

# Miscarriage Memorial Service

*Real Grief, Real Comfort*



**Chapel of St. Timothy and St. Titus**

Concordia Seminary

November 28, 2023

## SERVICE OF PRAYER AND PREACHING

The Last Week of the Church Year, A.D. 2023

*Observing the Loss of Children through  
Miscarriage, Stillbirth, or Other Tragedy*

### Pre-service Music

*Stand*

### Opening Versicles (Lent)

LSB 260

*Sit*

Psalm 62:1-2, 7-8

My soul is at rest in God a - lone;

my sal - va - tion comes from God.

**[L]** *Refrain*

**[C]** *Refrain*

**[L]** He only is my rock and my salvation;  
my mighty fortress; I shall not be shaken

**[C]** *Refrain*

**[L]** On God rests my salvation and my glory;  
my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

**[C]** *Refrain*

**[L]** Pour out your hearts before Him,  
for God is our refuge.

**[C]** *Refrain*

## Homily

### Rite of Remembrance

LSB 725 "Children of the Heavenly Father"

*During the hymn, anyone may, in memory of the death of a child, come forward to place a flower on the table in front of the sanctuary. May the beauty of the flowers express the beauty of God's gift of life. By placing the flowers near the altar, we symbolize our faith that entrusts our whole lives into the care of the God who has loved us in Jesus Christ. After the service, you are welcome to take a flower with you as a remembrance of this service and the gift of life.*

*Stand*

### A Litany of Grief and Hope

**L** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and mind, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** For parents and families whose children have died, and whose grief may seem more than they can bear, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** For all those who minister in love to the grieving, that they may have wisdom to listen well and to speak carefully in loving understanding, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** For hearts that need God's truth, that the promise of Christ's return and the hope of the resurrection of all flesh may bring a strong foundation and a place to stand, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Benedicamus and Benediction

LSB 267

Post-service Music



## In the Lord's Service

Preacher

Rev. Dr. Kevin Golden

Liturgist

Seminarian Kyle Moellenhoff

Instrumentalists

Seminarians Edward Krez and Tyler Simmons

Deaconess Students Julia Witt and Rachel Wegener

April Parviz, Rev. Paul Flo,

Organist and Choir Director

Rev. Dr. Jon Vieker

Materials used today are available electronically if you would like to use them for a special service at your future congregation.

For these materials and short videos of couples sharing their stories, Visit our Facebook page: Concordia Seminary Life Team.

### **The Mission Statement for the Concordia Seminary Life Team**

*Centered in the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Concordia Seminary Life Team equips our seminary community and others to affirm life.*

**Regular Meetings of the Life Team** are on the second Saturday of the month in Sieck 201 from 5:00 to 6:30 pm. Supper is provided free of charge, as well as childcare. All are welcome to attend to learn more about the Life Team.

**For more about Life Teams, visit:**

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