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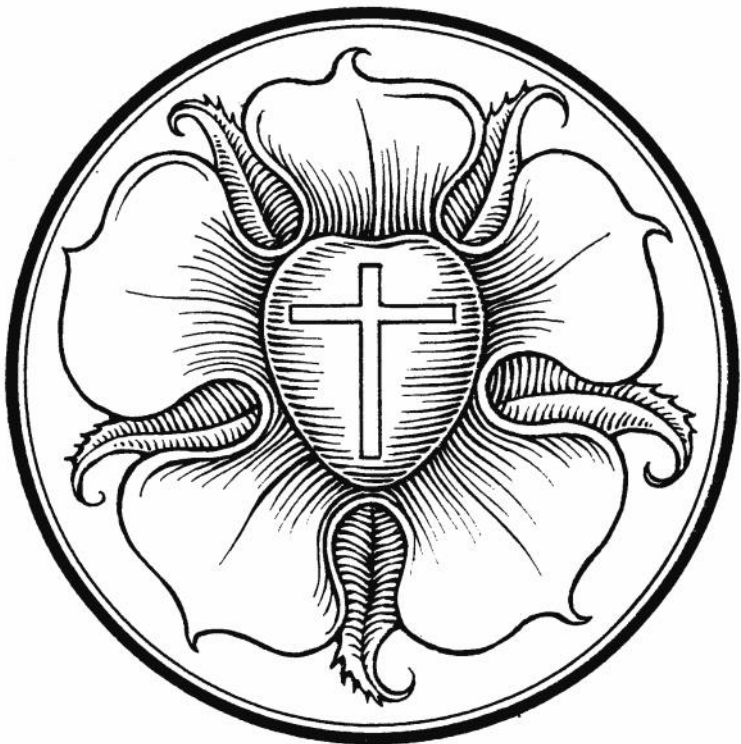
Beulah, North Dakota

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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

Confession & Absolution

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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.

Kyrie

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Glory to God

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Salutation & Collect

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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."

The Handchime Choir will ring "Thy Word" following the First Reading.

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.”*

Nicene Creed

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Hymn of the Day

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Sermon: The Reformation: October 31, 1517 - ???

Prayer of the Church

Offering

“What Shall I Render”

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Service of the Sacrament

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Distribution Hymns

566 (st. 1-4), 617, 627

“Thank the Lord”

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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,

† Evelyn Eisenbeis, Judy Jose, Avery Sukut (cousin of Amy Bieber), & Lowell Zuther (brother of Clare Renner).



Stewardship of Offerings & Attendance

Worship: 103 Offerings: \$2,021.25

“So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed”. Despite the false charges brought against him, Luther said that he was “the apostle of good works.” For only in being set free by the Gospel can we do good works. Jesus has set us free: His blood washes away our sins and now, we stand before God as His beloved children, invited to live our lives to His glory for the good of His kingdom.

We are the North Dakota District...

The District Board of Directors is recommending to the district the approval of “Planting a New Church Guidelines.” The full guidelines will be printed in the convention workbook. The proposed guidelines include a mother congregation issuing the call for the new mission planter pastor. These guidelines also include the funding for the new church starts coming from the district. District funding comes from the mission dollars of the congregations.

President Baneck

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 the Good News that Christ freely forgives through His Word. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

Bibles: This morning, 3rd, 4th, 5th, & 6th-graders will be presented with Bibles. This is a new effort in behalf of the congregation to put the Word of God into each of our youth’s hands.



“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it” (Is. 55:10-11).

Augsburg Confession: Please join us for Bible class this morning as we continue our study of the Augsburg Confession.

Baby Shower: A baby shower for River Kenneth and Hollis Kate Senske, children of Sean & Mandy Senske, will be held this afternoon at 2:00 pm in the social hall. Everyone is invited to attend and welcome River & Hollis into the family of Concordia.



Adult Catechism: Our Adult Catechism class continues Monday, October 27th, 6:30 pm. Anyone who desires to become a communicant member of Concordia or simply learn more about the Christian faith is invited to join us.

Trunk or Treat: Concordia will again be hosting Trunk or Treat on Halloween, October 31st, 5:00-6:30 pm. Candy donations can be placed in the kitchen. We are in need of “trunks” to hand out treats. Please consider joining us for fun!

Zion Lutheran Church, Bismarck, is planning to honor Rev. Thomas Marcis, Jr. for his 25 years of service to the congregation with a potluck recognition on Sunday, November 2nd, 12:00 pm. A brief program will follow the meal.

Nominations are posted in the social hall. If you would like to submit additional nominations for any offices, please talk to Glen Renner.

Voters Meeting is Sunday, November 16th, following worship. Unapproved minutes from the February 23rd voters meeting are on the table in the social hall.



Daylight-saving time ends Sunday, November 2nd. Remember to set your clocks back one hour Saturday night.

Deane Weidner would like to say “*Thank You*” for all the prayers and cards she received while hospitalized and during her recovery.

† 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>
	2:00 pm	Senske Baby Shower
Monday	6:30 pm	Adult Catechism
Tuesday	Pastor @ meeting	
Wednesday	3:30 pm	2 nd -Year Catechism
	4:30 pm	3 rd -Year Catechism
	7:00 pm	Handchime Practice
	7:30 pm	Handbell Practice
Thursday	9:00 am	Deadline for November calendar information
Friday	5:00 – 6:30 pm	Trunk or Treat
Sunday	8:30 am	Divine Service
	9:30 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	11:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM

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