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## *Welcome to Concordia*

*A Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod Congregation*

*The back pews are reserved for families with small children.*

*A nursery is available in our multipurpose room  
on the side of the narthex.*

*Large-print bulletins are available from the usher.*

Sunday, August 9, 2020

# The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome

Hymn: “*Baptized into Your Name Most Holy*”

LSB 590

Baptism of Hadley Mae Oberndorfer

LSB 268-271

Confession of Sin & Absolution

Pastor: Lord, we confess the meagerness and the weakness of our faith.

**People: Many times, it is hard to believe.**

Pastor: Our sins make us blind to Your care.

**People: Lord, save me!**

Pastor: We now confess our sins to God our Father:

**People: 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.**

*(A moment of silence for reflection and confession)*

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus said, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." (*Matthew 14:27*) Upon this, your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you. In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

Kyrie

LSB 152

Hymn of Praise: Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 154

Prayer

Pastor: Almighty and merciful Father, we ask that you would protect us from all harm and danger. Make us ready, in both body and soul, to joyfully accomplish whatever you have called us to do, so that your good and gracious will is fulfilled. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

Old Testament

*Job 38:4-18*

*(Only God is able to save.)*

Pastor: <sup>4</sup> “Where were you when I laid the earth’s foundation? Tell me, if you understand. <sup>5</sup> Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know! Who stretched a measuring line across it? <sup>6</sup> On what were its footings set, or who laid its cornerstone—<sup>7</sup> while the morning stars sang together, and all the angels shouted for joy? <sup>8</sup> Who shut up the sea behind doors when it burst

forth from the womb,<sup>9</sup> when I made the clouds its garment and wrapped it in thick darkness,<sup>10</sup> when I fixed limits for it and set its doors and bars in place,<sup>11</sup> when I said, ‘This far you may come and no farther; here is where your proud waves halt?’<sup>12</sup> Have you ever given orders to the morning, or shown the dawn its place,<sup>13</sup> that it might take the earth by the edges and shake the wicked out of it?<sup>14</sup> The earth takes shape like clay under a seal; its features stand out like those of a garment.<sup>15</sup> The wicked are denied their light, and their upraised arm is broken.<sup>16</sup> Have you journeyed to the springs of the sea or walked in the recesses of the deep?<sup>17</sup> Have the gates of death been shown to you? Have you seen the gates of the deepest darkness?<sup>18</sup> Have you comprehended the vast expanses of the earth? Tell me, if you know all this.” This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 18:1-6**

Pastor: A Psalm of David, the servant of the LORD who spoke to the LORD the words of this song in the day that the LORD delivered him from the hand of all his enemies, and from the hand of Saul: and he said,

**People: I love You, O LORD, my strength.**

Pastor: The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge; my shield, and the horn of my salvation, and my stronghold.

**People: I will call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from my enemies.**

Pastor: The cords of death encompassed me; and the torrents of destruction assailed me. The cords of Sheol entangled me about; the snares of death confronted me.

**People: In my distress I called upon the LORD, to my God I cried for help.**

Pastor: He heard my voice out of His temple, and my cry to him reached his ears.

**All: I love You, O LORD, my strength, my rock, my fortress. 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.**

### **Epistle**

*Romans 10:5-17*

**(Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.)**

Pastor: <sup>5</sup> Moses writes this about the righteousness that is by the law: “The person who does these things will live by them.” <sup>6</sup> But the righteousness that is by faith says: “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) <sup>7</sup> “or ‘Who will descend into the deep?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). <sup>8</sup> But what does it say? “The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart,” that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim: <sup>9</sup> If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup> For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. <sup>11</sup> As Scripture says, “Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup> For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is

Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him,<sup>13</sup> for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”<sup>14</sup> How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?<sup>15</sup> And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”<sup>16</sup> But not all the Israelites accepted the good news. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed our message?”<sup>17</sup> Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ. This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **Alleluia**

Pastor: But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid!"

**People: Alleluia!**

### **Holy Gospel**

*Matthew 14:22-33*

**(Jesus strengthens His disciples' faith.)**

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

**People: Glory to You, O Lord.**

Pastor: <sup>22</sup> Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. <sup>23</sup> After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup> and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. <sup>25</sup> Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. <sup>26</sup> When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. “It’s a ghost,” they said, and cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup> But Jesus immediately said to them: “Take courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid.” <sup>28</sup> “Lord, if it’s you,” Peter replied, “tell me to come to you on the water.” <sup>29</sup> “Come,” he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. <sup>30</sup> But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, “Lord, save me!” <sup>31</sup> Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. “You of little faith,” he said, “why did you doubt?” <sup>32</sup> And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. <sup>33</sup> Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.” This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Hymn: “Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me”**

*LSB 715*

**Sermon: “Don’t be Afraid” Matthew 14:22-33**

**Hymn: “God Moves in a Mysterious Way”**

*LSB 765*

**Prayers of the Church**

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**

*LSB 160*

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

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

**People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the same, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**Sanctus**

LSB 161

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Words of Institution**

**The Peace**

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

**People: Amen.**

**Agnus Dei**

LSB 163

**Distribution/Hymns**

*“How Firm a Foundation”*

LSB 728

*“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”*

LSB 739

*“The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord”*

LSB 634

**Thank the Lord**

LSB 164

**Post-Communion Prayer**

**Blessing**

Pastor: The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD look upon you with favor and give you peace. Amen!

**Hymn: “Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower”**

LSB 694

**Announcements**

**Postlude**

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**STATEMENT ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION**

Our worship today includes the celebration of the Lord’s Supper, or Holy Communion. This holy meal is received in glad confidence, because our Lord tells us that He gives us not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and 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 have been baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit; those who trust His words regarding the Lord’s Supper; repent of all sins; and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. Those who do so receive the benefits of this holy supper and proclaim His death and resurrection until He comes again.

However, because the Bible (I Corinthians 11:23-29) also teaches that those who eat and drink our Lord’s body and blood in an incorrect manner do so to their great harm, and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith that is

professed at this altar (I Corinthians 10:17), we practice “close communion” at Concordia. Any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a belief concerning the Lord’s Supper that is different from the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, are respectfully requested not to receive the Sacrament in the service today. You may come forward for a blessing and are requested to cross your arms across your chest, as an indication to the pastor. If you have any questions regarding your participation, or would like to learn more, please speak to the pastor after the service. Thank you!

In preparing to receive Holy Communion, ask yourself these questions:

1. Am I sincerely sorry for my sins, and do I repent of them?
2. Do I confidently trust in Jesus Christ, my Lord and Savior, who died for me, paying for my sins, and rose again from the dead, to give me eternal life?
3. Do I believe that Jesus is truly present in, with and under the bread and wine in Holy Communion, and that I receive His true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and strengthening of faith?
4. Do I promise, with the Holy Spirit’s help, to amend my sinful life, and to declare this resolve through Christian living, faithful worship, and careful stewardship of time, talent and treasures?
5. Do I understand that by receiving the Lord’s Supper in this church, I am declaring that the teaching of this congregation, a member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, is also my own?

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**Participants in this Morning’s Service**

Greeters:	Tom and Sue Roth
Organist:	Barb Burroughs
Acolyte:	Abbie Grebing
Elder:	Alan Grebing
Ushers:	Devin Ponder, Brandon Thurm, Garrett Hemman, Eric Barich
Audio/Visual Team:	Tony Vogel, Jenny France

**This Week’s Schedule**

Wed., Aug. 12	9 a.m.	Bible Study (Zechariah)
	9-10 a.m.	Summer Psalms Bible Study at Lutheran Heritage Center & Museum (Psalm 27) (Rev. Paul Winningham)
	7 p.m.	Bible Study (Zechariah)
Fri., Aug. 14	11 a.m.	Worship
Sun., Aug. 16	8 a.m.	Bible Class
	9 a.m.	Worship

**Announcements**

**Church Attendance:** Worship – 115 (Friday-21, Sunday-94), one year ago – 147;  
Adult Bible Class – 15, one year ago – 29

**As We Gather:** God can walk on water; no question about it! God can do anything he desires. But can God make you walk on water? Don't think so? Neither did the apostle Peter. But he did—for a moment, anyway. The point isn't the miracle itself. The point is what God can do with a person's faith; and what God can do with you and your faith in

Jesus Christ. To call faith "little" or "great" is to speak of the wrong thing. Whether great or small, saving faith looks to Jesus and receives his protection, strength and the redemption of your body and soul.

**During the Covid pandemic**, Concordia will continue to offer a worship service at 11 a.m. on Fridays. The social-distancing precautions that we have been observing since mid-May, when we resumed in-person worship, will be in effect for that service.

**Time to be in Bible class!** On Sundays at 8 a.m. in the sanctuary, we are unpacking "**Stewardship Basics**", a study that will change your view of what biblical stewardship is all about. On Wednesdays at 9 a.m. and 7 p.m., we are hearing the word of the Lord as spoken by the prophet Zechariah, sometimes referred to as "the Prophet of Holy Week." And coming in September, a small-group study led by Whitney and Garrett Hemman will focus on the book of Proverbs, and how it relates to Christian parents raising young children. Talk to Whitney or Garrett for more information.

**Stewardship thought for the week:** Matthew 4:30 says, "**But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, 'Lord, save me.'**" The world can be a scary place—Corona pandemic, natural disasters, terrorism, and a hundred other things, too. But where do we place our hope, our trust, and our vision? Where do we look for aid and comfort? When Peter's eyes were on the Lord, he had confidence. When he turned to look at his problems and took his eyes off the Lord, he fell apart. Sometimes, God's call to support the work of his Church with our offerings makes us nervous. But put your eyes back on your Lord. Trust Him! Obey his Word, to give joyfully and generously, and all will be well.

**Order in the Order:** Featured today is the **THANKSGIVING** following Holy Communion. As the service now draws to a close, we offer again our heartfelt thanks to God for his service to us. We give him thanks, ask for his presence in all that we do this week, and we praise him for all the blessings with which he sustains our life.

**Hadley Mae Oberndorfer**, daughter of Jared Michael and Amanda Dawn (Schumer) Oberndorfer will receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism today. Hadley was born on March 12, 2020. Her sponsors are Alexandria "Alex" Lueders and Jake Pohlman.

**Mission Offering:** Next Sunday, August 16, Concordia congregation will collect a door offering for University Lutheran Chapel of Hope, the LCMS campus ministry at SEMO. This campus ministry is located at 903 College Hill Place in Cape Girardeau. Typically, 8-15 students gather at noon on Wednesdays for a free lunch and Bible Study hour. The ministry does some work with a small number of international students, too. In 2019-20, on Thursdays afternoon/early evening, students were invited to gather for "Evening Prayer" from *Lutheran Service Book*. (Anyone is invited to participate, including folks from local congregations.) Afterwards, a light supper was served. Sunday afternoons are also a time for worship at the chapel. The chapel's greatest need is for students to know that this ministry exists, and to be encouraged to try it. There is also a need for people to prepare meals for the Wednesday noon gatherings. Of course, your prayers for God to work through his Word and sacraments to create and strengthen faith in college students are always appreciated!

**Too much produce and not enough time to eat or pickle it?** Why not share your extra with the Concordia community? Simply bring your produce on Fridays for the folks at the 11 a.m. service, or on Sundays for those attending the 9 a.m. service. Place the items on the table provided and let your abundance bless others!

**And for those of you without the gift of the green thumb**—this is the day you've been waiting for—**fresh, grown, Perry County garden produce** that you didn't have

to weed or water! And, if anyone feels so moved, you can make a donation, which will help send our high-school youth to the 2022 LCMS Youth Gathering in Houston. It's a win/win/win! There will be a table set up outside, under the portico; just look for the sign. Lutheran Youth Fellowship thanks you in advance!

**Do you have a child who is heading off to college soon?** If so, the church office would like to have the following information: student's name, college or university attending, year of study, address at school (when available), e-mail address, and phone number. Please e-mail this information to [concordiafrohna@att.net](mailto:concordiafrohna@att.net) or drop it off at the church office.

**July Contributions:** 5<sup>th</sup> – \$7,424.36, 12<sup>th</sup> – \$1,480.00, 19<sup>th</sup> – \$3,581.00, 26<sup>th</sup> – \$7,766.00; Online Contributions-General Fund – \$5,805.65

**Did you know...**if you are 70½ years old, or older, and have an IRA, you can instruct your IRA trustee to make a distribution directly from your IRA to Concordia Lutheran Church. This distribution is called Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). It counts toward satisfying any required minimum distributions (RMDs) and is excluded from your income for tax purposes. If you have questions, or want to know more, please contact Carol Duggan at 824-6060.

### Lutheran Youth Fellowship (LYF) Notes

**Concordia Lutheran Youth Fellowship (LYF)** is going to the movies! At 7 p.m. next Sunday, August 16, LYF will gather for a meal in the parsonage backyard; then watch the movie "Overcomer," followed by a short Bible study. Please RSVP to Amy Hoemann or Katie Miesner by this Friday, August 14.

### United in Christ Lutheran School (UCLS) Notes

**Minutes from the UCLS Board of Education Meeting** on July 16 are available today on the south buffet.

### Neighboring Church & Community Notes

**A Grandparent Workshop** will be Saturday, September 19, from 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. at Eisleben Lutheran Church, Scott City. The workshop will be conducted by Rev. Paul Short, and include Biblical insights and other resources of inspiration for grandparents, pamphlets of information for grandparents, and lunch. This event is free, and limited to 25 couples. Please call 573-264-2762 or email [eislebenlutheranchurch@gmail.com](mailto:eislebenlutheranchurch@gmail.com) to register.

### KFUO Notes

**This week on KFUE.org**, hear conversation on "Mental Health" with Deaconess Heidi Goehmann on *The Coffee Hour* tomorrow, August 10, at 9 a.m. Continue in 1 Corinthians on *Thy Strong Word* (weekdays at 11 a.m.), and hear a curious theological topic with Rev. Tyrel Bramwell on *Cross Defense* tomorrow, August 10, at 2 p.m. Find these programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or wherever you get your podcasts.

### "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life

**"When a child is adopted into a family, there is a real family formed there.** Our entire Gospel is at stake in that recognition because there is no such thing as an 'adopted child,' only children who were adopted. Adopted in the New Testament is a past-tense verb, not an adjective." *Dr. Russell D. Moore, author of "Adopted for Life: The Priority of Adoption for Christian Families" and chair of the Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)*