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# Concordia Lutheran Church

*The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod*

801 Beacon Lane

Beulah, North Dakota

Rev. Toby H. Heller, Pastor

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*Lift up your heads, O gates!  
And be lifted up, O ancient doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.  
Psalm 24:7*

**Divine Service**

Setting Three

**Hymn of Invocation**

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**Confession & Absolution**

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**Introit**

Behold, your king is coming to you;

**righteous and having salvation.**

Save us, we pray, O Lord!

**O Lord, we pray, give us success!**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

**We bless you from the house of the Lord.**

The Lord is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us.

**Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar!**

You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;

**you are my God; I will extol you.**

Behold, your king is coming to you;

**righteous and having salvation.**

**Gloria Patri**

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**Kyrie**

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**Gloria In Excelsis** *is omitted during Advent*

**Salutation & Collect**

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Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### **Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5 (ESV)**

The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be lifted up above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it, and many peoples shall come, and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths."

For out of Zion shall go the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide disputes for many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

### **Gradual**

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion.

**Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem.**

Behold, your king is coming to you;

**righteous and having salvation.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

**From the house of the Lord we bless you.**

### **Epistle Reading: Romans 13:11-14 (ESV)**

Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

**Holy Gospel:** St. Matthew 21:1-11 (ESV)

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Beth-phage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, *"Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to Me. If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once."* This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, "Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.' "

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and He sat on them. Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before Him and that followed Him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" And when He entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, "Who is this?" And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee."

**Nicene Creed** p. 192**Hymn of the Day** # 332**Sermon:** *"Your king is coming to you, humble..."***Offertory** p. 192**Offering****Prayer of the Church****Service of the Sacrament** p. 194**Distribution Hymns** # 333, 618, 628

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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,**

† Alice Battest (Doug Neuberger's mother-in-law),  
George Gierke (Lacy Korbyn's grandfather) & Kyle Miller  
(Nona Blaisdell's brother).



### **Stewardship of Offerings & Attendance**

Attendance: 124    Offerings: \$2,858.50

"If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once.'" Just a colt and her foal. How significant could they be? Could they really be used by the Lord for some great, heavenly purpose? This is one facet of stewardship we often forget: the blessing it is *to us* to be of service in the Lord's kingdom; the honor the Lord bestows upon us by using our gifts for His goals.

**Welcome to worship** as we begin a new Church year on this 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent. In this season, we prepare to welcome our King Jesus who first came to us at His birth at Christmas. As we live in the time between His first and final comings, we rejoice that Jesus comes to us through His Word and Sacraments to forgive our sins and strengthen our faith. Alive in Christ, we are ready at all times to welcome our King at His final coming. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

**Lost Books?:** Please join us after worship as we continue our “Lost Books?” Bible study.

**Ladies of Concordia** are invited for lunch and fellowship hosted by St. Peter Lutheran Church LWML in Hannover on Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 noon. A sign-up sheet is on the table in fellowship hall if you wish to attend.

**Our Wednesday Advent Services** begin this Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m. Our Wednesday services in Advent will be based upon Psalm 97. Soup and sandwiches will be served by the LWML beginning at 5:30 p.m.

**LYF Christmas Basket Silent Auction** will run now through Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. This fundraiser helps support our activities at the Church and outside of the Church. It also helps defray the cost of those wanting to attend camps or LYF District or National events. Anyone can bring a basket of items to be put up for auction. There are empty baskets at the Church if you need one. Please call Vicky Yeager, 873-5647 if you have questions.



**Christmas Cards** are for sale in the social hall.

**Children's Christmas Program:** Anne Rosenow has volunteered to be our director. The Children's Program will be on Christmas Eve, 4:30 p.m. Parents, please let Anne know if your child(ren) will be in the program. Practice will be after worship on December 8, 15, & 22. Please note that there will be Sunday School on those dates for the children not in the Program.

**Greeters** are needed for the month of December. There is a sign-up sheet hanging on the bulletin board in the social hall.

**The December calendar**, birthday and anniversary sheet, Pray for Us calendar, October council minutes and children's devotional books are in the black stacking trays in the fellowship hall.

***We are the North Dakota District...***

Today is the beginning of Advent, which means "coming." During this season we prepare for the coming of God's gift to us, Jesus Christ. If you celebrate the gift of Christ through giving gifts to family and friends, I would encourage you to go to our own Lutheran publishing house at [www.cph.org](http://www.cph.org). There you will find some wonderful Christian gifts that everyone will cherish for a long time.

President Baneck

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

## † This Week at Concordia †

Sunday	8:30 am	Divine Service
	9:30 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	11:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
	2:30 pm	Pastor @ KRCC
Monday	10:00 am	Circuit Pastors @ Bismarck
Tuesday	2:00 pm	Bible Class
Wednesday	3:30 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> -year Catechism
	4:30 pm	2 <sup>nd</sup> -year Catechism
	5:30 pm	Soup/Sandwiches-LWML
	6:30 pm	Advent Service
	7:15 pm	Handchime Practice
	7:45 pm	Bell Practice
Thursday	1:30 pm	Vesper Guild
	2:00 pm	<i>Pastor @ Marian Manor Glen Ullin</i>
	7:00 pm	<i>Advent Service @ Glen Ullin</i>
Sunday	8:30 am	Divine Service
	9:30 am	Program Practice/Bible Class
	11:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>

### Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM

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