



First Sunday After Epiphany  
Concordia Lutheran Church  
Sunday, January 7  
Wednesday, January 10, 2024



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**Welcome to Concordia!**

**Vacancy Pastor Team:**

Rev. Mark Brockhoff, Emeritus - (Sun. 9am)  
Rev Chris Kolupa, Assistant Pastor (Weds. 7pm)

**Opening Hymn**

**Maroon Hymnal # 404**

*"Jesus Once With Sinners Numbered"*

**Invocation**

**Maroon Hymnal pg 184**

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.**

**All: 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.**

## **Sharing of the Peace**

### **Introit**

**P:** Behold my servant, whom I uphold,

**C: My chosen, in whom my soul delights.**

**Psalm 2** "The Reign of the Lord's Anointed" tune Maroon Hymnal #697

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| 1. Attend, O earth, God does declare<br>His relentless decree:<br>"You are My Son, this day My heir-<br>Shall now be Your legacy.              | 2. Ask and receive your heritage<br>Yours shall the nations be;<br>The earth and heav'n, in every age,<br>Now I have begotten thee.              |
| 3. Your threat'ning scepter<br>you shall shake<br>And crush them every where;<br>As massive bars of iron break<br>Ev'ry potter's brittle ware. | 4. Learn then, you princes,<br>and give ear,<br>You judges of the earth;<br>Worship the Lord with holy fear;<br>And rejoice with trusting mirth. |
| 5. If but in part His anger rise,<br>Who can endure the flame?<br>So blest are they whose hope relies<br>Always on His holy name.              | 6. All praise to You, our Triune Lord<br>All glory ever be;<br>To Father, Son and Holy Ghost<br>Through all eternity.                            |

P: Behold my servant, whom I uphold,  
C: **My chosen, in whom my soul delights.**

**Kyrie**

**Maroon Hymnal pg 186**

**Gloria in Excelsis**

**Maroon Hymnal pg 187**

**The Salutation and Collect**

P: The Lord be with you  
C: **And with your spirit.**

P: Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit.  
C: **Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life;**

P: Grant this through Jesus Christ, Your Son,  
C: **He is our Lord who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

P: The world is ruled and troubled by human opinions.  
C: **But now God rules and comforts with realities.**

**The First Reading is taken from the first chapter of Genesis:**

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

**Genesis 1:1–5**

R: This is the Word of the Lord.  
C: **Thanks be to God.**

### **The Gradual**

R: Praise the Lord, all nations!  
C: **Extol him, all peoples!**

R: For great is His steadfast love toward us,  
C: **And the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.**

R: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name;  
C: **Bring an offering, and come into His courts!**

### **The Epistle Reading is from sixth chapter of Romans**

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

**Romans 6:1–11**

R: This is the Word of the Lord.  
C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **The Triple Alleluia**

**Maroon Hymnal pg 190**

**C:** (sung) **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**P:** You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.

**C:** (sung) **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

## **The Gospel Reading**

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter:

**C:** **Glory to you, O Lord!**

John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

**Mark 1:4–11**

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

**C:** **Praise to you, O Christ!**

## **The Apostles Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was**

crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

**Sermon Hymn**      *"To Jordan's River Came our Lord"*      **Maroon Hymnal #405**

**Sermon**

**The Offering**

**The Offertory**      **Maroon Hymnal pg 192**

**Prayers of the Church**

**The Order of Holy Communion**      **Maroon Hymnal pg 194-198**

**Distribution Hymn**      **Maroon Hymnal # 596**  
*"All Christians Who Have Been Baptized"*

**Nunc Dimittis**      **Maroon Hymnal pg 199**

**Thanksgiving**      **Maroon Hymnal pg 200**

**P:**      O, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good

**C:**      **And His mercy endures forever.**

**Post-Communion Collect**

**P:**      We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this healthy gift for our bodies and souls:

**C:** 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.

**P:** Make it so by Your will Heavenly Father,

**C:** Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, and our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### **Salutation**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** And with your spirit.

### **The Benedicamus**

**P:** Bless we the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

### **Benediction**

**Maroon Hymnal pg 202**

### **Closing Hymn**

*"God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It"*

**Maroon Hymnal # 594**