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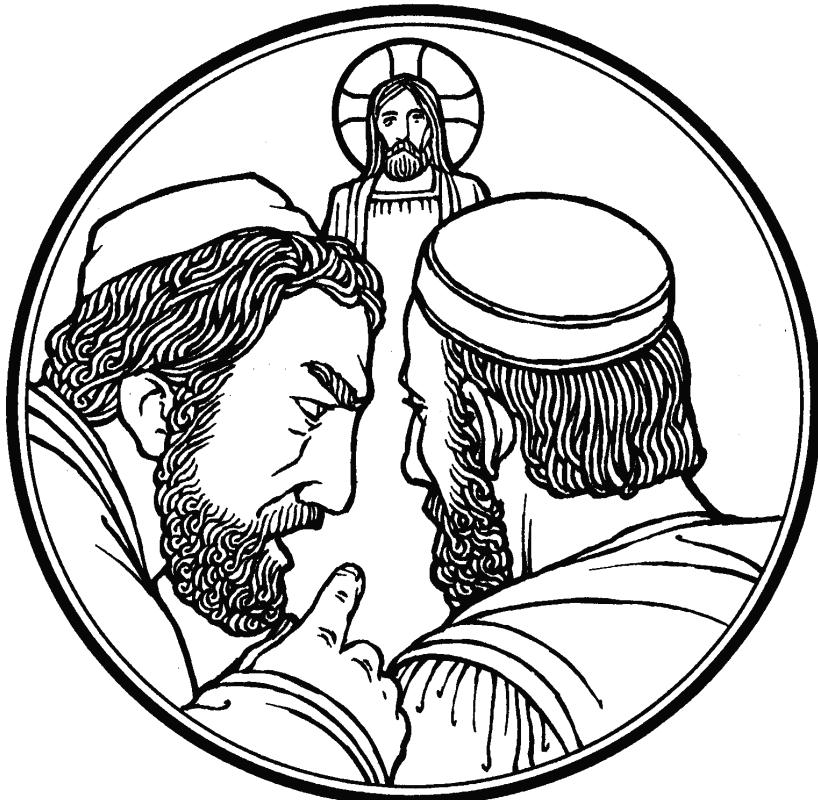
The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod

801 Beacon Lane

Beulah, North Dakota

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*"I am the living bread that came down from heaven.
If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever."*

[John 6:51a, b]

DIVINE SERVICE**Setting Four****Hymns**

803 “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”
Congregation’s choice

Confession & Absolution p. 203

Salutation & Collect p. 205

Gracious Father, Your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Grant that Christ, the bread of life, may live in us and we in him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Scriptures**1 Kings 19:1-8 (ESV)**

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there.

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers." And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, "Arise and eat." And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. And the angel of the Lord came again a second time and touched him and said, "Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you." And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

Ephesians 4:17-5:2 (ESV)

Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. But that is not the way you learned Christ!—assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, to

put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and give no opportunity to the devil. Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

John 6:35-51 (ESV)

Jesus said to them, "*I am the bread of life; whoever comes to Me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in Me shall never thirst. But I said to you that you have seen Me and yet do not believe. All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and whoever comes to Me I will never cast out. For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will but the will of Him who sent Me. And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that I should lose nothing of all that He has given Me, but raise it up on the last day. For this is the will of My Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in Him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.*"

So the Jews grumbled about Him, because He said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does He now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "*Do not grumble among yourselves. No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to Me—not that anyone has seen the Father except Him who is from God; He has seen the Father. Truly, truly, I*

say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is My flesh."

Apostles' Creed	p. 207
Sermon Hymn	# 684
Sermon	Grumbling Against God
Prayer of the Church	
Offering	
Service of the Sacrament	p. 208ff.
Distribution Hymns	# 625, 636
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Closing Hymn	# 680

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 & recovering: Kathy Baszler, Bonnie Boeshans, & Esther Eisenbeis;
- † Anita Flemmer & Family, as they mourn the death of her grandson, Jackson Schnaitt;
- † Our nursing home residents, that God would keep them under His gracious care;
- † For favorable weather, that all agricultural endeavors may produce a bountiful harvest.

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!

President Baneck will be honored on the occasion of his 25th anniversary of ordination today, August 12th, 4:00 pm at Messiah Lutheran Church, 1020 Boundary Road, Mandan. A salad supper will follow at 5:30 p.m.

Council Members, please remember our meeting this Wednesday, August 15th, 7:00 p.m.



The LWML will be serving watermelon to the residents of Knife River Care Center on Friday, August 17th, 2:30 p.m. Volunteers are needed to help serve. For more information please call Cheryl Wiedrich, 873-4346.

The August calendar, birthday and anniversary sheet, June Council Minutes. Pray for Us Calendar and Happy Times for children are in the black stacking trays in the social hall.

Thrivent Come Hungry to Feed the Hungry Picnic

Join the Central Dakota Associates and the Mercer-Oliver County Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Tuesday, August 21st, 2012 from 4:00 to 8:00 pm at Beulah's Riverside Park for an evening of food & fun while supporting your local Food Pantries. Bring along a non-perishable food item and/or make a free-will donation. **You do not** need to be a Thrivent member to attend. This free event includes food, kids' games, entertainment, and door prizes for the entire family. For questions call Becky at 701-222-0672 or email at becky.worden@thrive.com



Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance

Attendance: 97 Offerings: 2,465.75

Putting on the new self is so very important for us as God's maturing stewards. It is not something that we can do on our own, but it is a result of the work of the Holy Spirit who entered into our hearts at baptism and continues to work in us and help us grow as the children of God, who, like God, delight in loving and giving. May God's Holy Spirit help us always to put on this new self.

† This Week at Concordia †

Sunday	8:30 am 10:30 am	Divine Service <i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
Tuesday	10:15 am 1:30 pm	KRCC Communion Naomi Guild
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Council Meeting
Sunday	8:30 am 10:30 am	Divine Service <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.*