

Concordia Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod

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The Baptism of Our Lord

1st Sunday after the Epiphany

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

[Mark 1:11b]

DIVINE SERVICE Setting One

Hymn of Invocation # 399

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Introit

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights.

I will tell of the decree:

The Lord said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you.
Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,
and the ends of the earth your possession.

You shall break them with a rod of iron
and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."

Now therefore, O kings, be wise;
be warned, O rulers of the earth.

Serve the Lord with fear,
and rejoice with trembling,
for his wrath is quickly kindled,
Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

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.

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights.

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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: Isaiah 43:1-7 (ESV)

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.

For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you.

Because you are precious in my eyes, and honored, and I love you, I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life.

Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you.

I will say to the north, Give up, and to the south, Do not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth, everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

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”

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Holy Gospel: St. Luke 3:15-22

As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, John answered them all, saying, "I baptize you with water, but He who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. His winnowing fork is in His hand, to clear His threshing floor and to gather the wheat into His barn, but the chaff He will burn with unquenchable fire."

So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother's wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison.

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, and the Holy Spirit descended on Him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "You are My beloved Son; with You I am well pleased."

Apostles' Creed

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Hymn of the Day

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Sermon

Our Identity in Christ

Installation of LWML Officers

Prayer of the Church

Offering

The Handchimes will ring “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” during the gathering of our morning offerings.

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“Thank the Lord”

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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,

† Delmar Dschaak, Myra Rada (Tina Heller's Mom), & Donna Weidner;
† Our LWML officers, installed into office today.

Our Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance

Worship: 132 Offerings: \$3,176.50

Jesus has come to do everything that we could not do. God had called Adam and all humanity to be his sons. But we failed. We put ourselves first. Now Jesus has come to be the true Son, to stand in our place and live as the Son of God, and also pay our debt by dying as the Son of God. Through Jesus, we are now adopted as sons. This is why we give generously and do any good work: because we are called to be sons of God by faith in the Son of God.

Welcome to worship as Christ 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 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!

LWML Officers will be installed into office as part of our worship this morning.



LWML Mission Mites will be gathered this morning after the gathering of our morning offering. The Mite Goal approved by the North Dakota LWML at their convention is **\$68,000.**

Name of Project	Amount
ND Full-time Church Workers Scholarships	\$35,000
Orphan Grain Train—ND	\$7,500
Project 24-Orphanages in Kenya	\$5,000
Restoring Security for His Children-Minot Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch	\$5,000
Women’s & Children’s Shelter at Standing Rock	\$5,000
Carolyn Walsh, Lutheran Bible Translator Missionary to Botswana, Africa	\$2,000
Christ the Way Radio Ministry, Jamestown, ND	\$5,000
Martin Luther School Tuition Assistance, Bismarck, ND	\$2,850
Veterans of the Cross [partial funding]	\$650
Total	\$68,000



The Bible On Trial: Beyond A Reasonable Doubt: Are the Bible and its contents reliable? Please join us in Bible Class as we learn that the Scriptures are authentic, dependable, God-inspired and worthy-not only of our full attention but of our complete faith.

Today in Sunday School Jesus' Baptism is studied. God sent the Holy Spirit at Jesus' Baptism, announcing that Jesus was God's son. At our Baptism, God makes us His children through the work of the Holy Spirit. Let your children tell you the dramatic events of this story, and share with them that because of God's wrath and anger over sin, the people were looking for a Savior. We, too, need a Savior, for God is angry with our sin. But thanks be to God, who in His mercy makes clear at Jesus' Baptism that we need look no more, for the Savior is here!

Board of Lay Ministry, please remember our meeting Wednesday, January 16th, 7:00 pm.

2013 Contribution Envelopes are in your mail boxes this morning. Please take your new envelopes home and begin using them.



Greeters are needed for 2013. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the social hall.

The 2012 Contribution Statements are complete. If you did not receive your statement in your email, please check your Church mailbox. Please let the office know if you have changed your email address or if you have an email address but it is not on record with the Church office.

† This Week at Concordia †

Sunday	8:30 am	Divine Service *Installation of LWML Officers *Mites Collection
	9:30 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	11:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
Monday	4:30 pm	Adult Instruction
Tuesday	2:00 pm	Bible Class
Wednesday	4:30 pm	Catechism
	7:00 pm	Lay Ministry 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	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>

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