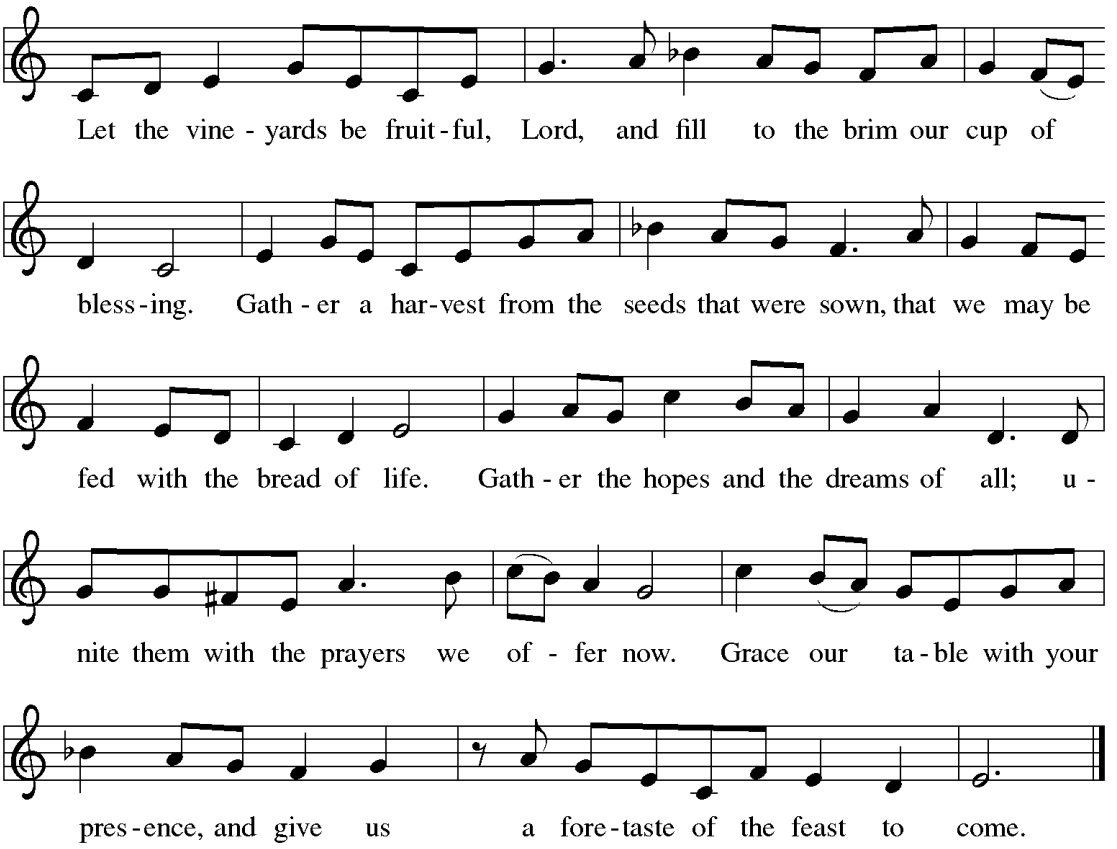
"*Here, O My Lord*"
Concordia Church Choir

We encourage you to use this time for reflection & gratitude as we prepare for communion.

The Offering

Thank you for supporting our ministries with our financial gifts. Scan the QR code to the left to easily make a one-time gift or establish a recurring gift.

Offertory Hymn ELW #182 "*Let the Vineyards be Fruitful*"



Offertory Prayer

A: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

The Liturgy of the Holy Eucharist

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.

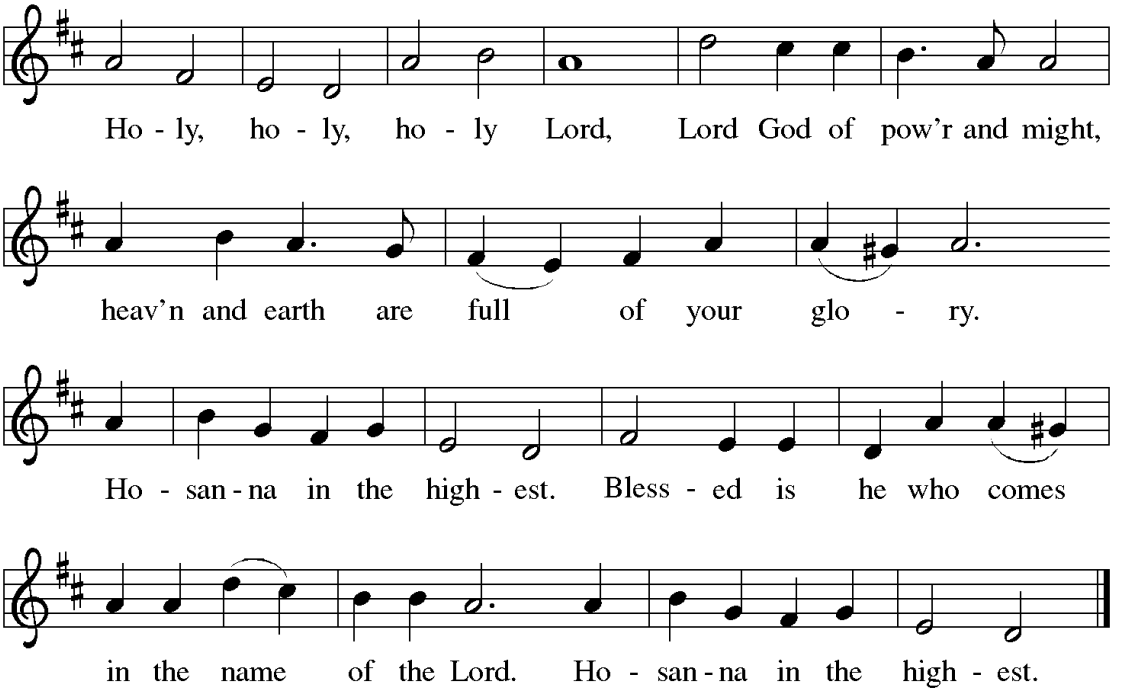
P: Lift up your hearts.
C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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 God of the universe.
Your mercy is everlasting
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.
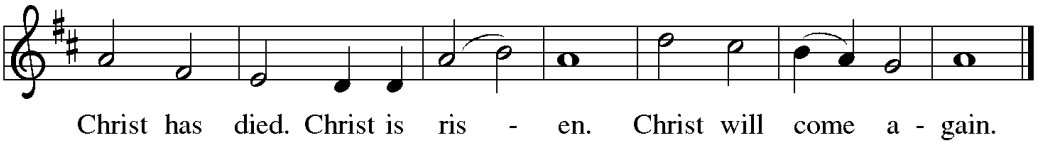
P: You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have everlasting life.
We give you thanks for his sacrifice, who on the cross he opened his arms to all.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

P: Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

P: With this bread and cup
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

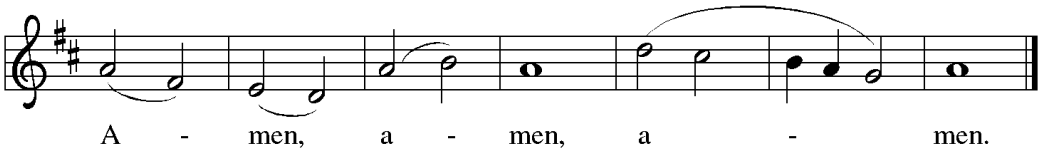
C:



P: O God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: We praise you, O God,
blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever.

C: 

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

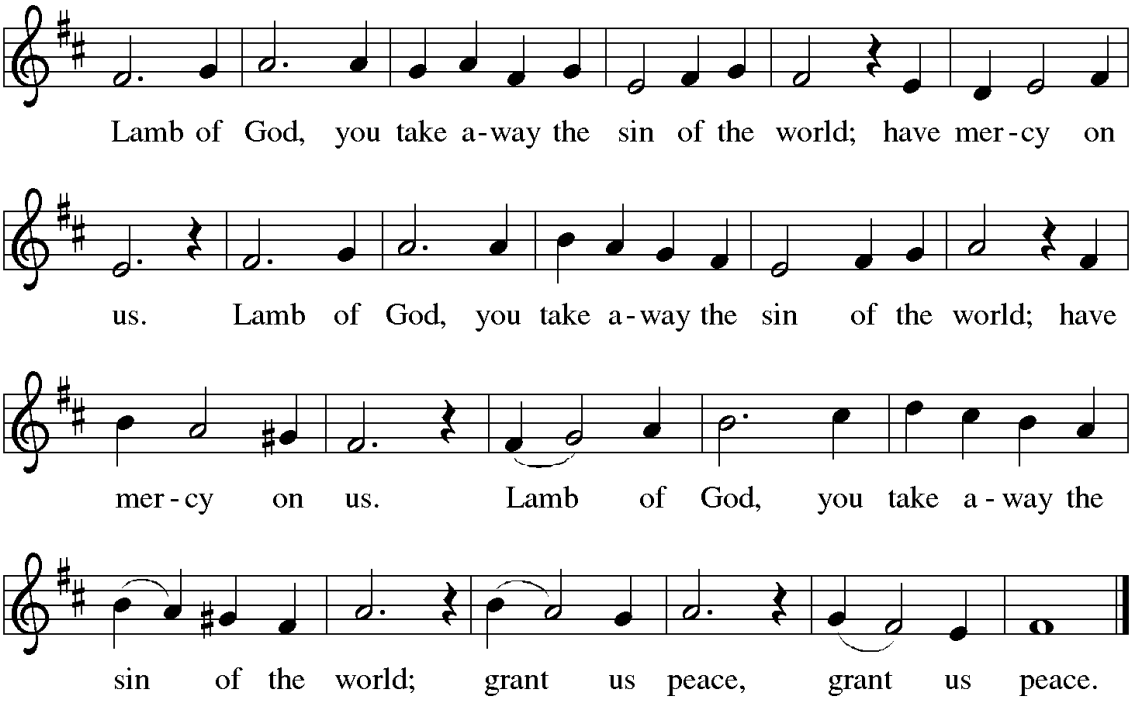
C: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are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

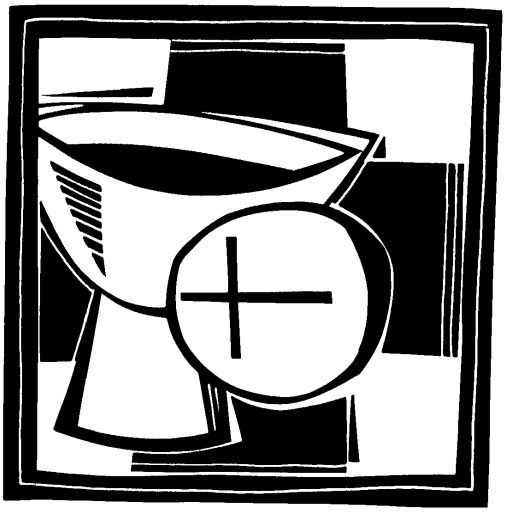
Communion Invitation

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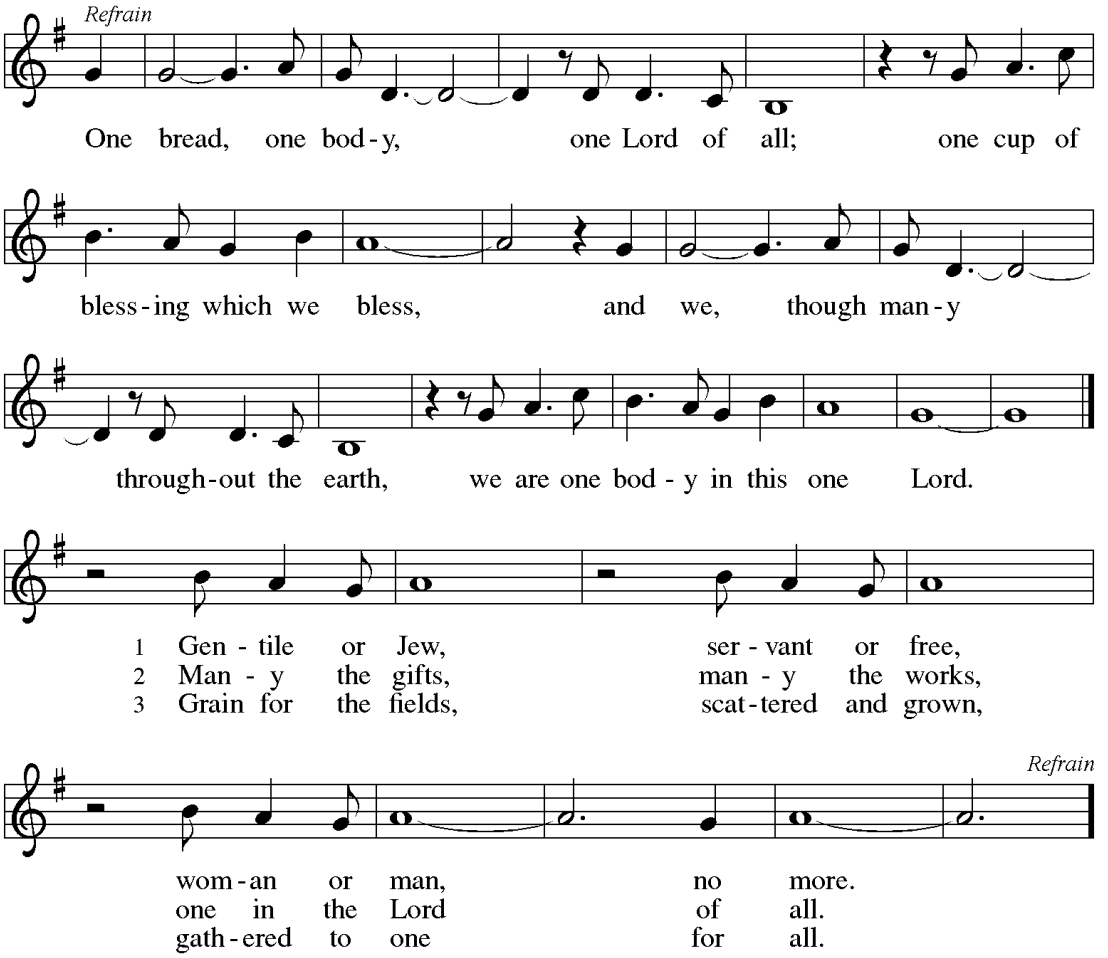
Communion is served by continuous table around the altar, and you are asked to take a place as openings appear.

"*Lamb of God*"


Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.



Communion Hymn — ELW #496 "*One Bread, One Body*"



Post Communion Blessing

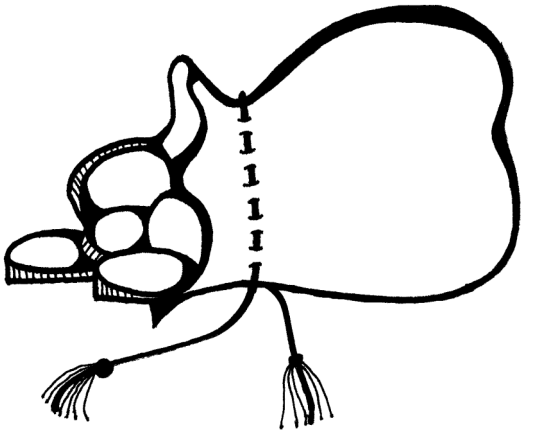
P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer
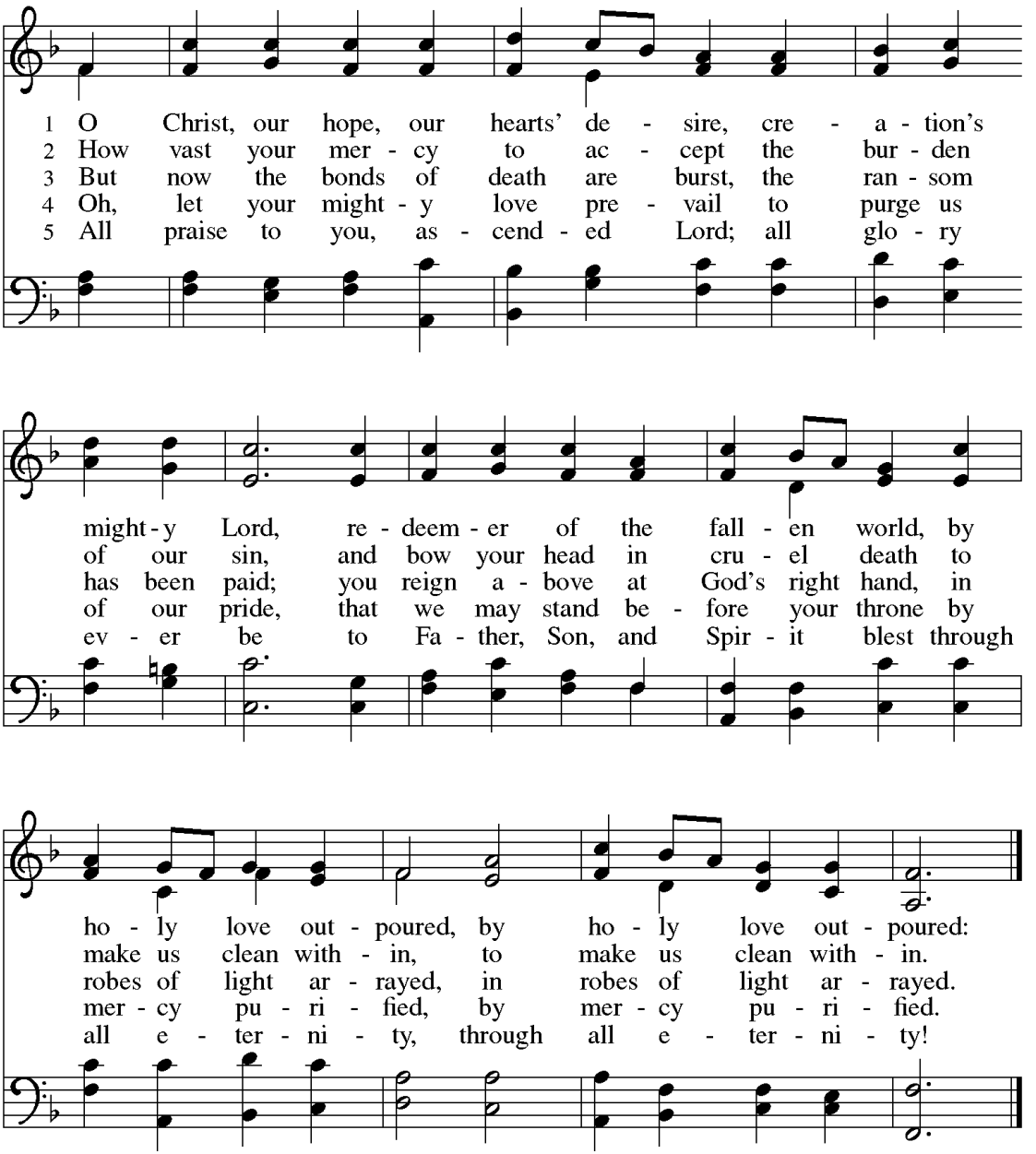
A: Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

C: Amen.



Closing Hymn

ELW #604 "*O Christ, Our Hope*"



Announcements

Blessing

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 of the Son (+), and of the Holy Spirit.

Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Serve the risen Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude *"Festival March"* **by Florence B. Price**

Today's celebrants:

Pastor: Rev. Nicholas Zook
Deacon: Christina Formeller
Lector: Wilma Stevens
Greeter: Jocelyn Lemish
Song Leaders: Ariel Andrew, Jade Dasha, Benjamin Burney, Avery Sujkowski
Choir members: Richard Gaul, Dan Lantvit, Mary-Ann Lupa, Betsy Ries, Wilma Stevens, Linda Storbeck
Organist & Choir Director: Paul Dykstra



Date: Saturday, October 19

Time: 4pm to 6pm, doors open at 3:30pm

Attire: Cocktail Casual

Location: Swartz Pavilion, Concordia Place (3300 N Whipple St Chicago, IL 60618)

Join us in celebrating lifelong dedication with a fireside chat and cocktail hour!

On October 19, we'll honor three remarkable milestones: Heather Gunter and Sarah Spraker's 20th employment anniversaries, and Kiki Collias's 40th anniversary.

These incredible achievements will be celebrated with community, food provided by our Teen Leadership participants, a welcome by Rev. Stephen Bouman, and a fireside chat on the impact of early childhood professionals in our society. This chat will feature our own Grace Araya, President and CEO, and Dr. Mariana Souto-Manning, President of the Erikson Institute.

Tickets for this event are available on a sliding scale just like our tuition because, at Concordia Place, we believe every child deserves a world-class education, regardless of financial circumstances. By purchasing a ticket at a price that works for you, you directly support our mission and help provide education for every child in our community.

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Anita Graef, cello
Louise Chan, piano

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Sunday
October 13th
12pm

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Choir Rehearsals

Join the choir! Rehearsals are each Sunday morning at 9am in the sanctuary prior to the worship service. Anyone is welcome to join the choir. Interested in learning more? Connect with Paul (sdnorthsider@gmail.com) or Marisa (mbuchheit@concordiafaith.org).

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Sunday School

This week, the children's message focuses on Noah's Ark and God's promise through the rainbow. There is a copy of the Bible story, as well as crafts and activities in family space for the children to enjoy and take home with them.

On Sunday School weeks, following the children's message at the beginning of the service, children will accompany their teachers downstairs to the preschool room for their lesson. The lesson will include the story, a craft activity, and discussion. Sunday School is free and open to children ages 4-11 years. There are two different classes (upper and lower) based on children's ages. If you have questions about Sunday School, please connect with either Pastor Zook (nzook@concordiafaith.org) or Desirae (dcontreras@concordiafaith.org).

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Adult Study

Adult Study is being held each Sunday at 9am in the church office. The group is being held both in-person and virtually. Pastor Zook is leading the study, and the topic of these classes are focused on the topic of Prayer. A Zoom link is available for those unable to attend in person. Please connect with Pastor Zook (nzook@concordiafaith.org) for the materials and any additional information.



It's Flu Season!



Vaccine Clinic at Concordia Church
3855 N. Seeley, Chicago IL

October 13, 2024
9:30 AM - 11:45 AM

Scan QR code to register

For your convenience, the Concordia Health and Wellness Team has invited Jewel Osco to administer flu shots and COVID boosters in the Church office. Immunizations will be available the morning of **October 13th** to individuals 18 years of age or older. It is important to sign up in advance to provide an estimated count to the pharmacist.

Please see Wilma Stevens (773-419-2754) or Mary-Ann Lupa (773-283-5763) to acquire the Informed Consent for Immunization Form and further information. The forms will also be available in the Concordia Church office.

Pre-registration is encouraged to give Jewel Osco pharmacy personnel time to process insurance information prior to the clinic date. There is no co-payment unless required by your insurance.

As a thank you, Jewel Osco also offers a coupon for **10% OFF** your next Jewel Osco grocery purchase with any immunization.

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Concordia Concerts 2024–25 Season



Church Holidays

Free to the community

Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve concert

April 20 – Easter Sunday concert



Second Sundays

Free Community concert on the 2nd Sunday of each month at noon!

Sept. 8 – Avery Sujkowski, baritone
Oct. 13 – Anita Graef, cello & Louise Chan, piano
Nov. 10 – Paul Dykstra & Dana Brown, pianos
Jan. 12 – David Nakozono, trumpet
Feb. 9 – Jordan Thomas, harp
March 11 – Andrew Marlin, bassoon
May 11 – Celebrate Concordia musicians!

Gala series

Ticketed evening events

Dec. 13 – Lakeshore Brass & friends Christmas spectacular!

Feb. 15 – "Love Your Neighbor" St. Valentine's Day Gala Concert

Lakeshore Brass residency

A special evening series featuring our resident brass quintet. Ticketed event

Sept. 20 – The Sound of Musicals

Nov. 1 – Going West!

March 28 – Chicago

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Important Dates to note:

- October 6th: St. Francis & Blessing of Pets
  Sunday School: St. Francis/Pets
- October 13th: Vaccination clinic in the gym at 11am (Flu & Covid shots)
  'Second Sundays' concert at 12pm with Anita Graef, cello and Louise Chan, piano
- October 19th 12-4pm: Monster Mash Bash for kids ages 4-11 years old
- October 19th 4-6pm: Concordia Place milestone anniversary celebration at Swartz Pavilion, 3300 N Whipple St.
- October 20th: Sunday School: Jesus is Baptized
- October 27th: Reformation Sunday
  Council Meeting
- November 1st: 'Going West!' Lakeshore Brass concert at 7pm
- November 3rd: All Saints Sunday
  Turn your clocks back one hour!

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Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825–1893
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Hymn of the Day — **ELW #583 "*Take My Life that I May Be*"**

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, adapt.; Spanish text: Vincent Mendoza, 1875–1955
Music: TOMA MI VOLUNTAD, William Dexheimer Pharris, b. 1956
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Offertory Hymn — **ELW #182 "*Let the Vineyards be Fruitful*"**

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980
Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923
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Communion Hymn — **ELW #496 "*One Bread, One Body*"**

Text: John Foley, SJ, b. 1939
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Closing Hymn — **ELW #604 "*O Christ Our Hope*"**

Text: Latin hymn, c. 8th cent.; tr. John Chandler, 1806–1876, adapt.
Music: LOBT GOTT, IHR CHRISTEN, Nikolaus Herman, 1480–1561

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