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Second Sunday in Advent  
December 8, 2024  
Guest Pastor Ed Keinath

## DIVINE SERVICE III

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### HYMN OF INVOCATION: 343 PREPARE THE ROYAL HIGHWAY

*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  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Service of the Word

O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL

LSB 357, st 1



2 O come, Thou Wis - dom from on high, Who or - d'rest  
3 O come, O come, Thou Lord of might, Who to Thy



all things might - i - ly; To us the path of  
tribes on Si - nai's height In an - cient times didst



knowl - edge show, And teach us in her ways to go.  
give the Law In cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.



*Refrain*  
Re - joice! Re - joice! 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, 1918-66, alt.  
Tune: French, 15th cent.  
Text and tune: Public domain



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.



**P** Let us pray.

**P** Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Malachi 3:1–7b*

“Behold, I send my messenger and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner’s fire and like fullers’ soap. He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the LORD. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

“Then I will draw near to you for judgment. I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired worker in his wages, the widow and the fatherless, against those who thrust aside the sojourner, and do not fear me, says the LORD of hosts.

“For I the LORD do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed. From the days of your fathers you have turned aside from my statutes and have not kept them.”

**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

*Philippians 1:2–11*

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

**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 3:1–20*

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



**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the wilderness. And he went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet,

“The voice of one crying in the wilderness:  
‘Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.  
Every valley shall be filled,  
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,  
and the crooked shall become straight,  
and the rough places shall become level ways,  
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.’”

He said therefore to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits in keeping with repentance. And do not begin to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father.’ For I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.”

And the crowds asked him, “What then shall we do?” And he answered them, “Whoever has two tunics is to share with him who has none, and whoever has food is to do likewise.” Tax collectors also came to be baptized and said to him, “Teacher, what shall we do?” And he said to them, “Collect no more than you are authorized to do.” Soldiers also asked him, “And we, what shall we do?” And he said to them, “Do not extort money from anyone by threats or by false accusation, and be content with your wages.”

As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, John answered them all, saying, “I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother’s

wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison.

**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: 344 ON JORDAN'S BANK THE BAPTIST'S CRY

### SERMON

*Stand*

### OFFERTORY

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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

195



**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.

**LORD'S PRAYER**

196

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

197

**PAX DOMINI**

197

**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: 350 COME, THOU PRECIOUS RANSOM, COME**

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 346 WHEN ALL THE WORLD WAS CURSED**

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 337 THE NIGHT WILL SOON BE ENDING**

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**

*199*

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

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

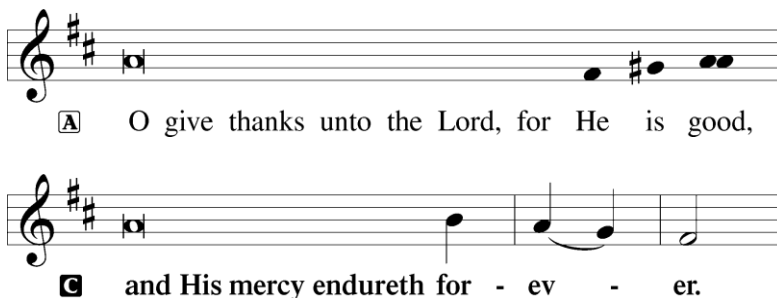
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



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**

*LSB 200*



**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**B** 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

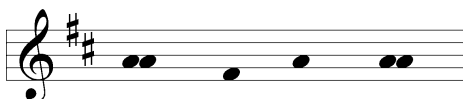
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**P** The Lord be with you.



**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: 333 ONCE HE CAME IN BLESSING

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## Concordia Lutheran Church and Preschool Announcements December 8, 2024

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

For those who have not gotten their **Church Directory picture** taken, please go to Luke room immediately following the worship service today or December 15. Pictures will be taken for about 1 hour.

**Tuesday Night Women's Bible Study** is doing hymn studies. Next study night is: December 10.

It's time to think about Advent and **Advent Glow**. Join us today for an afternoon of music and fellowship. Details are on the LWCC bulletin board.

Upcoming Holiday Concordia Lutheran Church Worship Service schedule (also, see page 16):

- **Advent Wednesdays**, Dec. 11, 18 at 6:30 pm
- **Christmas Eve**, Dec. 24 at 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm
- **Christmas Day**, Dec. 25 at 9:30 am

Please pray for the comfort of the Holy Spirit for the family of **Steve Kahmer** who passed away on Monday, Dec. 2.

**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 1, 2024

	Worship: Sunday	9:30a - 91	Total - 91
Operating Budget Offering <b>\$6,709.00</b>	YTD Unified Budget Offerings <b>\$261,829.85</b>	2024 Operating YTD needed for budget <b>\$305,534.22</b> (\$6,729.00 weekly)	2024 Annual Budget <b>\$349,900.00</b>

BIRTHDAYS:		ANNIVERSARIES:	
Cummings, Donna	12/9	Dan & Diana Sullivan (50)	12/14
Dombroski, Don	12/10	Doug & Heidi Kearns (40)	12/15
Roncicka, Laura	12/14		
Pardieck, Mike	12/15		

### *This week at Concordia*

Dec 8	Sunday	9:30a 10:45a 2:30p 6:00p	Divine Worship Sunday School Advent Glow LWCC Women's Bible Study
Dec 9	Monday	6:30p 7:00p	
Dec 10	Tuesday	7:00p	Women's Bible Study
Dec 11	Weds.	5:00p 6:30p	Advent Dinner Advent Worship Service
Dec 12	Thurs.		
Dec 13	Friday		
Dec 14	Saturday		
Dec 15	Sunday	9:30a 10:45a 6:00p	Divine Worship Church Christmas Party 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

- 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 Gravely)
- 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**

Midweek #2 Dinner, 5:00 pm

Wednesday Midweek #2 - Evening Prayer, 12/11, 6:30 pm

Sunday Divine Service, 12/15, 9:30 am

Wednesday Midweek #3, Preschool Christmas, 12/18, 6:30 pm

Sunday Divine Service, 12/22, 9:30 pm

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

Christmas Day, 12/25, 9:30 am

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**THERE WILL BE NO NEW YEAR'S EVE WORSHIP SERVICE**