Second Sunday of Easter April 27, 2025

Vacancy Pastor Rev. Dennis L Fangmeyer

DIVINE SERVICE III

HYMN OF INVOCATION: 487 COME, YOU FAITHFUL, RAISE THE STRAIN

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

INVOCATION

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

Confession and Absolution

- 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.

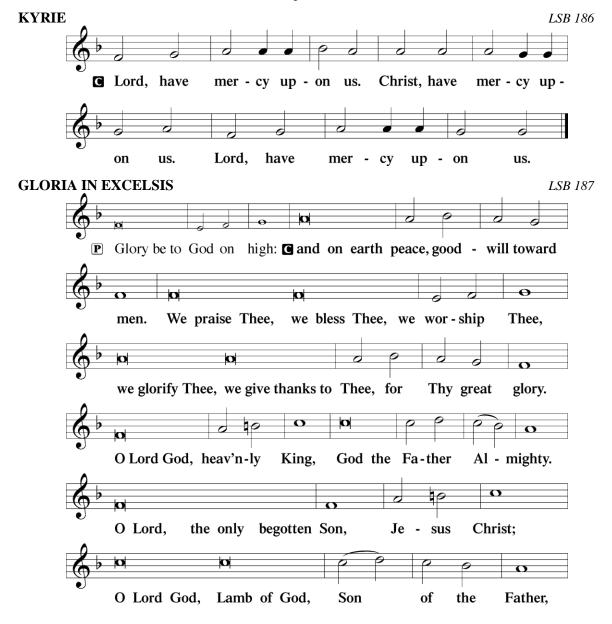
Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

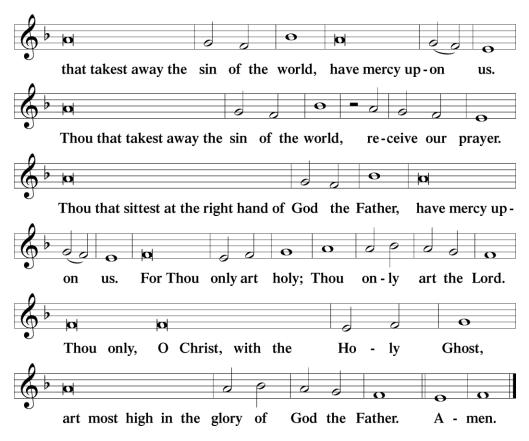
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless 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



Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord

and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

FIRST READING Acts 5:12–32

Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed.

But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life." And when they heard this, they entered the temple at daybreak and began to teach.

Now when the high priest came, and those who were with him, they called together the council and all the senate of Israel and sent to the prison to have them brought. But when the officers came, they did not find them in the prison, so they returned and reported, "We found the prison securely locked and the guards standing at the doors, but when we opened them we found no one inside." Now when the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these words, they were greatly perplexed about them, wondering what this would come to. And someone came and told them, "Look! The men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people." Then the captain with the officers went and brought them, but not by force, for they were afraid of being stoned by the people.

And when they had brought them, they set them before the council. And the high priest questioned them, saying, "We strictly charged you not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you intend to bring this man's blood upon us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed

by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him."

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

GRADUAL - TONE B

adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6



Christ has risen | from the dead.*

[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and | honor.

He has given him dominion over the works | of his hands;* he has put all things un- | der his feet.

EPISTLE Revelation 1:4–18

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet saying, "Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea."

Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. The hairs of his head were white like wool, as white as snow. His eyes were like a flame of

fire, his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.

When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

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

Stand



HOLY GOSPEL John 20:19–31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.



On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" J esus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

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

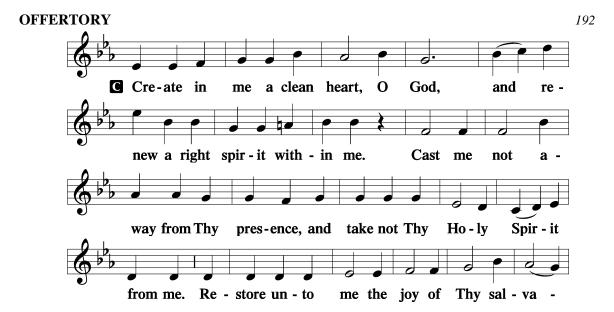
and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY: 470 O SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF THE KING Verses 1,5,6,7,8,9

SERMON - "Touch Your Risen Saviour"

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

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P Lift up your hearts.

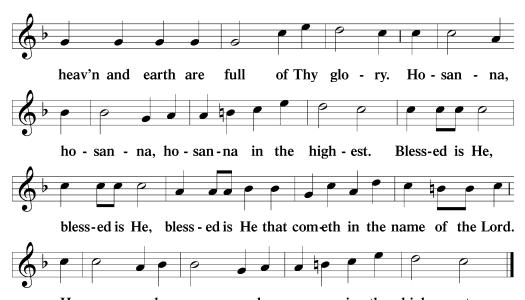


P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



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:





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

LORD'S PRAYER

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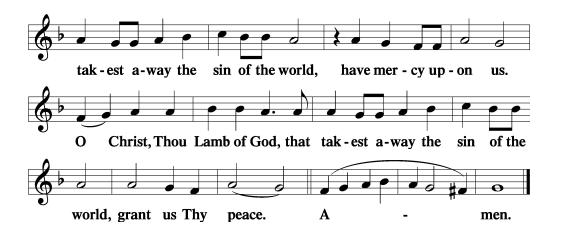
THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.







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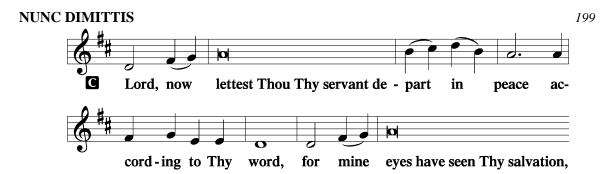
DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 474 ALLELUIA! JESUS US RISEN
DISRIBUTION HYMN: 917 SAVIOR, AGAIN TO THY DEAR NAME WE RAISE
DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 467 AWAKE, MY HEART, WITH GLADNESS

Stand

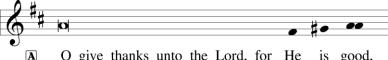
THE DISMISSAL LSB 199

- 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



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



POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Let us pray. $[\mathbf{A}]$

> 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.





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.



HYMN TO DEPART: 484 MAKE SONGS OF JOY

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Concordia Lutheran Church and Preschool Announcements April 27, 2025

The Fort Wayne Seminary's candidate call service is on Tuesday, April 29 at 7:00pm. The service can be live streamed. Go to CTSFW.edu. The menu at the top includes Call Day. Click that menu item and look for "Watch the Candidate Call Service" on the next page.

The Refuge, the food pantry we support in Greenwood, is in frequent need of the following items: spaghetti and spaghetti sauce, hamburger/tuna/chicken helper meals, canned or dried beans, rice-a-roni, small bags of rice, canned fruit, canned vegetables, pasta sauce, pasta, canned pasta, canned meat, boxed meals, laundry soap, dish soap, baby wipes, toilet paper, kleenex, and disinfectant wipes.

Thank you to everyone who provided items for the **Personal Care Kits** we collected during Lent. With your contributions, we have assembled 15 kits. On October 17, they and the mission quilts we make will be loaded on a truck bound for the Lutheran World Relief warehouse.

June 16-20 9:00-11:30 am is **Concordia's Vacation Bible School Epic Australian Adventure**. We need participants, volunteers, and donations. Look at the sign up in the lobby to see how you can help.

A memorial service for **Barbara Poulos** will be held at Otterbein Senior Life Community, 1070 W. Jefferson St., Franklin, IN, at 2:00 pm on April 29. Friends are invited to attend.

Portals of Prayer for April-June 2025 are available.

Response in Worship and Love to our Lord for April 20, 2025

	Worship Attendance: Sunday	Combined April 20 Worship Services - 146	
Operating Budget	YTD Unified Budget	2025 Operating YTD needed for budget: \$102,825.00 (\$6,855.00 weekly)	2025 Annual Budget:
Offering: \$5,670.00	Offerings: \$98,937.57		\$356,450.00

Birthdays:		Wedding Anniversaries: Years		
Emkes, Mike	4/30	Zack & Alexis Marot	3	4/29
White, Jan	5/2	John & Hannah Akers	3	4/30
Martin, Lynda	5/3			
Marot, Andrew	5/3			

THIS WEEK AT CONCORDIA

Apr 27	Sunday	9:30a 10:45a 6:00p	Divine Worship Sunday School Women's Bible Study
Apr 28	Monday		
Apr 29	Tuesday	7:00p	Seminary Candidate Call Service
Apr 30	Wed.		
May 1	Thurs.		
May 2	Friday		
May 3	Saturday	10:45a 1:00p	Doors Open "Church Basement Ladies" Show Start Time
May 4	Sunday	9:30a 10:45a 6:00p	Divine Worship Sunday School Women's Bible Study

Prayers & Intercessions (Matthew 8:17)

Concordia Members Surgery/Testing/Recovery

- Linda Snyder
- Fred Foster
- Betty Economou
- Jim Roemer
- Peter Economou
- Tommy Ragsdale



Friends of Concordia

- Barb Norris 4/16/25
- Falon Wildrick 3/31/25
- Pam Perry 3/31/25
- Pastor Raji 2/2/25
- Rev. John Sebastian 1/30/25
- Kathleen Sebastian 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
- Pat Barnes, 8601 Shelby St, Apt 236, Indianapolis, IN 46227

Rehab

 Konnie Hanneman, 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.

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