



**October 17, 2021**  
**Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost**

**Concordia Lutheran Church**  
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### Concordia's Mask policy:

Mask are optional for members who are fully vaccinated.

**Masks are recommended for members who are unvaccinated.**

As always, please use your own discretion.

Thank you.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK... OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH!

<b>Sunday, October 17</b>	9:30 Contemporary Worship & Live Stream 10:45 Sunday School 6:30-8:00 Youth Group
<b>Monday, October 18</b>	4:30 Irish Class
<b>Tuesday, October 19</b>	9:00 am Holy Chair Yoga
<b>Wednesday, October 20</b>	5:30—7:00 STEPP Up 5:30—7:00 Confirmation 6:00 Bells
<b>Sunday, October 24</b>	9:30 Worship Contemporary Service & Live Stream 10:45 Sunday School 6:30-8:00 Youth Group

**Altar Flowers** this week are in celebration of Steve & Sally Seltrecht 's Wedding Anniversary and Sally's Birthday. Happy Anniversary & Happy Birthday!!

**Preschool Pen Pal Program**—we are looking for a Concordia member “pen pal” for each of our 2021-2022 preschoolers. Each pen pal will receive a packet of goodies to inspire a school year's worth of mail correspondence between you and your preschooler. All mail is “mailed” right here at Concordia so you won't even have to worry about finding a stamp! We know that you would love being part of this partnership between our preschool ministry and our congregation right here at Concordia. Sign up forms are in the narthex...look for the bright orange forms.

**His Hands Free Clinic** is able to provide valuable care to uninsured and underinsured individuals because it receives support from generous hearts. Thrivent Community East Central Iowa is providing an opportunity for members of our local faith communities to support the mission of His Hands by hosting a Supply Drive.

- **Needed items: toothbrushes, facial tissue, OTC cold/flu/allergy meds, basic oral or sticker thermometers, Post-it notes, toilet paper, pulse oximeters**
- **Drive-by donation drop-off at His Hands parking lot on Monday, Oct. 18, 5-7 PM. Address: 1245 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. SE**
- **Donation drop-off M-F 9-4 at His Hands or at Thrivent: 3349 Southgate Ct. SW, Ste. 101, now through Oct. 25. Donors will receive a gift while supplies last.**

Call (319) 366-2991 for more information. No products will be sold at this event.

# ***Contemporary Service - Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost***

## ***Welcome and Announcements***

### **Opening Song - "My Life Is In You"**

#### **Chorus**

**My life is in You Lord, My strength is in You Lord**

**My hope is in You Lord, In You it's in You**

**My life is in You Lord, My strength is in You Lord**

**My hope is in You Lord, In You it's in You**

#### **Verse**

**I will praise You with all of my life**

**I will praise You with all of my strength**

**With all of my life, With all of my strength**

**All of my hope is in You**

**My life is in You Lord, My strength is in You Lord**

**My hope is in You Lord, In You it's in You**

**My life is in You Lord, My strength is in You Lord**

**My hope is in You Lord, In You it's in You , In You**

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### **Invocation and Opening Sentences**

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

**Amen.**

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;

**to declare Your steadfast love in the morning, and Your faithfulness by night, to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre.**

For You, O LORD, have made me glad by Your work;

**at the works of Your hands I sing for joy.**

Your decrees are very trustworthy;

**holiness befits Your house, O LORD, forevermore.**

### **Confession and Absolution**

It is good and right that we should make confession of our sins. The section on "Confession" in the Small Catechism informs and directs us with these words, which summarizes it well.

**Confession has two parts. First, that we confess our sins, and second, that we receive absolution, that is, forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.**

Humble yourselves then before God, confess your sins to Him, and implore His forgiveness.

**O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a troubled and penitent sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your present and eternal punishment. By nature, I am a sinful creature. By thought, word, and deed, I have continually transgressed Your law. For the sake of the sufferings and death of Your Son, Jesus Christ, be gracious and merciful to me, a penitent and contrite being. Forgive me all my sins, and grant me the power of Your Holy Spirit that I may amend my sinful life.**

God be gracious to you and strengthen your faith.

**Amen.**

As you believe, so let it be. As a called and ordained servant 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.

**Amen.**

***Baptism of Caleb Lawless Cutter— See baptism folder***

*Parents..... Mike & Jenni Cutter and Stephanie & Josh Hunt*

*Sponsors..... Rosie & Bryan Cutter*

***Baptism of Landon Croix Cutter—See baptism folder***

*Parents..... Mike & Jenni Cutter*

*Sponsors..... Rosie & Bryan Cutter*

**Service of the Word**

**Introit**

The Lord is near to the brokenhearted  
**and saves the crushed in spirit.**

I will bless the Lord at all times;  
**his praise shall continually be in my mouth.**

My soul makes its boast in the Lord;  
**let the humble hear and be glad.**

Oh, magnify the Lord with me,  
**and let us exalt his name together!**

I sought the Lord, and he answered me  
**and delivered me from all my fears.**

When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears  
**and delivers them out of all their troubles.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

The Lord is near to the brokenhearted  
and saves the crushed in spirit.

## Song of Praise - "I Sing Praises"

### Verse 1

I sing praises to Your name O Lord, Praises to Your name O Lord  
For Your name is great, And greatly to be praised  
I sing praises to Your name O Lord, Praises to Your name O Lord  
For Your name is great, And greatly to be praised

### Verse 2

I give glory to Your name O Lord, Glory to Your name O Lord  
For Your name is great, And greatly to be praised  
I give glory to Your name O Lord, Glory to Your name O Lord  
For Your name is great, And greatly to be praised

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## Salutation and Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## Old Testament - Ecclesiastes 5:10-20

<sup>10</sup>He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. <sup>11</sup>When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? <sup>12</sup>Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep.

<sup>13</sup>There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, <sup>14</sup>and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. <sup>15</sup>As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand. <sup>16</sup>This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? <sup>17</sup>Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.

<sup>18</sup>Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. <sup>19</sup>Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God. <sup>20</sup>For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Gradual**

He will command his angels concerning you  
**to guard you in all your ways.**

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
**and all that is within me, bless his holy name!**

## **Epistle Reading - Hebrews 4:1-16**

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. <sup>2</sup>For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. <sup>3</sup>For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said,

“As I swore in my wrath,  
‘They shall not enter my rest,’”

although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. <sup>4</sup>For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all his works.” <sup>5</sup>And again in this passage he said,

“They shall not enter my rest.”

<sup>6</sup>Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, <sup>7</sup>again he appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted,

“Today, if you hear his voice,  
do not harden your hearts.”

<sup>8</sup>For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. <sup>9</sup>So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, <sup>10</sup>for whoever has entered God’s rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

<sup>11</sup>Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. <sup>12</sup>For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup>And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

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

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Verse**

Alleluia. With man it is impossible, but not with God.

**For all things are possible with God. Alleluia.**

## **Holy Gospel - Mark 10:23-31**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the tenth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>23</sup>Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." <sup>26</sup>And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, "Then who can be saved?" <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, "With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God." <sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, "See, we have left everything and followed you." <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty**

**maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,**

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit**

**born of the virgin Mary,**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, died and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.**

**The third day He rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the holy Christian Church,**

**the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,**

**and the life + everlasting. Amen.**

## **Song of the Day - “How Great is Our God”**

### **Verse 1**

The splendor of the King, Clothed in majesty  
Let all the earth rejoice, All the earth rejoice  
He wraps Himself in light, And darkness tries to hide  
And trembles at His voice, And trembles at His voice  
Chorus

How great is our God, Sing with me, How great is our God  
And all will see how great, How great is our God

### **Verse 2**

And age to age He stands, And time is in His hands  
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End  
The Godhead three in one, Father Spirit Son  
The Lion and the Lamb, The Lion and the Lamb

### **Chorus**

### **Bridge**

Name above all names, Worthy of all praise  
My heart will sing, How great is our God  
(Repeat)

### **Chorus**

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## **Sermon**

### **Prayer of the Church**

*(each petition ends)*

Lord, in Your mercy,       **hear our prayer.**

### **Offering**

### **Song During Offering - “Give Thanks”**

#### **Chorus**

Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One,  
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son.  
Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One,  
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son.

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## **Verse**

**And now let the weak say I am strong, Let the poor say I am rich,**

**Because of what the Lord has done for us**

**And now let the weak say I am strong, Let the poor say I am rich,**

**Because of what the Lord has done for us**

## **Give thanks**

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## **Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

## **Benedicamus and Benediction**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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. **Amen.**

## **Closing Song - "Mighty is Our God"**

**Mighty is our God, mighty is our King**

**Mighty is our Lord, Ruler of everything**

**Glory to our God, glory to our King**

**Glory to our Lord, Ruler of everything**

**His name is higher, higher than any other name**

**His power is greater, for He has created everything**

**Mighty is our God, mighty is our King**

**Mighty is our Lord, Ruler of everything**

**Glory to our God, glory to our King**

**Glory to our Lord, Ruler of everything**

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