

DIVINE SERVICE III

HYMN OF INVOCATION: 402 THE ONLY SON FROM HEAVEN

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

INVOCATION

- \blacksquare 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.
- 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







Almighty God, You have poured into our hearts the true Light of Your incarnate Word. Grant that this Light may shine forth in our lives; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Kings 3:4–15

The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the great high place. Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, "Ask what I shall give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant David my father, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you. And you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne this day. And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of David my father, although I am but a little child. I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of your people whom you have chosen, a great people, too many to be numbered or counted for multitude. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil, for who is able to govern this your great people?"

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. And God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches or the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, behold, I now do according to your word. Behold, I give you a wise and discerning mind, so that none like you has been before you and none like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor, so that no other king shall compare with you, all your days. And if you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your days." And Solomon awoke, and behold, it was a dream. Then he came to Jerusalem and stood before the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and offered up burnt offerings and peace offerings, and made a feast for all his servants.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL -- TONE E

Isaiah 9:6; Psalm 98:1a

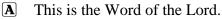
To us a child is born, to us a son is | given;* and the government shall be upon his | shoulder. And his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, | Mighty God,* Everlasting Father, | Prince of Peace. Sing to the Lord a | new song,* for he has done | marvelous things!

EPISTLE

Ephesians 1:3–14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.



C Thanks be to God.

Stand



HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 2:40-52

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



The child [Jesus] grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom. A nd when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, but supposing him to be in the group they went a day's journey, but then they began to search for him among their relatives and acquaintances, and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress." A nd he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them. And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was submissive to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart.

And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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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 + of the world to come. Amen.

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HYMN OF THE DAY: 410 WITHIN THE FATHER'S HOUSE

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

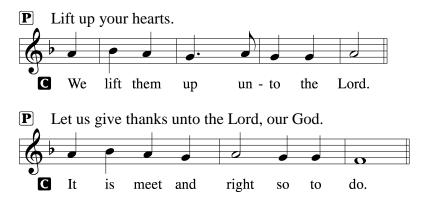
P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Service of the Sacrament

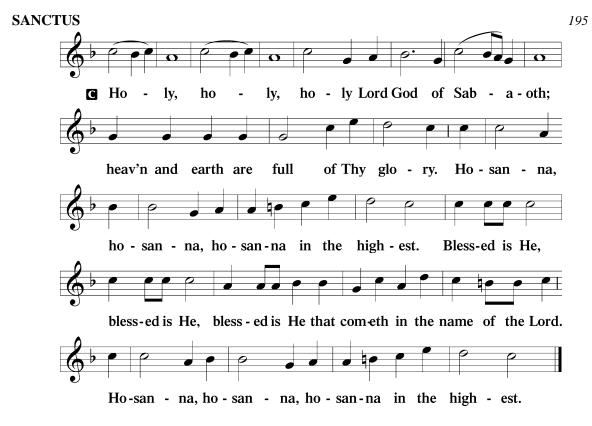
PREFACE



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▶ 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:



LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



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DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 376 ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 393 INFANT HOLY, INFANT LOWLY

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 389 LET ALL TOGETHER PRAISE OUR GOD

Stand

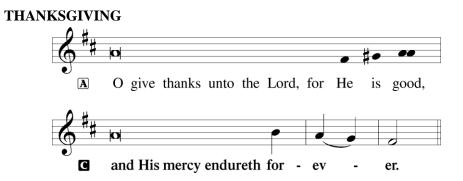
THE DISMISSAL

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- **C** Amen.







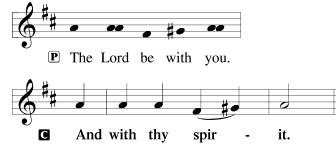
POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

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.

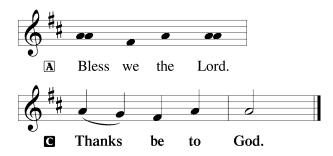


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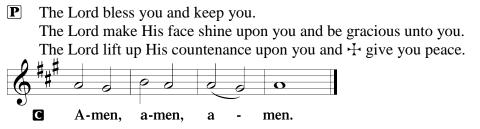


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BENEDICTION



HYMN TO DEPART: 383 A GREAT AND MIGHTY WONDER

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Concordia Lutheran Church and Preschool Announcements January 5, 2025

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 have been 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 today.

Altar Flower Sign-up Calendar - The sign up calendar sheet is located at the bulletin board outside of the restrooms.

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

Response in Worship and Love to our Lord for December 29, 2024

	Worship: Sunday	9:30a - 63	Total - 63
Operating Budget Offering \$34,885.00	YTD Unified Budget Offerings \$350,926.95	2024 Operating YTD needed for budget \$332,450.22 (\$6,729.00 weekly)	2024 Annual Budget \$349,900.00
BIRTHDAYS:		WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: Years	
Tinsley, Mike	1/6	Jake & Erin Gates	7 1/12
Dempsey, Matt	1/8	Bruce & Pennie Marke	l 7 1/12
Krall, Norma	1/9		
Bass, Emma	1/12		

This week at Concordia

Jan 5	Sunday	9:30a 10:45a 6:00p	Divine Worship Sunday School Women's Bible Study
Jan 6	Monday	6:30p 7:00p	Properties Elders
Jan 7	Tuesday		
Jan 8	Wed.		
Jan 9	Thurs.		
Jan 10	Friday		
Jan 11	Saturday		
Jan 12	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

- Rick Zoellner 12/30/24
- 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, (LTJG)
- 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.

