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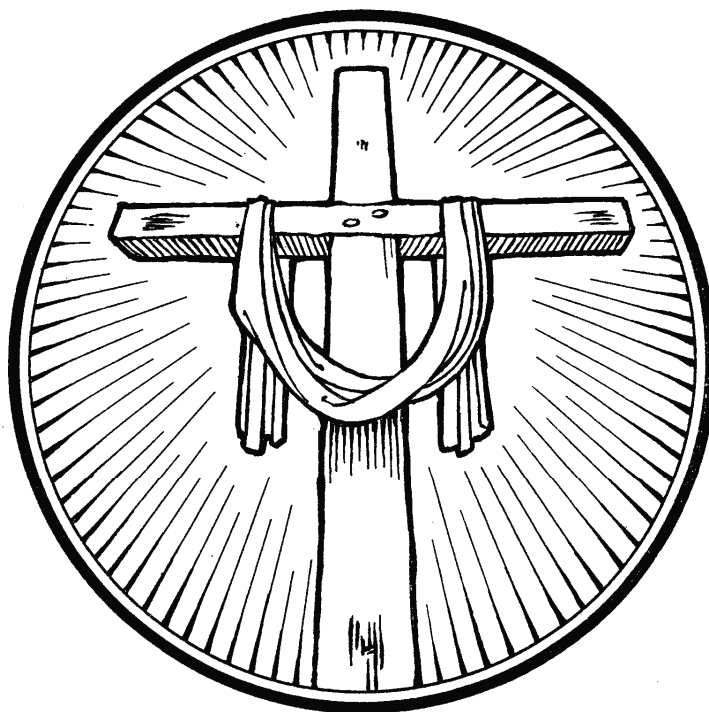
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*Christ Jesus abolished death and brought life
and immortality to light through the gospel.*

2 Timothy 1:10b

Please rise

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And with your spirit.

P: Christ is risen.

C: He is risen indeed.

P: Let us pray.

Almighty God the Father, through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ, you have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us go forth in peace,

C: In the name of the Lord.

Processional Hymn # 457

The ornaments and the paraments, previously stripped from the altar for the solemn service of Good Friday, are returned to the altar as an expression of our joy on this festival of our Lord's resurrection.

Psalm 16

Preserve me, O God,

for in you I take refuge.

I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord;

I have no good apart from you.

As for the saints in the land,

they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight.

The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply;

their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or

take their names on my lips.

The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup;

you hold my lot.

The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places,

indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

I bless the Lord who gives me counsel;

in the night also my heart instructs me.

I have set the Lord always before me;

because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;

my flesh also dwells secure.

For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,

or let your holy one see corruption.

You make known to me the path of life;

in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures 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.

Kyrie p. 152

“This is the Feast” p. 155

Salutation & Collect p. 156

O God, for our redemption You gave Your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross and by His glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of the enemy. Grant that all our sin may be drowned through daily repentance and that day by day we may arise to live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Job 19:23-27 (ESV)

"Oh that my words were written!

Oh that they were inscribed in a book!

Oh that with an iron pen and lead they were engraved in the rock forever!

For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth.

And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

My heart faints within me!

The Handchime Choir will ring “Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 5:6-8 (ESV)

Your boasting is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

“Alleluia” p. 156

Holy Gospel: Mark 16:1-8 (ESV)

When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Him.

And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large.

And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His disciples and Peter that He is going before you to Galilee. There you will see Him, just as He told you."

And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Nicene Creed p. 158

Hymn of the Day # 480

Sermon The Path of Life

Prayer of the Church

Offering

During the gathering of our morning offerings, the Handbell Choir will ring "Christ the Lord is Risen Today".

“What Shall I Render” p. 159

Service of the Sacrament p. 160

Distribution Hymns # 461, 633

“Thank the Lord” p. 164

Post-Communion Collect p. 166

Benediction p. 166

Closing Hymn # 465

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,

† Kathy Baszler, Max Boyer (Cindy Peterson's father), Rev. Dean Hartley, Gene Heller (Pastor's father), and Becky Thornton (Pastor's sister);

† Our Nursing Home residents, that God would keep them under His gracious care.



Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance

Worship: 138 Offerings: \$4,268.00

St. Paul (by inspiration of the Holy Spirit) begins this classic resurrection chapter with the assurance that Jesus really did die for our sins and really did rise from death on that first Easter. Peter and the other eye witnesses to the resurrection of Jesus were never the same again. They lived the rest of their lives as God's redeemed people who are freed up for witness and good works. Easter is a powerful reminder that we are also the redeemed people of God who are empowered for lives of good works. The resurrection of Jesus is the power and inspiration for our lives as God's stewards of all that He has entrusted to us.

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Welcome to worship as we rejoice in the empty tomb of Easter. We rejoice in the words of St. Paul, "Death has been swallowed up in victory" (1 Corinthians 15:57). Death and the grave have been defeated forever by the Easter resurrection of our Lord Jesus. We especially rejoice and give thanks that the resurrection of Christ means that we and all believers will rise to eternal life in Christ. As He lives, we live today and for all eternity in Him. Alleluia! Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

We would like to thank:

- † the LYF for serving breakfast this morning and all who donated food and helped dye eggs;
- † those who brought Easter lilies for the altar, you are welcome to take your plant home following worship;
- † those who brought soup, sandwiches & dessert during Lent;
- † Cindy and the Bell & Chime choirs for their special music this morning and throughout Lent.

Concordia is hosting the SW Zone LWML Spring Rally on Saturday, April 14th. All ladies of Concordia are invited to attend. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. Nikki Stevens will be speaking about her mission trip to Kenya. There will be devotions, singing, Bible study, music by the Bell Choir, and lunch. Please join us for a fun afternoon!

Hazen Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will be hosting their annual Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings and homemade pie on Sunday, April 15th, at the Hazen City Hall from 11:00 a.m. –1:00 p.m. There will be a free-will offering. All proceeds will be used towards new equipment and other needs in the X-ray Department. Supplemental income has been applied for from Oliver, Mercer Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Chapter # 31353. We hope to see you there!



Knife River Care Center Activity Department is sponsoring a Fleischkuechle Fundraiser on Sunday, April 15th, at the Beulah Civic Center starting at 11:00 a.m. All proceeds will go towards furthering the education of their Activity Professionals.

The April calendar, birthday and anniversary sheet, Pray for Us calendar, and council minutes are in the black stacking trays in the fellowship hall. Please feel free to pick up your copies.



The April Human Care Project is collecting paper products for Women’s Action & Resource Center. A table has been set up in the entryway for your donations.

† This Week at Concordia †

Sunday	Easter Sunday 7:00 am Easter Breakfast 8:30 am Divine Service <i>11:00 am Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
Monday	Church Office closed
Tuesday	10:00 am KRCC Communion 2:00 pm Bible Class
Wednesday	7:00 pm Chime Practice 7:30 pm Bell Practice
Thursday	7:00 pm LWML Joint Meeting
Friday - Saturday	Pastor @ District Meeting
Saturday	10:00 am LWML SW Zone Spring Rally
Sunday	8:30 am Worship 9:30 am Bible Class/Sunday School 11:00 am Worship @ Glen Ullin

Church Office Hours

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