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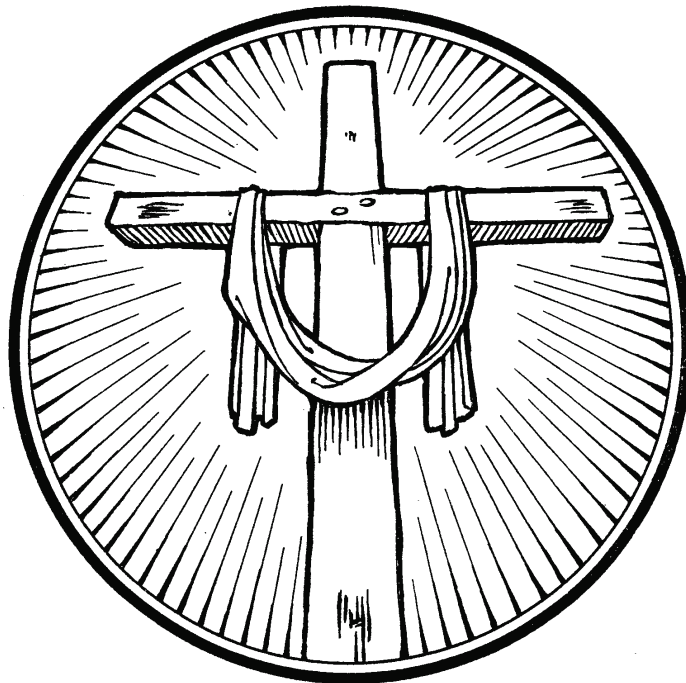
The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod

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Beulah, North Dakota

Rev. Toby H. Heller, Pastor

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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.

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"This is the Feast" p. 155

Salutation & Collect p. 156

Almighty God, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. We humbly pray that we may live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading: Acts 10:34-43 (ESV)

So Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Epistle: Colossians 3:1-4 (ESV)

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

"Alleluia"

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Holy Gospel: Matthew 28:1-10 (ESV)

Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came

and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for He has risen, as He said. Come, see the place where He lay. Then go quickly and tell His disciples that He has risen from the dead, and behold, He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see Him. See, I have told you." So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell His disciples. And behold, Jesus met them and said, "*Greetings!*" And they came up and took hold of His feet and worshiped Him. Then Jesus said to them, "*Do not be afraid; go and tell My brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see Me.*"

Nicene Creed p. 158

Hymn of the Day # 458 (st. 1-4, 7)

Sermon The King Raised

Prayer of the Church

Offering

The Handbells will ring "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" during the gathering of our morning offerings.

"What Shall I Render" p. 159

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Distribution Hymns # 633, 619, 632

"Thank the Lord" p. 164

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Benediction p. 166

Closing Hymn # 461

The Handchimes will ring along with the organ during the closing hymn, "I Know That My Redeemer Lives".

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,

† Myrna Prawdzik (Marty Black's mother), Chris Reamer (Marty Black's sister), Lorena Scheid, & Bob Schriefer.

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Worship:134 Offerings: \$3,954.00

And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; He is not here." The Good News is not just that Jesus is risen, but that He is risen to bless us: there is no need to be alarmed. He still calls us His friends and brothers and means to bring us through death to resurrection as well. The Lord is risen, He is risen indeed!

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!



Please join us for breakfast after worship this morning.

The family of Concordia would like to thank:

- † the LYF for serving breakfast this morning and all who donated and help 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.

Sarah Guild: Please bring your Spring 2014 issue of *Lutheran Women's Quarterly* to the Guild meeting.

The LWML Spring Rally will be held Saturday, April 26th at St. Peter Lutheran Church, Hannover. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. and lunch will be provided. The theme is "Go and Do". A flyer is posted on the LWML bulletin board for additional information. All ladies are invited!



The April Human Care project is collecting paper products for Women's Action & Resource Center. Some items may include bathroom tissue, paper towels, Kleenex and napkins.



We are the North Dakota District...

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! We gather this Easter Day, confessing that Jesus Christ physically rose from the dead for our salvation. As Jesus rose from the dead, so we too are raised from sin and death to forgiveness and eternal life. As we teach our children this faith in the Risen Christ, I ask for your prayers and gifts to Martin Luther School and its annual Mayfest event, which raises funds to shape and form our children in the Lutheran Faith. The school number is 701-224-9070.

- President Baneck

† **This Week at Concordia** †

Sunday **Easter Sunday**
 8:30 am Divine Service
 9:30 am Easter Breakfast
 11:00 am *Worship @ Glen Ullin*

Monday 7:00 pm Sarah Guild

Tuesday 2:00 pm Bible Class

Wednesday 3:30 pm 1st Year Catechism
 7:00 pm Chime Practice
 7:30 pm Bell Practice

Thursday 9:00 am Deadline for May calendar
 information

Sunday 8:30 am Divine Service
 9:30 am Sunday School/Bible Class
 11:00 am *Worship @ Glen Ullin*
 2:00 pm Holder Baby Shower
 2:30 pm Pastor @ Knife River Care
 Center

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