

Prelude ~ Pam Campbell, organist

Welcome & Announcements

Worship Leader:

*(• Please stand as you are able)*

**Welcoming the Light of Christ**

**\*Call to Worship**

Listen to the good news. God is with us this day and every day.

**Because God is with us, we can face each day with courage. We can find some good in everything, for we are never completely alone.**

God's goodness sometimes seems to be a trickle, sometimes pulsing spurts, and sometimes a mighty flood. But God is with us.

**We worship you, O God, for your goodness. We praise you with our songs. We seek you in our prayers. We offer ourselves to you because you are our God.**

**Opening Hymn** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"  
organ solo #139

**Opening Prayer**

**Loving and Gracious God, we are so grateful to be here together this morning. Speak to us through these acts of worship so that we might face the new week with courage and hope, with grace and mercy. In Jesus we pray. Amen.**

**The Psalm** Psalm 91 #810

**Gospel Reading** Matthew 5: 7 NRSV

**Sermon** "Blessed are the Merciful"  
Week 6: The Beatitudes Series

**Time of Prayer**

*(Where have you seen God's presence? What joys and concerns are in your hearts and minds?)*

**Lord's Prayer** #895

**Offertory** with meditation song

**Offertory Prayer**

**We offer these gifts, God, along with our lives. We are happy to do this, because we are grateful that you walk with us each and every day. As we work to follow the teachings of Jesus, may we grow in mercy, love and grace.**

**Amen.**

**Closing Song** "Be Thou My Vision" #451

Organ Solo

**Our Purpose**

What is our purpose?

**To provide a place for all to BELONG to our community, BELIEVE in and experience the transforming love of Jesus Christ, and**

**BECOME his disciples.**

**BELONG! BELIEVE! BECOME!**

**Benediction**

**Postlude ~**



**Prayer Requests**

**Family of Roy Lawrence**

**Willie Lawrence**

**Rev. Nathan Stanton**

Please see the Prayer Board outside the office for ongoing prayer requests.

Pray for our congregation: For the ministry of making, nurturing, and sending out of disciples; because we believe that God's Love is the answer

**Events this week in church:**

**Sunday, September 27**

9:30 Crusaders Class  
10:30 am Worship Service  
6:15pm Children Ministry

**Sunday, October 4**

9:30 am Crusaders Class  
10:30 am Worship Service

**Mark your calendar:**

**Welcome to our guests!** We are glad you are here. We hope you were blessed by your experience at First United Methodist Church this morning and will tell a friend.

9/29 Kale Pearson  
10/1 Janice Swenson  
10/2 Devin Pearson



Use this QR Code to access Online Giving!



Or, visit [www.concordiafumc.com](http://www.concordiafumc.com).

**We request that everyone wear a mask!**

If you need a mask, they are available at each entrance. We also ask that you use the hand sanitizer available at each entrance as you come into the building.

**LAYETTE SETS**

We are collecting items to assemble 75 Layette Sets!

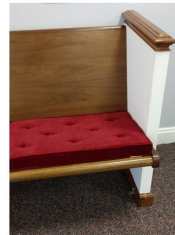


Packages of Blankets are also available in the entry to pick-up and sew!

All items need to be returned by November 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Need a Softer Place to Sit?  
Contribute to the Pew Cushion Fund today!**

Sample pew cushion available on the small pew in the narthex.



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