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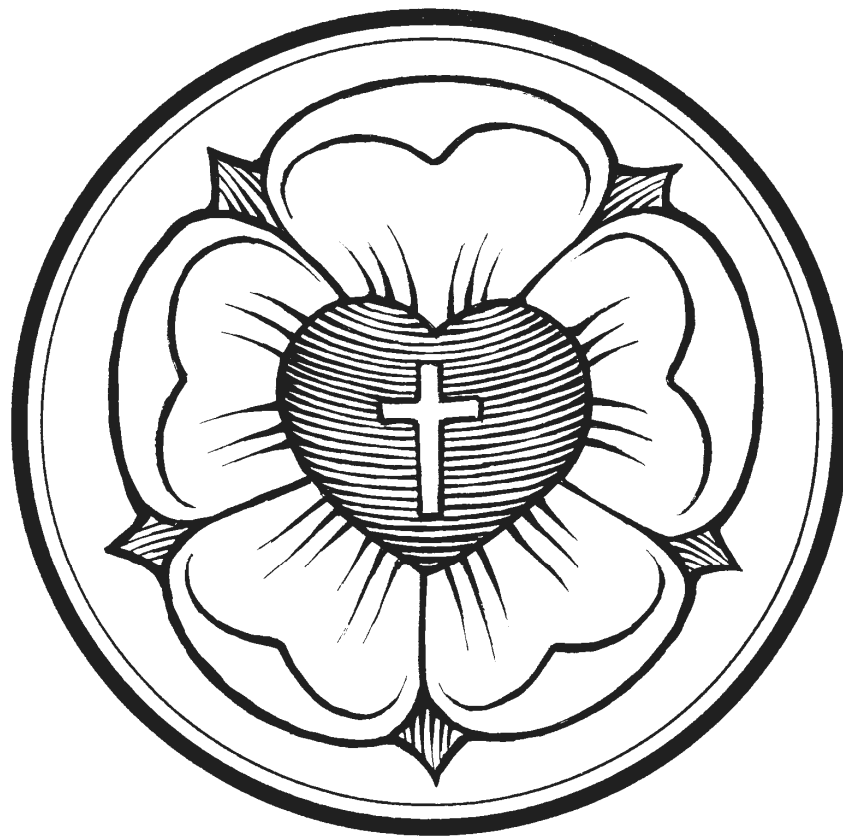
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*Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good
pleasure to give you the kingdom.*

Luke 12:32

DIVINE SERVICE Setting One

Hymn of Invocation # 947

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Introit

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, O Lord,
and shall not be put to shame.

I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the Lord;
let the humble hear and be glad.

Come, O children, listen to me;
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

The Lord redeems the life of his servants;
none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

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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and shall not be put to shame.

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Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading: Revelation 14:6-7 (ESV)

Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

Gradual

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised
in the city of our God!

Walk about Zion, go around her, number her towers,
consider well her ramparts, go through her citadels,
that you may tell the next generation
that this is God, our God forever and ever.

Epistle Reading: Romans 3:19-28 (ESV)

Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

“Alleluia”

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Holy Gospel: St. John 8:31-36 (ESV)

So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in Him, *"If you abide in My word, you are truly My disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."* They answered Him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that You say, 'You will become free'?"

Jesus answered them, *"Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."*

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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,

† Art Mueller (Leeta Aanderud’s father), hospitalized.



Our Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance

Worship: 120 Offering: \$2,353.00

God’s redeemed stewards recognize the truth that we can never do enough to earn our way into God’s heaven. Our salvation is a gracious gift of God that our Savior bled and died to gain for us. We do our good works as a response to God’s love not as a way to earn God’s favor.

We are the North Dakota District...

This Wednesday is a very significant date for you as a Lutheran. On October 31, 1517, Martin Luther nailed the 95 Theses on the Wittenberg Castle Church Door. This began the Reformation. Our Church body is about Grace Alone, Faith Alone, Scripture Alone — Christ Alone. Rejoice this week with the truth that you are “saved by grace through faith in Christ Jesus.” Happy Reformation Week!

Welcome to worship as we celebrate the Feast of the Reformation. On October 31, 1517, God raised up His servant, Martin Luther, to nail his 95 Theses (the 95 “Protests”) to the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany. The 95 Theses were protests against the doctrine and practices of the Church of Rome, which taught that forgiveness was not free, but had to be bought or earned. The celebration of the Reformation is not a nice history lesson or merely a story of a heroic churchman who defied the established church. Rather, it is the Good News that Christ freely forgives through His Word. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

Welcome to Rev. Joel Brandvold, the director of Shepherd’s Hill at the Crossroads. Shepherd’s Hill at the Crossroads is a Bible camp near St. John, ND, which offers year-around outdoor ministry. Please join us for Bible Class this morning as Rev. Brandvold will be sharing more with us about Shepherd’s Hill.

Today in Sunday School, students learn how God used Ruth to accomplish His purposes for our salvation. Through her family God brought forth His Son, the Savior of all people including Jews and Gentiles, men and women. Parents could ask, *“How did Ruth demonstrate her trust in God? How does God help us to trust in Him?”*

Nominations for Church officers are posted on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall. Please note that we are in need of someone to fill a position on the Finance Committee. If you are interested, please talk to Glenn Renner, 948-2534, or Pastor.

Adult Instruction will meet Monday, October 29, 6:30 pm. Anyone interested in becoming a communicant member of Concordia or learning more about the Christian faith is invited to join us. For more information, please talk to Pastor Heller.

Attention: Next Sunday’s bulletin will be printed on Wednesday morning, October 31st. Please try to have any announcements turned in to the church office no later than 9:00 am on Wednesday morning. Thank you.

Trunk or Treat: Concordia will be hosting **Trunk or Treat** on Wednesday, October 31st from 4:30-6:30 pm. Donations of Halloween candy can be placed in the kitchen. In case of unfavorable weather, we will be hosting the event in the education wing. Please consider joining us in the fun! Contact Vicky Yeager, 873-5647, if you have any questions.

Greeters are needed for the months of November and December. A form is on the bulletin board in the social hall.



Daylight savings time ends Sunday, November 4th. Remember to set your clocks back one hour Saturday night.

We welcome to the family of Concordia LeRoy and Clare Renner, who join us by transfer from St. Matthew, Hazen.

+ This Week at Concordia +

Sunday	8:30 am	Divine Service
	9:30 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	11:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
Tuesday	2:00 pm	Bible Class
Wednesday	9:00 am	Deadline for November calendar items and November 4 th bulletin information.
	4:30-6:30	Trunk or Treat
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	9:30 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	11:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>

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