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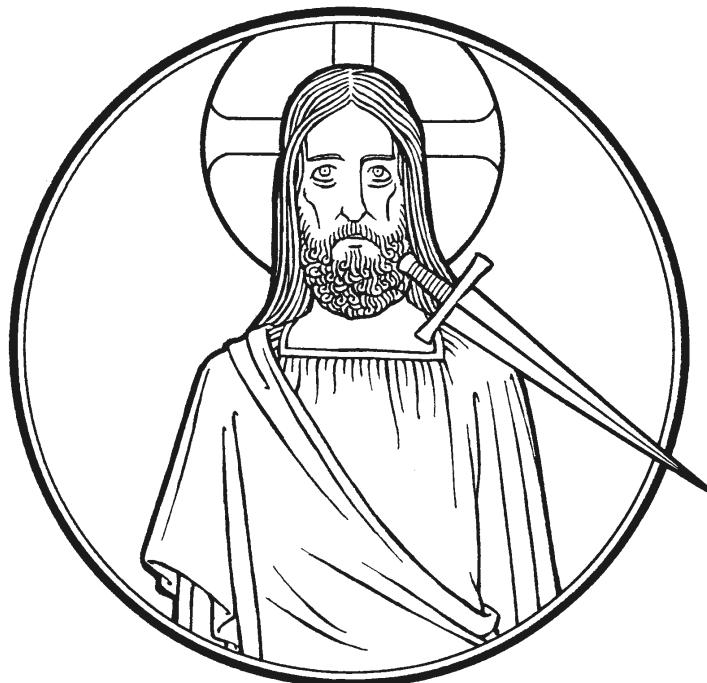
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*Whoever finds his life will lose it,  
and whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.*

*Matthew 10:39*

# DIVINE SERVICE

# Setting Four

## **Hymn of Invocation**

**Confession & Absolution** p. 203

Introit

I will sing of the steadfast love of the Lord, forever,  
**with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness  
to all generations.**

Blessed are the people who know the festal shout,  
**who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,**  
who exult in your name all the day  
**and in your righteousness are exalted.**

For you are the glory of their strength;  
**by your favor our horn is exalted.**

For our shield belongs to the Lord,  
**our king to the holy One of Israel.**

**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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**Salutation & Collect** p. 205

Almighty God, by the working of Your Holy Spirit, grant that we may gladly hear Your Word proclaimed among us and follow its directing; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### **Old Testament: Jeremiah 28:5-9 (ESV)**

Then the prophet Jeremiah spoke to Hananiah the prophet in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord, and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord make the words that you have prophesied come true, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. Yet hear now this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes to pass, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

### **Gradual**

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

**How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!**

For from him and through him and to him are all things.

**To him be glory forever. Amen.**

### **Epistle Reading: Romans 7:1-13 (ESV)**

Or do you not know, brothers—for I am speaking to those who know the law—that the law is binding on a person only as long as he lives? Thus a married woman is bound by law to her husband while he lives, but if her husband dies she is released from the law of marriage. Accordingly, she will be called an adulteress if she lives with another man while her husband is alive. But if her husband dies, she is free from that law, and if she marries another man she is not an adulteress.

Likewise, my brothers, you also have died to the law through the body of Christ, so that you may belong to another, to him who has been raised from the dead, in order that we may bear fruit for God. For while we were living in the flesh, our sinful passions, aroused by the law, were at work in our members to bear fruit for death. But now we are released from the law, having died to that which held us captive, so that we serve not under the old written code but in the new life of the Spirit.

What then shall we say? That the law is sin? By no means! Yet if it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, "You shall not covet." But sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of covetousness. Apart from the law, sin lies dead. I was once alive apart from the law, but when the commandment came, sin came alive and I died. The very commandment that promised life proved to be death to me. For sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, deceived me and through it killed me. So the law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.

Did that which is good, then, bring death to me? By no means! It was sin, producing death in me through what is good, in order that sin might be shown to be sin, and through the commandment might become sinful beyond measure.

### Alleluia and Verse

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### Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 10:34-42 (ESV)

*"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. And a person's enemies will be those of his own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. And whoever does not take his cross and follow Me is not worthy of Me. Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for My sake will find it."*

*"Whoever receives you receives Me, and whoever receives Me receives him who sent Me. The one who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and the one who receives a righteous person because he is a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward. And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward."*

<b>Apostles' Creed</b>	p. 207
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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.

**Welcome to worship in the season of Pentecost.** The green paraments remind us that this is the season of growth. The theme of Pentecost is living a Christian life. As Christ strengthens us through His Word, the spoken Word and the visible Word of the Sacraments, we grow more like Him in our thoughts, words, and deeds. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

Thank you to all who helped with the Concordia Float in the Mercer County Fair Parade!

**Special Offering:** This morning, we will have a special offering to help those whose lives and properties have been affected by flooding in North Dakota. All monies received will be sent to Lutheran Disaster Relief to help our neighbors in Christ with their immediate needs. The Council is going to try and match the amount of the offering from a fund to be determined later. *“Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me”* (Matt. 25:40).

**Clean-Up Training for Flooded Homes** will be offered Tuesday, June 28th, Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 1143 North 26th Street, Bismarck. Supervisor training will be from 4-6 p.m. and Team Member training from 7-9 p.m. There will be a free-will offering supper at 6:00 p.m.

### **In our thoughts and prayers,**

- † Donna Weidner, recovering from surgery;
- † Lowell & Linda Korbyn & family, as they mourn the death of Linda's father;
- † Our neighbors, whose lives and property have been affected by tornadoes, floods, & other natural disasters;
- † For favorable weather, that all agricultural endeavors may produce a bountiful harvest.



### **Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance**

Worship: 116 Offerings: \$ 2,436.00

Our Epistle reading talks about our struggles with sin. As Christian stewards we are to be on guard so that we may not selfishly use our time, talents and money only for our own satisfaction but rather use them to help God's Kingdom come and His will be done. That is the best investment of time, talent and money that we can handle.

## † This Week at Concordia †

Sunday	8:30 am 10:30 am	Divine Service <i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
Thursday	9:00 am	Deadline for July Calendar
Sunday	8:30 am 10:30 am	Divine Service <i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>

### Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30 AM—12:30 PM

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