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## *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.*

Saturday & Sunday, March 16 & 17, 2024

# The 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent

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Hymn: **“Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now”**

**LSB 902**

## Invocation

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

**People: Amen.**

Pastor: I love the LORD because he has heard my voice,

**People: and my pleas for mercy.** (*Psalm 116:1*)

Pastor: I called on the name of the LORD:

**People: O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul.** (*Psalm 116:4*)

## Confession of Sin & Absolution

Pastor: We are gathered to hear God’s Word, to call on him in prayer, and to receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. So, it is good that we reflect on our unworthiness, confess to God our sins of thought, word, and deed, and our helplessness to free ourselves from our sinful nature. It is also good that we remember who we are as the baptized children of God: a people to whom the Lord has shown mercy, cleansed from all our sin, and declared righteous because of Jesus. We again lay claim to this grace in which we are forgiven, and, for the sake of Christ, to be restored by his mercy to serve him and walk in his ways.

*(Silence for examination and confession)*

Pastor: We now confess our sins.

**ALL: I confess to God almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed; by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault. I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for you and for his sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of 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.**

Hymn: **“Baptismal Waters Cover Me”**

**LSB 616**

## Lenten Kyrie

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Christ, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the Holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Christ, have mercy.**

Pastor: For reasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For those who labor, those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Christ, have mercy.**

Pastor: For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Christ, have mercy.**

Pastor: For these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

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

**People: Christ, have mercy.**

## **Prayer**

### **Old Testament: Jeremiah 31:31-34 (A new covenant)**

Lector: <sup>31</sup>“The days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them,” declares the LORD. <sup>33</sup>This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time,” declares the LORD. “I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, ‘Know the LORD,’ because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,” declares the LORD. “For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.” This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

### **Epistle: Hebrews 5:1-10 (A priest forever)**

Lector: <sup>1</sup>Every high priest is selected from among the people and is appointed to represent the people in matters related to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. <sup>2</sup>He is able to deal gently with those who are ignorant and are going astray, since he himself is subject to weakness. <sup>3</sup>This is why he has to offer sacrifices for his own sins, as well as for the sins of the people. <sup>4</sup>And no one takes this honor on himself, but he receives it when called by God, just as Aaron was. <sup>5</sup>In the same way, Christ did not take on himself the glory of becoming a high priest. But God said to him, “You are my Son; today I have become your Father.” <sup>6</sup>And he says in another place, “You are a priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek.” <sup>7</sup>During the days

of Jesus' life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup> Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered <sup>9</sup> and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him <sup>10</sup> and was designated by God to be high priest in the order of Melchizedek. This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**Holy Gospel: Mark 10:35-45 (*True servant leadership*)**

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10th chapter.

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

Pastor: <sup>35</sup> Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. "Teacher," they said, "we want you to do for us whatever we ask." <sup>36</sup> "What do you want me to do for you?" he asked. <sup>37</sup> They replied, "Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory." <sup>38</sup> "You don't know what you are asking," Jesus said. "Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?" <sup>39</sup> "We can," they answered. Jesus said to them, "You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, <sup>40</sup> but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared." <sup>41</sup> When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. <sup>42</sup> Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. <sup>43</sup> Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup> and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup> For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**The Nicene Creed**

**Children's Message**

**Hymn: "Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way"**

**LSB 857**

**Sermon "Be Careful What You Wish For" Mark 10:35-45**

**Offering/Rite of Fellowship**

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

**Prayers of the Church**

Pastor: let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

**+ Sacrament +**

Pastor: The Lord be with you. (*II Timothy 4:22*)

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. (*Colossians 3:1*)

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

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. (*Psalms 136*)

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

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

**Sanctus**

**LSB 161**

**Prayer of Thanks**

**The Words of Institution**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**The Peace of the Lord**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**People: And also with you. Amen.**

**Agnus Dei**

**LSB 163**

**Distribution/Hymns**

*"My Song Is Love Unknown" (Sunday only)*

**LSB 430**

*"In Christ Alone"*

**Post-Communion Hymn: "On My Heart Imprint Your Image"**

**LSB 422**

**Post-Communion Thanks**

**Blessing**

**Hymn: "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed"**

**LSB 437**

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**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?

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**Participants in Saturday's Service**

Pianist: Debbie Lichtenegger  
Elder: Tony Scholl  
Ushers: Ben Grebing, Earl Petzoldt, Cody Braeuner, Dwayne Roth  
Audio/Visual Team: Troy Petzoldt, Diane Petzoldt  
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**Participants in Sunday's Service**

Greeters: Shannon Martin and Heather Kassel  
Organist: Barb Burroughs  
Lector: Whitney Hemman  
Acolyte: Eva Williamson  
Elder: Tony Vogel  
Ushers: Kent Luckey, Dalton Head, Kenton Roth, Kevin Steffens  
Audio/Visual Team: Jeff Leible, Beth Leible  
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**This Week's Schedule**

Today, March 17, 2024	After worship	Board of Stewardship
Mon., March 18, 2024		Pastor Hoemann's day off
Tues., March 19, 2024		April calendar items due
	5:45 p.m.	<i>EPC Wildcats Volleyball vs. Immanuel, Perryville (A &amp; C) (Away)</i>
Wed., March 20, 2024	9 a.m.	Bible Study (Exodus)
	4 p.m.	Lenten Worship at Trinity, Altenburg
	6:30 p.m.	Lenten Worship at Concordia
Wed. & Thurs., March 20 & 21, 2024		<i>Parent/Teacher Conferences</i>
Thurs., March 21, 2024	Noon	Bulletin items due
	5:45 p.m.	<i>EPC Wildcats Volleyball vs. St. Paul, Jackson (A &amp; C) (Parents' Night) (Home)</i>
	7 p.m.	<i>UCLS Board of Education</i>
Sun., March 24, 2024	9 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion

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**Announcements**

**Attendance:** Worship-129 (109 in person, 20 online), one year ago-125; Lent 3-69 (62 in person, 7 online), one year ago-44

**As We Gather:** Have you ever tried to tell someone something important while they babble on about trivial things? Today, just a week from Palm Sunday, Jesus is trying to speak of what is soon to come. But the disciples were not listening. They were arguing over who is the greatest. Jesus stops their conversation in its tracks by bluntly speaking of his cross and describing the cross-shaped pattern of his life. He did not come to be served but to serve and give his life as a ransom for many. If you want to seek true greatness, the path you must follow will be shaped by the cross, and you will demonstrate the same servant attitude that Jesus has for you.

**Stewardship Standard:** Jesus says in Mark 10:45, "For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Jesus gives everything he has. He gives himself. That self-giving is the model for our giving in all aspects of our life. In our family, in our congregation, and in the world at large, Jesus calls us to follow his example of self-giving. We can only do this if we are connected to his self-giving, by faith.

**Order in the order—why we do what we do in Lutheran worship:** The **OFFERING** is a response to the Good News that we just heard in the sermon. We joyfully offer our entire life in thanksgiving for all God has done for us. We symbolize this giving of our whole self to God through our offering.

**The A.C.T.S small group is collecting** new or gently used pots, pans, bowls, small appliances, small storage/serving items, cutting boards, dishcloths, hot pads, utensils, and detergent. Collection dates are today and March 24. A box is in the narthex in which you may leave items. Thank you for your generosity!

**Time to SHINE!** This year, for our participation in the LCMS—Missouri District SHINE event, our congregation will be picking up garbage along the roadway from the crossroads all the way into Frohna, and possibly doing some home clean-up projects in the community. SHINE 2024 will begin at 11 a.m., Sunday, April 14. Lunch will be provided, along with a SHINE T-shirt. Plan to participate, as we share Jesus' love by serving our community.

**Our Concordia Endowments—Saxony High School Scholastic Fund:** This fund is to assist congregation members with tuition at Saxony Lutheran High School. Funding is from gifts and offerings from individuals earmarked for this fund. If you'd like to make a contribution, please speak to Todd Petzoldt, chair of the endowment committee.

**We are now in the most critical time of the year to direct Thrivent Choice dollars.** You can still capture everything received for 2023 that has not yet been directed. Thrivent members, please direct your CHOICE dollars by Sunday, March 31, in order to capture any remaining 2023 dollars. Don't let them go to waste! If you have questions, contact your Thrivent representative, Carol Duggan, at 573-824-6060. For an even larger impact, make a personal donation to any organization in the Thrivent Choice catalog, and Thrivent will cover all processing fees. That means 100 percent of your gift goes directly to the cause.

**Ruth Burroughs and LaDonna Smith** both want to extend thanks to God and to all who lifted them up in prayer during their recent times of surgery and recovery. Thank you!

**Laurie Anderson** of Jackson, Mo., has accepted the call to serve as pre-school teacher at UCLS, starting this fall. We praise God from whom all blessings flow!

### **United in Christ Lutheran School (UCLS) Notes**

**Are you looking for** a safe, family-oriented school where your child will be daily nurtured in the Christian faith? Enrollment is now open for the 2024-2025 school year at United in Christ Lutheran School (UCLS). If you would like information on UCLS or how to enroll, call the school office at 573-824-5218. You are also welcome to visit our classrooms 8-11 a.m. any Tuesday or Thursday in March. If these times do not fit your schedule, call the school office and other arrangements can be made. We have been blessed with an abundance of 3-, 4-, and 5-year-olds, and we expect the pre-kindergarten program to fill for the 2024-25 school year. Please be aware that your enrollment, including your instructional materials fee, holds your child's place in that classroom.

### **Saxony Lutheran High School Notes**

**Ready to be a Crusader?** Enrollment for the 2024-25 academic year is now OPEN! Parents and students may contact the school office (573-204-7555) to schedule a tour of the Saxony campus and hear how to become a part of the Saxony family.

**Saxony Drama is proud to present Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella** at 7 p.m., Friday, March 22, and 2 and 7 p.m., Saturday, March 23, at the Perry Park Center, Perryville. Tickets are on sale now in the school office.

### **Neighboring Church & Community Notes**

**A grilled whole-hog pork sausage dinner** will be 11 a.m.-2 p.m., today, at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 223 W. Adams St., Jackson. The dinner is sponsored by the St. Paul Men's Club. Tickets are \$12 for adults; \$6 for children 6-12. Carry-outs will be available.

**A fish fry** will be held 4:30-7:30 p.m., Friday, March 22, in the Immanuel Lutheran School gym, Perryville. The meal will include catfish, potato chip fries, baked beans, slaw, and homemade dessert. Dine in or carry-out available; or skip the line and call 573-547-6161 to place your order (starting at 4 p.m. the day of; do not leave a message). The fish fry is hosted by Immanuel Lutheran PTL, with proceeds going to the school.

**A pulled pork dinner** will be 4-7 p.m., Saturday, March 23, at Eisleben Lutheran Church, 432 Lutheran Lane, Scott City. Pork butts are also being sold and can be pre-ordered. (See the flyer on Concordia’s bulletin board for more information.)

**KFUO Notes**

**CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE.org:** Study Isaiah 47-49 for Lent on *Sharper Iron* (8 a.m. weekdays); study Deuteronomy 27-30 on *Thy Strong Word* (11 a.m. weekdays); enjoy a Lenten organ recital and worship, 11 a.m., Wednesday, March 20; and continue studying good works on *Concord Matters* (10 a.m. Saturday, March 23). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUE Radio app.

**“Life Quote” from Lutherans for Life**

**“God loves everybody.** God loves people that are big and small. God loves people that are every age. God loves people no matter where we live. All people are special to God. The Bible says, ‘For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand.’ (Ephesians 2:10) God has good things for each of us.” *Timothy, a sixth grader from southern Minnesota, who has Downs syndrome – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

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**Weekly Devotions (Palm Sunday)**

**Hymn of the Week**

**LSB 443 “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”**

Hosanna, loud hosanna,  
The little children sang;  
Through pillared court and temple  
The lovely anthem rang.  
To Jesus, who had blessed them,  
Close folded to His breast,  
The children sang their praises,  
The simplest and the best.

**Bible Stories**

- 03/18-- M: John 12:1-11
- 03/19 -- Tu: John 12:12-26
- 03/20 -- W: John 13:1-20
- 03/21 -- Th: John 13:21-38
- 03/22 -- F: John 18:1-27

**Bible Verse**

<sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. <sup>6</sup>That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

John 3:5–6 (ESV)

**Catechism**

The Power of Baptism: Third – “How can water do such great things? Certainly not just water, but the word of God in and with the water does these things, along with the faith which trusts this word of God in the water. For without God’s word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit, as St. Paul says in Titus, chapter three: “He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying.” *Titus 3:5-8*