

**Not that I have already obtained this  
or am already perfect, but I press on  
to make it my own, because Christ  
Jesus has made me his own.**

**Philippians 3:12**



**NINETEENTH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST**

**OCTOBER 8, 2023**

**11:00AM**

**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**

**“Built on the Rock”**

**645**

*St.4 - choir*

## INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

## OPENING SENTENCES

*Psalm 80:7, 18*

P Restore us, O God of hosts;

**C let Your face shine, that we may be saved!**

P Then we shall not turn back from You;

**C give us life, and we will call upon Your name!**

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

*Silence is kept for meditation and reflection.*

P Holy and gracious God,

**C I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may live in peace.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

P 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.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

## “There Is A Redeemer”

971



1 There is a Re - deem - er— Je - sus, God's own Son;  
 2 Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, Name a - bove all names;  
 3 When I stand in glo - ry, I will see His face;



Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Ho - ly One.  
 Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Hope for sin - ners slain.  
 There I'll serve my King for-ev - er In that ho - ly place.

*Refrain*



Thank You, O my Fa - ther, For giv-ing us Your Son,



And leav - ing Your Spir-it Till the work on earth is done.

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## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Gracious God, You gave Your Son into the hands of sinful men who killed Him. Forgive us when we reject Your unfailing love, and grant us the fullness of Your salvation; through 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

**Isaiah 5:1-7**

L This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## ANTHEM

“All of These”

Craig Curry

## EPISTLE READING

**Philippians 3:4b-14**

L This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

*We stand.*

## ALLELUIA & VERSE





## **HOLY GOSPEL**

**Matthew 21:33-46**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 21<sup>st</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**

**“Fight the Good Fight”**

**664**

## **SERMON**

**“What Lies Ahead”**

**Pastor Michael Geml**

*We stand.*

## **NICENE CREED**

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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 Lord, we give You thanks for having made all things and for Your patient mercy in dealing with us sinners who deserved nothing of Your kindness. Grant us grace in Christ that all our sins be forgiven and that we be covered with the righteousness of Christ and may worthily approach the Table of our Lord today and in eternity be welcomed into the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom without end.

**C** Amen.

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

## **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**

“Christ, the Word of God Incarnate”	540
“Fruitful Trees, the Spirit’s Sowing”	691

*We stand.*

## **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

**BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING HYMN      “Christ Is Our Cornerstone”      912**

**POSTLUDE**



## Sermon Notes

