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## *Welcome to Concordia*

*A Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod Congregation*

***The mission of Concordia Lutheran Church is to gather, teach and inspire  
all generations to share the Good News!***

*The back pews are reserved for families with small children.  
A nursery is available in our multipurpose room on the side of the narthex.*

Saturday & Sunday, October 19 & 20, 2024

# The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

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## Invocation

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

Pastor: "The Preacher," the author of Ecclesiastes, warns that loving money is vain and that you can't take it with you. But enjoying one's lot in life is a gift from God. We now listen to what he writes, and then we confess our sins.

## Old Testament Reading: Ecclesiastes 5:10-20 (*Fear God!*)

Lector: <sup>10</sup>Whoever loves money never has enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with their income. This too is meaningless. <sup>11</sup>As goods increase, so do those who consume them. And what benefit are they to the owners except to feast their eyes on them? <sup>12</sup>The sleep of a laborer is sweet, whether they eat little or much, but as for the rich, their abundance permits them no sleep. <sup>13</sup>I have seen a grievous evil under the sun: wealth hoarded to the harm of its owners, <sup>14</sup>or wealth lost through some misfortune, so that when they have children there is nothing left for them to inherit. <sup>15</sup>Everyone comes naked from their mother's womb, and as everyone comes, so they depart. They take nothing from their toil that they can carry in their hands. <sup>16</sup>This too is a grievous evil: as everyone comes, so they depart, and what do they gain, since they toil for the wind? <sup>17</sup>All their days they eat in darkness, with great frustration, affliction and anger. <sup>18</sup>This is what I have observed to be good: that it is appropriate for a person to eat, to drink and to find satisfaction in their toilsome labor under the sun during the few days of life God has given them—for this is their lot. <sup>19</sup>Moreover, when God gives someone wealth and possessions, and the ability to enjoy them, to accept their lot and be happy in their toil—this is a gift of God. <sup>20</sup>They seldom reflect on the days of their life, because God keeps them occupied with gladness of heart. This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Confession of Sin

*(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)*

**Hymn: "Chief of Sinners Though I Be" (v. 1)**

**LSB 611**

Pastor: Forgive us, Lord,

**ALL: for choosing earthly treasures that seemingly make life pleasant and being dependent on them. Turn us toward you, so that we will see your all-sufficient grace, and readily confess that you provide everything we truly need to live as your people, including the priceless gift of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Hymn: "Chief of Sinners Though I Be" (v. 2)**

**LSB 611**

Pastor: Forgive us, Lord,

**ALL:** for those times when, aware of our sinful love of money and possessions, we failed to turn to you for forgiveness. Strengthen our faith to believe the power of your love, which is greater than any human failing.

Hymn: "*Chief of Sinners Though I Be*" (v. 3)

LSB 611

Pastor: Forgive us, Lord,

**ALL:** for too often seeing you merely as the giver of all that we need to sustain this physical body and life. By your Spirit, renew in us the vision of the cross as the only source of peace and joy that continues beyond the days of our earthly existence.

Hymn: "*Chief of Sinners Though I Be*" (vv. 4-5)

LSB 611

### The Absolution

Pastor: "We have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God." (*Hebrews 4:14*) He is pleading for us with the Father, having offered his life in our place. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

### Psalm 119:9-16; *antiphon: v.14*

Pastor: In the way of your testimonies, I delight as much as in all riches. How can a young man keep his way pure?

**People: By guarding it according to your word.**

Pastor: With my whole heart, I seek you;

**People: let me not wander from your commandments.**

Pastor: I have stored up your word in my heart,

**People: that I might not sin against you.**

Pastor: Blessed are you, O LORD;

**People: teach me your statutes!**

Pastor: With my lips, I declare all the rules of your mouth.

**People: In the way of your testimonies, I delight as much as in all riches.**

Pastor: I will meditate on your precepts

**People: and fix my eyes on your ways.**

Pastor: I will delight in your statutes;

**People: I will not forget your word.**

**All: In the way of your testimonies, I delight as much as in all riches.**

### Prayer

### Epistle: Hebrews 4:1-13 (*Sabbath rest*)

Lector: <sup>1</sup> Therefore, since the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us be careful that none of you be found to have fallen short of it. <sup>2</sup> For we also have had the good news proclaimed to us, just as they did; but the message they heard was of no value to them, because they did not share the faith of those who obeyed. <sup>3</sup> Now we who have believed enter that rest, just as God has said, "So, I declared on oath in my anger, 'They shall never enter my

rest.” And yet, his works have been finished since the creation of the world.<sup>4</sup> For somewhere he has spoken about the seventh day in these words: “On the seventh day God rested from all his works.”<sup>5</sup> And again in the passage above he says, “They shall never enter my rest.”<sup>6</sup> Therefore since it still remains for some to enter that rest, and since those who formerly had the good news proclaimed to them did not go in because of their disobedience,<sup>7</sup> God again set a certain day, calling it “Today.” This he did when a long time later he spoke through David, as in the passage 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 later about another day.<sup>9</sup> There remains, then, a Sabbath-rest for the people of God;<sup>10</sup> for anyone who enters God’s rest also rests from their works, just as God did from his.<sup>11</sup> Let us, therefore, make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one will perish by following their example of disobedience.<sup>12</sup> For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.<sup>13</sup> Nothing in all creation is hidden from God’s sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account. This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia & Verse (Mark 10:27b)**

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

**People: For all things are possible with God. Alleluia!**

**Holy Gospel: Mark 10:23-31 (Mission impossible)**

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10th chapter.

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

Lector: And Jesus looked around and said to his disciples,

Voice of Jesus: "How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!"

Lector: And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again,

Voice of Jesus: "Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! 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."

Lector: And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him,

**People: "Then who can be saved?"**

Lector: Jesus looked at them and said,

Voice of Jesus: "With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God."

Lector: Peter began to say to him, "See, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said,

Voice of Jesus: "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, 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. But many who are first will be last, and the last first." This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## The Apostles' Creed

## Children's Message

Hymn: "What Is the World to Me"

LSB 730

Sermon "Mission Impossible" Mark 10:23-31

## Offering/Rite of Fellowship

*(Please sign the attendance sheet in the red booklet as it comes to you.)*

## Prayers of the Church

Pastor: Dear Heavenly Father, you have given us so many wonderful gifts and blessings.

**People: Accept these tokens of what you have entrusted to us. Use them to nurture and expand your kingdom of grace.**

Pastor: Lord, we pray for the Church around the world.

**People: May it grow in godliness with the help of the Holy Spirit.**

Pastor: We pray for called workers and lay leaders.

**People: Help them to be faithful in what they believe, teach, and how they live.**

Pastor: We pray for the erring.

**People: Gather them from their straying; bring them home to your fold, so they will believe and confess the sacrifice of your Son.**

Pastor: We pray for our country and the nations of the world.

**People: Instill in the hearts of leaders and citizens a love of peace, a desire for justice, and a concern for the downtrodden.**

Pastor: We pray for those afflicted in any way, including...

**People: Visit and relieve them, according to your will. Grant them patience and firm faith until you grant them deliverance in your grace.**

Pastor: We pray for ourselves.

**People: Strengthen us through the hearing of your Word and faithful reception of the Lord's Supper so that we will turn from loving the things around us and turn toward your promises; so that we will be prepared to inherit your kingdom forever.**

Pastor: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy for the sake of our great High Priest, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

## + Sacrament +

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 proper...evermore praising you and saying:

**Sanctus**

**LSB 161**

**Prayer of Thanks**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**The Words of Institution**

**Peace of the Lord**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you. Amen.**

**Agnus Dei**

**LSB 163**

**The Distribution**

**Thank the Lord**

**LSB 164**

**Post-Communion Thanks**

**Blessing**

**Song: "Your Grace Is Enough"**

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**STATEMENT ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION**

The Lord's Supper is celebrated in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as he says, gives not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:26, 28; I Corinthians 11:23-24). In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord, those are invited to his table who trust his word of promise, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us. Because Holy Communion is a confession of faith which is confessed at this altar, 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 by crossing your arms across your chest, as an indication to the pastor. If you have 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 congregation, 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 Saturday's Service**

Organist: Debbie Lichtenegger  
 Elder: Tony Scholl  
 Ushers: Ben Grebing, Earl Petzoldt, Cody Braeuner, Dwayne Roth  
 Audio/Visual Team: Troy Petzoldt, Donna Hecht  
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**Participants in Sunday's Service**

Greeters: Clifford and Kathy Stueve  
 Lector: Todd Petzoldt  
 Acolyte: Layton Hoehne  
 Organist: Barb Burroughs  
 Elder: Tony Vogel  
 Ushers: Kent Luckey, Dalton Head, Kenton Roth, Kevin Steffens  
 Audio/Visual Team: Jeff and Beth Leible  
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**This Week's Schedule**

Today, Oct. 20, 2024	After worship	Voters
Sun.-Tues., Oct. 20-22, 2024		Pastor Hoemann at MO District Pastors' Conference
Mon., Oct. 21, 2024		<u>No school at Saxony</u> November calendar items due
Mon.-Fri., Oct. 21-25, 2024	TBA	<i>EPC Lady Wildcats Volleyball</i> <i>A-Team plays in tournament at</i> <i>St. Mary, Cape</i>
Tues., Oct. 22, 2024	5 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Pickleball (Frohna park) Dartball Immanuel, Altenburg at Frohna <i>Parent/Teacher Conferences</i>
Tues.-Thurs., Oct. 22-24, 2024		
Wed., Oct. 23, 2024	9 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Bible Study (Acts of the Apostles)
Thurs., Oct. 24, 2024	Noon	Bulletin items due
Fri., Oct. 25, 2024		<i>No School at UCLS</i>
Sun., Oct. 27, 2024 Reformation Day (Observed)	8 a.m. 9 a.m.	Bible Study Worship with Holy Communion
	After worship	Evangelism Committee

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**Announcements**

**Attendance:** Worship-141 (123 in person, 18 online), one year ago-181; Bible Class-9  
**As We Gather:** Today's theme is "Mission Impossible," based on the Gospel reading from Mark 10, where Jesus warns that the love of wealth makes it hard for some to enter the kingdom of heaven. But then he assures his astonished disciples that all things are possible with God. Indeed, our life, at times, feels like mission impossible. We are burdened by many things. But God's Word assures us that he has overcome all for us and for our salvation. Welcome to worship at Concordia!  
**Stewardship Standard:** "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, 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.” (Mark 10:29–30) This is Jesus’ encouragement for every faithful disciple. Let it encourage you today!

**Order in the order—why we do what we do in Lutheran worship:** The **INTROIT** (meaning “one who enters”) is a transition into that part of the service where we hear God’s Word. The theme of the day is sounded through a psalm or a section of a psalm.

**Prayers for the following, please:** our shut-in members Edgar and Della Dreyer, Mildred Grebing, Tillie Luckey, Mahela Lueders, Jean Mueller, Flora Oberndorfer, and Elaine Ruehling; for those in need of healing: Dale Burroughs, Stefanie Schmidt, and Elaine Ruehling; for God’s blessings on the ministry of Missionary John Wolf and his family, as they share the Gospel in Africa; for Seminarian Blake Brockman and his family as he continues his studies at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis; for the renovation work going on inside the Hall; for hurricane recovery in the southeastern United States.

**Concordia Voters** will meet after worship today.

SEPTEMBER - Per Service			SEPTEMBER 2024 Breakdown				
Sunday	9/1/2024	\$ 1,783.17	Received by	Fund	Designation	Amt	
Sunday	9/8/2024	\$ -	Offering Plate	General	Envelopes	\$ 9,986.00	
Sunday	9/15/2024	\$ 4,438.40	Offering Plate	General	Loose Change	\$ 969.07	
Sunday	9/22/2024	\$ 1,991.00	Offering Plate	Endowment	Saxony	\$ 50.00	
Sunday	9/29/2024	\$ 2,792.50	Door Offering	SEMO Chapel of Hope		\$ 292.00	
Online		\$ 6,822.16	Treasurer	General		\$ 8,421.92	
		<b>Total</b>	Online	General		\$ 6,722.16	
Note no service Sept 8 (Trinity Mission Festival)			Online	Endowment	Capitol Imprv	\$ 50.00	
Carl Jenny memorials \$360.00			Online	Endowment	Saxony	\$ 50.00	
Carol Hoemann memorials \$1,430.00						\$ 26,541.15	
						<b>Average per Week</b>	\$ 5,898.03
To meet our 2024 budget we need around \$9,584.00 per week							

**Did you know...**if you are 70 ½ 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 573-824-6060.

**Finance Board Update:** There will be some changes in 2025. To help reduce costs, we will be reducing the number of contribution envelopes purchased because many are not being used. If an assigned number hasn’t been used in the last five years, we will assume that member does not desire to use for recording purposes, and we will no longer include them in the list. For any number that has been used in the last five years, the numbers will be reassigned. Also, annual statements will now be printed or emailed by request only. Contact Jenny France, concordia.finsec@gmail.com or call/text 573-517-3273, if you would like to receive the annual statement. Thank you!

**Neighboring Church and Community Notes**

**The LLL men’s Bible retreat** will be Friday-Sunday, October 25-27, at Cape SEMO, Wappapello. The topic will be “Nazism and Religion” presented by Rev. John Hellwege, Ph.D. For more information, see the brochure on Concordia’s bulletin board.

**Family Shield Ministries (FSM) invites you to “Faith Family Reunion: Parents of Prodigals Ministry Training”** 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, October 26, at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 765 Lemay Ferry Rd., Lemay, Mo. The training is free, and lunch is



included. Many families suffer the burden of children or grandchildren who have stopped participating in the life of the Church; who resist God's Word and ways. That's why FSM invites you and your congregation to attend this one-day training. **Topics to be addressed include:** "Unconditional Love and Our Prodigals," "Communication with our Prodigals," "Dealing with Loss," "How to Pray for Our Prodigals," "How to Connect with Our Prodigals," "Creating Community with Other Parents," "Why Forgiveness is So Important." **You must register;** to do so, type in your browser: [Prodigal Parent Ministry Training — Missouri District — The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod \(lcms.org\)](#) and follow the directions.

**A harvest dinner** will be 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Sunday, October 27, at Christ Lutheran Church, 248 Albert St, Gordonville. Turkey, dressing, green beans, corn, mashed potatoes and gravy, and dessert will be served; \$15 per plate (carry-out or dine-in).

**The annual trunk-or-treat** will be 4-6 p.m., Sunday, October 27, at the East Perry Community Fairgrounds, Altenburg. Food, fun, and crafts provided. More trunk participants are encouraged as the trick-or-treaters will be voting on their favorite trunk to win a gift certificate. RSVP to Hailey Roth at 573-768-5817. If you decide at the last minute you want to enter a trunk, please come. All are welcome!

**Medicare Part D sign-up** will be available Wednesday, October 30, at Riverside Regional Library, Altenburg. Liz Yokley with Aging Matters will be present to assist. Call the library at 573-824-5267 or email [eschlichting@rrlmo.org](mailto:eschlichting@rrlmo.org) to sign-up for a half-hour time slot, noon-5:30 p.m. Please bring your Medicare card and prescription list.

**"Grief Share: Surviving the Holidays"** will be 9-11 a.m., Saturday, November 2, at Grace Lutheran School, Uniontown. The event is open to all, but pre-registration is appreciated. Contact Diana Howe (573-768-1051), Grace Miesner (573-517-9232), or Eunice Buerck (573-517-8733) to register.

**A sausage supper**, hosted by Hanover Lutheran Church Men's Club, will be 3-7 p.m., Sunday, November 3, at Hanover Lutheran Church, 2949 Perryville Rd, Cape Girardeau. Whole-hog sausage, potatoes, kraut, green beans, bread, applesauce, and dessert; \$13 for adults; \$6 for children (ages 6 and under); dine-in or carry-out. Fresh whole-hog sausage is available for purchase. Call 573-335-8583 to place your order by noon, Friday, November 1.

**A prayer service for the sanctity of life** will be at 6 p.m., Sunday, November 3, at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Perryville. Participants will petition the Lord to guard us and all children from evil, especially the evil contained in the proposed Amendment 3, on the ballot November 5. Guest preacher will be Rev. Paul Winningham. A special door offering to support The Center for Life of St. Genevieve and Perryville (dba "Options for Women") will be received.

**A turkey-and-ham supper**, hosted by Salem Lutheran Church, will be 1:30-6:30 p.m., Sunday, November 10, at Salem Lutheran School, Farrar. Turkey, ham, dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, corn, cranberry sauce, and dessert; \$12 per plate for the carry-out meal. Indoor seating will be available.

**Planting Seeds for the Future:** Are you or someone you know a farmer who's thinking about retiring but unsure what to do with the farm? Perhaps your kids aren't interested in taking over. Or you're looking for ways to avoid capital gains or to turn the land into steady income for retirement or for your heirs. The LCMS Foundation is hosting a webinar, "Planting Seeds: How to Convert Your Farm into Retirement Income and Leave a Gift to Ministry," 11:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, November 12. The webinar will explain how charitable remainder trusts (CRTs) work and how they can provide a steady source of income for you or your family; options for structuring

the transfer of your farm in a way that reflects your values and reduces taxes; real-life examples of how farmers have used CRTs to bless their families, and also created a substantial and lasting gift to the LCMS ministries they care about. Register at <https://www.lcmsfoundation.org/online-gift-planning-webinar-november2024>.

**KFUO Notes**

**CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE.org:** Join us as we continue our study of Numbers on *Sharper Iron* (8 a.m. weekdays); the final chapters of Revelation on *Thy Strong Word* (11 a.m. weekdays); and tune in to *Concord Matters* at 10 a.m. Saturday for a conversation on why both the bread and wine are essential elements in the Sacrament of the Altar. Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or on the KFUE Radio app.

**“Life Quote” from Lutherans for Life**

**“God’s grace is costly** (the cross is the best symbol of all) and God is ‘for us, not against us’ because he is the God of creation and nature, history and eternal destiny (Romans 8). St. Paul reminds us that we are all adopted into Christ, just as we are all transformed by the renewing of our minds (Romans 12). So, the Gospel has shaped our earthly adoptions and our families—now including three beautiful granddaughters! In the triune God, we are born to a new and living hope, a pro-life and pro-adoption one!” *Pastor Leon and Terri Rosenthal – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*

<p><b>Week: 10</b></p>	<p><b><u>Hymn of the Week:</u></b></p>
<p><b>Sunday: Reformation</b></p>	<p>LSB 656 <i>“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”</i></p>
<p><b><u>Bible Stories</u></b>          10/23 -- M: Genesis 35:16-29          10/24 -- Tu: Genesis 37:1-36          10/25 -- W: Genesis 39:1-23          10/26 -- Th: Genesis 40:1-23          10/27 -- F: No School</p>	<p>A mighty fortress is our God,          A trusty shield and weapon;          He helps us free from ev’ry need          That hath us now o’ertaken.          The old evil foe          Now means deadly woe;          Deep guile and great might          Are his dread arms in fight;          On earth is not his equal.</p>
	<p><b><u>Bible Verse</u></b>  <i><sup>10</sup>For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it...</i>          James 2:10 (ESV)</p>
<p><b><u>Catechism</u></b>          The close of the Commandments and meaning: What does God say about all these commandments?          He says: “I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate Me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love Me and keep My commandments.” (Exodus 20:5-6)  <i>What does this mean?</i> God threatens to punish all who break these commandments. Therefore, we should fear his wrath and not do anything against them. But he promises grace and every blessing to all who keep these commandments. Therefore, we should also love and trust in him and gladly do what he commands.</p>	



## Missouri Amendment 3

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### God's View of Life

#### **Life is a gift from God:**

Scripture clearly states that God is the Creator of all human life (Job 10:12) from the moment of conception (Ps 139:13,14).

#### **Life has value:**

Human life, though marred by the Fall, has a unique and valued place in God's creation (Gen 9:6; Ps 8:5).

#### **Life is God's intention:**

God sent His Son to die and redeem all human life (Jn 3:16). Jesus "came that you may have life and have it abundantly" (Jn 10:10).

As we prepare for election day, we are wise to consider the values above from Scripture. While the church is not a political entity and not in the business of endorsing candidates, it is our Christian responsibility and privilege to take part in civic action to care for our neighbors — especially those who cannot speak for themselves (Prov 31:8-9).



Missouri District

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH — MISSOURI SYNOD



## Missouri Amendment 3

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### Voting “Yes” Means

**Making abortion a constitutional right in Missouri for all 9 months of pregnancy**

at a provider’s determination.

**Eliminating all current state laws regarding abortion**

including partial-birth abortion ban, parental consent for minors, health & safety standards for abortion clinics, and requirements for abortion clinics to show a baby’s ultrasound to the mother.

**Limiting all health regulations or abortion restrictions**

without another amendment to state constitution.

### Voting “No” Means

 **Protecting life** by continuing prohibition of abortion in Missouri.

 **Allowing current laws to be amended** by regular legislative process.

*If you would like more information on this initiative, you may speak with your pastor or contact Missouri Life Coordinator, Rev. Dr. Jason Wagner, at [pastorwagner@email.com](mailto:pastorwagner@email.com).*



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