



March 2, 2022  
Evening

# Welcome to Christ Concord!

## APOSTOLIC GREETING *(stand)*

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

People: **And also with you.**

## HYMN OF CONFESSION      Create In Me A Clean Heart

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your  
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -  
store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,  
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

## THE IMPOSITION OF ASHES

*The imposition of ashes follows. Those who desire to receive ashes come forward and kneel before the altar. The minister applies ashes to the forehead of each person with the words: "Remember you are dust, and to dust you shall return."*

## LITURGY OF CONFESSION

Leader: Brothers and sisters: God created us to experience joy in communion with him, to love all humanity, and to live in harmony with all of his creation. But sin separates us from God, our neighbors, and creation, and so we do not enjoy the life our Creator

intended for us. Also, by our sin we grieve our Father, who does not desire us to come under his judgment, but to turn to him and live. As disciples of the Lord Jesus we are called to struggle against everything that leads us away from love of God and neighbor. Repentance, fasting, prayer, and works of love--the discipline of Lent--help us to wage our spiritual warfare. I invite you, therefore, to commit yourselves to this struggle and confess your sins, asking our Father for strength to persevere in your Lenten discipline. (*kneel*)

*Silence for reflection and self-examination*

Leader: Most holy and merciful Father:

**People: we confess to you and to one another, and to the whole communion of saints in heaven and on earth, that we have sinned by our own fault in thought, word, and deed: by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

Leader: We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others, as we have been forgiven.

**People: have mercy on us, Lord.**

Leader: We have been deaf to your call to serve as Christ served us. We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved your Holy Spirit.

**People: have mercy on us, Lord.**

Leader: We confess to you, Lord, all our past unfaithfulness. The pride, hypocrisy, and impatience in our lives.

**People: we confess to you, Lord.**

Leader: Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our exploitation of other people,

**People: we confess to you, Lord.**

Leader: Our anger at our own frustration, and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves,

**People: we confess to you, Lord.**

Leader: Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts, and our dishonesty in daily life and work,

**People: we confess to you, Lord.**

Leader: Our negligence in prayer and worship, and our failure to commend the faith that is in us,

**People: we confess to you, Lord.**

Leader: Accept our repentance, Lord, for the wrongs we have done. For our blindness to human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty,

**People: accept our repentance, Lord.**

Leader: For all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors, and for our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us,

**People: accept our repentance, Lord.**

Leader: For our waste and pollution of your creation, and our lack of concern for those who come after us,

**People: accept our repentance, Lord.**

Leader: Restore us, good Lord, and let your anger depart from us.

**People: Hear us, Lord, for your mercy is great. Amen. (*sit*)**

## SONG

## Our Father, We Have Wandered



1 Our Fa - ther, we have wan - dered and hid - den from your face;  
 2 And now at length dis - cern - ing the e - vil that we do,  
 3 O Lord of all the liv - ing, both ban - ished and re - stored,



in fool-ish-ness have squan - dered your leg - a - cy of grace.  
 be - hold us, Lord, re - turn - ing with hope and trust to you.  
 com - pas-sion-ate, for - giv - ing, and ev - er - car - ing Lord,



But now, in ex - ile dwell - ing, we rise with fear and shame,  
 In haste you come to meet us and home re - joic - ing bring,  
 grant now that our trans - gress - ing, our faith - less - ness may cease.



as, dis - tant but com - pel - ling, we hear you call our name.  
 in glad-ness there to greet us with calf and robe and ring.  
 Stretch out your hand in bless - ing, in par-don, and in peace.

Text: Kevin Nichols, 1929–2006

Music: HERZLICH TUT MICH VERLANGEN, Hans Leo Hassler, 1564–1612

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**Leader:** Accomplish in us, O God, the work of your salvation.

**People:** **That we may show forth your glory in the world.**

**Leader:** By the cross and passion of your Son, our Lord,

**People:** **Bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.**

**Leader:** Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, does not desire the death of sinners, but rather that they may turn from their wickedness and live. Therefore we implore him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do on this day, that the rest of our lives may be pure and holy, and that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**People:** **Amen. (sit)**

## THE FIRST LESSON

Hebrews 4:14-16 NIV

Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

## THE GOSPEL

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. the 4th chapter. (v. 1-12 NIV)

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

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread." Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone.'" The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And he said to him, "I will give you all their authority and splendor; it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. If you worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Worship the Lord your God and serve him only.'" The devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down from here. For it is written: 'He will command his angels concerning you to guard you carefully; they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.'" Jesus answered, "It is said: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

*After the reading:*

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, O Christ.** *(Sit)*

## SERMON

Pastor Tenny Shifley

## NICENE CREED

**People: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen, and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## MUSICAL OFFERING

## Sanctuary

Thompson & Scruggs



Lord, pre - pare me to be a sanc - tu - ar - y, pure and  
ho - ly, tried and true; With thanks - giv - ing, I'll be a  
liv - ing sanc - tu - ar - y for You.

## PRAYERS

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### LORD'S PRAYER *(sit at conclusion)*

#### Contemporary Wording

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as 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.

### COMMUNION MEDITATION

#### COMMUNION

*All baptized Christians who have been instructed in the sacrament and believe Christ is present for the forgiveness of sins are invited to commune.*

#### THE COMMUNION BLESSING *(stand)*

#### THE BENEDICTION

## SONG

## Jesus Loves Me!



1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;  
2 Je - sus loves me! he who died heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;  
3 Je - sus loves me! he will stay close be - side me all the way;



lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.  
he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.  
when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.

### *Refrain*



Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,



yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

Text: Anna B. Warner, 1820–1915, alt.

Music: JESUS LOVES ME, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868

## DISMISSAL



† During Lent, we invite you to join us for worship each Wednesday at 12 noon in Christ Chapel. Christ Providence Campus Lunch, following worship, will be served in the Forum.

*Please join us for  
worship on Sunday*

*Christ Concord Campus*

10:00am Worship

*Christ Providence Campus*

8:45am Traditional– Sanctuary

10:00am The Bridge– Christ Chapel

10:00am Sunday School for children & adults

11:00am Contemporary– Sanctuary

*Christ South Campus*

10:00am Worship