

Concordia Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

801 Beacon Lane

Beulah, North Dakota

Rev. Toby H. Heller, Pastor

September 5, 2021

15th Sunday after Pentecost



*The Lord builds up Jerusalem; He gathers the outcasts of Israel.
He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.*

Psalm 147:2-3

✠ In the Name of Jesus ✠

Welcome to worship in the season of Pentecost. The green paraments remind us that this is the season of growth. The theme of Pentecost is living a Christian life. As Christ strengthens us through His Word, the spoken Word and the visible Word of the Sacraments, we grow more like Him in our thoughts, words, and deeds. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

DIVINE SERVICE **Setting One**

Hymn of Invocation # 797

Confession & Absolution p. 151

Introit

The Lord is the strength of his people;

he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

To you, O Lord, I call: my rock, be not deaf to me,

lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit.

Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to you for help,

when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.

Blessed be the Lord!

for he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;

my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

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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he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

Kyrie p. 152

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Salutation & Collect p. 156

O Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants and grant that what they ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; 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: Isaiah 35:4-7a (ESV)

Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you."

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.

For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

Gradual

Fear the Lord, you his saints,

for those who fear him lack nothing!

Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

but the Lord delivers him out of them all.

Epistle Reading: James 2:1-10, 14-18 (ESV)

My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, "You sit here in a good place," while you say to the poor man, "You stand over there," or, "Sit down at my feet," have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called?

If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well. But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.

What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

“Alleluia” p. 156

Holy Gospel: Mark 7:31-37 (ESV)

Then [Jesus] returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. And they brought to Him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged Him to lay His hand on him. And taking him aside from the crowd privately, He put His fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. And looking up to heaven, He sighed and said to him, "*Ephphatha*," that is, "*Be opened*." And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more He charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

Apostles' Creed p. 159

Hymn of the Day # 528

Sermon: Hearing Isaiah being Fulfilled

Prayer of the Church

Offering

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you, Rev. Jeremiah Olson, for leading worship this morning.

Greeters are needed for the month of September. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

Parents of 3rd-Year Catechism students, catechism will begin on Wednesday, September 8th, 4:00 pm. The students will receive their workbooks in class on the 8th.



Sunday School begins September 12th! *“Let the little children come to Me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven” (Mt 19:14).*

The St. Peter Option: What troubles you as a Christian these days? What causes you to fear for the future? What is our response to LGBTQ, the WOKE movement, cancel culture, global climate change, the loss of freedom, Christian persecution, and a host of other threats? Beginning Sunday, September 12, we will engage in a study of 1 Peter. “The St. Peter Option” will explore how we are called to live joyfully and without fear as Christian pilgrims in a world of darkness and hostility toward the things we believe. Join us as we learn that our calling is always to trust in Christ and be ready, at all times, to sing the praises of our God without fear or despair.

The September calendar, birthday and anniversary sheet, and July council minutes are on the table in the fellowship hall.

In our thoughts and prayers,



✠ Eleanor Becker & Millie McKenzie;

✠ For a bountiful harvest, that we may receive our daily bread with thanksgiving from the hand of God.

✠ This Week at Concordia ✠

Sunday	8:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
	10:00 am	Worship Service
Wednesday	4:00 pm	Catechism
	6:00 pm	Council Meeting
Friday	5:30 pm	Wedding Rehearsal
Saturday	3:00 pm	Schlender-Little Swallow Wedding
Sunday	8:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
	10:00 am	Divine Service
	11:00 am	Sunday School/Bible Class/LWML Joint Meeting

Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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Stewardship of Offerings & Attendance

Attendance: 68

Offerings: \$3,135.

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