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# Concordia Lutheran Church

*The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod*

801 Beacon Lane

Beulah, North Dakota

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*"Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden,  
and I will give you rest."*

*Matthew 11:28*

**DIVINE SERVICE**

Setting Four

**Hymn of Invocation** # 684**Confession & Absolution** p. 203**Introit**

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High

**will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.**

I will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress,

**my God, in whom I trust."**

Because you have made the Lord your dwelling place—

**the Most High, who is my refuge—**

no evil shall be allowed to befall you,

**no plague come near your tent.**

**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.**

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High

**will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.**

**Kyrie** p. 204**Gloria In Excelsis** p. 204**Salutation & Collect** p. 205

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days. Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life's end grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### **Old Testament: Zechariah 9:9-12 (ESV)**

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

### **Gradual**

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

**How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!**

For from him and through him and to him are all things.

**To him be glory forever. Amen.**

### **Epistle Reading: Romans 7:14-25a (ESV)**

For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

**Alleluia and Verse** p. 205

## Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 11:25-30 (ESV)

At that time Jesus declared, "*I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; yes, Father, for such was Your gracious will. All things have been handed over to Me by My Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal Him. Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.*"

**Nicene Creed** p. 206

## Hymn of the Day # 763

# Sermon Rest For the Weary

# **Prayer of the Church**

# Offering

**Service of the Sacrament** p. 208ff.

## **Distribution Hymns # 570, 619, 698**

**Nunc Dimittis** p. 211

**Post-Communion Collect** p. 212

**Benediction** p. 212

**Closing Hymn** # 965

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.

**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!

**LWML is sponsoring a Family Picnic** at Beulah's Riverside Park on Wednesday, July 6th, 5:30 p.m. Bring a dish to share and your own plates and utensils. LWML will provide beverages. Everyone is welcome!

**Your July calendar**, birthday and anniversary sheet, the Pray for Us calendar, May Council Minutes, and children's devotional booklets are in the black stacking trays in the social hall. Your new Portals of Prayer booklets are in your mailboxes this morning.



## **In our thoughts and prayers,**

- † Donna Weidner, recovering from surgery;
- † Our neighbors, whose lives and property have been affected by tornadoes, floods, & other natural disasters;
- † For favorable weather, that all agricultural endeavors may produce a bountiful harvest.



## **Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance**

Worship: 90      Offerings: \$1,911.50

Paul's struggle with the power of sin reminds us that by nature we are sinners who on our own cannot do good and godly things. And, to make matters worse, we will struggle with the effects of sin throughout our earthly life. But thanks be to God—through Jesus Christ our Lord for pardon of our sins and power to live as God's stewards in every way we can! It is comforting to know that God can still use us as instruments in His hands to make an important difference in this world.

## † This Week at Concordia †

Sunday	8:30 am	Divine Service
	<i>10:30 am</i>	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
Tuesday	2:00 pm	Bible Class
Wednesday	5:30 pm	Family Picnic at Riverside Park
Thursday	2:00 pm	<i>Pastor @ Marian Manor (GU)</i>
Sunday	8:30 am	Divine Service * Mites Collection
	<i>10:30 am</i>	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>

### Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30 AM—12:30 PM

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*Please use a pew card to record your Church and/or communion attendance this morning.*