



CONCORD LIBERTY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"Come as Visitors - Leave as Friends - Return as Family"

To talk to someone about a particular area of ministry, please call the church office, (610) 358-2105 and Mary Ann, our church secretary, will direct your call to one of the Leaders, Directors, or Pastor below.

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If you have any concerns or questions about our church please feel free to contact any of our session elders listed below.

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CLPC Deacons

Gary Cannon
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Pray for our missionaries:

Nate & Jenny Bacon
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Carolyn & Dan Hennings,
World Impact
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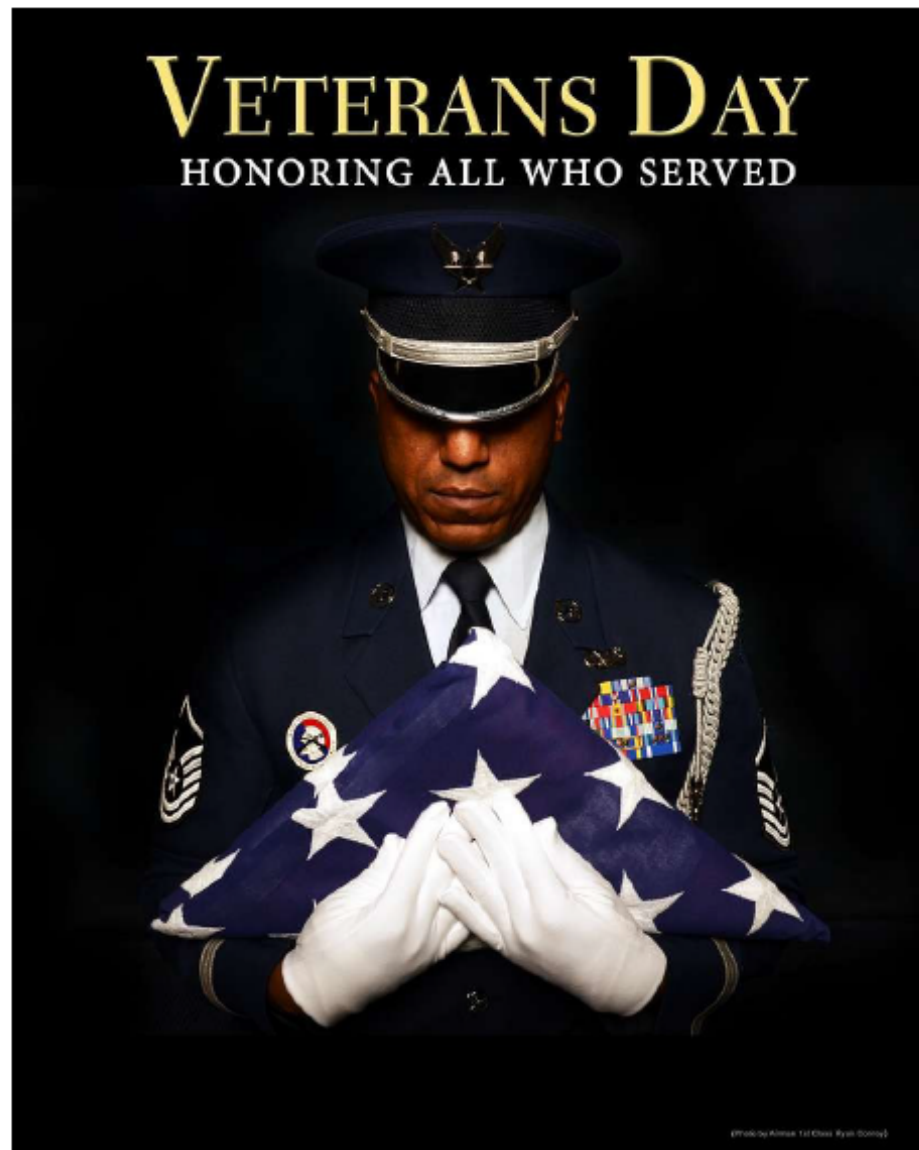
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CONCORD LIBERTY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

22nd Sunday After Pentecost

Veterans Day Sunday

NOVEMBER 9, 2025



VETERANS DAY
HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

CONCORD LIBERTY WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY

November 9th

- 9:15 am Prayer Time. *All are welcome.*
10:00 am Worship Service, Confirmation Sunday
10:00 am KOTM Elementary — Connie Marchese, Marcia Bickley
10:00 am KOTM Preschool — Judy McCleary
10:00 am Nursery Care — Laurie Cannon, Carol Nickey
11:00 am Deacons Meeting (Library)

MONDAY

November 10th

- 9:00 am- Love and Learn Bible Studies (Sanctuary)
12:00 pm
7:30 pm Nominating Meeting (Zoom)

TUESDAY

November 11th

- 9:00 am- Love and Learn Bible Studies (Sanctuary)
12:00 pm
7:00 pm Women's Tuesday Night Bible Study

WEDNESDAY

November 12th

- 1:00 pm Wednesday Prayer Time (Sanctuary)
6:00 pm Women's Wednesday Night Bible Study (Zoom)
6:00 pm Men's Bible Study (Library)

THURSDAY

November 13th

- 12:30 pm Women's Thursday Afternoon Bible Study (Sanctuary)
7:15 pm Women's Thursday Evening Bible Study (members' homes)

FRIDAY

November 14th

SATURDAY

November 15th

CONCORD LIBERTY HIGHLIGHTS

WORSHIP

To view live or recent worship services, please go to the Concord Liberty YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/@concordlibertychurch19342/streams>

You may also access it from the Concord Liberty home page by clicking on the **CLICK HERE** button.

To view a recent sermon only, go to the CLPC website — under Worship, select Services and Sermons. Then choose the date/sermon you wish to view and click on the link provided.

STEPHEN MINISTERS - If you are going through a difficult time, or you know of someone who is facing difficulties, consider a caring relationship of a Stephen Minister. To learn more contact, Sylvia Schaffer or Joann Smith.

PRAYER CHAIN — Prayer requests for the emailed prayer chain should be sent to office@concordliberty.org.

DEACONS AND SESSION MAILBOXES are located in the Berstecher Library.

If you are dropping off anything in the office, please don't leave items without a note! Leave a short note telling us who the item is for, what you'd like to have done with it, and your name — in case we have questions. A great place to leave notes is in mailboxes in the library!

WORSHIP DETAILS — Any schedule changes to worship service roles (KOTM, communion, tellers, etc.) should be sent to office@concordliberty.org at least a week in advance of the respective service date.

WELCOME VISITORS! — Please take time to fill out a "comment card" located in seat back pockets — tell us about your interests! We'll add you to our email distribution list!

REMINDER: CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE!

The printed version will be updated in the next couple of weeks. **We include all MEMBERS AND FRIENDS of CLPC in the directory!** If you want to update any of your info, please email the changes to office@concordliberty.org. If you want to update your photo, please email that as well! It could be a casual selfie, or a formal portrait — as you wish! If you are new to CLPC and are not yet in the directory, please definitely send us your info to include so all will know how to contact you!



Sermons for the Months of Fall

NOVEMBER 16. STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

"A Perfect Test File"
Luke 21:5-19

NOVEMBER 23. CHRIST THE KING & THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

"I Will Be Exalted"
Psalm 46

Sermon Notes

NOVEMBER 9, 2025

I. A Quiz Show

Luke 20:27-40

A. This is not the *Price Is Right!*

1. The previous passage informs us that the religious leaders sent spies to infiltrate the crowds when Jesus was teaching, hoping to trip Him up with the authorities so they could have Him killed.
2. Ironically, in this incident, the crowd includes two major groups that were already in conflict with each other, but both groups were a major part of the Sanhedrin, the ruling council of the Jews.
 - a. The Pharisees were the teachers of the Law. They believed, among many things, in the afterlife, in the immortality of the soul, and of a future for the dead.
 - b. The Sadducees were the controlling party of the Sanhedrin. They also controlled the office of the high priest. They were very close to the Romans and often collaborated with them. They were very strict about Levitical purity, but they did not believe in the idea of a spiritual world, the resurrection of the dead or a future life.
 - c. It is the Sadducees who come to question Jesus in this incident (v. 27). The Pharisees (v. 39) are onlookers and part of the crowd

B. A trick question.

1. The Sadducees ask a question that includes details that they don't even believe in and Jesus sees right through them.
2. Their question revolves around the Deuteronomic tradition of levirate marriage, in this case involving a succession of seven brothers, all marrying the same woman after the death of their former brother. The final question is, "At the resurrection whose wife will she be?"
3. This is, obviously, a question designed to trap Jesus into denying the resurrection which his questioners don't even affirm themselves.
4. Jesus' answer is masterful.
 - a. First, He makes it clear that there is no marriage in heaven and there is no death. "They are like the angels" (v. 36).
 - b. To affirm, the resurrection, Jesus refers to Moses (knowing that the Sadducees regarded only the Pentateuch as authoritative) "calling the Lord 'the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob,' He is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for to Him all are alive" (vv. 37-38).

C. With His answer, Jesus impresses the crowd with his wisdom.

1. He also receives affirmation from the Pharisees (v. 39) who enjoy seeing the Sadducees fail with their trick question.
2. At this point, Jesus' enemies give up on trying to trip Him up with deceitful questions. Instead, they will resort to lies, crowd pressure and manipulation to get Him killed.

D. We should know that Jesus welcomes genuine questioning and searching. He has created us with hearts and minds that search after Him. It is important, however, that we seek Him with a good conscience and a genuine faith.

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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22nd Sunday After Pentecost, Veterans Day Sunday
November 9, 2025
10:00 am WORSHIP SERVICE

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Silent Preparation

We cannot expect intimacy when we live like the person who said: "I'd like to buy three dollars' worth of God. Please, not enough to explode my soul or disturb my sleep, but just enough to equal a cup of warm milk or a snooze in the sunshine. I don't want enough of Him to make me love someone different or beneath me. I want ecstasy, not transformation. I want the warmth of the womb, not a new birth. I want a pound of the eternal in a paper sack. I'd like about three dollars' worth of God, please."

John Stowell

*Congregation is requested to stand if able.
Please adjust all electronic devices so as to not interrupt the service.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

"Theme from the Warsaw Concerto"
Richard Addinsell

LEADER: Let us join in worshiping the Lord our God.

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (from Psalm 98)

LEADER: Sing to the Lord a new song for He has done marvelous things. The Lord has made His salvation known and revealed His righteousness to the nations.

PEOPLE: **He has remembered His love and His faithfulness to Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.**

LEADER: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music. Come, let us worship our God!

***THE HYMN OF ADORATION**

"Where the Spirit of the Lord Is"
No. 253

THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

The 2025 Confirmation Class
Sydney Babylon, Madison Houser, Noah Jones

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Apostles' Creed)

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

***HYMN**

"Because He Lives"
No. 213

***THE DEDICATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS** (responsively)

LEADER: Every good thing that comes to us in life, O Lord, can be traced back to Your hand.

PEOPLE: **With joy, we present these good gifts in gratitude to You.**

LEADER: May these gifts from our hands be passed on to dear ones whom You love, so that Your hand might be seen in the giving; for Jesus' sake. Amen.

***DOXOLOGY**

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"
No. 625

SCRIPTURE

Luke 20:27-40

THE MESSAGE

"A Quiz Show"
Pastor John King

***HYMN**

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"
No. 575

BLESSING AND SENDING

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

"On Eagle's Wings"

*And He will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of His hand.*

POSTLUDE

"Because He Lives" (reprise)