

Concordia Lutheran Church

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All Saints' Sunday



*Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,
let us look to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith.*

Hebrews 12:1a, 2a

DIVINE SERVICE Setting One

Hymn of Invocation # 677

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Introit

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

In you, O Lord, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame;

in your righteousness deliver me.

For you are my rock and my fortress;

and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me.

Into your hand I commit my spirit;

you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.

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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Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Lesson: Revelation 7:9-17 (ESV)

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat.

For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Gradual

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Blessed are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

Epistle Reading: 1 John 3:1-3 (ESV)

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we will be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

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Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 5:1-12 (ESV)

Seeing the crowds, He went up on the mountain, and when He sat down, His disciples came to Him.

And He opened His mouth and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on My account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

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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,

† The family of Berniece Homuth, as they mourn her death;

† Jim & Marty Black & family, as they mourn the death of Marty's mother, Myrna Prawdzik.

Welcome to worship as we celebrate All Saints' Sunday. The Lord's Church celebrates All Saints' to remember those who have died in the faith. We remember the grace of God in bringing them to faith and in preserving them in that faith in every joy and sorrow of earthly life. Especially, we remember how they served God, often in the face of persecution, even death. We do not worship the saints, pray to them, or ask them for help in living a Christian life. But, we do honor their memory and we pray that God would give us grace to imitate them in all virtuous and godly living. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

Our Voters Meeting will be Sunday, November 19th, following worship. Among the items of business will be the election of congregational officers and the adoption of the 2018 budget. Nominations are posted on the bulletin board and unapproved minutes from the February 19, 2017, meeting are also on the table in the social hall. Potluck will follow the voters meeting.

Council Members, we will meet this Wednesday, November 8th, 6:00 pm. Please have your 2018 budget numbers ready for the meeting.

Children's Christmas Program: We are in need of a director for the children's program. If you would like to volunteer, please talk to Terence Schmidt or Pastor Heller.

Thank you to all who helped make Trunk or Treat a huge success! We especially thank those who donated candy and handed out candy.

Lay Delegate: Concordia is in need of a lay delegate to represent the congregation at the 2018 District Convention, January 21-24, in Dickinson. Please talk to Pastor Heller or Jamey Backus if you are interested.

iPad: We are looking for individuals to run the Church Music Solutions recording on an Apple iPad for worship. If you are interested or have questions, please talk to Pastor Heller.

Thank you Gayleen Briggs, Melissa Voegele, and Julie Voigt for providing bars/ cookies for everyone during the month of October.

Our Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance

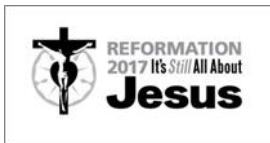
Worship: 153 Offerings: \$3,860.00

“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.” This is one of many Bible passages that remind us that we reap what we sow. Likewise, what God puts into us (His own love, mercy, kindness, and generosity) – flows back out of us. For it all starts with His self-giving!

† This Week at Concordia †

Sunday	8:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
	10:00 am	Divine Service
	11:00 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
Tuesday	2:00 pm	Bible Class
Wednesday	3:30 pm	Catechism
	6:00 pm	Council Meeting
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Crux sola est nostra theologia.



The cross alone is our theology. God's love is manifest in Jesus' sacrificial death on the cross. God's love is fulfilled through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. With the New Testament, we proclaim Christ and Him crucified.

