

# Concordia Lutheran Church

*The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod*

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6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany



*Walk in love,  
as Christ loved us and gave Himself up for us,  
a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.*

*Ephesians 5:2*

**Divine Service**                      Setting One

**Hymn of Invocation**                # 686

**Confession & Absolution**        p. 151

**Introit**

The Lord has made known his salvation;

**he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;

**the world and those who dwell in it!**

Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together before the Lord,

**for he comes to judge the earth.**

He will judge the world with righteousness,

**and the peoples with equity.**

**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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**Kyrie**                                      p. 152

**Gloria in Excelsis**                    p. 154

**Salutation & Collect**                p. 156

O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Old Testament Reading:** Deuteronomy 30:15-20 (ESV)

"See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I command you today, by loving the Lord your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it.

But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the Lord swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

### **Gradual**

Praise the Lord, all nations!

**Extol him, all peoples!**

For great is his steadfast love toward us,

**and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.**

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;

**bring an offering, and come into his courts!**

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

But I, brothers, could not address you as spiritual people, but as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for it. And even now you are not yet ready, for you are still of the flesh. For while there is jealousy and strife among you, are you not of the flesh and behaving only in a human way? For when one says, "I follow Paul," and another, "I follow Apollos," are you not being merely human?

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building.

**"Alleluia"**

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**Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 5:21-37 (ESV)**

*[Jesus says] "You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, 'You fool!' will be liable to the hell of fire. So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny."*

*"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body go into hell."*

*"It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' But I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of sexual immorality, makes her commit adultery. And whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery."*

*"Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform to the Lord what you have sworn.' But I say to you, Do not take an oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not take an oath by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let what you say be simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything more than this comes from evil."*

<b>Hymn of the Day</b>	# 394
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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,**  
 † Rev. Allan Eppen (Edgeley/Forbes),  
 Ray Lang (brother of Lorraine Sorge), &  
 Derek Sullivan.

**Welcome to worship** as Jesus reveals Himself to us as the Son of God in this season of Epiphany. This season teaches us that when we see and hear Jesus, we see and hear God. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!



**Please join us** for Bible class this morning as we continue Every One His Witness.

**Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith.** Hebrews 13:7 will serve as the theme for our mid-week Lent services starting on Ash Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm. Our midweek services will focus on Old Testament leaders as spoken of in Hebrews 11, including Abel, Noah, Abraham, Joseph, and Moses. Soup and sandwiches will be served at 5:30 pm by Group 1. Sign-up sheets are in the kitchen to indicate if you want to bring soup, sandwiches or a dessert.



**The February Human Care Project** is collecting tuna for Women's Action & Resource Center. Please leave your donations in the shelving units in the entryway of the Church. Thank you.



West River Transit is offering a free ride to church every Sunday to anyone needing a ride.

Please call 701-391-7682 for reservations.

*First come, first serve.*





### **Our Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance**

Worship: 102 Offerings: \$2,445.00

*“So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything,  
but only God who gives the growth.”*

1 Cor. 3:7

Isn't that the truth! It's not just true about preachers like Paul; it's true about all of us in the Christian life. God can do such wonderful things with our feeble efforts. This is so very true of our gifts to the Lord's work in the church. From His generous giving to us, we learn to give generously. Then the Lord blesses this response to His grace in turn, and He uses our very giving to continue to bless us in the church where we hear of His gracious generosity to us. The cycle repeats, and the Lord gives growth!

## **+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
Monday	7:00 pm	Sarah Guild
Wednesday	4:00 pm	Catechism
Thursday	6:00 pm	Girl Scouts
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### **Church Office Hours**

Monday - Friday 8:00 AM—12:00 PM

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