



## ***Concordia Lutheran Church***

**10172 Hwy C**

**Frohna, MO 63748**

**573.824.5435**

**concordiafrohna@att.net**

**Website: concordiafrohna.org**

**Rev. Paul Hoemann, Pastor**

**Email – pastorclfrohna@gmail.com**

**Phone – 979.777.1138**

### **Livestream Link for Worship Services:**

**<https://bit.ly/frohna> or search for *concordia frohna* on YouTube.com**

## ***Welcome to Concordia***

***A Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod Congregation***

***The mission of Concordia Lutheran Church is to gather, teach and inspire  
all generations to share the Good News!***

***The back pews are reserved for families with small children.***

***A nursery is available in our multipurpose room on the side of the narthex.***

<b>Saturday &amp; Sunday, January 20 &amp; 21, 2024</b>
---

# 3rd Saturday/Sunday after Epiphany

January 20 & 21, 2024

Hymn: *"This Is the Day the Lord Has Made"*

LSB 903

## Invocation

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

## Confession of Sin & Absolution

Pastor: When Jesus began calling his first disciples, he said, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the Gospel." (*Mark 1:15*) God has been our help in ages past. He is our hope for years to come. He, our eternal Lord, comes to us in his Word. It is the good news of Jesus' paying for our sins, and the resurrection proof that our heavenly Father accepted his sacrifice for us, that enables us to believe, confess, repent, and ask God to guide us in lives pleasing to him. Now is the time for us to draw near to our heavenly Father, asking him, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

*(Silence for self-examination and confession)*

Pastor: Most merciful God, we confess that, like the prophet Jonah, we have, at times, refused to announce your mercy to the people around us when you gave us the opportunity.

**People: Forgive us, heavenly Father.**

Pastor: With your people throughout the ages, we have valued our social and professional connections, our property and possessions, our intellect and emotions, more than the abiding presence of your holy Word.

**People: Have mercy, loving Lord.**

Pastor: Unlike the disciples, who left everything behind to follow you, we have continued with business as usual—without significant thought about your divine will for our lives.

**People: Open our hearts and minds to your guidance and direction, Holy Spirit.**

Pastor: Our Lord fulfilled all the prophecies: being born in Bethlehem, living a perfect life, dying on the cross, and rising from the dead in our place. Behold, the kingdom of God is at hand! As a called and ordained servant of Jesus Christ, and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

## Kyrie

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the peace that came down from above when our Lord entered human history and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the preservation of peace among our allies and enemies, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all whom our Lord calls to follow, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their life and resources in grateful worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**People: Amen.**

**Hymn: "Jesus, Lead Thou On"**

**LSB 718**

**Prayer**

**Old Testament: Jonah 3:1-5, 10 (*Nineveh repents.*)**

Lector: <sup>1</sup> Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time: <sup>2</sup> "Go to the great city of Nineveh and proclaim to it the message I give you." <sup>3</sup> Jonah obeyed the word of the LORD and went to Nineveh. Now Nineveh was a very large city; it took three days to go through it. <sup>4</sup> Jonah began by going a day's journey into the city, proclaiming, "Forty more days and Nineveh will be overthrown." <sup>5</sup> The Ninevites believed God. A fast was proclaimed, and all of them, from the greatest to the least, put on sackcloth... <sup>10</sup> When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened. This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Epistle: I Corinthians 7:29-35 (*We live in the end times.*)**

Lector: <sup>29</sup> What I mean, brothers and sisters, is that the time is short. From now on, those who have wives should live as if they do not; <sup>30</sup> those who mourn, as if they did not; those who are happy, as if they were not; those who buy something, as if it were not theirs to keep; <sup>31</sup> those who use the things of the world, as if not engrossed in them. For this world in its present form is passing away. <sup>32</sup> I would like you to be free from concern. An unmarried man is concerned about the Lord's affairs—how he can please the Lord. <sup>33</sup> But a married man is concerned about the affairs of this world—how he can please his wife— <sup>34</sup> and his interests are divided. An unmarried woman or virgin is concerned about the Lord's affairs: Her aim is to be devoted to the Lord in both body and spirit. But a married woman is concerned about the affairs of this world—how she can please her husband. <sup>35</sup> I am saying this for your own good, not to restrict you, but that you may live in a right way, in undivided devotion to the Lord. This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia & Verse (*Mark 1:15*)**

Pastor: Alleluia! The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand;

**People: repent and believe in the Gospel. Alleluia!**

## **Holy Gospel: Mark 1:14-20 (*Jesus calls four fishermen to follow him.*)**

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

**People: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Pastor: <sup>14</sup>After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. <sup>15</sup>“The time has come,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!” <sup>16</sup>As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother, Andrew, casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup>“Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” <sup>18</sup>At once they left their nets and followed him. <sup>19</sup>When he had gone a little farther, he saw James, son of Zebedee, and his brother, John, in a boat, preparing their nets. <sup>20</sup>Without delay he called them, and they left their father, Zebedee, in the boat with the hired men and followed him. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **The Nicene Creed**

## **Children’s Message**

**Hymn: “O Christ, Our True and Only Light”**

**LSB 839**

**Sermon “Jonah: Hero of Faith”**

## **Offering/Rite of Fellowship**

*(Please sign the attendance sheet in the red booklet as it comes to you.)*

## **Prayers of the Church**

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

## **+ Sacrament +**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and proper...evermore praising you and singing:

## **Sanctus: “Sing ‘Holy, Holy, Holy Lord’” [Tune: LSB 733]**

Sing "Holy, holy, holy Lord, The God by all adored."

The heav'ns above and earth below his glory ever tell.

"Hosanna in the highest" sing and bless the coming One.

Our Lord is here and with him we, shall now and ever dwell.

Words: James Pierce, (c) 2008 Concordia Publishing House. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

Music: ST. ANNE, William Croft, 1678-1727. Public domain.

## **Prayer of Thanks**

## **The Words of Institution**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**Agnus Dei: "O Holy, Spotless Lamb of God" [Tune: LSB 733]**

O holy, spotless Lamb of God, our sins you take away.  
Have mercy, Lord, your mercy show, and hear us as we pray.

O holy, spotless Lamb of God, our sins you take away.  
Have mercy, Lord, and send us peace, as we live out this day.

Words: James Pierce, (c) 2008 Concordia Publishing House. All rights reserved. Used by permission.  
Music: ST. ANNE, William Croft, 1678-1727. Public domain.

**Distribution/Song**  
***"Light of the World" (Sing Hallelujah)***

**Post-Communion Praise: "In Peace and Joy...." [Tune: LSB 733]**

In peace and joy we now depart, our thanks to God we sing.  
Salvation sure has been secured, in body and in blood.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
Our thanks we bring in waves of song, an ever-rising flood!

Words: James Pierce, (c) 2008 Concordia Publishing House. All rights reserved. Used by permission.  
Music: ST. ANNE, William Croft, 1678-1727. Public domain.

**Post-Communion Thanks**

**Blessing**

**Hymn: "Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" LSB 685**

**Announcements**

\*\*\*\*\*

**STATEMENT ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION**

The Lord's Supper is celebrated in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as he says, gives not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:26, 28; I Corinthians 11:23-24). In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord, those are invited to his table who trust his word of promise, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us. Because Holy Communion is a confession of faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a belief concerning the Lord's Supper that is different from the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are respectfully requested not to receive the sacrament in the service today. You may come forward for a blessing by crossing your arms across your chest, as an indication to the pastor. If you have questions regarding your participation, or would like to learn more, please speak to the pastor after the service. Thank you!

In preparing to receive Holy Communion, ask yourself these questions:

1. Am I sincerely sorry for my sins, and do I repent of them?
2. Do I confidently trust in Jesus Christ, my Lord and Savior, who died for me, paying for my sins, and rose again from the dead, to give me eternal life?
3. Do I believe that Jesus is truly present in, with and under the bread and wine in Holy Communion, and that I receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and strengthening of faith?
4. Do I promise, with the Holy Spirit's help, to amend my sinful life, and to declare this resolve through Christian living, faithful worship, and careful stewardship of time, talent, and treasures?

5. Do I understand that by receiving the Lord's Supper in this congregation, I am declaring that the teaching of this congregation, a member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, is also my own?

\*\*\*\*\*

**Participants in Saturday's Service**

Pianist: Debbie Lichtenegger  
Elder: Tony Vogel  
Ushers: Kent Luckey, Dalton Head, Kenton Roth  
Audio/Visual Team: Jeff Leible, Beth Leible

\*\*\*\*\*

**Participants in Sunday's Service**

Greeters: Shannon Martin and Heather Kassel  
Lector: Ethan Best  
Organist: Barb Burroughs  
Acolyte: Nolan Head  
Elder: Adam Hoehne  
Ushers: Jason Hecht, Ethan Best, Carson Martyn, Kevin Steffens  
Audio/Visual Team: Jesse Grebing, Jenny France

\*\*\*\*\*

**This Week's Schedule**

Sun.-Sat., Jan. 21-27, 2024	TBA	<i>EPC Wildcats Basketball A-team tournament at Trinity, Cape</i>
Mon., Jan. 22, 2024		Pastor Hoemann's day off
Mon. & Tues., Jan. 22-23, 2024	5:45 p.m.	<i>EPC Lady Wildcats Basketball vs. St. Vincent, Perryville at APS</i>
Tues., Jan. 23, 2024	5:15 p.m.	Board of Elders
	6 p.m.	Church Council
	7:30 p.m.	Dartball tournament at Frohna
Wed., Jan. 24, 2024	7 p.m.	Bible Study (2 <sup>nd</sup> Coming of Christ)
Thurs., Jan. 25, 2024	10 a.m.-4 p.m.	Pastor at Shared Ministry Training at Missouri District Office
	Noon	Bulletin items due
	5:45 p.m.	<i>EPC Lady Wildcats Basketball vs. St. Paul, Jackson (A-Team) vs. Trinity, Cape (C-Team) at APS</i>
Sun., Jan. 28, 2024	9 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
	After worship	Concordia Voters
	2 p.m.	Pastor Hoemann leading worship at Independence Care Center

\*\*\*\*\*

**Announcements**

**Attendance:** Worship – 108 (93 and 15 online), one year ago – 136

**As We Gather:** In this first month of the new year, we become more aware of how quickly time passes. Yet each day includes opportunity for a fresh start, through repentance and renewal of faith. The ancient Ninevites responded to Jonah's warning and repented of their sins (Jonah 3:1-5, 10). Paul urges the Church to remember that it is living in the end times right now, in anticipation of Judgment Day (I Corinthians 7:29-35). And Jesus calls us to repent and believe in the Gospel each

time we hear his gracious good news (Mark 1:14-20). Our gathering today is a perfect time for repentant rejoicing!

**Stewardship Standard:** Mark 1:14-15 says, “Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, ‘The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.’” To repent means to turn away from sin and our former way of thinking and turn toward belief in God and his Gospel of grace and mercy. The Christian life is one of repentance and faith. Where is God calling you to repent today? How is he calling you to a deeper faith?

**Order in the order—why we do what we do in Lutheran worship:** In the **KYRIE**, we echo one of the oldest sections of the Christian liturgy. In it, we ask that God would never stop offering the mercy we treasure; the same mercy that was announced just moments ago in the Absolution. We recognize that we live only by God’s mercy, and we pray for its constant presence among us.

**Please give Todd Rhodes a warm Concordia welcome** today. He is here representing the Army of Volunteers, which is a joint recruitment effort of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, and Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne.

**Our January 2024 door offering** supports the Missouri District-LCMS’ effort to recruit more pastors and teachers. Please be generous in your giving to *"Tomorrow's Teachers and Preachers"* on these Sundays in January.

DECEMBER - Per Service				DECEMBER 2023 Breakdown			
				Received by	Fund	Designation	Amt
Sunday	12/3/2023	\$	8,368.00	Offering Plate	General	Envelopes	\$ 33,194.75
Advent	12/6/2023	\$	486.00	Offering Plate	General	Loose Change	\$ 4,022.25
Sunday	12/10/2023	\$	9,780.25	Offering Plate	General	Hall Remodel	\$ 650.00
Advent	12/13/2023	\$	261.00	Offering Plate	General		
Sunday	12/17/2023	\$	4,527.00	Offering Plate	Endowment	Saxony Fund	\$ -
Advent	12/20/2023	\$	181.00	Treasurer	General		\$ 4,300.00
Sunday	12/24/2023	\$	5,234.75	Treasurer	General	Hall Remodel	\$ 275.00
Christmas Day	12/25/2023	\$	3,522.00	Online	Endowment	Capital Imprv	\$ 50.00
Sunday	12/31/2023	\$	4,767.00	Online	General		\$ 6,194.00
Online		\$	6,244.00				\$ 48,686.00
Total		\$	43,371.00			Average per Week	\$ 10,819.11

To meet our 2023 budget we need around \$9,038.58 per week

**Our Concordia Endowments—The Capital Improvement Fund:** This fund is for use by the congregation to purchase and repair property and equipment. Funding is from gifts and offerings from individuals that are earmarked for this fund. If you'd like to make a contribution, please speak to Todd Petzoldt, chair of the endowment committee.

**Did you know...**if you are 70 ½ years old, or older, and have an IRA, you can instruct your IRA trustee to make a distribution directly from your IRA to Concordia Lutheran Church. This distribution is called a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). It counts toward satisfying any required minimum distributions (RMDs) and is excluded from your income for tax purposes. If you have questions, or want to know more, please contact Carol Duggan at 573-824-6060.

**Continue to pray for the vacant congregations** in the Altenburg Circuit: Trinity, Altenburg; Trinity, Friedheim; and Immanuel, New Wells.

## Neighboring Church & Community Notes

**The Big Breakfast** will be from 7-11 a.m., Sunday, February 11, at Zion Lutheran Church, Crosstown. The menu will include pancakes, sausage, eggs, biscuits, gravy, fried potatoes, juice, milk, and coffee, for a free-will donation.

## MISSOURI DISTRICT NEWS:

**E2 Conferences**, presented by LCMS-Missouri District staff, provide support and training for congregations and ministries. Lay people and church professionals are invited to participate. One of the five conferences will be Saturday, January 27, at Saxony Lutheran High School. Doors will open at 8:30 a.m. Conference is from 9 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Refreshments and coffee will be provided. Please register for this free conference at: <https://mo.lcms.org/e2-conference-equip-encourage/>.

## KFUO Notes

**CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE.org:** Hear “Mental Health Monday” and the third episode in the LCMS History Series on *The Coffee Hour* (9 a.m. weekdays); study II Corinthians 6-9 on *Sharper Iron* (8 a.m. weekdays); study all of Colossians and the beginning of Lamentations on *Thy Strong Word* (11 a.m. weekdays). Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or the KFUE Radio app.

## “Life Quote” from Lutherans for Life

**“As Christians, each of us should be deeply steeped in God’s Word.** That is where the truth lies. We don’t want to be ‘right’ for our own sake so we can boast in our ‘rightness.’ We should want to be ‘right’ because God is revealing his truth to us, and we have been aligned with his truth. As we labor together in the life arena, let each one of us be so grounded in God’s Word that we recognize God’s truth and speak it in love.” *Barbara Lane Geistfeld, DVM, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*

\*\*\*\*\*

## Weekly Devotions (Epiphany 4)

### Hymn of the Week

#### **LSB 409**

#### ***“Hail, O Source of Every Blessing”***

Hail, O Source of ev’ry blessing,  
Father of our human race!

Gentiles now, Your grace possessing,  
In Your courts obtain a place.

Grateful now, we fall before You,  
In Your Church rejoice to live,  
See Your glory and adore You,  
Thankful for the grace You give.

### Bible Stories

01/22 -- M: John 1:29-34

01/23 -- Tu: John 1:35-42

01/24 -- W: John 1:43-51

01/25 -- Th: John 2:1-12

01/26 -- F: John 2:13-25

### Bible Verse

*“But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in*

*weakness.” Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.*

II Corinthians 12:9 (ESV)

### Catechism

The Lord’s Prayer: The 3rd petition and meaning – Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

*What does this mean?* The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also. *How is God’s will done?* God’s will is done when He breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God’s name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die. This is His good and gracious will.