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Fourth Sunday in Advent
December 22, 2024
Guest Pastor Rev. Dennis L Fangmeyer

DIVINE SERVICE III

HYMN OF INVOCATION: 354 ARISE, O CHRISTIAN PEOPLE

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

INVOCATION

- P** 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,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C **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,
C **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.**

- P** 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.

Service of the Word

O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL

LSB 357, st 6-7

6 O come, Thou Day - spring from on high, And cheer us
7 O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind In one the

by Thy draw - ing nigh; Dis - perse the gloom - y
hearts of all man - kind; Bid Thou our sad di -

clouds of night, And death's dark shad - ows put to flight.
vi - sions cease, And be Thy - self our King of Peace.

Refrain

Re - jice! Re - jice! Em - man - u - el

Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Text: Latin, c. 12th cent.; Psalterium Cantionum Catholicarum, 1710, Köln; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-66, alt.
Tune: French, 15th cent.
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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P** The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.



P Let us pray.

P Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come and help us by Your might, that the sins which weigh us down may be quickly lifted by Your grace and mercy; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Micah 5:2-5a

But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah,
who are too little to be among the clans of Judah,
from you shall come forth for me
one who is to be ruler in Israel,
whose origin is from of old,
from ancient days.
Therefore he shall give them up until the time
when she who is in labor has given birth;
then the rest of his brothers shall return
to the people of Israel.
And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the LORD,
in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God.
And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great
to the ends of the earth.
And he shall be their peace.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL – TONE E

Zechariah 9:9; Psalm 118:26, alt.

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of | Zion.*
Shout aloud, O daughter of Je- | rusalem.
Behold, your king is com- | ing to you;*
righteous and having sal- | vation.
Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the Lord.*
From the house of the Lord we | bless you.

EPISTLE

Hebrews 10:5–10

When Christ came into the world, he said,
“Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired,
but a body have you prepared for me;
in burnt offerings and sin offerings
you have taken no pleasure.
Then I said, ‘Behold, I have come to do your will, O God,
as it is written of me in the scroll of the book.’”

When he said above, “You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings” (these are offered according to the law), then he added, “Behold, I have come to do your will.” He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And by that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

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

Stand

ALLELUIA

LSB 190



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 1:39–45

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



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

In those days Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a town in Judah, and she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, and she exclaimed with a loud cry, “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! And why is this granted to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold, when the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

C 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 \dagger of the world to come. Amen.**

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY: 353 JESUS CAME, THE HEAVENS ADORING

SERMON -- "He Will Be Your Peace"

Stand

OFFERTORY

192

**☐ Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it**



from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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

Service of the Sacrament

PREFACE

194

- P** The Lord be with you.



- C** And with thy spir - it.

- P** Lift up your hearts.



- C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

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



- C** It is meet and right so to do.

- P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary... ...Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

CONFIRMATION -- Hunter Williams

LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C A - men.

AGNUS DEI

198

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 356 THE ANGEL GABRIEL FROM HEAVEN CAME

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 361 O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 352 LET THE EARTH NOW PRAISE THE LORD

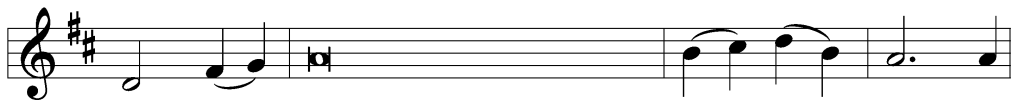
Stand

THE DISMISSAL

LSB 199

- P** 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.

NUNC DIMITTIS



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

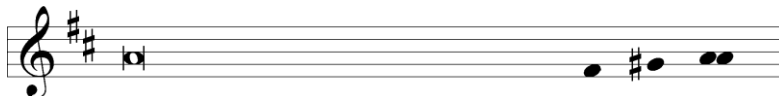


to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

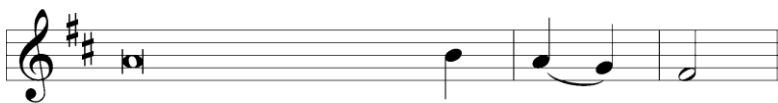


is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

THANKSGIVING



O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

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.



C A - men.

SALUTATION

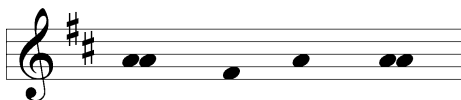
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P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.



A Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

202

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.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

HYMN TO DEPART: 935 TELL OUT, MY SOUL, THE GREATNESS OF THE LORD

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Concordia Lutheran Church and Preschool Announcements December 22, 2024

We thank **Pastor Dennis Fangmeyer** for being our guest pastor this morning. We pray God's blessings on his message.

Congratulations on the confirmation of new member **Hunter Williams!** Welcome to our church family!

May 3rd at 1 pm, Beef and Boards is performing "*Church Basement Ladies*". The show is based on the book *Growing Up Lutheran*. We have a block of 20 tickets reserved in Section 1. Doors open at 10:45 am and a lunch buffet is served before the 1:00 pm showtime. The cost is \$78/ticket. If you are interested in going, let Sarah Shadday know and pay Sarah or the office by March 31st, 2025.

Poinsettias are used to decorate the church during the Christmas season. If you would like to sponsor a poinsettia, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by the bathroom. Poinsettias are \$10.50 and may be taken home after church on January 5th, 2025.

Upcoming Holiday Concordia Lutheran Church Worship Service schedule:

- **Christmas Eve**, Dec. 24 at 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm
- **Christmas Day**, Dec. 25 at 9:30 am

Emergencies: For pastoral emergencies, call Pastor Dennis Fangmeyer at 620-886-0911. Leave a message or send a text if he doesn't answer.

Response in Worship and Love to our Lord for December 15, 2024

	Worship: Sunday	9:30a - 82	Total - 82
Operating Budget Offering \$6,625.60	YTD Unified Budget Offerings \$274,847.05	2024 Operating YTD needed for budget \$318,992.22 (\$6,729.00 weekly)	2024 Annual Budget \$349,900.00

BIRTHDAYS:	
Tinsley, Adele	12/24
Ragsdale, Kris	12/27

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:	
	Years
Marvin & Linda Barks	61 12/28

This week at Concordia

Dec 22	Sunday	9:30a 10:45a 12:00p 6:00p	Divine Worship Sunday School Final Day Wrapping Room Women's Bible Study
Dec 23	Monday		
Dec 24	Tuesday	5:00p 7:00p	Christmas Eve Worship Service Christmas Eve Worship Service
Dec 25	Wed.	9:30a	Christmas Day Worship Service
Dec 26	Thurs.		
Dec 27	Friday		
Dec 28	Saturday		
Dec 29	Sunday	9:30a 10:45a 6:00p	Divine Worship Sunday School Women's Bible Study

Prayers & Intercession (Matthew 8:17)

Concordia Members

Surgery/Testing/Recovery

- Cindy Emkes
- Betsy Krinhop
- Betty Economou
- Mike Emkes
- Gene Waltz
- Jim Roemer
- Peter Economou
- Tommy Ragsdale



Friends of Concordia

- Mary Grace McCullar 12/18/24
- Russell McCullar 12/18/24
- Tyshae Smith 8/28/24
- Josephine Shafer 8/13/24
- Leeroy & Vernon Good 6/10/24
- Ralph McGraw 1/2/24
- Alexandria Carrier 9/1/23
- Connie Henderson 5/14/23
- Rick Wildrick 3/30/23
- Family members and Konny Hanneman; Sandy Risner 11/13/22, Hazel, Levi, Joshua & Savannah Bragdon 11/13/22, Marianne & Charles Huckleberry 12/21/21 Sylvia, Steve & Nicole Perrish 12/21/21
- Terry & Diana Deamron 9/10/22
- Beverly Stephens 8/20/22
- Ed Stephens 2/18/24
- Terry Haskett 5/15/22
- Missy, Austin & Travis Golden 4/20/22
- Judy Heine 11/22/21
- Pat Brooks 9/23/21
- Tami Economou 8/17/21
- Rose Swenson 7/27/21
- Susan Soggs 1/7/21
- Rev. Howard Fabricius 1/2/21
- Minna Van Arsdale 8/7/19
- Brandon Frederking 5/2/19
- Steve Stephenson 4/28/19
- Thomas Clark 12/16/18

Battling Cancer / MS

- Kelsey Merena 10/25/22
- David Buuck 9/27/21
- Brandi Soggs 1/9/20

Homebound Concordia Members

- Sharon Bruhn, 1375 Nicole Dr. Unit 329, Franklin IN 46131-0028
- Konny Hannemann, 6818 Cadwell Circle, Indianapolis IN 46237

Military Servicemen & women.

- Erica Stephenson, Army, National Guard
- LTJG Chloe (Owen) Munoz, 8153 Village Gate Ct, Jacksonville, FL 32217
- Ivan Munoz, (USS Gravelly)
- Zach Goins, 822 Timbervale Trail, Highlands Ranch, CO, 80129 (Navy Reserve)
- CPL Jadon Ranbarger (2166 Marmande St., Kailua, HI 96734)

Note: Please provide updates to office for additions and removals to the "Prayers & Intercession" listing.

Schedule for Advent

Christmas Eve, 12/24, 5:00 & 7:00 pm

Christmas Day, 12/25, 9:30 am

THERE WILL BE NO NEW YEAR'S EVE WORSHIP SERVICE