

# **CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH**

## **LOST. FOUND. FORMED. FOR SERVICE.**

### **THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

September 3, 2017  
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

*“Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!”  
-Psalm 98:1a*



#### **AS WE GATHER**

(prepared by Jim Gann)

It is fitting that at the beginning of our service, right after our hymn of praise to God, we have the confession of sins. It includes a time of silence for self-examination. This time is perhaps more important than many may realize. It is a time when we, as individuals, come before God (even though He already knows our transgressions) to humbly and sincerely confess our sins to Him from our hearts. Then and only then can we rightfully receive words of forgiveness. Then and only then can we cheerfully receive God’s Word in the proper frame of mind. Then and only then can we experience true Christian fellowship. Then and only then can we be enabled to go out into the mission field of the world to share His Word with others.

↓ means to be seated

↑ means to stand, unless repeated standing is difficult

[L: Leader] [C: Congregation]

#### **PRELUDE**

↓ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

↑ **RINGING OF THE BELLS**

↑ **OPENING HYMN** #842 *“Son of God, Eternal Savior”*

**+ DIVINE SERVICE – SETTING TWO +**  
(Hymnal, p. 167)

**↑ INVOCATION**

Leader: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

**↑ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Leader: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

*(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination)*

Leader: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy

Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C: Amen.**

## ↑GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

**A** Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo-ple on earth.

**C** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and

Fa-ther: We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we

praise You for Your glo-ry. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly

Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God: You

take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on

us. You are seat-ed at the right hand of the

Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer. For You a-lone are the

Ho - ly One, You a - lone are the Lord, You a -  
lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,  
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

### ↑ PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**C**: And also with you.

Leader:: Let us pray together.

**ALL**: Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### ↓ OLD TESTAMENT READING Jeremiah 15:15–21

*(Jeremiah's complaint)*

R: The Old Testament reading is from Jeremiah, chapter fifteen.

*(After the reading...)*

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C**: Thanks be to God.

### ↓ EPISTLE Romans 12:9–21

*(Marks of the true Christian)*

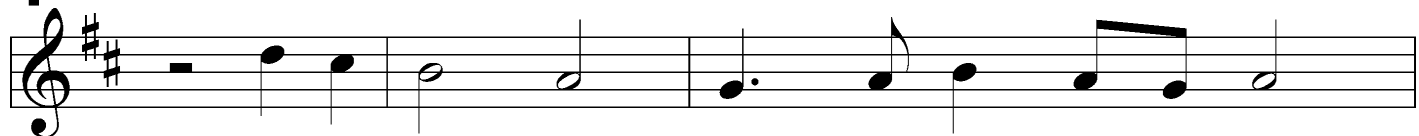
R: The Epistle reading is from Romans, chapter twelve.

*(After the reading...)*

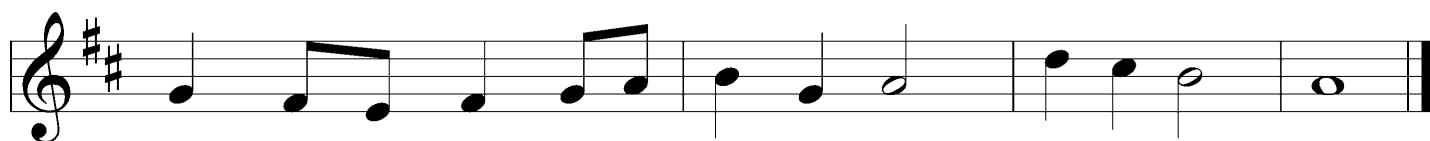
R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

### ↑ ALLELUIA AND VERSE



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

### ↑ HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 16:21–28

*(Take up your cross and follow Jesus.)*

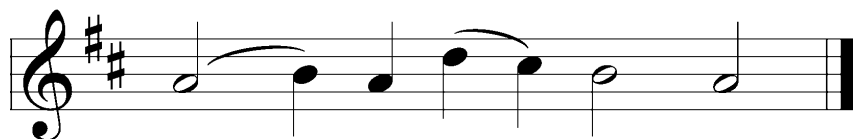
Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 16th chapter.



Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

*(The Gospel is read.)*

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to You, O Christ.

### ↑ NICENE CREED

**All: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of**

**Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.**

*We invite the children forward as we sing: LSB #685, v. 1*

**Let us ever walk with Jesus, Follow His example pure,  
Through a world that would deceive us And to sin our spirits lure.  
Onward in His footsteps treading, Pilgrims here, our home above,  
Full of faith and hope and love, Let us do the Father's bidding.  
Faithful Lord, with me abide; I shall follow where You guide.**

**↓ CHILDREN'S TALK**

**↓ SERMON HYMN #531**

*"Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus"*

**↓ SERMON Deacon Richard Benjamin**

## ↓ TITHES, PLEDGES, AND OFFERINGS

[Please take a moment and sign the attendance book at the end of the pew]

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## ↑ PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Leader: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord God, we give You thanks and praise for Your whole creation but especially for Your grace by which You invite all sinners into Your saving presence through the cross and resurrection of Your Son. Give us all the power to turn in true repentance of our sin to receive Your glorious promised forgiveness and gift of eternal life. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

Leader: Lead all whom You have called to shepherd Your people in Your Holy Church, that they may faithfully preach the Word of the cross of Christ and proclaim His salvation to the joy and salvation of the souls of many. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

Leader: Lead those called to serve us through positions of leadership in the government, in order that we may live peaceably with all. Direct their words and ways to perform justice in punishing evil and praising good, especially in the defense of the most helpless among us. Bless all industry and those who work, through whom You give us what we need for this body and life. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

Leader: Comfort and bring peace, patience, and healing to all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [*especially . . .*] and those we name in our hearts. Give steady faith and

confidence to those for whom death draws near. Lord, in  
Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

Leader: Bless the schools of the Church and all colleges, universities, and centers of learning, and those who teach and work in them. Grant Your wisdom in such measure that people may serve You honorably in church and state, and that our lives may be conformed to the ways of Your truth. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

Leader: We give You thanks for all who have gone before us with the sign of faith, for all the saints through the ages, and especially our loved ones who now dwell in Your nearer presence and rest from their labors. [*Silence for remembrance.*] Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints, and bring us at last to the joys of Your heavenly kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

[Additional prayers may be offered here.]

Leader: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## + SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

### ↑ PREFACE

Leader: The Lord be with you.



And al-so with you.



Leader: Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



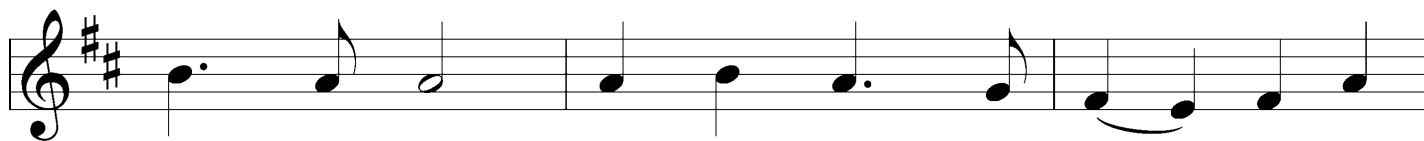
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

## ↑ PROPER PREFACE

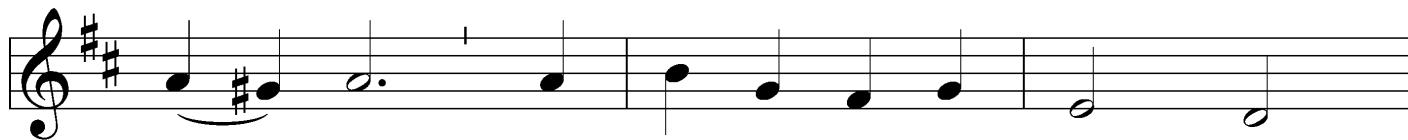
### ↑ SANCTUS



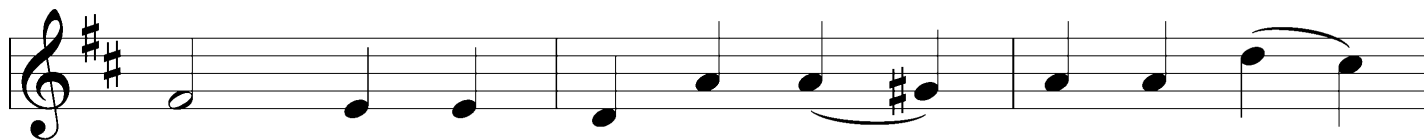
**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of



pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is He who comes in the name



of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## ↑ THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

## ↑ PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Leader: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. *1 Corinthians 11:26*

**C:** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. *Revelation 22:20*

## ↑ THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**ALL:** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## ↑ PAX DOMINI

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C:** Amen.

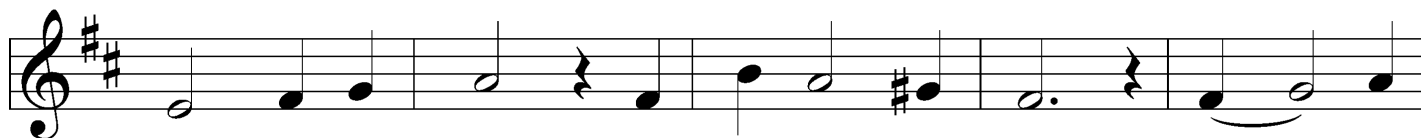
## ↑ AGNUS DEI



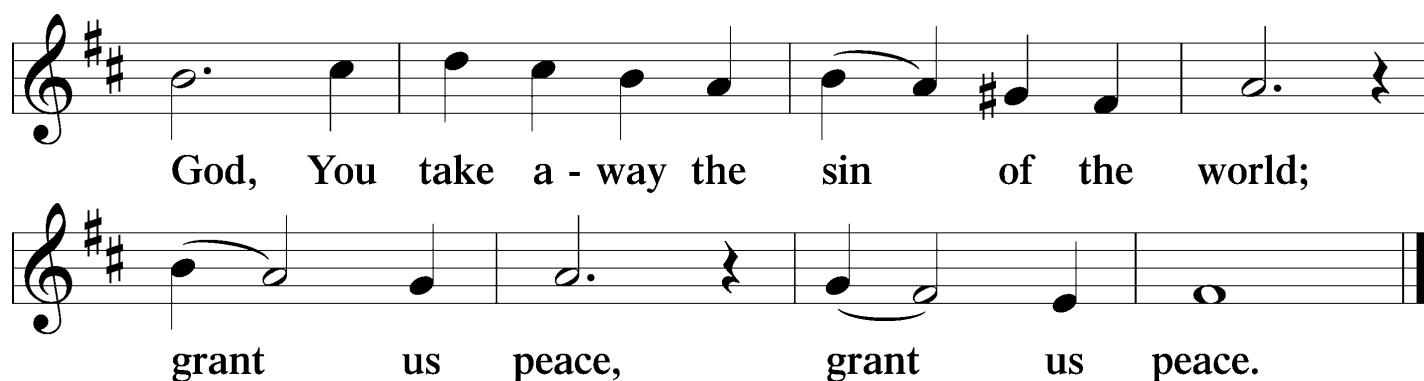
☐ Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



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 INVITATION

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, are unclear on what all this means, 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 encouraged to seek guidance from the pastor.

## ↓ DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

- #426     *“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”*
- #566     *“By Grace I’m Saved”*
- #912     *“Christ Is Our Cornerstone”*

## ↑ POST COMMUNION COLLECT

Leader: Let us pray.

**ALL: Almighty God, heavenly Father, we give thanks that You have refreshed us with the body and blood of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ. Grant that this heavenly food which we**

have received will strengthen our faith that we may bear all crosses, sickness, and trials with patience and trust until You grant us deliverance, peace, and health; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## ↑ BENEDICTION

Leader: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



## ↑ CLOSING HYMN #718 “Jesus, Lead Thou On”

## ↓ ANNOUNCEMENTS (p. 13-16)

### VERSE OF THE WEEK

Then Jesus told his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.”

(Matthew 16:24-25)

## ↑ MISSION HYMN (*sung together*)

Lift high the Cross, the Love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adore his sacred name.

## POSTLUDE

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## **IN THE SERVICE OF THE LORD TODAY:**

Officiant	Deacon Richard Benjamin
Organist	Cindy Golem
Assisting Ministers	Mr. Bob Shives, Mr. Frank Waldron Mr. Jim Gann, Mr. Fred Tichnell
Usher	Ed Asper/TBD
Acolyte, 8:00	Sydney Hector
Acolyte, 11:00	Adam Brown
Lector, 8:00	Bob Shives
Lector, 11:00	Bob Keane
Greeters, 8:00	Mr. & Mrs. Roland Foster
Greeters, 11:00	Carrolyn Trovinger
Nursery	TBD

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by the Gann family in memory of Amelia Baker's birthday, Janice Gann's mother.

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**[Please check the newsletter for additional announcements]**

**THANK YOU to Deacon Richard Benjamin for leading us in worship today.**

#### **From District President John Denninger:**

“Please pray for those affected by Hurricane/Tropical Storm Harvey. Pray for their safety and for peace. Pray for effective strategies for all relief agencies, including the Texas District Relief and LCMS Disaster Relief, who will be partnering to work with congregations and communities that are being impacted by the storm.

*“Please consider donating as an individual and/or as a congregation to the Texas District Disaster Relief Fund. 100 percent of your gift will be used to assist those affected by the storm in the recovery process.”*

**This week: Thursday- LWML meeting, 10:00 a.m.  
Saturday – Spiritual Perspective Retreat,  
8:45 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.**

**Plan now to attend Concordia's "Spiritual Perspective Retreat" on Saturday, September 9 -- a day intended to give you added insight into the relationship between your life and God's plan. Register online on the [concordia-hagerstown.org](http://concordia-hagerstown.org) website. Registration forms are also available in the narthex.**

**The Praise Group would like to thank everyone who helped with the food and attended the Christian Music Night. We hope that you enjoyed the music and food. We enjoyed doing the program and look forward to more programs in the future.**

**The Praise Group**

**MD Bible study will meet at the Shives home on September 18 @ 7:00 pm.**

**WV Bible study will meet at the Tichnell's home on September 11 @ 7:00 pm.**

**The HARC book drive will end Sept. 20th please put donated books in the big red tub in the Narthex. So far only a couple books have been donated. Would appreciate any new or gently used childrens' book for ages between 0-11. Thank you for all your help now and in the past.**

**MISSION OF THE MONTH for September is the Joint Seminary Fund. More info to come.**

**Thank you, thank you, thank you to all who have returned their information for ChurchTrac. We have information returned and entered into the computer for 2/3 of the congregation! Assuming that the other 1/3 of the congregation is still on vacation, we anticipate the remaining people to be turning in their information no later than August 1st. Thank you again for all who submitted their information by the original deadline of July 1, 2017.**

**CHOIR - Do you like to sing? Interested in praising our Lord? Come to choir. Join us as we begin anew Wed., Aug. 23 at 7:30 p.m. We meet in the sanctuary and practice on Wednesday nights. Please call Kathy Schleef with questions or interest - [717-401-0474](tel:717-401-0474).**

### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

**Request forms to have a prayer shawl made for you or a loved one are on the bulletin board to the left of the mailboxes. Please complete the form and put it in Jane O'Farrell's mailbox. If anyone would like to share their talent of knitting or crocheting for this ministry please contact one of the members: Jane O'Farrell, Stephanie Gore, Cheryl Dawson.**

**Church Library News: The Church library has a link on Concordia's Church Website (Our Library) and now under that link has the main library catalogue divided under four headings; PreK-Kindergarten, Children/Youth, Adult Fiction and Adult Non Fiction.**

**FOOD FOR THE POOR – LUTHERAN COALITION: Don't forget! We continue to collect funds to help serve the poorest of the poor in Haiti. \$2 per week from all our member families would mean \$10,000 to help alleviate their tremendous suffering.**

**Micah's Backpack: School starts in Washington County on Tuesday, September 5th! Now is the time to start adding items to your weekly grocery list for the 15 students that Concordia is sponsoring this school year. Micah's Backpack is self-sustaining and is not a line item in the church's budget. Please watch the bulletin board and your mailboxes for suggested items to fill the backpacks. Thank you for your continued generous spirit and support for this ministry!**

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