

Concordia Evangelical Lutheran



*For as the lightning comes from the east
and shines as far as the west,
so will be the coming of the Son of Man.*

Matthew 24:27

The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity

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I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD!" Ps. 122:1

Instructions for Communion:

If you are a member of Concordia, see the pew card for help preparing to receive Jesus' body and blood for the forgiveness of your sins.

If you are a guest, welcome! Communion at Concordia is reserved for members of Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) congregations. Please speak with Pastor Buchs about Communion before participating.

Didn't have a chance to talk with Pastor about Communion before church?

If you're member of an LCMS congregation, you are welcome to Communion, but please let Pastor Buchs know where you go to church when you come to the Communion rail.

Prayers for Worship can be found inside the front cover of the hymnal.
More prayers are provided on page 305ff.

Order of Service

Opening Hymn: **#912 Christ Is Our Cornerstone**

Confession & Absolution (Hymnal, p. 184)

Introit (Bulletin, p. 2)

Kyrie & Gloria (Hymnal, p. 186)

The Readings (Bulletin, p. 3-5)

Nicene Creed (Hymnal, p. 191)

Hymn of the Day: **#658 Preserve Thy Word O Savior**

Sermon

Offertory/Prayers (Hymnal, p. 192)

Service of the Sacrament (Hymnal, p. 194)

#564 Christ Sits at God's Right Hand

#620 Jesus Comes Today with Healing

Nunc Dimittis (Hymnal, p. 199)

Closing Hymn: **#923 Almighty Father, Bless the Word**

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INTROIT *Psalm 31:1–2a, 5, 24; antiphon: vv. 9a, 15b, 17a*

Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am in distress;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my
persecutors!

**O Lord, let me not be put to shame,
for I call upon you.**

In you, O Lord, do I take refuge;
let me never be put to shame.

**In your righteousness deliver me;
incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily!**

Into your hand I commit my spirit;
you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.

**Be strong, and let your heart take courage,
all you who wait for the Lord!**

**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.**

Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am in distress;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my
persecutors!

**O Lord, let me not be put to shame,
for I call upon you.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, we implore You, show Your mercy to Your humble servants that we, who put no trust in our own merits, may not be dealt with after the severity of Your judgment but according to Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

GRADUAL *Psalm 74:4, 2a*

**Your foes have roared in the midst of your meeting place;
they set up their own signs for signs.**

**Remember your congregation, which you have purchased of old,
which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your heritage!**

Old Testament: Exodus 32:1–20

¹When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered themselves together to Aaron and said to him, “Up, make us gods who shall go before us. As for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.” ²So Aaron said to them, “Take off the rings of gold that are in the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.” ³So all the people took off the rings of gold that were in their ears and brought them to Aaron. ⁴And he received the gold from their hand and fashioned it with a graving tool and made a golden calf. And they said, “These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!” ⁵When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it. And Aaron made proclamation and said, “Tomorrow shall be a feast to the Lord.” ⁶And they rose up early the next day and offered burnt offerings and brought peace offerings. And the people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.

⁷And the Lord said to Moses, “Go down, for your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves. ⁸They have turned aside quickly out of the way that I commanded them. They have made for themselves a golden calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, ‘These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!’” ⁹And the Lord said to Moses, “I have seen this people, and behold, it is a stiff-necked people. ¹⁰Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, in order that I may make a great nation of you.”

¹¹But Moses implored the Lord his God and said, “O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you have brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? ¹²Why should the Egyptians say, ‘With evil intent did he bring them out, to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth’? Turn from your burning anger and relent from this disaster against your people. ¹³Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, to whom you swore by your own self, and said to them, ‘I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your offspring, and they shall inherit it forever.’” ¹⁴And the Lord relented from the disaster that he had spoken of bringing on his people.

¹⁵Then Moses turned and went down from the mountain with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand, tablets that were written on both sides; on the front and on the back they were written. ¹⁶The tablets were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, engraved on the tablets. ¹⁷When Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted, he said to Moses, “There is a noise of war in the camp.” ¹⁸But he said, “It is not the sound of shouting for victory, or the sound of the cry of defeat, but the sound of singing that I hear.” ¹⁹And as soon as he came near the camp and saw the calf and the dancing, Moses’ anger burned hot, and he threw the tablets out of his hands and broke them at the foot of the mountain. ²⁰He

took the calf that they had made and burned it with fire and ground it to powder and scattered it on the water and made the people of Israel drink it.

Epistle Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 4:13–18

¹³But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁵For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁶For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. ¹⁸Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Gospel: Matthew 24:15–28

¹⁵[Jesus said:] “When you see the abomination of desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand), ¹⁶then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. ¹⁷Let the one who is on the housetop not go down to take what is in his house, ¹⁸and let the one who is in the field not turn back to take his cloak. ¹⁹And alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! ²⁰Pray that your flight may not be in winter or on a Sabbath. ²¹For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, and never will be. ²²And if those days had not been cut short, no human being would be saved. But for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short. ²³Then if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here is the Christ!’ or ‘There he is!’ do not believe it. ²⁴For false christs and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect. ²⁵See, I have told you beforehand. ²⁶So, if they say to you, ‘Look, he is in the wilderness,’ do not go out. If they say, ‘Look, he is in the inner rooms,’ do not believe it. ²⁷For as the lightning comes from the east and shines as far as the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ²⁸Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather.”

Spaghetti Dinner

Our Spaghetti Dinner will be held on Saturday, December 7th from 4:30-6pm. We will once again have a silent auction & baked goods for sale. Please price your own baked goods.

Be thinking about what you can bake or donate for the sale!

Craft items and other donations for the auction are welcome and appreciated.

Mark your calendars!

Next Sunday

Readings: Daniel 7:9-14; 2 Peter 3:3-14; Matthew 25:31-46

Hymns: 673, 516, 834, 623, 514

Collect of the Day: O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that, from the bonds of our sins which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Prayer Requests

Donna Anderson
 Avery Broich
(granddaughter of Robin Halverson)
 Darlene Dillon
 Robin Halverson
 Halarie Haukaas
 Pam Hutchings
 Nikki James
(niece of Arlen & Verna Lea Salmela)
 Teddy Kothe
 Amanda Luke & her baby
(niece of Nancy Barnes)
 Gracie Muehring
 Marshall Neumiller
 Lorraine Rose
 Arlen Salmela
 Emery Schmidt
 Kaitlyn Stewart
 Kathy Wohlman

Birthdays & Anniversaries

November 17 Geraldine Gageby
 November 20 Brendan Olson
 November 22 Trent Gehrke
 November 24 Guy Stuve

Pastor:	Rev. David Buchs
Elder:	Mike Wohlman
Organist:	Lynn Hoff

This Week's Schedule

Today	9:00 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Bible Study/Sunday School
Monday	8:30 am	Chapel/Homeschool Class
Wednesday	8:30 am	Homeschool Choir
	9:30 am	Chapel
	10:00 am	Bible Study
	6:00 pm	Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Vespers
Friday	7:00 pm	AA Meeting
Next Sunday	9:00 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Bible Study/Sunday School