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Concordia Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod

801 Beacon Lane

Beulah, North Dakota

Rev. Toby H. Heller, Pastor

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*"The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because
He has anointed Me to proclaim good news to the poor."
Luke 4:18a*

DIVINE SERVICE Setting One

Hymn of Invocation # 401 (st. 1-4) {tune: pubis Nobis}

Confession & Absolution p. 151

Introit

You will arise and have pity on Zion;

it is the time to favor her; the appointed time has come.

Let this be recorded for a generation to come,

so that a people yet to be created may praise the Lord:

that he looked down from his holy height;

from heaven the Lord looked at the earth,

to hear the groans of the prisoners,

to set free those who were doomed to die,

that they may declare in Zion the name of the Lord,

and in Jerusalem his praise,

when peoples gather together,

and kingdoms, to worship the Lord.

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.

You will arise and have pity on Zion;

it is the time to favor her; the appointed time has come.

Kyrie p. 152

Gloria in Excelsis p. 154

Salutation & Collect p. 156

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 (ESV)

And all the people gathered as one man into the square before the Water Gate. And they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses that the Lord had commanded Israel. So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could understand what they heard, on the first day of the seventh month. And

he read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand. And the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law.

And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was above all the people, and as he opened it all the people stood. And Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground.

They read from the book, from the Law of God, clearly, and they gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept as they heard the words of the Law. Then he said to them, "Go your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

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: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a (ESV)

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

For the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing? If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell? But as it is, God arranged the members in

the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many parts, yet one body.

The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unrepresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? But earnestly desire the higher gifts.

"Alleluia"

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Holy Gospel: St. Luke 4:16-30 (ESV)

And He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as was His custom, He went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and He stood up to read. And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to Him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written, *"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."*

And He rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on Him. And He began to say to them, *"Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."* And all spoke well of Him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from His mouth. And they said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" And He said to them, *"Doubtless you will quote to Me this proverb, 'Physician, heal yourself.' What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well."* And He said, *"Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown. But in truth, I tell you, there were*

many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian." When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. And they rose up and drove Him out of the town and brought Him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw Him down the cliff. But passing through their midst, He went away.

Nicene Creed p. 158
Hymn of the Day # 523
Sermon Mistaken Identity

Prayer of the Church

Offering



The Handbell Choir will ring "Mighty to Save" during the gathering of our morning offerings.

"What Shall I Render" p. 159
Service of the Sacrament p. 160
Distribution Hymn # 658, 619, 632
"Thank the Lord" p. 164
Post-Communion Collect p. 166
Benediction p. 166
Closing Hymn # 839

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,

† Katlyn Blaisdell, Edris Miller (Nona Blaisdell's mother), & Donna Weidner.



Our Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance

Worship: 90 Offerings: \$1,763.00

“When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. And they rose up and drove Him out of the town and brought Him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw Him down the cliff.” Just like that the people in Jesus’ hometown go from listening to His sermons with wonder to trying to toss Him off a cliff! What changed? He showed them their sin and told them to repent. But they loved their pride too much to give up and repent. God’s call to faithful stewardship is also a call to repentance for us, a hard teaching—but in letting go of greed and fear we will find many blessings.

Welcome to worship in the season of Epiphany. “Epiphany” means “appearance.” In this season of the Church year, we rejoice that God has appeared to us and made Himself known to us in the appearance of His Son, Jesus of Nazareth. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

The Bible On Trial: Beyond A Reasonable Doubt: Are the Bible and it’s contents reliable? Please join us for 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: In Nazareth, throughout His ministry, and even today, Jesus is rejected by people who do not have faith in Him. God's Word clearly shows that Jesus is God's Son, and in faith, we believe. With your family, discuss how sin blinds our eyes to the Savior and causes us to suffer from sin's effects with sickness, trouble, and even physical death. Emphasize that through God's Word and Sacraments we can see and believe in Jesus, who releases us from the bondage of sin. He restores us with forgiveness, life, and salvation.

\$254 was donated to Gideons International last Sunday to purchase Bibles for world-wide distribution. "So shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it (Isaiah 55:11)."

Concordia Family Game Night is Wednesday, January 30th, 6:30 pm.



We will have games for all ages, including Bonko, Pinochle, board games and card games. Please bring any games you like to play. Bring a snack to share and your own non-alcoholic beverage. If you need babysitting, please contact Mary Jo Larson, Nona Blaisdell, or Cindy Peterson.

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

Souper Bowl Soup: The Human Care Project for January is collecting soup for Women's Action & Resource Center. A shelf has been set up in the Church entryway for your donations.



Rides to worship and other Church activities are available, especially in the cold and winter weather. If you would like a ride, please call Blake Wiedrich 873-4346, or talk to Pastor Heller.



Bakken Boom Summit Meeting of the North Dakota and Montana Districts will be Saturday, February 2nd, at Concordia Lutheran Church, Williston. More information is posted on the bulletin board in the social hall.

† This Week at Concordia †

Sunday	8:30 am	Divine Service
	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
	6:30 pm	Family Game Night
Thursday	9:00 am	Deadline for February Calendar items
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.*