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*"Behold, your house is forsaken.
And I tell you, you will not see Me until you say,
"Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!"*

Luke 13:35

DIVINE SERVICE Setting Three

Hymn of Invocation # 708

Confession & Absolution p. 184

Introit

For zeal for your house has consumed me,
and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.

O God, why do you cast us off forever?

Why does your anger smoke against the sheep of your pasture?

Remember your congregation, which you have purchased of old, which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your heritage!

Remember Mount Zion, where you have dwelt.

Direct your steps to the perpetual ruins;

the enemy has destroyed everything in the sanctuary!

For zeal for your house has consumed me,
and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.

Gloria Patri p. 186

Kyrie p. 186

Gloria In Excelsis *is omitted during Lent*

Salutation & Collect p. 189

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Jeremiah 26:8-15 (ESV)

And when Jeremiah had finished speaking all that the Lord had commanded him to speak to all the people, then the priests and the prophets and all the people laid hold of him, saying, "You shall die! Why have you prophesied in the name of the Lord, saying, 'This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate, without inhabitant'?" And all the people gathered around Jeremiah in the house of the Lord.

When the officials of Judah heard these things, they came up from the king's house to the house of the Lord and took their seat in the entry of the New Gate of the house of the Lord. Then the priests and the prophets said to the officials and to all the people, "This man deserves the sentence of death, because he has prophesied against this city, as you have heard with your own ears."

Then Jeremiah spoke to all the officials and all the people, saying, "The Lord sent me to prophesy against this house and this city all the words you have heard. Now therefore mend your ways and your deeds, and obey the voice of

the Lord your God, and the Lord will relent of the disaster that he has pronounced against you. But as for me, behold, I am in your hands. Do with me as seems good and right to you. Only know for certain that if you put me to death, you will bring innocent blood upon yourselves and upon this city and its inhabitants, for in truth the Lord sent me to you to speak all these words in your ears."

Gradual

O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,

the founder and perfecter of our faith,

who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,

and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Epistle Reading: Philippians 3:17-4:1 (ESV)

Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

"Alleluia" is omitted during Lent

Holy Gospel: St. Luke 13:31-35 (ESV)

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus], "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill You." And He said to them, "*Go and tell that fox, 'Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third day I finish My course. Nevertheless, I must go on My way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.'* O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not! Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see Me until you say, 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!' "

Apostles' Creed p. 192

Hymn of the Day # 727

Sermon: "Our citizenship is in heaven"

Offertory p. 192

Offering

The Handbell Choir will ring "Were You There" during the gathering of our morning offerings.

Prayer of the Church

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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: Cami Hafner (wife of Wes Hafner), Donald Kuch (brother-in-law of Leeta Aanderud), Luella Langmack (sister of Walter Morast), Cheryl Marsh (daughter of Ardella Halter), & Avery Sukut (cousin of Amy Bieber).

Our Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance

Worship: 102 Offerings: \$2,994.50

"Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things." St. Paul does not want us to set our minds on earthly things, for they are passing away. This is similar to what Jesus says about storing up treasures on earth rather than storing them in heaven. Our heart tends to go where we put our treasure. This is why God commands us to live generously: not to spoil our fun, but to help train us in keeping our priorities straight and our minds off earthly things.

WE ARE THE NORTH DAKOTA DISTRICT – What responsibilities does the LCMS give to the district president? He is the ecclesiastical supervisor of church workers and congregations. He also gives assistance to pastors, church workers, and congregations in conflict situations. The DP deals with doctrinal issues, Synod issues, helps congregations call pastors and church workers, helps align congregations and circuits, and oversees the overall mission and ministry plan approved by the district convention. The DP calls upon the district vice presidents and circuit visitors to assist with these duties.

Pastor Baneck, DP

Announcements

February 21, 2016

Welcome to worship in the season of Lent, the time of following Jesus to the cross. Lent teaches us that it was our sin which caused Jesus to suffer and die. As we confess our sin, our great comfort comes from the promise of our God, "Whenever we confess our sins, [God] is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9). Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

Voters Meeting: Our annual voters meeting will be this morning after worship. Please join us for potluck brunch following the voters meeting.



Christ, the Lamb of God: Our midweek worship continues this Wednesday, February 24th, 6:30 pm. "In Egypt, The Lamb" will be the focus of our worship. Please join us for soup and sandwiches at 5:30 pm.

Bibles: The church has Bibles for sale. They are English Standard Version, large print, hardbound burgundy covers. The cost is \$15.00.

Thank You

LWML would like to thank all who donated to the First Choice Clinic "Largest Baby Shower" in January. We delivered the following items towards this project: 4 packages diapers, 1 package wipes, 2 towel/washcloth sets, 3 handmade burp cloths, 2 bottles of baby bath, 1 shampoo, 1 lotion, 2 diaper ointments, a Johnson's baby travel pack and 2 manicure sets. Your donations are greatly appreciated!

Thank you to all the ladies from Concordia that baked and helped serve the Valentine cookies at the Knife River Care Center this past week.

† This Week at Concordia †

Sunday	8:30 am	Divine Service
	9:30 am	Sunday School/Voters Meeting
	10:30 am	Potluck Brunch
Tuesday	1:00 pm	Bible Class @ Knife River Care Center
Wednesday	4:30 pm	Catechism
	5:30 pm	Soup & sandwiches-Elders & LYF
	6:30 pm	Lenten Service
	7:15 pm	Chime Practice
	7:45 pm	Bell Practice
Thursday	9:00 am	Deadline for March Calendar
	2:30 pm	<i>Pastor @ Marian Manor, Glen Ullin</i>
	7:00 pm	<i>Lenten Service @ Glen Ullin</i>
Sunday	8:30 am	Divine Service
	9:30 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	11:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>