

Concordia Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

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1st Sunday in Advent



*Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up,
O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
[Psalm 24:7]*

DIVINE SERVICE

Setting Three

Hymn of Invocation

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Confession & Absolution

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Introit

Behold, your king is coming to you;

righteous and having salvation.

To you, O Lord,

I lift up my soul.

O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame;

let not my enemies exult over me.

Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame;

**they shall be ashamed who are wantonly
treacherous.**

Behold, your king is coming to you;

righteous and having salvation.

Gloria Patri

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Kyrie

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Gloria In Excelsis: *omitted during Advent*

Salutation & Collect

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Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Isaiah 64:1-9 (ESV)

Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence—as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, and that the nations might tremble at your presence!

When you did awesome things that we did not look for, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.

From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him.

You meet him who joyfully works righteousness, those who remember you in your ways.

Behold, you were angry, and we sinned; in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved?

We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment.

We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.

There is no one who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities.

But now, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand.

Be not so terribly angry, O Lord, and remember not iniquity forever. Behold, please look, we are all your people.

Gradual

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion.

Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem.

Behold, your king is coming to you;

righteous and having salvation.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

From the house of the Lord we bless you.

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 (ESV)

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—so that you are not lacking in any

spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

“Alleluia”

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Holy Gospel: St. Mark 11:1-10 (ESV)

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of His disciples and said to them, *"Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.' "* And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and He sat on it. And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!"

Nicene Creed

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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,

- † Esther Bornemann, Judy Jose, Avery Sukut (cousin of Amy Bieber), & Lowell Zuther (brother of Clare Renner);
- † Our new members, Tamara, Jessica, & Mandy.



Stewardship of Offerings & Attendance

Attendance: 103 Offerings: \$2,675.00

“God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.” The faithfulness of God is our great comfort. He has made promises to us and He will keep them. He is kind and loving toward us and will not break faith with us. This gives us the confidence to step out in faith, not fear, when it comes to following the Lord’s commandments for our daily lives: we know His will is best; God is faithful.

Welcome to worship this morning as we begin a new Church year on this 1st Sunday in Advent. In this season, we prepare ourselves to welcome our King Jesus who first came to us at His birth at Christmas. As we live in the time between His first and second coming, we rejoice that Jesus comes to us through His Word and Sacraments to forgive our sins and strengthen our faith. Alive in Christ, we are ready at all times to welcome our King at His final coming. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

Today, we welcome to the family of Concordia Tamara Bogo, Jessica Hartman, & Mandy Senske. Having been instructed in the Six chief Parts of Christian doctrine, they today confess their faith in Christ Jesus and their desire to be a member of this Church. “Whosoever confesses Me before men, I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven” (Matthew 10:32).

There will be no Sunday School or Bible class this morning. Please join us for coffee in the social hall following worship.



Christmas cards are for sale in the social hall.

Ladies of Concordia are invited to a Christmas luncheon at St. Peter Lutheran Church, Hannover, at noon on Wednesday, December 3rd.

“Great Expectations” is the theme of our mid-week Advent services. Our mid-week services begin this Wednesday, December 3rd, 6:30 pm. Please join us for soup and sandwiches at 5:30 pm served by the LWML.

The Children’s Christmas Program will be Sunday, December 21st. If you would like your child(ren) to be in the program, please let Anne Rosenow or Joslyn Frey know.



LYF Silent Basket Auction will begin November 30th and end December 21st. The proceeds will begin the 2016 National Youth Gathering fundraising for those youth planning on attending the gathering in New Orleans.

The December calendar, birthday and anniversary sheet and the October council minutes are in the black stacking trays in the social hall.

Church Cancellation: In the event that worship or other activities need to be canceled, especially because of weather, please check the church's website, www.concordiabeulah.org. We will also send out an email notification when worship is canceled for those members who have provided the church office with an email address. You should also be able to call the church for information on cancellations.



Poinsettias for the altar can be brought at any time. They will be placed at the altar as soon as they are received. If you have any questions call Vicky Yeager, 873-5647.

“Thank You” to everyone who helped with the flower bed in front of the church this summer. Thank you for cleaning the flower beds, planting the flowers, watering and weeding. It is with all of your help that the flowers were beautiful all summer.

† This Week at Concordia †

Sunday	8:30 am 11:00 am	Divine Service <i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
Tuesday	2:00 pm	Bible Class
Wednesday	3:30 pm 4:30 pm 5:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:15 pm 7:45 pm	2 nd Year Catechism 3 rd Year Catechism Soup/Sandwiches - LWML Advent Service Chime Practice Bell Practice
Thursday	1:30 pm 7:00 pm	Vesper/Naomi Guild @ Knife River Care Center <i>Advent Service @ Glen Ullin</i>
Sunday	8:30 am 9:30 am 9:30 am 11:00 am	Divine Service Program Practice/Bible Class LYF Meeting <i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>

Church Office Hours

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