# Concordia Lutheran Church

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The Baptism of Our Lord



"You are My beloved Son; with You I am well pleased."

Mark 1:11b

Divine Service Setting One
Hymn of Invocation # 399
Confession & Absolution p. 151
Introit

The voice of the Lord is over the waters:

the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over many waters.

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;

worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters;

the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over many waters.

The voice of the Lord is powerful;

the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,

and Sirion like a young wild ox.

The voice of the Lord

flashes forth flames of fire.

The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;

the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

The voice of the Lord makes the deer give birth and strips the forests bare,

and in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

The Lord sits enthroned over the flood;

the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.

May the Lord give strength to his people!

May the Lord bless his people with peace!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over many waters.

**Kyrie** p. 152

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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. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9 (ESV)

Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations.

He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice.

He will not grow faint or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law.

Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it:

"I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.

I am the Lord; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to carved idols.

Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them "

#### Gradual

Praise the Lord, all nations!

Extol him, all peoples!

For great is his steadfast love toward us,

and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;

bring an offering, and come into his courts!

## Epistle Reading: Romans 6:1-11 (ESV)

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.

"Alleluia" p. 190

Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 3:13-17 (ESV)

Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented Him, saying, "I need to be baptized by You, and do You come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus was baptized, immediately He went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on Him; and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

Apostles' Creed p. 159

**Hymn of the Day** # 406 (st. 1-4)

Sermon: The Voice of the LORD is Over the Waters

Installation of Officers

#### **Prayer of the Church**

### Offering

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Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion in which we joyfully receive Christ's Body and Blood, under bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins. As we celebrate the Sacrament, we also give public witness that we are in complete agreement with the denomination's doctrinal teachings at whose altar we commune. Therefore, we ask that only communicant members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod commune with us. All guests are asked to talk to Rev. Heller before coming to the altar to receive the Sacrament.

### In our thoughts and prayers,

- † Our sick & recovering: Tom Bornemann, Buck Follis (father of Kim Senske), Anna Pischel, Cheryl Marsh (daughter of Ardella Halter), & Avery Sukut (cousin of Bieber);
- † Our congregational officers, as they are installed into office;
- † Our nursing home residents, that God would keep them under His gracious care.

Welcome to worship as Jesus reveals Himself to us as the Son of God in this season of Epiphany. To save us, Jesus was baptized by John in the Jordan River to have the sins of all the world washed upon Him so that He would be the sin bearer for us. At His Baptism, He was anointed with the Holy Spirit to carry the guilt of our sin to the death of the cross. Bearing the world's sin, God proclaimed Jesus to be His Son in whom He is well-pleased. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon.

The following members of our congregation have been chosen by their fellow members to assume positions of special importance and service in our congregation, assisting the pastor in the work of Christ's Church:

Executive Director
Assistant Executive Director
Secretary
Treasurer
Chairman, Church Properties
Chairman, Christian Education
Chairman, Stewardship
Finance Committee
Board of Lay Ministry

Jamey Backus
Kevin Herrmann
Carla Renner
Jean Bornemann
Jeff Gegelman
Terence Schmidt
Richard Simenson
Lonny Buchmann
Faron Scherer
Shanan Weigum
Bruce Voegele



**LWML mites** will be collected today following the gathering of our morning offerings.

Your 2017 offering envelopes are in your mailboxes this morning. Please discard all old envelopes as your envelope numbers may have changed.





# Our Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance

Worship: 62 Offerings: \$2,854.00

But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." The reason God sent His Son into the world is to fulfill all righteousness for us, to do what we could not do. So here Jesus plunges Himself into our sins and soaks them up in His baptism, so that in our baptism we might be cleansed and renewed. The whole of Jesus' life, everything He did and said, was one great offering to the Father in our stead to fulfill all righteousness for us.



#### † This Week at Concordia †

Sunday 8:30 am Divine Service

\* Installation of Officers &

Mites Collection

9:30 am Sunday School/Bible Class

11:00 am Worship @ Glen Ullin 2:00 pm Anvik Baby Shower

Tuesday 10:15 am Holy Communion @ Knife

River Care Center

Wednesday 4:30 pm Catechism

7:00 pm Council Meeting 7:00 pm Chime Practice 7:30 pm Bell Practice

Sunday 8:30 am Divine Service

9:30 am Sunday School/Bible Class

11:00 am Worship @ Glen Ullin

# Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:00 AM—12:00 PM Church: 873-4388 Parsonage: 873-4223 revheller@westriv.com concordiasecretary@westriv.com Website: www.concordiabeulah.org

Please use a pew card to record your Church and/or Communion attendance this morning.