

Concordia Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

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All Saints' Day



*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

Confession & Absolution p. 151

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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Kyrie p. 152

This Is the Feast p. 155

Salutation & Collect p. 156

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 Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

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

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.

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.

"Alleluia" p. 156

Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 5:1-12

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.

Nicene Creed p. 158

Hymn of the Day # 672

Sermon: *"Standing before the throne and before the Lamb"*

Remembrance of the Faithful Departed

In joyful expectation of the resurrection to life eternal, we remember before the Lord our departed family and friends who have gone before us in faith and all those who are in our hearts and minds this day.

(A bell is tolled in remembrance of the saints who were members of Concordia and were called to glory this past year)

+ Lorraine Scherer +

Called to glory December 9, 2020

"Let not your hearts be troubled.

Believe in God; believe also in me."

"I am the way, and the truth, and the life.

No one comes to the Father except through me."

John 14:1, 6

+ Betty Kuhn +

Called to glory December 29, 2020

"I am the Good Shepherd.

I know My own and My own know Me." *John 10:14*

+ Mildred "Milly" McKenzie +

Called to glory September 12, 2021

"I am the good shepherd.

The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

John 10:11

+ Elsie Buchmann +

Called to glory October 6, 2021

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son,
That whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.”

John 3:16

Let us pray...

Almighty God, we remember with thanksgiving those who loved and served You in Your Church on earth and who now rest from their labors. Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints, and bring us at last to the joy of Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Offering

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament p. 160

Distribution Hymns # 660, 725, 818

“Thank the Lord” p. 164

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Closing Hymn # 670

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.

Article 7 Augsburg Confession

Our churches teach that our Lord Jesus Christ will return on the Last Day to judge, to raise all the dead, to give eternal life and eternal joy to those who believe and are elect, but to condemn the ungodly and the devils to hell and eternal punishment.

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Welcome to worship as we celebrate All Saints' Day. 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!

Voters Meeting: Our Voters Meeting will be Sunday, November 21st following worship. Among the items of business will be the election of congregational officers and the adoption of the 2022 budget. Unapproved minutes from the February voters meeting are on the table in the social hall. Please look them over so they can be approved. Fresh-baked caramel and cinnamon rolls will be served.

Thank you to those who helped with Trunk or Treat!

Thank you to Linda Maize for the hand-painted picture that is hanging in our narthex.

Virtual Baby Shower: If you would like to join in showering Clifford Cramer and family with gifts, please leave your gifts on the LWML table in the social hall by Sunday, November 14th. If you have any questions, please talk to Nona.



Greeters are needed for the months of November and December. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board.

During the month of November donations of Thanksgiving meal canned goods will be collected for Women's Action & Resource Center. Please leave items in the entryway shelves.



Main Street Living can be heard on Midcontinent Channel # 594 at 10:30 am Sunday mornings. Episodes of "This Is the Life" precede it at 10:00 am.

✠ This Week at Concordia ✠

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| Sunday | 8:00 am | <i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i> |
| | 10:00 am | Divine Service |
| | 11:00 am | Sunday School/Bible Class |
| Tuesday | 6:00 pm | Council Meeting |
| Wednesday | 4:00 pm | Catechism |
| Sunday | 8:00 am | <i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i> |
| | 10:00 am | Divine Service |
| | 11:00 pm | Bible Class |

Stewardship of Offerings & Attendance

Attendance: 109 Offerings: \$3,408.00

“With angels, archangels, and with all the company of heaven...”
(Service of the Sacraments, Proper Preface).

When we gather around the altar of the Lord in His House, we pray and praise God with “all the company of heaven.” Those we have lost in the Lord are not truly lost to us – they have simply entered their rest with the Lord. As we gather to worship our Lord, we gather along with them. On the Last Day, everything that God has given into the care of our stewardship will fade away – everything except our brothers and sisters in Christ. Caring for one another in love and grace is our highest calling.



Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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