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# Concordia Lutheran Church

*The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod*

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*You are the most handsome of the sons of men;  
grace is poured upon your lips.*

Psalm 45:2a

**DIVINE SERVICE**                      Setting One

**Hymn of Invocation**                # 537

**Confession & Absolution**    p. 151

**Introit**

Blessed are those who dwell in your house,

**ever singing your praise!**

How lovely is your dwelling place,

**O Lord of hosts!**

My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord;

**my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.**

Behold our shield, O God;

**look on the face of your anointed!**

For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor.

**No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.**

**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.**

Blessed are those who dwell in your house,

**ever singing your praise!**

**Kyrie**                                      p. 152

**Gloria in Excelsis**                    p. 154

**Salutation & Collect**                p. 156

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Old Testament:** Deuteronomy 34:1-12 (ESV)

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho. And the Lord showed him all the land, Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the western sea, the Negeb, and the Plain, that is, the Valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. And the Lord said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, 'I will give it to your offspring.' I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not go

over there." So Moses the servant of the Lord died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the Lord, and he buried him in the valley in the land of Moab opposite Beth-peor; but no one knows the place of his burial to this day. Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eye was undimmed, and his vigor unabated. And the people of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. Then the days of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended.

And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him. So the people of Israel obeyed him and did as the Lord had commanded Moses. And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face, none like him for all the signs and the wonders that the Lord sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh and to all his servants and to all his land, and for all the mighty power and all the great deeds of terror that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

### **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:** Hebrews 3:1-6 (ESV)

Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house. For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

**“Alleluia”**

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### **Holy Gospel:** St. Luke 9:28-36 (ESV)

Now about eight days after these sayings [Jesus] took with Him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. And as He was praying, the appearance of His face was altered, and His clothing

became dazzling white. And behold, two men were talking with Him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of His departure, which He was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and those who were with Him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw His glory and the two men who stood with Him. And as the men were parting from Him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for You and one for Moses and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "*This is My Son, My Chosen One; listen to Him!*" And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

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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** on the Transfiguration of our Lord. In our Lord's Transfiguration, we see the divine glory of the Lord Jesus Christ shine through His human body. The Transfiguration teaches us the certainty of eternal life for all believers in heaven. As Moses and Elijah beheld the Lord in all His glory, so we too will live in the presence of His glory forever. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

**Today in Sunday school** students study the account of Jesus' transfiguration. On the Mount of Transfiguration, God showed that His Son, Jesus, is the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets, declaring that we should listen to Jesus, our Savior. In discussing this Bible story, ask family members to consider how they are like Peter, not always understanding Jesus' ways and purpose. In His Word, Jesus patiently instructs me about Himself by the power of the Holy Spirit. Ask the children to recall their favorite Bible stories about Jesus.

**Restore the Roar!:** The Prophet Amos compared the voice of God's judgment to the roaring of a lion (1:2). This Lent, we will listen to the Lion



as He roars. And gathering under the cross, we will be amazed when the roaring Lion defeats His greatest enemies: the devil, hell, and the power of death. Then with resurrection joy, we will say of Jesus, "The Lion of the tribe of Judah...has conquered (Revelation 5:5)."

Our midweek worship begins on Ash Wednesday, February 13, at 6:30 pm. Soup and sandwiches will be served at 5:30 pm by the LWML. Please also join us for Bible Class this morning as we continue our study of the book of Amos.

**Sign-up Sheet:** There is a sign-up sheet to bring soup, sandwiches, and dessert for Wednesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, on the table in the social hall. Signing up to bring food also includes setting up, serving, and/or clean up.

**Our Voters Meeting** will be Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, following worship. Minutes of the November voters meeting are on the table in the social hall.

**Giving Hearts Day** is this Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. First Choice Clinic is one of the organizations that will benefit from this on-line full-day fund raiser. Go to [www.impactgiveback.org](http://www.impactgiveback.org) to donate. Click on "Giving Hearts—Donate" and select "First Choice Clinic". If you do not have online access, please come to the open house from 9AM-5PM at 1120 College Drive, Suite 204 in Bismarck.



**Follow the Leader? An Evening at the “Y”** for grades 6-12 is planned for Sunday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 7-11PM. An informational poster and ground rules have been posted on the LYF bulletin board. Please visit with Vicky Yeager, 873-5647, if you plan on attending.

**Fishers of Men:** During the month of February the LWML will be collecting TUNA for Women’s Action Resource Center. A table is set up for your donations. Thank you.

**Thank you,** Aloha Simenson and Marlene Schriefer, for providing bars for last Sunday’s mission update.

***We are the North Dakota District...***

Visitation is important in the life of the Church. Pastors are shepherds of God’s people. As shepherds, they visit their people—connecting God’s Word to the sufferings, sins, and struggles of God’s people with Gods’ Word and Sacraments. In turn, it is important for the District President to visit pastors in his district. During the winter and spring months, I am especially visiting our younger and newer pastors in our District, visiting them with God’s Word, prayer, and encouragement. Please visibly care for your pastor and pray for him daily.

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**In our thoughts and prayers,**

† Edris Miller (Nona Blaisdell’s mother);

† Nursing Home residents, that God would keep them under His gracious care.



**Our Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance**

Worship: 139 Offerings: \$3,336.00

“Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise!” We are indeed blessed when we come to the House of the Lord to receive his gifts and praise his name. What Peter, James, and John glimpsed at the Transfiguration, we also glimpse in the Divine Service: heaven on earth, the Lord Jesus miraculously, gloriously present with us. Our thanksgiving for this gift flows over into our entire life of worship, including our stewardship.

† **This Week at Concordia** †

Sunday      8:30 am      Divine Service  
              9:30 am      Sunday School/Bible Class  
              11:00 am     *Worship @ Glen Ullin*  
              2:30 pm      Pastor @ KRCC

Tuesday     10:15 am     Communion at KRCC  
              1:30 pm      Naomi Guild

Wednesday   **Ash Wednesday**  
              4:30 pm      Catechism  
              5:30 pm      Soup & Sandwiches—LWML  
              6:30 pm      Lenten Service  
              7:15 pm      Chime Practice  
              7:45 pm      Bell Practice

Thursday    7:00 pm      *Lenten Service @ Glen Ullin*

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

## Love without Fear Week



February 10-16, 2013 is Love without Fear Week. Each year this week draws attention to healthy and loving relationships, and reminds people how too many relationships are marred by violence.

As we celebrate St. Valentine's Day this week, let us reflect on how we love one another. In the coming year may we continue this thought:

*\*By learning how to discipline our children without humiliating them.*

*\*By learning how to touch each other without overpowering those we love.*

*\*By learning how to nurture families which are supporting circles of strength and intimacy rather than binding circles of isolation.*

*\*By learning that love does not mean possession.*

And may we work together to learn new ways of creating a world in which there will be love without fear.

For further information, or if you would like a speaker for your group, contact Mercer County Women's Action & Resource Center at 873-2274.