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*For there is one God, and there is one mediator
between God and men, the man Christ Jesus,
who gave himself as a ransom for all.*

1 Timothy 2:5-6a

DIVINE SERVICE Setting One

Hymn of Invocation # 786

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Introit

Your testimonies are righteous forever;
give me understanding that I may live.

Righteous are you, O Lord,
and right are your just decrees.

You have appointed your testimonies in righteousness
and in all faithfulness.

My zeal consumes me,
because my foes forget your words.

Your promise is well tried,
and your servant loves it.

Your righteousness is righteous forever,
and your law is true.

**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.**

Your testimonies are righteous forever;
give me understanding that I may live.

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O Lord, keep Your Church in Your perpetual mercy; and because without You we cannot but fall, preserve us from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; 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: Amos 8:4-7 (ESV)

Hear this, you who trample on the needy and bring the poor of the land to an end, saying, "When will the new moon be over, that we may sell grain? And the Sabbath,

that we may offer wheat for sale, that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great and deal deceitfully with false balances, that we may buy the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals and sell the chaff of the wheat?"

The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: "Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

Gradual

Fear the Lord, you his saints,

for those who fear him lack nothing!

Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

but the Lord delivers him out of them all.

Epistle Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-15 (ESV)

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling; likewise also that women should adorn themselves in respectable apparel, with modesty and self-control, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly attire, but with what is proper for women who profess godliness—with good works. Let a woman learn quietly with all submissiveness. I do not permit a woman to teach or to exercise authority over a man; rather, she is to remain quiet. For Adam was formed first, then Eve; and Adam was not deceived, but the woman was deceived and became a transgressor. Yet she will be saved through childbearing—if they continue in faith and love and holiness, with self-control.

Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel: St. Luke 16:1-15 (ESV)

He also said to the disciples, *"There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.' And the manager said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' He said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.' The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.*

"One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money."

The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed Him. And He said to them, *"You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God."*

Nicene Creed

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Hymn of the Day

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Sermon*"You Cannot Serve God and Money"***Prayer of the Church**

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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: Marilyn Helm, Bernice Herrmann, Mary Jo Larson, & Carolyn Riegel;
- † Amanda Senske & Ryan Holder, united in holy marriage;
- † Tamara Bogo, Leeta Aanderud, & Family, as they mourn the death of Jennings Wardlaw, their son and grandson;
- † The Family of Marvin Bauer, the brother of Anita Flemmer & the step-father of Tom Bornemann, as they mourn his death.

*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.*

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!

Sunday School teachers: We are still in need of a couple of teachers, especially for the pre-school/kindergarten class. If you are willing to help us out, please talk to Terence Schmidt, 873-4898, or Pastor Heller.

Today in Sunday School the children will study the Scripture's account of how the devil tempted Adam and Eve to sin. With the fall into sin came God's punishment of death. During your family devotions this week, discuss the many blessings God gave you that are mentioned in the explanation of the First Article. Note that God "defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil." God does this through His Son, Jesus, who died on the cross that we might be forgiven of all sin. Praise God for His love as you Grow in Christ.

What Is Islam?: To the Western mind, the faith and practice of Islam are often a profound mystery. Please join us today as we begin our "What Is Islam" Bible class. In addition to learning about the "Five Pillars of Islam," we will look at what the Quran says about the role of Abraham, the Trinity, angels and jinn (genies), the attributes of Jesus Christ, the character of Muhammad, Judgment Day, and paradise.

LYF will meet at 11:30 am, right after Sunday School this morning. Please join us as we decide what activities we will do.

Thrivent Membership Appreciation Supper RSVP deadline is Wednesday, September 22nd. Please call Wes or Jane Gunsch, 873-5615. The supper will be Monday, September 27th, 6:00 pm, at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 200 19th Street NW, Beulah.

A special "Thank You" to Millie McKenzie, Norma Sailer and Esther Eisenbeis for the cookies served at the Mission Update last Sunday.

Lutheran Witness: It is time to renew subscriptions. If you are currently receiving the magazine, you will continue receiving it. Anyone who would like to begin receiving the subscription, please email concordiasecretary@westriv.com or call the Church office by Wednesday, September 29th.

The SW Zone LWML Fall Rally is fast approaching! On October 2nd we will begin with registration from 9:30 am — 10:00 am CDT in Underwood at St. John Lutheran Church. We will join together in singing, Bible Study, and a short business meeting. Mission Speakers, Irv and Mary Brunjes, will speak about their experiences in the mission field. We will have an offering for mites and for the St. Andrew Mission Society. There will also be a free will offering for lunch. We will also be gathering non-perishable food items and paper products for the McLean County Food Pantry.

On June 20, 2010 I tragically lost my niece, Nina Holmstrom, to suicide. “Out of the Darkness Walk” is to benefit the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. On October 2, 2010, we will walk at the Bismarck State Capitol, joining with thousands nationwide walking to prevent suicide. We are trying to raise money for vital research and education programs to prevent suicide and save lives, increase national awareness about depression and suicide and assist survivors of suicide loss. Please consider a donation or walking with me and the nation as we try to save a life of someone who may feel they are “Walking in Darkness”. Prayers are also welcome.

Thank you,
Nona Blaisdell



Our Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance

Worship: 125 Offerings: \$3,060.24

Christian stewards are at their best when they offer up prayers, requests and thanksgiving for all people. Praying for others and ourselves is a stewardship act as important as giving money to support the mission and ministry of our churches. Christian stewards are people of prayer!

† **This Week at Concordia** †

Today 7:30 am *Worship @ Glen Ullin*
 9:15 am Divine Service
 10:15 am Sunday School/Bible Class
 11:30 pm LYF
 2:30 pm Pastor @ Knife River Care Center

Monday 7:00 pm Sarah Guild

Tuesday 10:15 am Communion @ Knife River Care Center
 2:00 pm Bible Class

Wednesday 4:00 pm Catechism
 5:15 pm Chime Practice
 6:00 pm Bell Practice

Thursday 6:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal

Friday 4:00 pm Schatz/Weigum Wedding

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 9:15 am Divine Service
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