#### The Baptism of Our Lord

January 7, 2024

#### DIVINE SERVICE III

#### 404 JESUS, ONCE WITH SINNERS NUMBERED

Stand - The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

#### INVOCATION

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

## Confession and Absolution

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

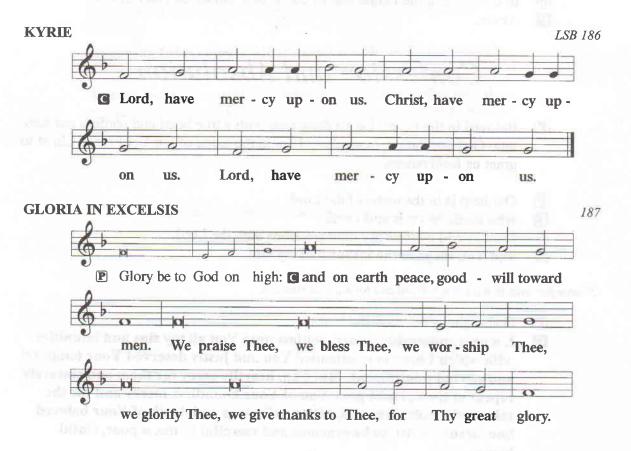
I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

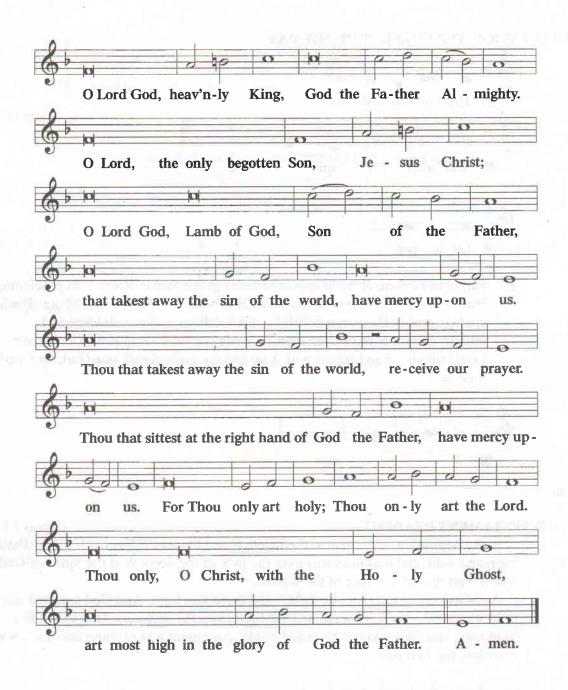
- Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Stand

# Service of the Word

405 TO JORDAN'S RIVER CAME OUR LORD





#### SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY



Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

#### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Genesis 1:1-5

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL



Praise the LORD, all | nations!\*

Extol him, all | peoples!

For great is his steadfast | love toward us,\*

and the faithfulness of the LORD endures for- | ever.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;\*

bring an offering, and come in- | to his courts!

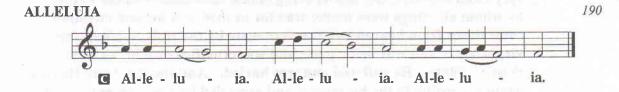
EPISTLE Romans 6:1–11

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

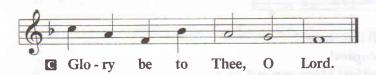
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HOLY GOSPEL Mark 1:4-11

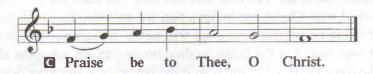
**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.



John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at

the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life  $\pm$  of the world to come. Amen.

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406 TO JORDAN CAME THE CHRIST, OUR LORD (1-4, 7)

#### **SERMON**

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#### OFFERING AND PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

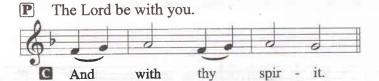
After each petition: Lord, in your mercy,

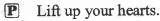
C hear our prayer.

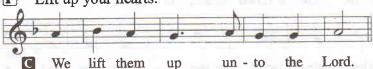
## Service of the Sacrament

PREFACE

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P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

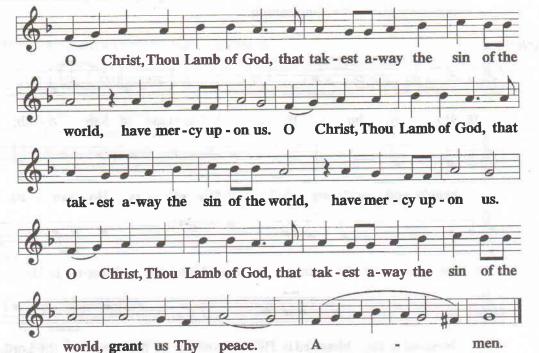


It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for at His Baptism Your voice from heaven revealed Him as Your beloved Son, and the Holy Spirit descended on Him, confirming Him to be the Christ. Therefore with angels and archangels and

with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:







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#### DISTRIBUTION

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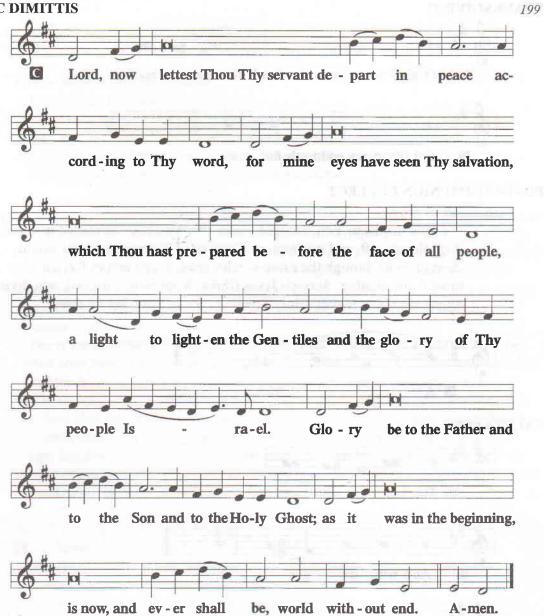
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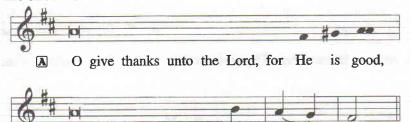
#### THE DISMISSAL

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- The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.
- C Amen.



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and His mercy endureth for - ev

#### POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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**SALUTATION** 

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P The Lord be with you.





A Bless we the Lord.

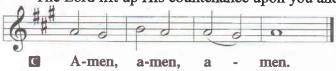


#### BENEDICTION

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P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



#### 401 FROM GOD THE FATHER, VIRGIN-BORN

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## Response in Worship and Love to our Lord for Dec 31, 2023

	Worship: Sunday	9:30 a - 81	Total - 81
12/31/23 unified Budget Offering \$ 14,441.00	YTD Unified Budget Offerings \$ 334,857.13	2023 Unified YTD needed for budget \$ 334,928.00 (\$6,570.00 weekly)	2023 Annual Budget \$ 341,660.00

### This week at Concordia

Jan 7	Sunday	9:30 a 10:45 a	Divine Worship Congregational Meeting Sunday School
		6:00 p	Sunday Women's Bible Study
Jan 8	Monday	6:30 p 6:30 p 7:00 p	Properties Worship Service Elders
Jan 9	Tuesday	7:00 p	Women's Tues Bible Study
Jan 10	Weds.	12:30	Board of Education
Jan 11	Thurs.	7:00 p	Choir
Jan 12	Friday		
Jan 13	Saturday	9:00 a	Quilting
Jan 14	Sunday	9:30 a 10:45 a 6:00 p	Divine Worship Sunday School Women's Bible Study

**Recovering**: Jan White, Bruce Markel, Heidi Whitrock, Dick Economou, Rev Leonard Neumann, Diane Smith, Edie Masters, David Stephenson, Peter Economou

Testing or Treatments: Tommy Ragsdale, Rev Charles Henrickson.

NOTE: See complete listing for prayers and addresses of military or home bound see listing in *THE MESSENGER* newsletter posted on the church web site.

Flowers: Lannings in memory of both parents

Birthdays:	Anniversaries:
Dempsey, Matt	1/8
Krall, Norma	1/9
Bass, Emma	1/12
Kearns, Heidi	1/13

Emergencies: For pastoral emergencies (accident, unexpected hospitalization, etc.), call Pastor Charles Henrickson at 1-314-779-8108. Leave a message or send a text if he doesn't answer. Call the church office for other pastoral care requests.

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Pastor: Email: Sunday Worship - 9:30 AM Sunday S

Sunday School/Adult Classes - 10:30 AM

Monday Evening Worship - 6:30 p.m.

#### January 7, 2024

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Congregational meeting today - immediately after worship service. We need to meet to approve the proposed budget for 2024. Copies are available in the foyer for you to review before the meeting.

Beginning today, Pastor Henrickson will be teaching from the Gospel of Mark.

Helpers needed: see sign up charts on bulletin board for Altar, Southside Times, Fellowship 15, and greeters. Thanks in advance.

**Poinsettias**: please take home or to homebound folks. Available in foyer.

Mites: being collected the whole month of January.