



**Concordia: With One Heart, Joyful in Hope**

Welcome to chapel!

We welcome you in the name of Jesus, and invite you to be part of the body of Christ, united by the Holy Spirit, in the home we call Concordia: **with one heart.**

Our public health situation changes rapidly, and our understanding of the virus and its terrible effects continues to shape **how** we celebrate our life together, driven by Christian love and concern to keep each other safe.

It does not change **that** we celebrate our life together. Most importantly, it does not change that we gather to hear the Word of God, pray for each other and the world, offer our thanks to God for His mercy, and pray for His blessings.

Whether you join us in person or on our livestream, we welcome you in Jesus's name, to confess with us that God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, still dwells with us wherever we are, and still unites us in one family, **joyful in hope.**

We pray that your hope is a light to the world, reflecting the Light of the World.

CTX Campus Ministry

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September 9 and 11. The Parables of Jesus.

*Those in attendance, please stand.*

**OPENING PSALM**

PSALM 25:4-9

Leader: Show me your ways, Lord,  
teach me your paths.

**All: Guide me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are God my Savior,  
and my hope is in you all day long.**

Leader: Remember, Lord, your great mercy and love,  
for they are from old.

**All: Do not remember the sins of my youth  
and my rebellious ways;  
according to your love remember me,  
for you, Lord, are good.**

Leader: Good and upright is the Lord;  
therefore he instructs sinners in his ways.

**All: He guides the humble in what is right  
and teaches them his way.  
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.**

## COLLECT

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

God of love, through Your Son  
You have commanded us to love one another.

**All: By the guidance of your Word and Spirit,  
deliver us from impenitence and teach us the truth,  
that we might confess our sins, receive Your forgiveness,  
and be reconciled to one another;  
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Those in attendance may be seated.*

## READINGS

September 9                      Jonah 3:10-4:11; Matthew 13:10-17

September 11                     Psalm 78:1-7; Matthew 25:1-13

*After each reading:*

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

## MESSAGE

September 9                      Why does Jesus use parables? •  
Dr. Jacob Youmans (Religious Education)

September 11                     How do we use the parables? •  
Dr. Curt Giese (Theology)

## RESPONSE

*See the following pages for these songs.*

September 9                      Come, Thou Fount of Ev'ry Blessing

September 11                     Build My Life

*“... be filled with the Spirit,  
speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit.  
Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord,  
always giving thanks to God the Father for everything,  
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.” (Ephesians 5:18b-20)*

**September 9:**

**Come, Thou Fount of Ev'ry Blessing**

Come, Thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.  
While the hope of endless glory Fills my heart with joy and love,  
Teach me ever to adore Thee; May I still Thy goodness prove.

Here I raise my Ebenezer, Hither by Thy help I've come;  
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wand'ring from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be;  
Let that grace now like a fetter Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee:  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; Prone to leave the God I love.  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.

*Text: Robert Robinson, 1735-90, alt.*

*Tune: NETTLETON. Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second, Harrisburg, 1813.*

**September 11: Build My Life**

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing,  
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring,  
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe:  
We live for You.

Jesus, the name above ev'ry other name.  
Jesus, the only one who could ever save.  
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe:  
We live for You. We live for You.

**Holy, there is no one like You,  
There is none beside You,  
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are  
And fill me with Your heart  
And lead me in Your love to those around me.**

I will build my life upon Your love,  
It is a firm foundation.  
And I will put my trust in You alone,  
And I will not be shaken!

*By Brett Younker, Karl Martin, Kirby Kaple, Matt Redman, and Pat Barrett.  
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*Those in attendance, please stand.*

## **CREED**

## **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

Leader: The life I now live, I live by faith in the Son of God,

**All: who loved me and gave himself for me.**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **PRAYERS**

Leader: I cry to You, O Lord;

**All: in the morning my prayer comes before You.**

Leader: Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,

**All: and uphold me with a willing spirit.**

Leader: My mouth is filled with Your praise,

**All: and with Your glory all day long.**

Leader: By awesome deeds You answer us with righteousness,

**All: O God of our salvation,  
the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.**

Leader: Let us pray...

*After each petition:*

Leader: We pray with one heart,

**All: joyful in hope.**

Leader: Finally, held together with the whole Church in the name of Jesus,  
we pray the prayer he taught us:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;**

**and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## **BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION**

**ALL:** (sung) Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him, all creatures, here below,  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Leader: May the peace of God, which transcends all understanding,  
guard our hearts and our minds in Christ Jesus.

**All: Amen.**

Leader: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

## **Online Devotions This Week**

Tuesday, September 8

“What is a parable?”

*Ezekiel 17:22-24; Mark 4:30-34*

Speaker: Dr. Carl Trovall (Richard J. Dinda Professor of Lutheran Identity and Mission)

Prayers: Dr. Matthew Bloom (History)

Reader: Briahna DeAnda

Thursday, September 10

“What is the Kingdom of Heaven?”

*2 Samuel 7:12-17; Matthew 20:1-16*

Speaker: Rev. Bryan Wolfmueller (St. Paul Lutheran Church, Austin)

Prayers: Dr. Ann Schwartz (Sociology)

Reader: Prof. Carol Trovall (Education)

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