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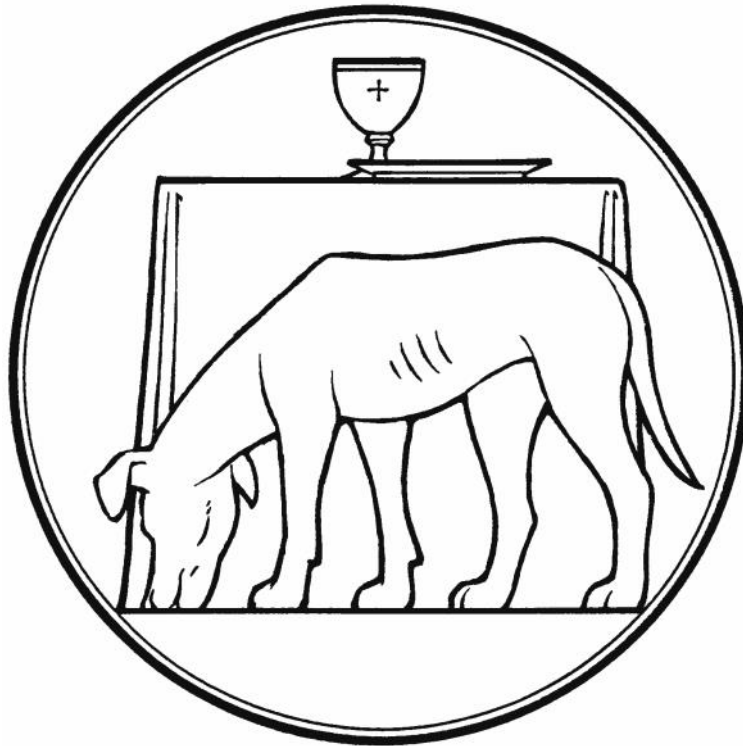
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Beulah, North Dakota

Rev. Toby H. Heller, Pastor

August 20, 2023

12th Sunday after Pentecost



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

Psalms 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!

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.

DIVINE SERVICE

Setting Four

Hymn of Invocation

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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

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Almighty and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-kindness and mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

Thus says the Lord: "Keep justice, and do righteousness, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed.

"And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it, and holds fast my covenant—these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples."

The Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares, "I will gather yet others to him besides those already gathered."

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: Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead?

As regards the gospel, they are enemies of God for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

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Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 15:21-28

And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon." But He did not answer her a word. And His disciples came and begged Him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying out after us." He answered, "*I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.*" But she came and knelt before Him, saying, "Lord, help me." And He answered, "*It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs.*" She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "*O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.*" And her daughter was healed instantly.

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The August Human Care ingathering is cereal, peanut butter and jelly for Women's Action & Resource Center. Donations can be left on the shelves in the entryway.

Chilly for Chile: St. Matthew Church, Hazen, invites you to join them this afternoon at 2:00 pm for ice cream and a Gospel concert by Clyde Bauman (as himself – AKA Milo Hatzenbuhler). Following the concert and ice cream, District President Bertsch will present a power point about his recent trip to Chile. All free will offerings will be sent to Chile for their continued mission work. A flyer with more information is posted on the bulletin board in the social hall.



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

† This Week at Concordia †

Sunday 8:00 am *Worship @ Glen Ullin*
 10:00 am Divine Service
 Monday 1:30 pm Bible Class @ Knife River Care Center
 Thursday 2:30 pm Pastor @ Marian Manor, Glen Ullin
 Sunday 8:00 am *Worship @ Glen Ullin*
 10:00 am Divine Service

Church Office Hours
 Monday - Friday 8:00 AM—12:00 PM
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