

Concordia Lutheran Church

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*Bear one another's burdens,
and so fulfill the law of Christ.*

Galatians 6:2

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Introit

Praise the Lord! Blessed is the man who fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in his commandments!

Wealth and riches are in his house,
and his righteousness endures forever.

Light dawns in the darkness for the upright;
he is gracious, merciful, and righteous.

It is well with the man who deals generously and lends;
who conducts his affairs with justice.

For the righteous will never be moved;
he will be remembered forever.

**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.**

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Lord Jesus Christ, whose grace always precedes and follows us, help us to forsake all trust in earthly gain and to find in You our heavenly treasure; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15 (ESV)

Seek the Lord and live, lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel, O you who turn justice to wormwood and cast down righteousness to the earth!

They hate him who reproves in the gate, and they abhor him who speaks the truth.

Therefore because you trample on the poor and you exact taxes of grain from him, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not dwell in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.

For I know how many are your transgressions and how great are your sins—you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and turn aside the needy in the gate.

Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time, for it is an evil time.

Seek good, and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, as you have said.

Hate evil, and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Gradual

He will command his angels concerning you

to guard you in all your ways.

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

Epistle Reading: Hebrews 3:12-19 (ESV)

Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. As it is said, "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion."

For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

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Holy Gospel: St. Mark 10:17-22 (ESV)

And as [Jesus] was setting out on His journey, a man ran up and knelt before Him and asked Him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "*Why do you call Me good? No one is good except God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.'*" And he said to Him, "Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth." And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "*You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me.*" Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

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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 & recovering: Lamoine Beling (brother of Gayleen Briggs), Cami Hafner (wife of Wes Hafner), Donald Kuch (brother-in-law of Leeta Aanderud), Cheryl Marsh (daughter of Ardella Halter), & Avery Sukut (cousin of Amy Bieber);

† Our nursing home residents, that God would keep them under His gracious care.



Stewardship of Offerings & Attendance

Attendance: 147 Offerings: \$3,981.00

“And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.” Unbelief leads to disobedience – that is, every sin expresses the opposite of faith. True and living faith guides us into the Lord’s way and the Lord’s plan. And when we fall into sin it’s because we are not trusting the Lord’s goodness and provision.

We are the North Dakota District – Currently, Rev. Adam Moline, Hankinson, is leading a Luther Tour in Germany. This is a marvelous opportunity for every Lutheran to partake! The Lutheran Church is two years away from celebrating the Lutheran Reformation, as Luther nailed the 95 Theses on the Wittenberg Castle Church door on October 31, 1517. God has truly blessed us to be in a Church that focuses around Grace alone, Scripture alone, Faith alone – Christ alone!

President Baneck

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!

Welcome to the family of Concordia! This morning, we welcome Terry & Gina Dikoff, James Hafner, Wilma Lang, Jonathan Schlender, Scott & Melissa Schlender, Carol Weigum, & Thad & Julie Zahn as communicant members of Concordia. As well, Tassie Guenther, Don & Darlene Klein, Delores Layton, Aaron Miller, Dennis & Irene Mitchell, Paul & Kathy Parmenter & family, Jan Riemers & family, Anna Marie & Nathan Sailer, Karla Schmidt & family, & Donna Unterseher have been released to themselves.



Please join us for cookies/bars and coffee following worship and introduce yourselves to our newest members!

“The righteous shall live by faith” (Romans 1:17).

Please join us for Bible class as we continue our study of the book of Romans.



A baby shower for Lolly Louise, the daughter of Stephen & Savannah Elkins, will be held this afternoon at 2:00 pm. Please join us as we welcome Lolly into the family of Concordia.

Council Members, we will meet this Wednesday, October 11, 7:00 pm. Please bring your completed 2016 budget worksheets.

Please join us on Sunday, November 15th, 11:00 am for a noon meal following the Voters Meeting. All food will be furnished by the Thrivent Action Team Project and LWML members. There will be a free will offering to help pay for the church roof.

Nominations: The following church council officer positions will be open for re-election this fall: Evangelism, Fellowship, Public Relations, Finance, and three positions for Lay Ministry. If you would like to nominate someone or would like to step forward to help out with any of these positions, please contact Glenn Renner 948-2534 or Jamey Backus 873-7673.

LWML Zone Rally: Zion Lutheran Church, Bismarck, is hosting the Fall Zone Rally on Saturday, October 17th. Registration will begin at 9:30 am. Pastor Matt Thompson from Holy Cross will be leading the Bible study, “*Great is Thy Faithfulness*”, based on Lamentations 3:22-24.

Roof Fund: \$4,450 was paid on September 27, 2015. This leaves us a loan balance of \$7,985. Please clearly mark all donations to the roof fund. *Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever (Psalm 106:1).*

“**Thank You**” everyone for helping take care of and watering the flowers in front of the Church this year. Many of you had signed up for more than one week and that was wonderful. The flowers still look beautiful, thanks to some very willing workers.



For we are God’s workmanship created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do (Ephesians 2:10).

The October calendar, birthday and anniversary sheet and August council minutes are in the black stacking trays in the social hall this morning.

