# Concordia Lutheran Church

801 Beacon Lane Beulah, North Dakota Rev. Toby H. Heller, Pastor January 1, 2023

Circumcision and Name of Jesus



She will bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins. Matthew 1:21

#### **♣** In the Name of Jesus **♣**

**Welcome to worship** as we celebrate the Circumcision and Name of Jesus. At His circumcision on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of His earthly life, "He was called Jesus". "Jesus" means "the Lord is salvation" and teaches us that He is our Savior from sin, death, and hell. His circumcision marked the first time His blood was shed for us, so that He could be the One who would save us. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

Divine Service Setting Three

Hymn of Invocation # 367

Confession & Absolution p. 184

#### Introit

May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you;

may those who love your salvation say continually, "Great is the Lord!"

Sacrifice and offering you have not desired, but you have given me an open ear.

Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required.

Then I said, "Behold, I have come;

in the scroll of the book it is written of me;

I desire to do your will O my God;

your law is within my heart.

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.

May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; may those who love your salvation say continually, "Great is the Lord!"

**Kyrie** p. 186

Gloria in Excelsis p. 187ff.

## Salutation & Collect p. 189

Lord God, You made Your beloved Son, our Savior, subject to the Law and caused Him to shed His blood on our behalf. Grant us the true circumcision of the Spirit that our hearts may be made pure from all sins; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# Old Testament Reading: Numbers 6:22-27

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying, "Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the people of Israel: you shall say to them,

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

"So shall they put my name upon the people of Israel, and I will bless them."

#### Gradual

This is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord:

I will put my laws into their minds,

and write them on their hearts.

I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.

# Epistle Reading: Galatians 3:23-29

Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

"Alleluia" p. 190

Holy Gospel: St. Luke 2:21

And at the end of eight days, when He was circumcised, He was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before He was conceived in the womb.

Nicene Creed p. 191 Hymn of the Day # 900

**Sermon** The Name Jesus

Offering

**Offertory** p. 192

**Blessing of Communion Palls** 

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament p. 194

**Distribution Hymns** # 588, 590, 549

Nunc Dimittis p. 199

**Thanksgiving** p. 200

**Benedicamus and Benediction** p. 201

Closing Hymn # 524

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.

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## Our Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance

Worship: 45 Offerings: \$4,230;75

"And at the end of eight days, when He was circumcised, He was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before He was conceived in the womb."

Luke 2:21

There it is: the shortest Gospel lesson of the whole Church Year. It is for the festival of the Circumcision and Name of Jesus. What more do you need to know than the name of Jesus — "the Lord saves." That's who Jesus is: the Lord who saves us sinners. That simple Gospel message is the foundation of our faith and the strength to live out our faith.

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#### **Announcements**



**Because of the holidays**, no coffee will be served following worship this morning, January 1.

**The newly-elected officers** of the congregation will be installed into office during worship next Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>.

**It's time for a new church pictorial directory!** Pictures will be taken January 11-14, 2023. Sign-up sheets are on

the bulletin board in the social hall. Members who have their picture taken will receive a <u>free</u> 8x10 picture and also a <u>free</u> church directory. You will also have the opportunity to order additional portraits, if you wish. Pictures will also be taken April 4-5, 2023, if the January

dates do not work for you. If you have questions, please talk to Nona Blaisdell, 870-1243.



The 2023 Greeters List is posted on the bulletin board in the social hall. Please sign-up for the month you would like to be a greeter.

**The January calendar,** the birthday and anniversary sheet and the January—March "Portals of Prayer" devotionals are on the table in the social hall.



"Souper Bowl": During January we will be collecting soup and crackers for Women's Action & Resource Center. Items may be placed in the shelves in the entryway.



# There may be a delay in when we will receive the 2023 offering envelopes.

# What can you do in the meantime?

If you have envelopes left over from 2022, it will be fine to still use them. Even though your 2023 envelope number may change, we will make sure it gets credited to your account.

If you normally use a **check** inside your envelope, continue by placing the check in the collection plate. The finance committee has already assigned new numbers for 2023 and will be able to correctly enter your contribution.

If you use <u>cash</u> inside your envelope, take a green "My Offering" envelope from the pew rack, fill in your name and the amount of the contribution so that amount can be entered on your contribution statement.

Also, since we are starting a new year, please remember to fill out pew cards each worship occasion so your church and Communion attendance can be recorded accurately. You can also update your address, phone number and email address to keep our records current.

Thank you, Lonny & Casey Finance Office

#### † This Week at Concordia †

Sunday 10:00 am Divine Service

Wednesday 4:00 pm Catechism

Sunday 8:00 am Worship @ Glen Ullin

9:15 am Sunday School 10:00 am Divine Service

\*Installation of Officers

11:00 am Bible Class

#### **Church Office Hours**

Monday – Friday 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM Church: 873-4388 Parsonage: 873-4223

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

