Concordia Lutheran Church

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The Observance of All Saints'



Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us look to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith.

Hebrews 12:1a, 2a

♣ In the Name of Jesus **♣**

Welcome to worship as we celebrate All Saints' Day. The Lord's Church celebrates All Saints' to remember those who have died in the faith. We remember the grace of God in bringing them to faith and in preserving them in that faith in every joy and sorrow of earthly life. Especially, we remember how they served God, often in the face of persecution, even death. We do not worship the saints, pray to them, or ask them for help in living a Christian life. But, we do honor their memory and we pray that God would give us grace to imitate them in all virtuous and godly living. 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 One

Hymn of Invocation # 677 **Confession & Absolution** p. 151

Introit

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

In you, O Lord, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame;

in your righteousness deliver me.

For you are my rock and my fortress;

and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me.

Into your hand I commit my spirit;

you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.

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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Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Lesson: Revelation 7:9-17

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat.

For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Gradual

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Blessed are those whose strength is in you,

in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

Epistle Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we will be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

"Alleluia" p. 156

Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 5:1-12

Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when He sat down, His disciples came to Him.

And He opened His mouth and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on My account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

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WE GO FROM THIS PLACE OF WORSHIP WHERE WE ARE ABOUT **EQUIPPING DISCIPLES TO MAKE DISCIPLES FOR JESUS**

Thank you to all who helped make Trunk or Treat a great success!

Voters Meeting: Our Voters Meeting will be next Sunday, November 12th, following worship.

Among the items of business will be election of congregational officers and 2024 budget. Unapproved minutes from the February Voters meeting are on the table in the social hall.

Greeters are needed for November & December. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

The November calendar, birthday & anniversary sheet are on the table in the social hall.

Ingathering: The October Human Care is donations of Thanksgiving meal canned goods for Women's Action & Resource Center. Please have all items at the Church before Thanksgiving.

Thank you to the Bonebrake family, the Sarah Guild, Connie Schmidt and Lorraine Sorge for the bars and sweet breads served for fellowship coffee during the month of October.

† This Week at Concordia †

Sunday	8:00 am 9:15 am 10:00 am 11:00 am	Worship @ Glen Ullin Sunday School Divine Service Bible Class
Monday	9:30 am	Circuit Pastors @ Bismarck
Wednesday	4:00 pm 7:00 pm	Catechism Council Meeting
Sunday	8:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am	Worship @ Glen Ullin Divine Service Voters Meeting

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In our thoughts and prayers, we remember.



† Tammy Gillig, Pastor Olson, Hannah Schantz, and Vivian Zimmerman (Kristi Stevens' mother).

Church Office Hours

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Remembrance of the Faithful Departed

In joyful expectation of the resurrection to life eternal, we remember before the Lord our departed family and friends who have gone before us in faith and all those who are in our hearts and minds this day.

(A bell is tolled in remembrance of the saints who were members of Concordia and were called to glory this past year)

+ Melvin Schlender +

Called to glory January 30, 2023

The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer;
My GOD, my STRENGTH, in whom I will trust;
My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.
Psalm 18:2

+ Bruce Voegele +

Called to glory February 1, 2023

"I am the good shepherd.

I know My own and My own know Me." John 10:14

+ Anita Flemmer +

Called to glory March 27, 2023

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son,

That whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life."

John 3:16

+ Ernest "Ernie" Riegel +

Called to glory May 24, 2023

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son,

That whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life."

John 3:16

+ Josephine "Josie" Reinhiller +

Called to glory July 31, 2023

"In My Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to Myself, that where I am you may be also."

John 14:2-3

Let us pray...

Almighty God, we remember with thanksgiving those who loved and served You in Your Church on earth and who now rest from their labors. Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints, and bring us at last to the joy of Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.