



# CONCORD LIBERTY

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

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## CLPC Deacons

Gary Cannon  
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## Pray for our missionaries:

Nate & Jenny Bacon  
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Skip and Carol Tobin, VMM  
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Carolyn & Dan Hennings,  
World Impact  
Michele Rickett — She is Safe  
David & Bethany Wilkinson,  
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CONCORD LIBERTY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Fifth Sunday of Easter*

MAY 18, 2025



*Christ Receiving the Children, by Sebastien Bourdon, c. 1655.  
Art Institute of Chicago*

## CONCORD LIBERTY WEEKLY CALENDAR

### SUNDAY

May 18th

9:15 am Prayer Time. *All are welcome.*  
 10:00 am Worship Service  
 10:00 am Nursery Care — Judy McCleary, Carol Nickey  
 10:00 am KOTM Pre-school and Elementary  
 11:00 am **Congregational Meeting to elect Nominating Committee**

### MONDAY

May 19th

9:00 am Love and Learn Whales and Sailors Graduation (sanctuary until 12 pm)

### TUESDAY

May 20th

9:00 am Love and Learn Guppies, Bears, Badgers Graduation (sanctuary until 12 pm)  
**LOVE AND LEARN LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**  
 7:00 pm Women's Tuesday Night Bible Study

### WEDNESDAY

May 21st

1:00 pm Wednesday Afternoon Prayer Time, Sanctuary  
 6:00 pm Women's Wednesday Night Bible Study (Zoom)  
 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study (Library)

### THURSDAY

May 22nd

7:15 pm Women's Thursday Evening Bible Study, (members' homes)

### FRIDAY

May 23rd

### SATURDAY

May 24th

10:00 am VBS Decorating (until 2 pm)

## 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 sermons 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.

Nursery service will be offered during Worship. If you need nursery service on Sunday morning, please let a Greeter know and they will assist you.

**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](mailto:office@concordliberty.org).

**DEACONS AND SESSION MAILBOXES** are located in the Berstecher Library.

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



### *Sermons for the Sundays of Easter*

Sunday, May 25, Deuteronomy 34:1-12  
**"Promises, Promises"**

Ascension Sunday, June 1, II Kings 2:1-15  
**"A Double Dip"**

Day of Pentecost, June 8, John 14:8-17, 25-27  
**"Making Sure"**

Trinity Sunday, Father's Day, June 15, John 16:12-15  
**"More Than You Can Bear"**



# Sermon Notes

MAY 18, 2025

- I. Priorities Leviticus 19:9-18
- A. Leviticus – Commands and instructions for holy living.
1. The Israelites were called to be a distinctively holy people and, therefore, set apart from the community from which they fled (the Egyptians) and from the peoples who possessed the land which was promised to them (the Canaanites).
  2. The book of Leviticus, along with the other books of the Law, describes, in minute detail, what it means for the Israelites to be holy.
- B. Chapter 19 is an excellent representative example.
1. It begins with the Lord's declaration, which echoes throughout the scriptures, to "be holy because I, the Lord your God, am holy" (19:2). Peter reiterates this in 1 Peter 1:15-16.
    - a. Throughout the chapter, we are constantly reminded of this by the emphatic declaration, "I am the Lord" (vv. 3, 4, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, . . . ).
  2. In our text (vv. 9-10), we receive God's instruction for a variety of areas concerning our relationships with our neighbors; in this context, fellow Israelites as well as sojourners.
- C. Highlights.
1. Verses 9-10. Remember our study of the book of Ruth?
    - a. This provision of the law is what provides Ruth and Naomi food after their return to Bethlehem.
    - b. The Lord knows that we will always have the poor for which to provide and to serve (cp. Matthew 26:11).
  2. Verse 13 – How caring and sensitive are we to those who do work for us and/or live near us?
  3. Verse 14 – How sensitive are we in providing for the people in our midst with special needs?
  4. Verse 15 – Isn't it interesting that God demands fair judgment, not pandering to either the great or the poor?
  5. Verse 16 – Gossip and innuendo are a problem for all of us. How can our carelessness or self-preoccupation endanger others' lives?
- D. As we consider, in these post-Easter days and weeks, how the church is to live out the good news of the resurrection of Christ, this representative section from the book of Leviticus is a helpful tool in setting our priorities for repentance and prayer.

## CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

CONCORD LIBERTY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2025

10:00 am WORSHIP SERVICE

Rev. John King, Pulpit Supply  
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### Silent Preparation

*Pure and holy I would be, worthy of Your love for me.  
Teach me while Your light is clear, change me while my heart is near.  
You are great and I am small, You are King and God of all.  
You are wise in all You do, Lord, I put my trust in You.  
Holy, holy Lord.*

Mike Hudson and Bob Farnsworth; Hymn #437

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

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

*"Let There Be Peace On Earth"*  
Sy Miller

**LEADER:** Let us join in worshipping the Lord our God.

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (from Psalm 148)

**LEADER:** Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens.  
Praise Him in the heights! Praise Him, all His angels.  
Praise Him, all His host!

**PEOPLE:** **Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all  
rulers of the earth! Young men and women alike,  
old and young together! Let them praise the name  
of the Lord.**

**LEADER:** For His name alone is exalted. His glory is above earth  
and heaven. Come, let us worship our God!

**\*THE HYMN OF ADORATION**  
*"This Is The Day"*  
No. 590

**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**  
*"Holy, Holy, Holy"*  
No. 262

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

**LEADER:** O God, the source of all that is good, we bring You our gifts  
that have come through Your generosity.

**PEOPLE:** **Enable us to give You the love of our hearts and the  
service of our lives.**

**LEADER:** Let Your favor, which is life, and Your loving-kindness, which  
is better than life, be upon us now and always.

**PEOPLE:** **All that we have is Yours, Lord Christ. All that we  
have is You. Amen.**

**\*DOXOLOGY**  
*"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"*  
No. 625

**SCRIPTURE**  
Leviticus 19:9-18

**THE MESSAGE**  
*"Priorities"*  
Pastor John King

**\*HYMN**  
*"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"*  
No. 462

**BLESSING AND SENDING**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**  
*"He Is Lord" (chorus)*  
*He is Lord, He is Lord!*  
*He is risen from the dead and He is Lord!*  
*Ev-'ry knee shall bow, ev-'ry tongue confess*  
*that Jesus Christ is Lord.*

**POSTLUDE**  
*"Holy, Holy, Holy" (reprise)*