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

*Do not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road,
while He opened to us the Scriptures?*

Romans 6:9; Luke 24:32

DIVINE SERVICE Setting One

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Introit

Behold, how good and pleasant it is

when brothers dwell in unity!

It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard,
on the beard of Aaron,

running down on the collar of his robes!

It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion!

For there the Lord has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.

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.

Behold, how good and pleasant it is

when brothers dwell in unity!

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O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world.
Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death,
perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who
lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 36-41 (ESV)

But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them.

Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made Him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to Himself." And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation." So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

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: 1 Peter 1:17-25 (ESV)

And if you call on Him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for your sake, who through Him are believers in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; for "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever." And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

Holy Gospel: St. Luke 24:13-35 (ESV)

That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus Himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were kept from recognizing Him. And He said to them, *"What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?"* And they stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered Him, "Are You the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" And He said to them, *"What things?"* And they said to Him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and rulers delivered Him up to be condemned to death, and crucified Him. But we had hoped that He was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, and when they did not find His body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that He was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but Him they did not see." And He said to them, *"O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into His glory?"* And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, He interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself.

So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if He were going farther, but they urged Him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So He went in to stay with them. When He was at table with them, He took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognized Him. And He vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the Scriptures?" And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how He was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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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

In our thoughts and prayers,

- † Our sick and recovering: Blanche Becker, John Blaisdell (Steve’s brother), Berniece Homuth & Carolyn Riegel;
- † Ken & Kim Senske & Family, on the death of Ken’s mother;
- † Those, especially in the southern United States, whose lives have been affected by tornadoes and other natural disasters;
- † For 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!

Special Music: The Handbell choir will ring “Holy Ground” during the offering.

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 as Jesus came to the Ethiopian, He comes to us in our weakness, for we cannot by our own reason or strength come to Him. In your family faith talks, discuss how the Holy Spirit calls, gathers, enlightens and sanctifies us, keeping us with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.




The Lord is my Shepherd: This morning in Bible class, we study the 23rd Psalm.

Council Members, please remember our meeting this Wednesday, May 11, 7:00 p.m.

Pastor Heller will be on vacation May 13—21. In case of emergency, please call Jamey Backus, 873-7673.

Save The Date: Sunday, May 22, 11:00 a.m., is our recognition banquet for our high school graduates and confirmands.



 **Big Jungle Adventure** is the theme of this year's Vacation Bible School. VBS will be June 5-9 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Tiffany Weigum has volunteered to be our director. If you would like to help in any way, please talk to Tiffany.

The Human Care project for May is collecting pasta for Women's Action & Resource Center.

The May calendar, birthday and anniversary sheet, Pray for Us calendar, Council minutes, and "Happy Times" for the children are in the black stacking trays in the fellowship hall. Please feel free to take any forms you wish.

KRCC HAS TALENT SO WE NEED YOU!!!!

Knife River Care Center is hosting its Second American Idol, May 11th, 6:30 p.m. and is looking for contestants for this great event. We would love to show the residents a great time, along with the great talent in our surrounding area. We believe they would enjoy seeing you share your special talents. We ask that you really think about this, and let us know ASAP if you are willing to share your talent.



Please contact Sheryl Misslin, Carey VanPelt or Yvonne Seibel at 873-3274.



Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance

Worship: 94 Offerings: \$ 2,033.00

On Good Friday Jesus shed His holy, precious blood and died for our sins. On that first Easter He rose from the grave to assure us of the forgiveness of sins and life everlasting in His name. Each new day we can make the sign of the cross and be reminded of our baptisms when the Holy Spirit created faith in our hearts.

† This Week at Concordia †

Today 8:30 am Divine Service
 9:30 am Sunday School
 11:00 am *Worship @ Glen Ullin*

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

Wednesday 7:00 pm Council Meeting
 7:00 pm Chime Practice
 7:30 pm Bell practice

Sunday 8:30 am Worship Service
 9:30 am Sunday School/Mission Update

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*Please use a pew card to record your Church and/or
communion attendance this morning.*