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*We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;
death no longer has dominion over Him.*

*In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart;
I have overcome the world.*

Romans 6:9; John 16:33b

DIVINE SERVICE Setting One

Hymn of Invocation # 663

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Introit

Cast your burden on the Lord, and he will sustain you;

he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

My heart is in anguish within me;

the terrors of death have fallen upon me.

But I call to God,

and the Lord will save me.

Evening and morning and at noon I utter my complaint and moan,

and he hears my voice.

He redeems my soul in safety from the battle that I wage,

for many are arrayed against me.

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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O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading: Acts 16:9-15 (ESV)

And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." And she prevailed upon us.

Gradual

Christ has risen from the dead.

God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor,
He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;
he has put all things under his feet.

Epistle Reading: Revelation 21:9-14, 21-27 (ESV)

Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, "Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb." And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed—on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, transparent as glass.

And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

“Alleluia”

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Holy Gospel: St. John 16:23-33 (ESV)

In that day you will ask nothing of Me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in My name, he will give it to you. Until now you have asked nothing in My name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

"I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. In that day you will ask in My name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved Me and have believed that I came from God. I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father."

His disciples said, "Ah, now You are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! Now we know that You know all things and do not need anyone to question You; this is why we believe that You came from God." Jesus answered them, *"Do you now believe? Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with Me. I have said these things to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."*

Hymn of the Day	# 770
Sermon	"Ask!"
Prayer of the Church	
Offering	
	<i>The Handchimes will ring "Crown Him With Many Crowns" during the gathering of our morning offerings.</i>
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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.

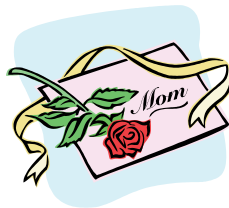
In our thoughts and prayers,

- † Our sick and recovering: Barney Baszler, Diane Kilsdonk (Fred Oberlander's sister), Harold Link & Carolyn Riegel;
- † The family of Jack Helm, as they mourn his death;
- † For rain and favorable weather, that all agricultural endeavors may produce a bountiful harvest.

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Welcome to worship in this season of Easter as we gather to rejoice that Christ has overcome death and the grave and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. “Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting? Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ” (1 Cor. 15). Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

On Mother’s Day, we celebrate how our mothers confessed their Christian faith to us. How well it is for us to listen to the words of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther in the explanation of the 4th commandment:

“The perversity of the world God knows very well. By means of commandments, therefore, He reminds and impels everyone to consider what his parents have done for him. Then everybody recognizes that he has received his body and life from them and that he has been nourished and nurtured by them when otherwise he would have perished a hundred times in his own filth. The wise men of old were right when they said ‘God, parents, and teachers can never be sufficiently thanked and repaid.’ He who views the matter in this light will, without compulsion, give honor to his parents and esteem them as those through whom God has given his all blessings” (Large Catechism).



Today in Sunday School the children learn that our heavenly Father invites us to pray and promises to hear our prayer for the sake of His Son, Jesus. What things have you prayed for? How has God answered your prayers? Review what the catechism has to say about the Lord’s Prayer.

The Young Women’s Guild basket auction ends today at 9:15 a.m. Baskets may be taken home following worship services.



Muffins For Moms! The Young Women’s Guild will be serving muffins following worship services this morning. Please join us to celebrate the special women in your life!

It has so pleased God in His wise grace to call from the vale of tears unto Himself in heaven the soul of our dear brother in the Christian faith, Jack Helm. Christian Burial was Saturday, May 8, 2010. *Then I heard a voice from heaven say, "Write: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Yes," says the Spirit, "they will rest from the labor, for their deeds will follow them (Revelation 14:13)."*

The Knife River Care Center will be holding their 1st annual "American Senior Idol" contest on May 10th, 6:30 p.m. They are looking for contestants. You don't have to be a "senior" to be a contestant! If interested, please contact Sheryl Misslin or Yvonne Seibel, 873-3274.



Please join us as we recognize our Confirmands and 2010 high school graduates with a potluck dinner next Sunday, May 16th, 11:15 a.m.

Thrivent Members: Voting is underway to help choose how Thrivent will distribute outreach funds through the new Thrivent Choice program. Informational sheets are on the table in the social hall. Voting can be done online at www.Thrivent.com/choicevote or by returning the reply card in the spring issue of Thrivent magazine.



Vacation Bible School will be June 6-10. Tiffany Weigum has volunteered to be our director. Please contact her if you are willing to help or if you have any questions. Enrollment forms are on the table in the fellowship hall. Please fill them out and return to Tiffany.

Our Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance



Worship: 175 Offerings: \$3,056.40

Because of the risen Christ we have been declared perfect and holy. Our stewardship is a life that shows who we are and whose we are. Each day as God's stewards by the power of the Holy Spirit we become more and more like the perfect people God has already declared us to be.

† This Week at Concordia †

Today 7:30 am *Worship @ Glen Ullin*
 9:15 am Divine Service
 10:15 am Sunday School/Muffins For Moms

Monday 7:00 pm Young Women's Guild @ Church

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

Sunday 7:30 am *Worship @ Glen Ullin*
 9:15 am Divine Service
 10:15 am Sunday School/Bible Class
 11:15 am Potluck Recognition

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*Please fill out a Record of Fellowship Card this morning.
The cards should be filled out whether or not you
attend Communion.
Place completed cards in the collection plate.
Thank you.*