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Concordia Lutheran Church

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*You are the most handsome of the sons of men;
grace is poured upon your lips.*

Psalm 45:2a

DIVINE SERVICE Setting One

Hymn of Invocation # 414

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Introit

Blessed are those who dwell in your house,

ever singing your praise!

How lovely is your dwelling place,

O Lord of hosts!

My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord;

my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Behold our shield, O God;

look on the face of your anointed!

For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor.

No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.

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.

Blessed are those who dwell in your house,

ever singing your praise!

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O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 34:1-12 (ESV)

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho. And the Lord showed him all the land, Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the western sea, the Negeb, and the Plain, that is, the Valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. And the Lord said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, 'I will give it to your offspring.' I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not go over there." So Moses the servant of the Lord died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the Lord, and he buried him in the valley in the land of Moab opposite Beth-peor; but no one knows the place of his burial to this day. Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eye was undimmed, and his vigor unabated. And the people of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. Then the days of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended.

And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him. So the people of Israel obeyed him and did as the Lord had commanded Moses. And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face, none like him for all the signs and the wonders that the Lord sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh and to all his servants and to all his land, and for all the mighty power and all the great deeds of terror that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

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: Hebrews 3:1-6 (ESV)

Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house. For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

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Holy Gospel: St. Luke 9:28-36 (ESV)

Now about eight days after these sayings He took with Him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. And as He was praying, the appearance of His face was altered, and His clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were talking with Him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of His departure, which He was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and those who were with Him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw His glory and the two men who stood with Him. And as the men were parting from Him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for You and one for Moses and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My Son, My Chosen One; listen to Him!" And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

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Hymn of the Day

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Sermon

“Love One Another”

Prayer of the Church

P We are Your house, O Lord, and the people of Your promise;

C Help us to hold fast our confidence in Your saving glory.

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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,

- † Our sick and recovering: Margaret Dosland (Brian Scherer's sister-in-law) & Harold Link;
- † Evelyn Eisenbeis & Family, as they mourn Erwin's death;
- † St. Matthew's, Hazen, as she is in pastoral vacancy.



**Our Stewardship of Offerings
and Attendance**

Worship: 103 Offerings: \$2,639.60

On this Transfiguration Sunday we reflect on the truth that Jesus proved Himself to be God's Chief Steward by fully giving Himself to doing that which was pleasing to His Father in heaven. God's grace in Christ enables us to live as children of the Heavenly Father who use all that we are and have for His glory and purposes.

Welcome to worship on the Transfiguration of our Lord. In our Lord's transfiguration, we see the divine glory of the Lord Jesus Christ shine through His human body. The Transfiguration teaches us the certainty of eternal life for all believers in heaven. As Moses and Elijah beheld the Lord in all His glory, so we too will live in the presence of His glory forever. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!



Special Music: The Handbell Choir will ring "Praise the Name of Jesus" during the gathering of our morning offerings.

Today in Sunday school the students study the account of Jesus' transfiguration. On the Mount of Transfiguration, God showed that His Son, Jesus, is the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets, declaring that we should listen to Jesus, our Savior. In discussing this Bible story, ask family members to consider how they are like Peter, not always understanding Jesus' ways and purpose. In His Word, Jesus patiently instructs me about Himself by the power of the Holy Spirit. Ask the children to recall their favorite Bible stories about Jesus.

It has so pleased God in His wise grace to call from this vale of tears unto Himself in heaven the soul of our beloved brother in the faith, Erwin Eisenbeis. The Funeral Service will be Monday, February 15th, 10:00 a.m. *"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)."*

Commitment Forms: If you did not return your completed commitment form, please feel free to do so today or at your convenience. You may place it in the offering plate as our morning offering is collected or put it directly in the wooden church in the narthex. Please put your Commitment Form in a sealed envelope with your name written on the outside. There are extra forms available in the black wire baskets in the social hall.

Fishers of Men: During the month of February the LWML will be collecting TUNA for Women's Action Resource Center. A table is set up for your donations. Thank you.

Greeters are needed for 2010. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the social hall.

Ash Wednesday, February 17th, marks the beginning of the 40 days of Lent. Our midweek worship during the season of Lent will be at 6:15 p.m. on Wednesdays. Wednesday School will be at 4:00 p.m. Soup and sandwiches will be served at 5:30 p.m. Chime practice will be at 7:00 p.m. and Handbell choir practice will follow at 7:30 p.m. Please see the insert in the bulletin for more information on our midweek worship.

On Ash Wednesday, we continue the historic practice of the Lord's Church of marking the forehead of the penitent with ashes. We remember that this is an act which is neither commanded nor forbidden in Scripture. We offer the marking of the forehead with ashes for those who desire it. The ashes symbolize repentance. We came from dust and, because of sin, to dust we shall return. The ashes remind us of the need for cleansing, purifying, and renewal in our hearts and lives.

Elders and LYF will be serving soup and sandwiches on Wednesday, February 24th. Soup will be provided by the Elders and LYF will bring sandwiches and dessert as well as set up, serve and clean up. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the social hall for the LYF to indicate if you will bring sandwiches or dessert. We ask that you are at the church by 5:15 p.m. Thank you.



LYF Members of Concordia: A North Dakota District Lutheran Youth Fellowship Spring Retreat is being held Friday and Saturday, March 5 (7 pm) - March 6th (5pm). The Retreat is for grades 8 and up and adults. This will be held at the Chieftain Conference Center in Carrington. It is centered on Teen Focus Training - topics include Puzzle pieces, Focus in leadership, My Story and Keeping the Focus. Guest Speaker is Brian Young, Music by Nate Douglas and Worship with Pastor Dave Suelzle. Registration fee is \$65.00 including food and room. Registration deadline is February 24th. Please let Steve or Nona Blaisdell know if you are interested in attending so we can make arrangements. Call 873-5426 or email blaisdell@beu.midco.net. Information on this event is posted on the LYF board in the Social hall.

Found: A wristwatch and ring were found in the church. To claim them, please talk to Pastor Heller.

† **This Week at Concordia** †

Today 7:30 am *Worship @ Glen Ullin*
 9:15 am Divine Service
 10:15 am Sunday School/Mission Update

Monday 7:00 pm Sarah Guild

Tuesday 2:00 pm Bible Class

Wednesday **Ash Wednesday**
 4:00 pm Wednesday School
 5:30 pm Soup & Sandwiches—LWML
 6:15 pm Worship
 7:00 pm Chime Practice
 7:30 pm Bell Practice

Thursday 6:00 pm *Worship at Glen Ullin*

Sunday 7:30 am *Worship at Glen Ullin*
 9:15 am Divine Service
 10:15 am Sunday School/Bible Class
 2:00 pm LWML Prayer Service

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*Please fill out a Record of Fellowship Card this morning.
The cards should be filled out whether or not you attend Communion.
Place completed cards in the collection plate.
Thank you.*