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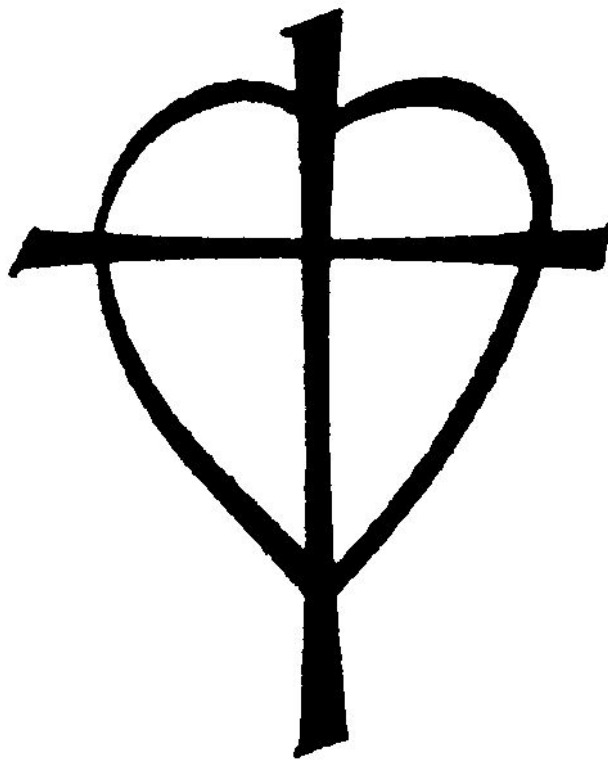
The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod

801 Beacon Lane

Beulah, North Dakota

Rev. Toby H. Heller, Pastor

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Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
Jeremiah 15:16a

DIVINE SERVICE Setting One

Hymn of Invocation # 905

Confession & Absolution p. 151

Introit

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin!

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit.

**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.**

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin!

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Glory to God p. 154

Salutation & Collect p. 156

O God, the source of all that is just and good, nourish in us every virtue and bring to completion every good intent that we may grow in grace and bring forth the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9 (ESV)

"And now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the rules that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the Lord, the God of your fathers, is giving you. You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the Lord your God that I command you.

Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.' For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the

Lord our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? And what great nation is there, that has statutes and rules so righteous as all this law that I set before you today?

"Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children's children.

Epistle Reading: Ephesians 6:10-20 (ESV)

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

"Alleluia" p. 156

Holy Gospel: St. Mark 7:14-23 (ESV)

And He called the people to Him again and said to them, *"Hear Me, all of you, and understand: There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him."*

And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. And he said to them, "Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?" (Thus he declared all foods clean.) And he said, "What comes out of a person is what defiles him. For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft,

murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

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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 & recovering: Kathy Baszler, Larry Hartman, & Julie Westemeier;

† Anita Flemmer, as she celebrates her 80th birthday;

† The family of Ruth Helm, as they mourn her death;

† For favorable weather, that all agricultural endeavors may produce a bountiful harvest.



Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance

Attendance: 102 Offerings: 2,515.00

Stewards are like warriors who equip themselves for action. Because the devil is so active in our world we can find it challenging to live as God's faithful stewards. Prayer helps to keep us in close contact with our God who will strengthen us to live productive lives as His stewards.

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!

Open House: There will be an open house to honor Anita Flemmer on her 80th birthday today, September 2nd, 3:00—5:00 pm. at the Church. Everyone is invited to celebrate with Anita.



Sunday School begins next Sunday, September 9th. Students and teachers are needed! Enrollment forms are on the table in the social hall. If you are willing to teach or substitute teach, please indicate it on the form. Please put all completed forms in Terence Schmidt's mailbox.

Bible Class: DEATH...Then What? is the title of our study we begin next Sunday, September 9th. Why now? Why her? Why him? Why me? Where is God? What happens after I take my last breath? Death is not anyone's favorite topic, but it is something we must deal with sooner or later. Join us as we find answers in our crucified and risen Lord!



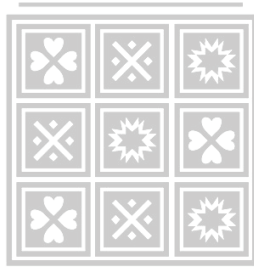
LWML Retreat: Have you registered yet for the 2012 ND LWML Women's Retreat to be held at the Chieftain Motel, Carrington, ND the weekend of September 14-16? Bible Study leader, Rev. David Suelzle and Guest Speaker, Mary Hilgendorf, will educate and encourage us to grow in our unique gifts of serving the Lord together. Come and join us for this special weekend. Talk to Mary Jo Larson for registration and more information.

Greeters are needed for the months of September, November and December. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the social hall.

It has so pleased God in His wise grace to call from this vale of tears unto Himself in heaven the soul of our dear sister in the faith, Ruth Helm. Christian Burial was Friday, August 31, 2012. “Lord, now you are letting Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word (Luke 2:29).”

The September calendar, birthday and anniversary sheet, July Council Minutes, “Happy Times” for the children and Pray for Us Calendar are in the black stacking trays in the social hall.

Shepherd’s Hill: Plan to drive scenic Highway 43 to get to Shepherd’s Hill at the Crossroads for the 15th Annual Quilt, Craft and Culinary Arts Auction, next Saturday, September 8th, 2012! The day begins at 1:00 PM with an Open House and opportunity to view the quilts. Tangled Blue will be there with a couple of songs for your enjoyment. The auction begins at 2:00 PM with a light supper to follow. At 7:00 PM Tangled Blue will bless us with a concert to close



out the evening. For those wanting to stay — we will have a worship service on Sunday morning with Tangled blue leading the music. Make plans now to attend this event. We can’t do it without YOU!! Come join us next Saturday.

We are the North Dakota District...

The “Bold Witnesses” District Standing Committee is planning a conference for pastors and laity called “Confessing the Faith in the 21st Century” on Saturday, October 27, 2012, 9am-5pm at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Fargo. One of the main speakers is Adriane Dorr, managing editor of the *Lutheran Witness*. Dorr will speak on “Confessing the Faith through the *Lutheran Witness*” and “Women’s Role in the Church.” The other speaker is Rev. Jonathan Fisk, speaking on “Confessing the Faith through the Internet” and “Why the Small Catechism Totally Rocks.” For more information, contact Rev. Mark Chepulis in Cavalier or Rev. Adam Moline in Hankinson.

† This Week at Concordia †

Sunday	8:30 am 10:30 am	Divine Service <i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
Monday	Church Office Closed	
Tuesday	2:00 pm	Bible Class
Wednesday	3:30 pm 4:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	LYF - Grades 2-6 Catechism Meeting Chime Practice Bell Practice
Thursday	7:00 pm	LWML Joint Meeting
Sunday	8:30 am 9:30 am 10:30 am 11:00 am	Divine Service Sunday School/Bible Class LYF - Grades 7-12 <i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>

<p style="text-align: center;">Church Office Hours Monday - Friday 8:30 AM—12:30 PM Church: 873-4388 Parsonage: 873-4223 revheller@westriv.com concordiasecretary@westriv.com Website: www.concordiabeulah.org</p>

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