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Concordia Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod

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Beulah, North Dakota

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

I am the good shepherd.

I know My own and My own know Me.

Romans 6:9; John 10:14

DIVINE SERVICE

Setting One

Hymn of Invocation # 709

Confession & Absolution p. 151

Introit

The Lord is my shepherd;

I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;

he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul

he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil;

for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies;

thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

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.

Kyrie p. 152

This is the Feast p. 155

Salutation & Collect p. 156

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading: Acts 4:1-12 (ESV)

And as they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

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 John 3:16-24 (ESV)

By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. Whoever keeps his commandments abides in him, and he in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

“Alleluia” p. 156

Holy Gospel: St. John 10:11-18 (ESV)

“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know My own and My own know Me, just as the Father knows Me and I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to My voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves Me, because I lay down My life that I may take it up again. No one takes it from Me, but I lay it down of My own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from My Father.”

Nicene Creed p. 158

Hymn of the Day # 740

Sermon “I Know My Own”

Prayer of the Church

Offering

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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: Tami Bogo & Marilyn Helm;
- † Lyle & Vicky Yeager, on the birth of a grandson, Spencer Lyle;
- † Alvin & Donna Weidner & Family, on the death of Alvin's brother, Donald;
- † Wayne Axtman & Family, as they mourn Myra's death;
- † For favorable weather, that all agricultural endeavors may produce a bountiful harvest.



Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance

Worship: 128 Offerings: \$2,226.00

"Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth" are key words in our Epistle reading for today. God's stewards (His redeemed children) see and respond to needs in God-pleasing and people-blessing ways so that other needy people receive the help they need, whether that is spiritual help, financial help, or a special touch or kindness from a Christian brother or sister.

Church Office Hours
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Welcome to worship on Good Shepherd Sunday. We celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday in the season of Easter to rejoice and find comfort in the victory our Good Shepherd Jesus won for us in His Easter resurrection. We rejoice that our Shepherd leads us through this valley of the shadow of death to the green pastures and still waters of heaven, where we will dwell forever. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

Shepherd's Hill At The Crossroads: At the recent District Convention in January, a resolution was passed that Good Shepherd Sunday, April 29th, be designated Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads Sunday and a special offering be taken for them on that Sunday. Information calendars for Shepherd's Hill At The Crossroads are on the table in the social hall.

Today in Sunday School, the students study the story of "Paul and Timothy". Just as many in Paul's day thought, we think we must do something to be saved. Yet the answer is always Jesus, Jesus, only Jesus, whose resurrection from the dead sealed our salvation and absolved the world. Questions for discussion include *"How are you like Timothy?"* and *"How are we saved from our sin?"*

Topic Leaders will meet Tuesday, May 1, 1:00 p.m.

LYF, grades 8-12 will meet on Sunday, May 6th at 1:00 p.m. Grades 1-7 will meet on Wednesday, May 9th from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

The May calendar, Pray for Us calendar, and March council minutes are in the black stacking trays in the social hall. Please feel free to pick up any copies you wish.

Vacation Bible School: Enrollment forms for Vacation Bible School are on the table in the fellowship hall. On the back of the form are two options for having Bible School. Option A is to have school held all in one week. Option B is to have Bible School one or two nights a week for three or four weeks. Please fill out the form and place in Terence Schmidt's mailbox.

Martin Luther School's Mayfest 2012 will be held on Saturday, May 12th at Ramkota Inn Ballroom, 800 South 3rd Street, Bismarck, ND. The evening begins at 4:30 with a social hour and silent auction. Dinner is served at 5:30 with the live auction beginning at 7:00. Dessert and entertainment will follow the live auction at 8:30. Tickets are \$40 per person or a table of eight can be purchased for \$300. Limited tickets are available, so please purchase early! Tickets are available at the school office, 413 East Avenue D, Bismarck, ND. For more information, please contact the school at 224-9070.



† This Week at Concordia †

Sunday	8:30 am	Divine Service
	9:30 am	Bible Class/Sunday School
	11:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
Tuesday	1:00 pm	Topic Leaders
	2:00 pm	Bible Class
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Chime Practice
	7:00 pm	<i>Adult Instruction @ Glen Ullin</i>
	7:30 pm	Bell Practice
Thursday	1:30 pm	Vesper Guild
Saturday		Pastor @ District Meeting
Sunday	8:30 am	Divine Service
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	11:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
	1:00 pm	LYF Meeting, Grades 8-12

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