

# Concordia Lutheran Church

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*Behold, your house is forsaken.  
And I tell you, you will not see Me until you say,  
"Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!"*

*Luke 13:35*

## ✠ In the Name of Jesus ✠

**Welcome to worship** in the season of Lent, the time of following Jesus to the cross. Lent teaches us that it was our sin which caused Jesus to suffer and die. As we confess our sins, *Whenever we confess our sins, [God] is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness (1 John 1:9).* Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

### **DIVINE SERVICE**

**Setting Three**

**Hymn of Invocation**

# 725

**Confession & Absolution**

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### **Introit**

For zeal for your house has consumed me,

**and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.**

○ God, why do you cast us off forever?

**Why does your anger smoke against the sheep of your pasture?**

Remember your congregation, which you have purchased of old, which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your heritage!

**Remember Mount Zion, where you have dwelt.**

Direct your steps to the perpetual ruins;

**the enemy has destroyed everything in the sanctuary!**

**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.**

For zeal for your house has consumed me,

**and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.**

**Kyrie**

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**Gloria In Excelsis** *is omitted during Lent*

## **Salutation & Collect** p. 189

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### **Old Testament:** Jeremiah 26:8-15

And when Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the Lord had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, "You shall die! Why have you prophesied in the name of the Lord, saying, 'This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant'?" And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the Lord.

When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king's house to the house of the Lord and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the Lord. Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, "This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears."

Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, "The Lord sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. Now therefore mend your ways and your deeds, and obey the voice of the Lord your God, and the Lord will relent of the disaster that he has pronounced against you. But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the Lord sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears."

## **Gradual**

O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,

**the founder and perfecter of our faith,**

who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,

**and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.**

## **Epistle Reading:** Philippians 3:17-4:1

Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

**“Alleluia”** *is omitted during Lent*

## **Holy Gospel:** St. Luke 13:31-35

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus], "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill You." And He said to them, *"Go and tell that fox, 'Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish My course. Nevertheless, I must go on My way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.' O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not!"*

*Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see Me until you say, 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!'"*

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**WE GO FROM THIS PLACE OF WORSHIP WHERE  
WE ARE ABOUT  
EQUIPPING DISCIPLES TO MAKE DISCIPLES  
FOR JESUS**

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.

## Announcements

**Ask, Seek, Knock:** Join us for Bible class this morning as we continue our study on prayer. We will look at such things as: Why do we pray? For what should we pray? How can we improve our prayer life?

**LYF:** We will meet today at 3:00 pm for Bible study and to make plans for our lock-in.

**Thy kingdom come:** Join us as we continue our Wednesday Lenten worship on the Lord's Prayer Wednesday, March 19, 6:30 pm. Soup & sandwiches are served at 5:30 pm.

**The March Ingathering** is bingo prizes for Knife River **B I N G O** Care Center. Suggestions are bags of popcorn, candy bars, sugar free candy, Pringles and Werther's candy.

**A sign-up sheet** is on the table in the fellowship hall if you are interested in bringing cookies, bars or treats for Sunday coffee hour.



# stewardship

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

Worship: 87      Offerings: \$3,538.00

*“Their end is destruction, their god is their belly,  
and they glory in their shame,  
with minds set on earthly things.”*

*Philippians 3:19*

St. Paul does not want us to set our minds on earthly things, for they are passing away. This is similar to what Jesus says about storing up treasures on earth rather than storing them in heaven. Our heart tends to go where we put our treasure. This is why God commands us to live generously: not to spoil our fun, but to help train us in keeping our priorities straight and our minds off earthly things.

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✠ **This Week at Concordia** ✠

Sunday	8:00 am	Worship @ Glen Ullin
	10:00 am	Divine Service
	11:00 am	Bible Class
	3:00 pm	LYF Meeting
Monday	7:00 pm	Sarah Guild
Tuesday	1:30 pm	Bible Study
Wednesday	4:00 pm	Catechism
	5:30 pm	Soup & Sandwiches — Group 3
	6:30 pm	Lenten Service
Sunday	8:00 am	Worship @ Glen Ullin
	9:15 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Divine Service
	11:00 am	Bible Class

**Church Office Hours**

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