

# Concordia Lutheran Church

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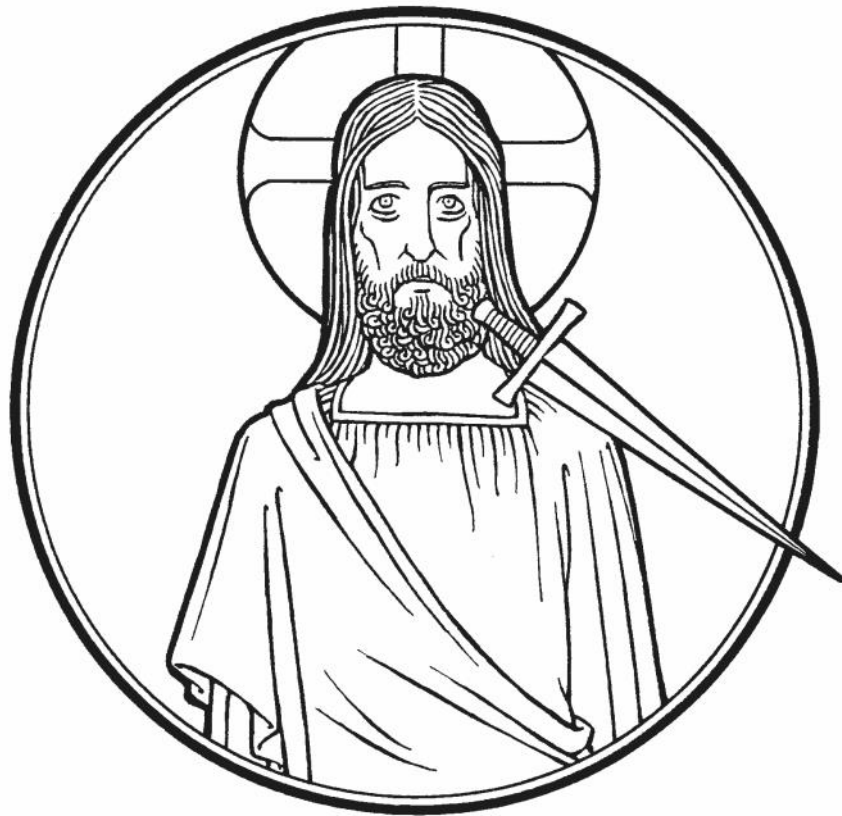
801 Beacon Lane

Beulah, North Dakota

Rev. Toby H. Heller, Pastor

July 2, 2023

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost



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

*Matthew 10:39*

## ✠ In the Name of Jesus ✠

**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!

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.

### **DIVINE SERVICE**

### **Setting Four**

**Hymn of Invocation**

# 851

**Confession & Absolution**

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### **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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**Kyrie**

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**Gloria In Excelsis**

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**Salutation & Collect**

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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 Reading:** Jeremiah 28:5-9

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.**

### **Epistle Reading: Romans 7:1-13**

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**

*[Jesus says] "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."*

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Thank you to Rev. Dr. Jeremiah Olson for leading worship this morning.



**LWML Mission Mites** will be collected during worship next Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup>.



**Watering Flowers:** A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the social hall to volunteer to water the flowers. Please note that when you sign up for a date, it is for the week following that Sunday. Thank you!

**The July Human Care Ingathering** is school supplies for Woman's Action & Resource Center. Donations can be left on the shelves in the entryway.

**Greeters** are needed for the months of July and August. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the social hall.

**The July calendar**, birthday and anniversary sheet, and the July—September "*Portals of Prayers*" devotional booklets are on the table in the social hall.



**A Meal Train** has been set up to help Brent Mittelsteadt & the kids while Danielle & Elijah are at the hospital in St. Paul. More information and sign up information can be found on Concordia's website: [www.concordiabeulah.org](http://www.concordiabeulah.org). Click on Meal Train from the top menu.

### In our thoughts and prayers,



† Tina Heller, Elijah Struxness, Deane Weidner, and Jan Wolf (sister-in-law of Myron & Carrie Hafner);  
† Sandy Myers & family on the death of her sister, Betty Lou Walz;  
† The family of Taryn Hohbein (great niece of Carrie Hafner) as they mourn her death.

### † This Week at Concordia †

Sunday 8:00 am *Worship @ Glen Ullin*  
10:00 am Divine Service

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### Church Office Hours

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