

# Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost



## Concordia Lutheran Church



40 Pitkin Street, Manchester, Connecticut, 06040

### Concordia's WHY/Purpose Statement

**To be a welcoming and inviting community empowered by the Word of God;  
So that we may work for social justice and exhibit compassion for all**

**November 17, 2024**

**\*\*Hearing devices for the service are available upon request – kindly contact an Usher\*\***

**Introduction:** *November begins with All Saints Day and ends in or near Advent, when we anticipate Christ's coming again. It is fitting, then, that the readings today tell of the final resurrection and the end time. In the turmoil of hope, fear, and disbelief that these predictions provoke in us, Hebrews sounds a note of confident trust. Christ makes a way for us where there is no way, and we walk it confidently, our hearts and bodies washed in baptismal water, trusting the one who has promised forgiveness. The more we see the last day approaching, the more important it is to meet together to provoke one another to love.*

*We prepare for worship in quiet prayer and meditation.*

**Prelude:**

*Prelude - Camille Saint-Saens*

*Linda Hilliard, Organist*

**Welcome** 

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God,  
our refuge,  
our delight,  
our beginning and our end.

**Amen.**

Let us come in truth before the one who  
loves us  
and has freed us from our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,  
**we confess that sin has taken hold of us  
and we are complicit in its power.**

**We are disturbed in spirit and our  
hearts cannot rest.**

**Unbind us and set us free.**

**Lead us again to the waters of rebirth,  
that we may live just and generous lives  
for the good of your world  
and the care of our neighbors,  
following in the servant way of Jesus.**

**Amen.**

These words are trustworthy and true:  
Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the  
cross,

swallowing up death forever.

For his sake, you are ✚ forgiven  
and God remembers your sin no more.

Let your heart be glad again,  
and rejoice in your salvation.

**Amen.**

## **Gathering**

*The Holy Spirit call us together as the people of God.*

**Gathering Hymn**

*Jesus, Still Lead On*

ELW 624

## **Greeting**

The grace of our lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all.

**And also with you.**

# Hymn of Praise

# This Is The Feast

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose

2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and

Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to



hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.

God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Refrain*



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Refrain*

## Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*All are seated.*

## Word

*God speaks to us in Scripture reading, preaching and song.*



### **First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3**

*The book of Daniel is an example of apocalyptic literature, which is full of strange visions and symbolism. Arising during times of great persecution, apocalyptic literature is concerned with God's revelation about the end time and the coming kingdom of God, when God will vindicate the righteous who have been persecuted.*

<sup>1</sup> "At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. <sup>2</sup> Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. <sup>3</sup> Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm: Psalm 16**

*Congregation may sing along with the choir on this familiar tune:*

*The Lord is My Portion* (Music: Ash Grove)

I praise you, O God, for in you I take refuge;  
I say to the Lord, "You are always my God."  
And as for the saints, they receive your delight,  
But on those who choose idols, your wrath is bestowed.

The Lord is my portion, the Lord is my cup,  
and the lot has been drawn for the Lord to approve.

My God gives me counsel, my heart will instruct me,  
The Lord is before me, I shall not be moved.

My heart will be glad and my spirit rejoices,  
my body dwells also secure in the land.  
You've shown me the pathway and fulness of joy,  
and great pleasures forever are in your right hand.

The Lord is my portion, the Lord is my cup,  
And the lot has been drawn for the Lord to approve!  
My God gives me counsel, my heart will instruct me,  
The Lord is before me; I shall not be moved.

## **Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25**

*Images of worship and sacrifice are used throughout Hebrews to highlight what Christ has uniquely accomplished through his death. Because we have received forgiveness through Christ's death, we live with sincere hearts by trusting in God's promises and encouraging love and good works from each other.*

<sup>11</sup> Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. <sup>12</sup> But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," <sup>13</sup> and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." <sup>14</sup> For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. [<sup>15</sup> And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

<sup>16</sup> "This is the covenant that I will make with them  
after those days, says the Lord:

I will put my laws in their hearts,  
and I will write them on their minds,"

<sup>17</sup> he also adds,

"I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

<sup>18</sup> Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.]

<sup>19</sup> Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup> by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), <sup>21</sup> and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup> let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup> Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup> And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup> not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*All stand as able.*



## The Gospel Acclamation

### Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -  
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -  
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

## Gospel: Mark 13:1-8

*In the last week of his life, Jesus warned his disciples concerning trials that were to come upon them and upon the world. He exhorts the listener: Do not be alarmed.*

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

### Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup> As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” <sup>2</sup> Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

<sup>3</sup> When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, <sup>4</sup> “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” <sup>5</sup> Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. <sup>6</sup> Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. <sup>7</sup> When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. <sup>8</sup> For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

### Praise to you, O Christ.

*All are seated.*

## Sermon

*Pastor Rolf Hedberg*

*All stand as able.*

## Hymn of the Day

*All Who Love and Serve Your City*

ELW 724

## Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.\*

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the

Father, and he will come 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

Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

O God, in the washing of water you set us free from the power of sin and death. Unite all the baptized in the covenant you have made with us, as we strive for your justice and peace in all the earth. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

By your merciful might you sustain all creation. Stir us from complacency with the harm we inflict on the earth, and urge us to adopt sustainable ways of life that protect and restore our planet. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

With a selfless power you protect all who take refuge in you. As nations rise against nations, defend all who are displaced or affected by war or violence especially in Gaza and Israel. Empower all people and nations to pursue peace. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

In your presence you give fullness of joy. Care for all for whom joy feels distant. Be present with persons experiencing depression, anxiety, addiction, or any mental illness. Bring them healing and wholeness. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Through the years you have gathered your church and this community for worship, fellowship, formation, and service. Enable us to look beyond the walls of our building to perceive where you are calling us forward. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

With thanksgiving we remember and angels who delight in your everlasting presence. As their lives inspire ours, provoke us always to love, holding fast to the confession of our hope in you. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**Amen.**

## Exchange of Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*All are seated.*

## Meal

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.  
The Table is prepared.*

## Offertory Hymn

*We Are an Offering*

ELW 692

*All stand as able.*

## Offertory Prayer

Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup,  
you offered yourself in love for the world,  
and in this meal you nourish us with your life.  
Fill us with your abundance,  
that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger,  
trusting in your name.

**Amen.**



## Dialogue

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

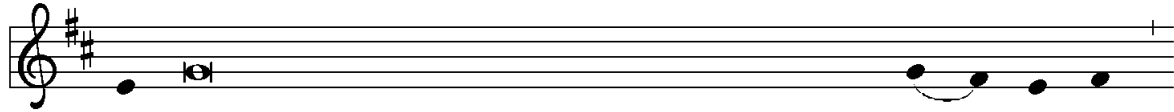
It is right to give our thanks and praise.



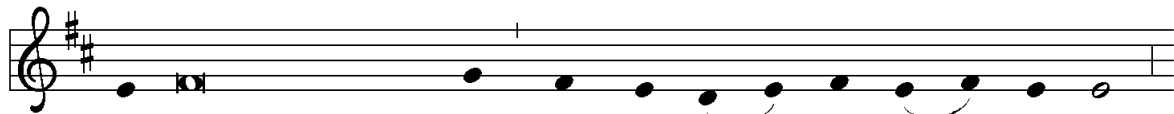
## Proper Preface



It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,



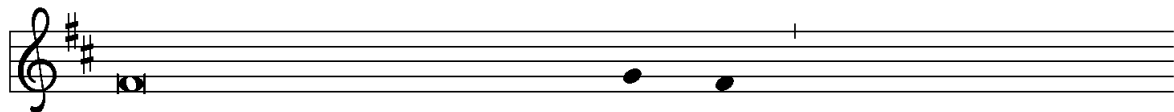
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,



al-mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ;



who on this day overcame death and the grave,



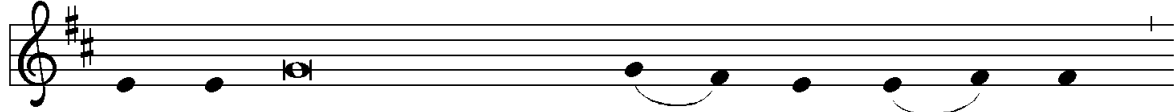
and by his glorious resur - rec - tion



opened to us the way of ev - er - last - ing life.



And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,



with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,



we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

## Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### +The Eucharistic Prayer

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, you have brought us this far along the way.

In times of bitterness you did not abandon us, but guided us into the path of love and light.

In every age you sent prophets to make known your loving will for all humanity. The cry of the poor has become your own cry; our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire.

In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant to preach good news to the afflicted, to break bread with the outcast and despised, and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin.

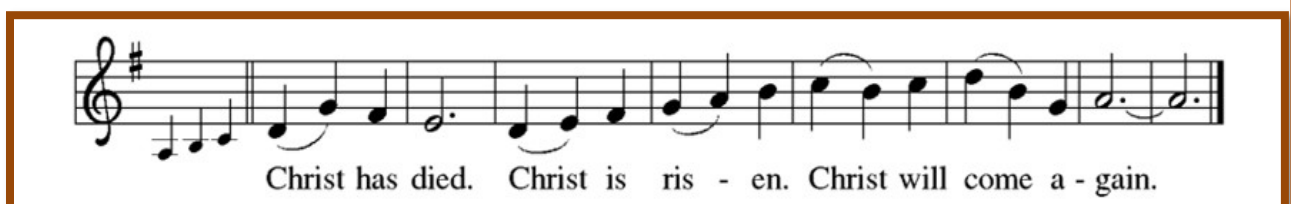
In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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 all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

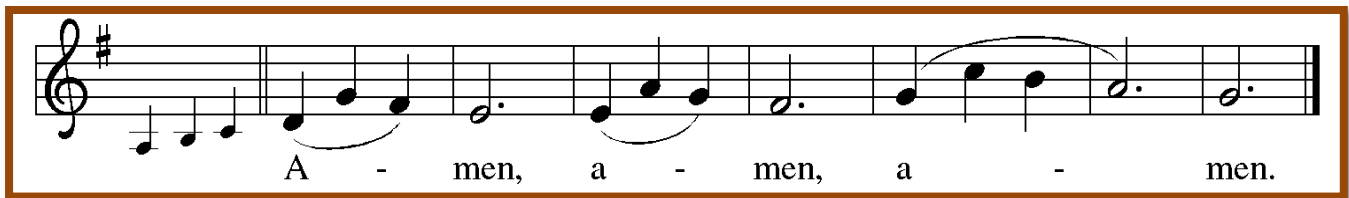
Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,  
we await the day when Jesus shall return  
to free all the earth from the bonds of slavery and death.  
Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen.

**Amen.**

Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate,  
to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup  
with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world.  
Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen.

**Amen.**

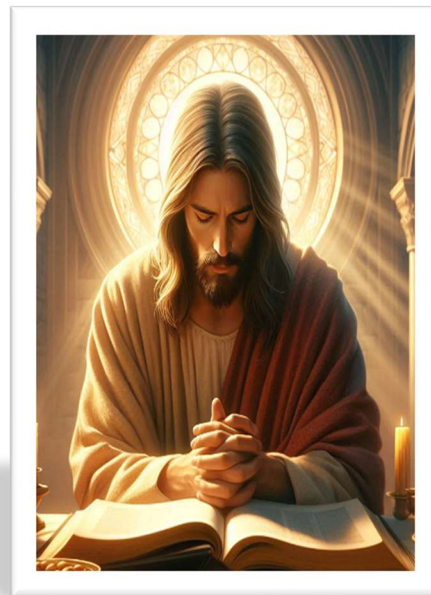
Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age,  
that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection,  
we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son.  
Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.



### Lord's Prayer

With hearts set on God's kingdom and hands open to serve our neighbor, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**Our Father in Heaven,  
Hallowed be your name,  
Your kingdom come,  
Your will be done,  
On earth as it is 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.**

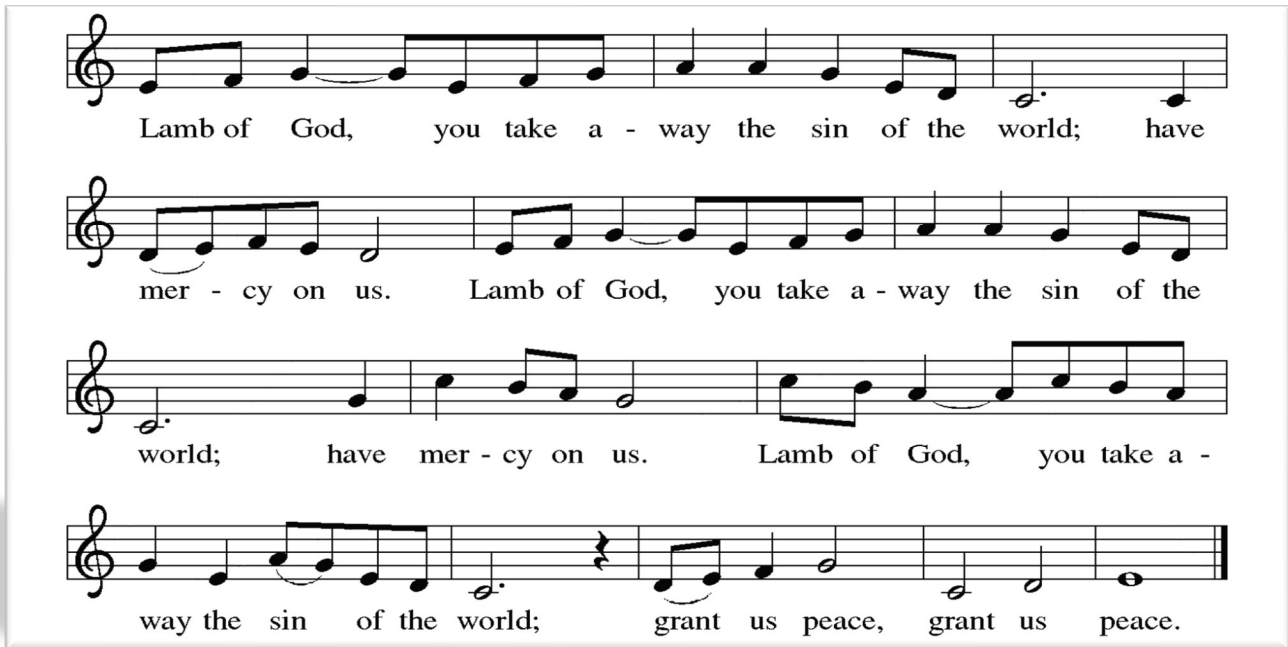


## Invitation

Behold, God is making all things new.  
Take your place in the new creation.

*All are seated.*

## 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.

## Anthem

*My Lord, What a Morning*

ELW 438

*All stand as able.*

## Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

**Amen**

## Prayer after Communion

Faithful God,  
you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink  
in the body and blood of your Son.  
Now send us out to labor with you,  
in service to the world you have made,  
and among the people you have made your home,  
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## A Prayer for Stewardship Gifts (*We pray in Unison*)

God of abundance,  
you have poured out a large measure of earthly blessings:  
our table is richly furnished, our cup overflows,  
and we live in safety and security.

Teach us to set our hearts on you  
and not these material blessings.

Keep us from becoming captivated by prosperity,  
and grant us in wisdom to use your blessings to your glory  
and to the service of humankind;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## Blessing

The Ancient One, enthroned,  
the Crucified One, now risen,  
the Indwelling One, poured out,  
✠ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

## Sending

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

## Sending Hymn

*When Peace Like a River*

ELW 785

## Dismissal

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude:

*Toccata in F Major - D. Buxtehude*

*Linda Hilliard, Organist*

**+++ To God Be the Glory +++**

### *Serving in Worship Today*

*Presiding:* **Reverend Rolf Hedberg**

*Assisting* Mark Winzler

*Ushers:* Jan Salvatore

*Minister(s):* David Smith

*Organist:* Linda Hilliard

# Brief Announcements

- † Today is Stewardship Sunday!
- † Our prayer blanket (or shawl) ministry was discontinued a few years ago, but we still have a few shawls left. We're looking for volunteers interested in making lap blankets (knitted or sewn from fleece) for those who are ill or facing surgery. This will be done individually rather than in a group. If you're interested or have questions, please contact: **Janet Bellino** at (860)977-1433 (*call or text*)
- † Pop Up Store are collecting (*throughout the whole school year*) healthy snacks for Highland Park Elementary School – please bring in healthy snacks with you to our next service!
- † Please check out the calendars & flyers for upcoming Concordia Lutheran Church and Community events!

## Daily Readings

November 18 - 24



<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>
Psalm 13 Daniel 8:1-14 Hebrews 10:26-31	Psalm 13 Daniel 8:15-27 Hebrews 10:32-39	Psalm 13 Zechariah 12:1—13:1 Mark 13:9-23	Psalm 93 Ezekiel 28:1-10 Acts 7:54—8:1a
<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday, November 24, Christ the King</u>	
Psalm 93 Ezekiel 28:20-26 1 Corinthians 15:20-28	Psalm 93 Daniel 7:1-8, 15-18 John 3:31-36	Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 Psalm 93 Revelation 1:4b-8 John 18:33-37	

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# Prayers of the Community



Contact parish office for Prayer requests. Names will be held in prayer for one month, *unless otherwise requested.*

Date Requested	Praying For (person/family)	Prayers For	Requested By
11/12/2024	The family of Sindi Pietrorazio	As they grieve the passing of Sindi Pietrorazio	Lanie Turner
11/6/2024	Andrew Troppman	Strength and hope and perseverance as he goes through chemotherapy	Carol & Phil Stoneman
10/29/2024	Jeanne and Al Williams	As they grieve the passing of Jeanne's mother, Lana Brown	Wendy Donagher
10/27/2024	The family of Dick Miczek	As they grieve the passing of Dick Miczek	Lanie Turner
10/27/2024	Robert Feder	Resilience, comfort, and healing amidst profound health challenge since March 2023.	Gail Feder
10/27/2024	Dan Burnett	Strength, comfort, and healing during this significant health challenge.	Carol Burnett

For Concordia's ongoing transition process.

## The Intentions of this Community:

- ❖ Concordia Nursery School Students and their families
- ❖ The work of MACC
- ❖ For our Cub Scout Pack and Scout Troop
- ❖ For Licensed Lay Minister Beatrice Luciano and Ministerio Nueva Creación
- ❖ For Pr. Simpson and the people of New Horizons
- ❖ For our Friends at Emanuel Lutheran and former members of St. Mary's now merged with St. John's Episcopal Church in Vernon.

### Concordia Lutheran Church

Reverend **Rolf Hedberg**, *Transitional Pastor*  
 Mrs. **Margie Gallagher**, *Parish Administrator*

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Church Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.



# Concordia Lutheran Church Calendar



Date of Event	Event	Location	Time
Sunday, November 17, 2024	Stewardship Sunday	Concordia Lutheran Church	TBA
Thursday, November 21, 2024	GHIAA Power Summit	Weaver High School 415 Granby St., Hartford	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Saturday, November 23, 2024	Meeting Viewing at Concordia	Brandt Lounge	1:00pm - 3:15 p.m.
Sunday, November 24, 2024	Informal Congr Meeting	Kaiser Hall	After Worship
Sunday, December 1, 2024	Executive Committee	Concordia Lutheran Church	After Worship
Friday, December 6, 2024	POP UP Store Set up	Concordia Lutheran Church	1 p.m. to TBA
Saturday, December 7, 2024	Pop Up Store	Concordia Lutheran Church	9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Sunday, December 8, 2024	Council Meeting	Concordia Lutheran Church	After Worship
Wednesdays, Dec. 4, 11, & 18	Holden Evening Prayer	Via Zoom - see flyer!	7:00-7:30 pm
Sunday, December 15, 2024	Congregation Meeting with Pastor Maria Hammons	Concordia Lutheran Church	After Worship
Tuesday, December 24, 2024	Christmas Eve	Concordia Lutheran Church	8 p.m.
<b>All throughout School Year</b>	Healthy Snacks for Highland Park Elementary School	Concordia Lutheran Church	All Day



## POP UP Store

### Healthy Snacks for



### Highland Park Elementary School

School is now *in session* and we are graciously requesting from our congregation: **healthy, non-perishable snacks (no nuts please)**.

#### Examples:



We will be collecting **all school year**, kindly shop for healthy snacks and bring them with you to our next service!

Thank you and God Bless!

## GHIAA 2024 POWER SUMMIT

THURSDAY NOV 21  
6:30-8:30PM  
DOORS OPEN AT 6PM

REGISTER WITH YOUR GHIAA CORE TEAM

TOGETHER WE CREATE CHANGE  
WE'LL BE THERE  
WILL YOU?

WEAVER HIGH SCHOOL  
415 GRANBY ST, HARTFORD, CT 06112

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From Mark Winzler:

As noted in the letter sent to all members, Pastor Maria Hammons met with Council and Transition Team members to spend time reviewing Concordia's remaining options for the future. As we as a congregation never fully discussed the specifics involved in merger and holy closure, the major focus of that meeting focused on these.

In preparation for our November 24 meeting, Council/Transition encourages you to view the recording of the meeting as a lot of good information was shared. The meeting lasted about 2 1/4 hours.

This can be one of two ways

1) View the recording on your own:

<https://vimeo.com/1027029945/97f5afc747?share=copy>

OR

2) View the meeting at Concordia:

Saturday, November 23

1:00-3:15 p.m.

Brandt Lounge

Note: If you wish to come to view it at Concordia on the 23rd, you must call Margie in the Church Office no later than Thursday, November 21.

Either way, please have the sheets included in the last communication with you so you can refer to them during the viewing.



# Pop Up Store

When: **Saturday, December 7, 2024**

Time: **9 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Where: **Pop Up Store**

Concordia Lutheran Church  
40 Pitkin Street, Manchester, CT 06040

## Concordia, Emanuel and Ministerio Nueva Creación



### Midweek Advent Worship

### Holden Evening Prayer



Wednesdays

December 4, 11, and 18

7:00-7:30 p.m.

Via Zoom

The Zoom Link and Dial-In Information will be disseminated after Thanksgiving.

Holden Evening Prayer was originally written during the winter of 1986 while the composer, Marty Haugen, was at Holden Village in the North Cascade Mountains of Washington State. With the exception of the lessons and a couple of prayers, the majority of the liturgy is sung. The liturgy lasts about one-half hour.

While it may be used at any time during the church year, it is especially appropriate during Advent because of the Magnificat included in the liturgy.

We are pleased to share this Midweek Advent Worship with members of Emanuel Lutheran and Ministerio Nueva Creación. (Note: *Bible Study will follow at 7:30.*)

Thanks to John Anderson (pianist), John Corl, Wendy Donagher, Nancy Lynn Knauff and Carol Stoneman (singers) and John Haid (sound/recording engineer) for recording the musical portions of this liturgy (in November, 2020 during the height of the pandemic) for use for our Midweek Advent Services again this year.

# COMMUNITY UPCOMING EVENTS



Date of Event	Event	Place	Time
Saturday, Sep 14 - Saturday, Dec. 14	Air Painting On Horsebarn Hill	Jorgenson Gallery/UCONN	Mon-Fri, 10am-4pm
November 8th - 24th	Musical Play	Cheney Hall	See flyer
Friday, November 8, 2024	Yoga For Food	Community "Y" Rec Center	6:30pm to 7:30pm
Nov. 9th, 10th, 16th, & 17th	16th Annual Emergency of Hunger Food Drive	Local Food Pantry	Scan QR Code!
Friday, November 22, 2024	Yoga For Food	Community "Y" Rec Center	6:30pm to 7:30pm
Saturday, November 23, 2024	Galvin Cello Quarter	Emanuel Lutheran Church, 60 Church St.	7:00 p.m./Scan QR Code
Saturday, November 23, 2024	Church Fair	St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 371 Wolcott Hill Rd., Wethersfield	9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Saturday, December 7, 2024	Night, Dreaming & Awakening (Concert)	St. Bernard Catholic Church, 25 St. Bernard Ter., Vernon	7:30 p.m.
Thursday, December 12, 2024	MACC's Coffee Corner	MACC	See flyer
June 22 - July 20, 2025	Lutheran Summer Music '25	Valparaiso University in IN	See flyer/Scan QR Code

## HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

MACC proper will be open November 11th for Veterans Day and closed November 28th and 29th for Thanksgiving. **The Community Kitchen will be closed on Thanksgiving. Salvation Army, Manchester will be serving lunch.**



### 16th Annual Emergency of Hunger Food Drive 2024

~~November 9th & 10th~~

~~Highland Park Market, 9AM-4PM~~

~~Highland Street in Manchester~~

~~Stop and Shop, 9AM-4PM~~

~~West Middle Turnpike in Manchester~~

November 16th & 17th

Stop and Shop, 9AM-4PM

West Middle Turnpike in Manchester

All donations will go MACC's Community Emergency Food Pantry to support families facing food insecurity.

## Musical Play at Cheney Hall Nov 8th – Nov 24th

Next date: Friday, November 08, 2024 | 07:30 PM to 09:00 PM

SOMETHING ROTTEN

Nov 8th – Nov 24th

Fri & Sat @ 7:30 pm

Sun @ 2:00 pm

Welcome to the Renaissance!

Brothers Nick and Nigel Bottom are desperate to write a hit play but are stuck in the shadow of the rock-star playwright, "The Bard." When a local soothsayer foretells that the future of theater involves singing, dancing, and acting at the same time, Nick and Nigel set out to write the world's very first MUSICAL! Amidst the scandalous excitement of opening night, the Bottom Brothers realize that reaching the top means being true to thine own self – and all that jazz.



For tickets visit [cheneyhall.org](http://cheneyhall.org) or call 860-647-9824.

## JORGENSEN GALLERY



FALL 2024

### A Year of Plein Air Painting on Horsebarn Hill

by Blanche Șerban

Sat, Sep 14 – Sat, Dec 14



This fall Jorgensen Gallery will feature 366 canvases, painted plein air daily over the course of an entire year on Horsebarn Hill in Storrs by award-winning artist and educator, Blanche Șerban. Alternating panoramic views, local scenes, and minute subjects, the project poetically documents the light and the atmosphere on the hill rolling through the seasons. Based in Storrs, Șerban said "I look to paint the air between things that hold the shape of seen and unseen, the transient beauty of changing light, the passing hours and seasons, the fragile balance between the wealth of the material world and the simplicity of formless."

Fall 2024 Gallery Hours:  
Mon - Wed, 10 am - 4 pm  
Thurs, 1 pm - 4 pm  
Fri, 10 am - 4 pm



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## DECEMBER COFFEE CORNER

Join us Thursday, December 12th for MACC's Coffee Corner. Discuss the latest events and projects at MACC and learn how you and your organization can get involved. If you want to sign up for our next Coffee Corner please email Operations Manager Patti Thurlow @ pthurlow@macc-ct.org



FRIENDS OF MUSIC AT EMANUEL  
CHAMBER MUSIC SERIES 2024 - 2025

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## Galvin Cello Quartet



Come, enjoy award-winning musicians reveal the limitless range of a cello ensemble.

Saturday  
November 23 at 7 pm

FREE ADMISSION

DONATIONS WELCOMED

### Emanuel Lutheran Church

60 Church Street, Manchester, CT 06040

860 - 643-1193

FriendsofMusicatEmanuel@gmail.com

www.FriendsOfMusicAtEmanuel.org



Friends in Christ and friends in music.

Enrollment for the 2025 [Lutheran Summer Music Academy & Festival \(LSM\)](#) is open, and we write to provide you with easy tools to share about LSM within your congregation.

Every year, young musicians from across the country join together for an unforgettable summer, growing in music, connecting in faith, and flourishing in a joyful community. We ask that you please share about this opportunity within your children, youth & family ministries, music ministries, as well as with families with students in grades 8-12.

Below please find bulletin blurbs, presentation slides, shareable graphics and videos, and more.

Please also consider the young musicians in your congregation who would thrive at LSM, and connect them with us to learn more. You may respond to this email, or [nominate a student through this form](#).

## Lutheran Summer Music 2025

Valparaiso University in Valparaiso, IN

Full Session: June 22-July 20\*

Half Session: June 22-July 6

Grades 8-12

\*Early check-outs will be coordinated for students attending the LCMS National Youth Gathering.

Nominate a Student



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## SHARE THIS...

Copy-paste or share these links with your congregation and youth. Find all shareable promotional materials at [LSMacademy.org/promo](https://LSMacademy.org/promo).



## Yoga for Food

Join us for a free community yoga class! All we ask is that you bring a non-perishable food item to be donated to the Manchester Area Conference of Churches food pantry. Let's help to fill the pantry for those who are in need during the holiday season! No yoga experience needed to participate.

**Location:** Community "Y" Recreation Center

~~Session 1: F, 10/20/24, 6:30 - 7:30 PM~~

~~Session 2: F, 11/09/24, 6:30 - 7:30 PM~~

**Session 3: F, 11/22/24, 6:30 - 7:30 PM**

**Ages:** All ages welcome

## MY 3RD ANNUAL BLESSING BASKET FOR THANKSGIVING

### How many families can we help for Thanksgiving?

Thanksgiving is a time for Family, Food, and Gratitude. Many families will welcome the assistance in preparing their holiday meal.

### Can you and your family fill a Blessing Basket or two (2)?

#### What can I do?

Get together with your family and friends and create a Thanksgiving-themed Blessing Basket.

#### Items needed:

A basket to hold the items, Instant Mashed Potatoes, Canned Green Beans, Canned Corn, Stuffing Mix, Canned Gravy, Canned Cranberry Sauce, Boxed Cornbread/Biscuit Mix, Canned Sweet Potatoes, Crispy Onions, Cream of Mushroom Soup, Boxed Mac & Cheese, Turkey (any gift card from supermarket)

### When and How will the Blessing Baskets be collected?

Blessing Baskets should be dropped off at KW Legacy Partners by Nov. 22nd. Drop date will be 11/22/2024 from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm at Keller Williams, 172 Oakwood Dr., Glastonbury CT 06033.

All Blessing Baskets will be going to the Manchester Area Conference of Churches (MACC)



860-997-5280  
halahanna@kw.com  
Keller Williams Legacy Partners  
172 Oakwood Dr.,  
Glastonbury CT 06033

Raffle tickets will be provided for the following:  
**\$100** Bricco Restaurant  
**\$50** Gas  
**\$25** Amazon  
**\$25** Amazon

The **Vernon**  
Chorale

Presents:



# Night, Dreaming, and Awakening

**SAT. DEC. 7, 2024**  
**7:30PM**

**St. Bernard Catholic Church**  
25 St. Bernard's Terrace, Vernon, CT

**EHREN BROWN**  
Artistic Director

**KATHLEEN BARTKOWSKI**  
Collaborative Pianist

**AUDREY RIVETTA**  
Conducting Fellow



**TICKETS:**  
ADULTS \$20 | SENIORS & STUDENTS \$15 | UNDER 18 FREE

Tickets available online and at the door. For more information and to purchase tickets, scan the QR code or visit [vernonchorale.org](http://vernonchorale.org).



vernonchorale.org | 860-375-0545

**CHURCH FAIR**  
Saturday, Nov. 23, 2024  
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church**  
371 Wolcott Hill Road  
Wethersfield

**Bakery, Kitchen Café,  
Country Store,  
Holiday Booth,  
Handmade Crafts,  
Grandma's Attic, Jewelry,  
and Inspiration Garden**

80% of proceeds will benefit  
St. Paul's Food Pantry

20% will go to ELCA World Hunger

Raffle on a 100 Year Old Quilt for \$1.00

Winner will be selected on November 24th.

For more information or directions, please call 860-529-5397  
or visit our website: [www.stpaulswethersfield.org](http://www.stpaulswethersfield.org)