

# **DIVINE SERVICE III**

# HYMN OF INVOCATION: 482 THIS JOYFUL EASTERTIDE

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

# **INVOCATION**

- 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,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

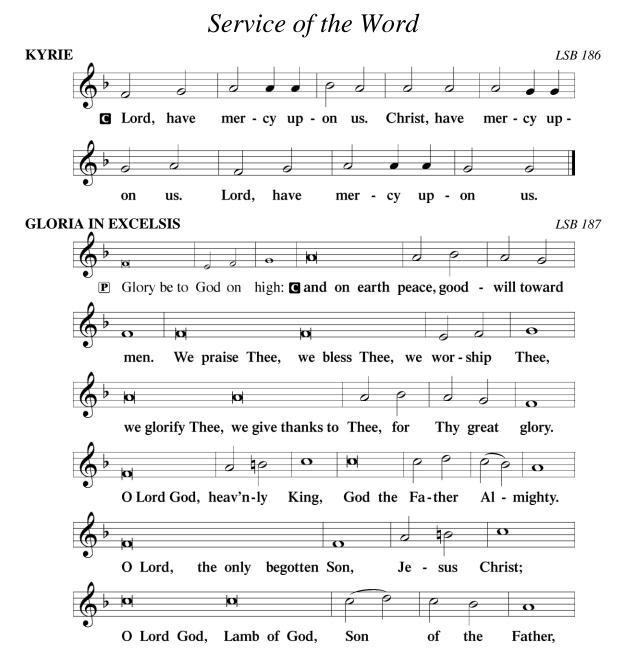
Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- **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.



Amen.





O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



#### FIRST READING

Sit

Acts 9:1-22

But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; and taking food, he was strengthened.

For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?" But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

**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 5:1–14

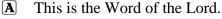
Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals."

And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song, saying,

"Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals,

for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.





Thanks be to God.

Stand



HOLY GOSPEL

John 21:1-19

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



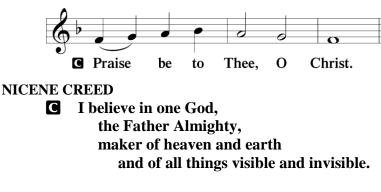
After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go." (This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, "Follow me."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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: 483 WITH HIGH DELIGHT LET US UNITE

SERMON -- "What a Revelation"

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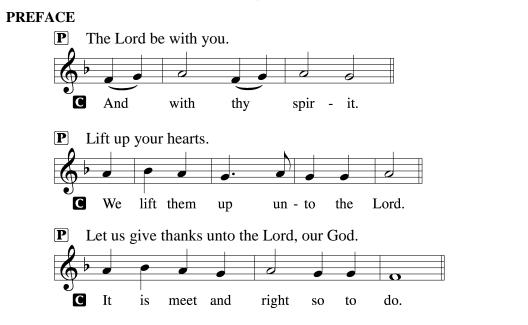


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## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

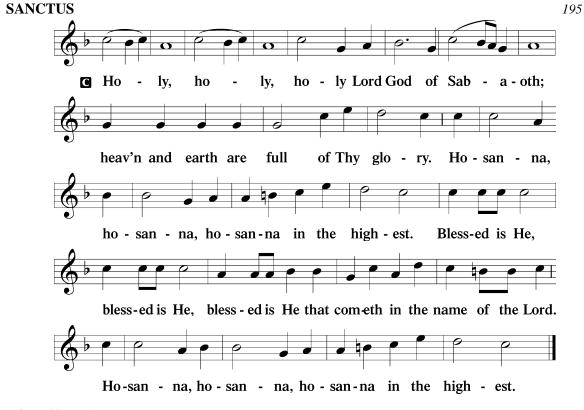
Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

# Service of the Sacrament



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■ 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

## **PAX DOMINI**

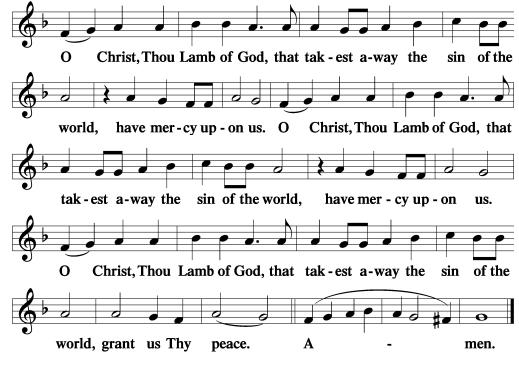
**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.



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### DISTRIBUTION

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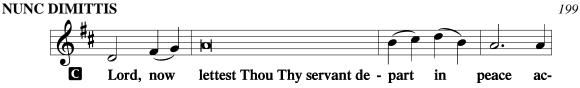
# **DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 547 THE LAMB**

# DISTRIBUTION HYMN: 680 THINE THE AMEN, THINE THE PRAISE

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### THE DISMISSAL

**C** Amen.



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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.



#### **BENEDICTION**

**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: 525 CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS

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#### Concordia Lutheran Church and Preschool Announcements May 4, 2025

#### **NEW PASTOR PRAISE REPORT!!!**

At the Fort Wayne Seminary's call service on Tuesday, April 29, we learned that **Henry Scheltens** has been placed at Concordia. Pastor-elect Scheltens is from Normal, Illinois. He is married to **Isabel** and has a 1 year old son. Please keep him and his family in your prayers as he completes his seminary studies and plans his ordination and installation.

**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.

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.

Please keep the family and friends of former Concordia Lutheran church member, **Konstantin (Konny) Hannemann** in prayer, due to his recent passing. Funeral arrangements are as follows: Visitation (11 am - 1 pm), followed by a Memorial Service (1 pm - 2 pm) at Washington Park East on Saturday, May 3.

Ladies, your vote selected **Grace on Wings** and **Lutheran Early Response Team (LERT)** to receive \$150 each from Lutheran Women of Concordia. Thanks for participating.

# Response in Worship and Love to our Lord for April 27, 2025

	Worship Attendance: Sunday	Worship Services - 9:30 am <b>- 95</b>	
Operating Budget Offering : <b>\$6,860.00</b>	YTD Unified Budget Offerings: <b>\$105,797.57</b>	2025 Operating YTD needed for budget: <b>\$109,680.00</b> (\$6,855.00 weekly)	2025 Annual Budget: \$356,450.00

Birthdays:	Wedding Anniversaries:			
-			Years	
Bierman, Lia	5/7	Tony & Regina Moyers	6	5/5
Santiago, Carlos	5/7	Chris & Shawn Bauer	31	5/7

# THIS WEEK AT CONCORDIA

May 4	Sunday	9:30a 10:45a 6:00p	Divine Worship Sunday School Women's Bible Study
May 5	Monday	6:30p 7:00p	Properties Elders
May 6	Tuesday		
May 7	Wed.		
May 8	Thurs.		
May 9	Friday		
May 10	Saturday	9:00a	Quilting
May 11	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
- 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

#### 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.



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