

# September 7th, 2025—Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Andante Mvt 2 Italian Concerto by Johann Sebastian Bach

Opening Hymn

W&P #90 "Lord, I Lift Your Name On High"

Lord, I lift your name on high, Lord, I love to sing your  
prais - es. I'm so glad you're in my life,  
I'm so glad you came to save us. You came from heav - en to earth  
to show the way, from the earth to the cross,  
my debt to pay; from the cross to the grave,  
from the grave to the sky; Lord, I lift your name on high.

G C D C G C  
D C G C D C  
G C Dsus D G C  
D C G C  
D C G C  
D Em<sup>7</sup> Am<sup>7</sup> Dsus D G C/G G

## Prayer of the Day

Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## First Reading

**Deuteronomy 30:15-20**

<sup>15</sup> “See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. <sup>16</sup> If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. <sup>17</sup> But if your heart turns away and you do not hear but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, <sup>18</sup> I declare to you today that you shall certainly perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. <sup>19</sup> I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, <sup>20</sup> loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him, for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.”

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Anthem

**“You Are My All in All” by Dennis L Jernigan, arr by Lloyd Larson**

## Second Reading

**Philemon 1-21**

<sup>1</sup> Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To our beloved coworker Philemon, <sup>2</sup> to our sister Apphia, to our fellow soldier Archippus, and to the church in your house:

<sup>3</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>4</sup> I thank my God always when I mention you in my prayers, <sup>5</sup> because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. <sup>6</sup> I pray that the partnership of your faith may become effective as you comprehend all the good that we share in Christ. <sup>7</sup> I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

<sup>8</sup> For this reason, though I am more than bold enough in Christ to command you to do the right thing, <sup>9</sup> yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. <sup>10</sup> I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. <sup>11</sup> Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me. <sup>12</sup> I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. <sup>13</sup> I wanted to keep him with me so that he might minister to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel, <sup>14</sup> but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. <sup>15</sup> Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for the long term, <sup>16</sup> no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the

Lord.

<sup>17</sup> So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. <sup>18</sup> If he has wronged you in any way or owes you anything, charge that to me. <sup>19</sup> I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. <sup>20</sup> Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. <sup>21</sup> Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I ask.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

## Gospel

Luke 14:25-33

<sup>25</sup> Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus], and he turned and said to them, <sup>26</sup> “Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. <sup>27</sup> Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. <sup>28</sup> For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? <sup>29</sup> Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, <sup>30</sup> saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’ <sup>31</sup> Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? <sup>32</sup> If he cannot, then while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. <sup>33</sup> So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.



*Refrain*



All that we have and all that we of - fer comes from a



heart both fright - ened and free. Take what we bring now and



give what we need, all done in your name.



1 Some would re - ly on their pow - er,  
2 Some - times the road may be lone - some,  
3 Some - times when trou - bles are man - y,



oth - ers put trust in their gold.  
of - ten we may lose our way. Take  
life can seem emp - ty, it's true. But



Some have on - ly their Sav - ior, whose  
cour - age and al - ways re - mem - ber  
look at the life of the Mas - ter, who

*Refrain*



faith - ful - ness nev - er grows old.  
love is - n't just for a day.  
lov - ing - ly suf - fered for you.

Closing Hymn

W&P #89 "Lord, Be Glorified"

1 In my life, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;  
2 In our song, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;  
3 In your church, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;  
4 In your world, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied;

in my life, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.  
in our song, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.  
in your church, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.  
in your world, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are provided below the vocal line. The first system contains the first four lines of the hymn, and the second system contains the final four lines.

Postlude

Mvt 1 Italian Concerto by Johann Sebastian Bach

**We thank today's celebrants:**

Pastor: Rev. Nicholas Zook

Deacon: Christina Formeller

Lector: Marne Turner

Greeter:

Soloists: Benjamin Burney, Avery Sujkowski

Organist: Paul Dykstra

# Announcements

## Seeley Block Party – September 13<sup>th</sup>

Concordia is participating in the Seeley block party this year! On Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, the Seeley block neighbors will be coming together for a day of fun and we're taking part! Concordia Place teachers and staff will be running a game for kids from 12:30-1:30pm. At 4:00pm, our awesome Sunday School teachers will be hosting crafts and activities for the kids, and we'll also have some volunteers running the popcorn machine! Set up your lawn chair in the street or on the sidewalk from 5-7pm to hear Lakeshore Brass perform fun tunes – all for free!

We'll also need a few volunteers to help with set up and activities during the block party, so if you are willing to be part of the fun, please sign up on the sheet in the back of church or reach out to Desirae at [dcontreras@concordiafaith.org](mailto:dcontreras@concordiafaith.org).

## Homecoming Sunday – September 21<sup>st</sup>

On September 21<sup>st</sup>, we'll welcome everyone back to Concordia for Homecoming Sunday! Starting this day, worship time will return to 10am. Sunday School also returns during worship. Following worship, we'll fellowship together over a potluck in the gym. Sign up on the sheet in the back of the sanctuary and bring a dish to share! At 12p, head back to the sanctuary and hear a special "Coming Home" concert presented by our Concordia musicians. This concert is free and open to the public, so we encourage you to invite a friend to join you!

## Sunday School – Fall 2025

Sunday School returns on Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup> as part of Homecoming Sunday. During the worship service, children will go with our Sunday School teachers to the gym for the lesson of the day. The lesson will feature a Bible story, take home lesson based on the theme of the day, and a craft, activity, and/or game. Children ages 4-12 years are welcome! Our Sunday School teachers this year are Arlene Calderone and Robin DeCoudres and they are excited for another year of Sunday School! Check out the large schedule poster in the back of church to make sure all the Sunday School dates are in your calendar!

*...announcements continued on next page*

## Lakeshore Brass Residency 2025-2026

Lakeshore Brass returns for another year of their Residency at Concordia Church. They have three exciting concerts planned!

October 4<sup>th</sup> – Oktoberfest

December 12<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Spectacular

March 20<sup>th</sup> – Brass Classics

Tickets for each event are \$40/adults and \$15/under 21 years of age. Tickets can be bought at [lakeshorebrass.com](http://lakeshorebrass.com). There's also a special 10% discount on all three concerts with a blue card subscription! Get your tickets today!

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#### Opening Hymn

#### W&P #90 "Lord, I Lift Your Name On High"

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#### Hymn of the Day

#### W&P #5 "All That We Have"

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Music: ALL THAT WE HAVE, Gary Ault

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#### Closing Hymn

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