

Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany February 23, 2025 Vacancy Pastor Rev. Dennis L Fangmeyer

DIVINE SERVICE III

HYMN OF INVOCATION: 820 MY SOUL, NOW PRAISE YOUR MAKER

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,
- 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.

- 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





SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY





P O God, the strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; through 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

Genesis 45:3–15

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed at his presence.

So Joseph said to his brothers, "Come near to me, please." And they came near. And he said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are yet five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God. He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me; do not tarry. You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, and your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. There I will provide for you, for there are yet five years of famine to come, so that you and your household, and all that you have, do not come to poverty.' And now your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see, that it is my mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father of all my honor in Egypt, and of all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, and Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them. After that his brothers talked with him.

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

GRADUAL - TONE E

Psalm 117:1-2a; 96:8

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

1 Corinthians 15:21-26, 30-42

For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death..

Why am I in danger every hour? I protest, brothers, by my pride in you, which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die every day! What do I gain if, humanly speaking, I fought with beasts at Ephesus? If the dead are not raised, "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die." Do not be deceived: "Bad company ruins good morals." Wake up from your drunken stupor, as is right, and do not go on sinning. For some have no knowledge of God. I say this to your shame.

But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" You foolish person! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And what you sow is not the body that is to be, but a bare kernel, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. For not all flesh is the same, but there is one kind for humans, another for animals, another for birds, and another for fish. There are heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is of one kind, and the glory of the earthly is of another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for star differs from star in glory.

So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable.

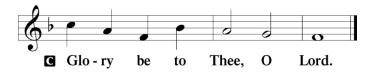
- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Stand



HOLY GOSPEL Luke 6:27–38

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



[Jesus said:] "But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic either. Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.

"If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

"Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

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.

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY: 851 LORD OF GLORY, YOU HAVE BOUGHT US

SERMON -- "It's So Wrong to Judge Others"

Stand



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

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Lift up your hearts. lift them

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Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

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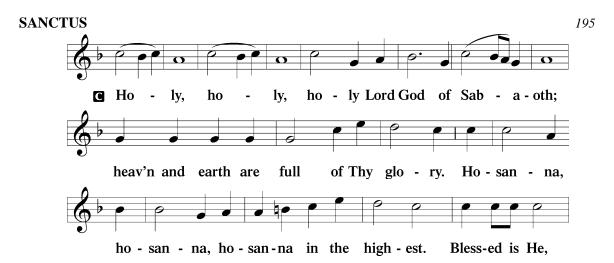
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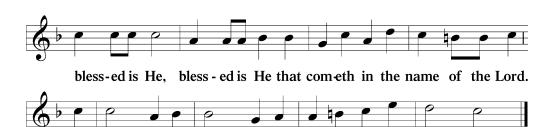


It is truly meet, right, and salutary... ... Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

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Lord.





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

LORD'S PRAYER

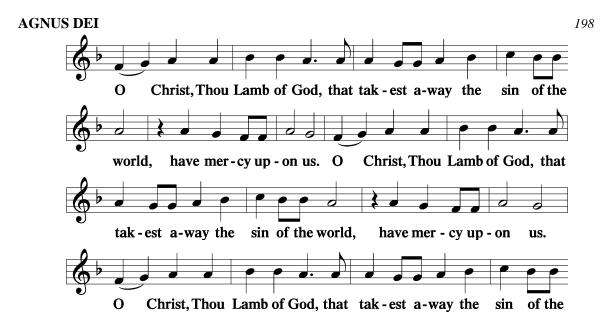
THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.







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DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 843 FORGIVE OUR SINS AS WE FORGIVE

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 848 LORD, WHOSE LOVE THROUGH HUMBLE SERVICE

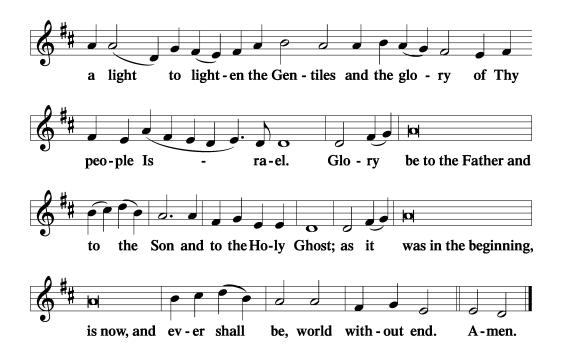
DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 706 LOVE IN CHRIST IS STRONG AND LIVING

Stand

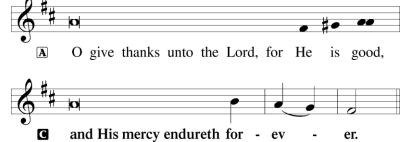
THE DISMISSAL LSB 199

- 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.





THANKSGIVING LSB 200



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.



SALUTATION 201



P The Lord be with you.





A Bless we the Lord.



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.



HYMN TO DEPART: 834 O GOD, O LORD OF HEAVEN AND EARTH

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Concordia Lutheran Church and Preschool Announcements February 23, 2025

At its February 2nd Special Meeting, the members of Concordia voted to extend a divine call to **Pastor Jesse Schlie**, Associate Pastor at Trinity Lutheran Church in Jefferson City, Missouri. We pray the guidance of the Holy Spirit as Pastor Schlie deliberates this call.

Please pray for the comfort of the Holy Spirit for Lynda Martin and Carol Monroe in the passing of their sister and Concordia member **Deborah Ackerman**, on Friday, February 7. The Funeral Visitation (11:00 am) and Funeral Memorial Service (12:00 pm) will be held Friday, March 28, here at Concordia Lutheran church.

LWCC will meet immediately after Bible Class (12 noon) today.

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. There are 5 tickets left in our group.

LWML is collecting **Mite boxes** from now until the end of February for the last quarter of the year 2024. Thank you to all of you who help support this part of our mission. God Bless.

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

Tickets on sale for Lutheran High School's Annie. Shows will be February 28-March 2. Look at LUHI's website for more information: https://www.lhsi.org/fine-arts/saints-stage.cfm

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 February 16, 2025

	Worship: Sunday	9:30a - 71	Total - 71
Operating Budget Offering \$3,681.00	YTD Unified Budget Offerings \$42,405.00	2025 Operating YTD needed for budget \$47,985.00 (\$6,855.00 weekly)	2025 Annual Budget \$356,450.00

BIRTHDAYS:	
Wagener, Hank	2/23
Kearns, Logan	2/24
Owen, Dean	2/27
Snyder, Kevin	2/27
Hoeltke, Herb	2/28
Dempsey, Kendra	2/28

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: Years				
Mike & Kris Bierman	35 2/2	4		

This week at Concordia

Feb 23	Sunday	9:30a 10:45a 12:00p 6:00p	Divine Worship Sunday School LWCC meeting Women's Bible Study
Feb 24	Monday		
Feb 25	Tuesday	7:00p	Women's Bible Study
Feb 26	Wed.		
Feb 27	Thurs.		
Feb 28	Friday		
Mar 1	Saturday		
Mar 2	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

- Lorna Warren
- Lynda Martin
- Della Kilgore
- Betty Economou
- Gene Waltz
- Jim Roemer
- Peter Economou
- Tommy Ragsdale

Friends of Concordia

- Pastor Raii 2/2/25
- Rev. John Sebastian 1/30/25
- Kathleen Sebastian 1/30/25
- Virginia Day 1/30/25
- Beverly Tewell 1/30/25
- Rick Zoellner 12/30/24
- Tyshae Smith 8/28/24
- Josephine Shafer 8/13/24
- Leeroy & Vernon Good 6/10/24
- Ralph McGraw 1/2/24
- 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
- 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

Homebound Concordia Members

• Sharon Bruhn, 690 South State St Ball Brothers 123, Franklin IN 46131

Rehab

- Konnie Hanneman, Greenwood Meadows 1200 N State Road 135, Greenwood IN 46142
- Pat Barnes, Greenwood Meadows 1200 N State Road 135, Greenwood IN 46142

Military Servicemen & women.

- Erica Stephenson, Army, National Guard
- LTJG Chloe (Owen) Munoz, 12137 Red Barn Ct, Jacksonville, FL 32226
- 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.