

Concordia Lutheran Church

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*As you received Christ Jesus the Lord,
so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him.*

Col. 2:6b-7a

DIVINE SERVICE Setting Four

Hymn of Invocation # 605

Holy Baptism p. 268

Introit

Your word is a lamp to my feet

and a light to my path.

The Lord is my portion;

I promise to keep your words.

I entreat your favor with all my heart;

be gracious to me according to your promise.

When I think on my ways,

I turn my feet to your testimonies;

I hasten and do not delay

to keep your commandments.

The earth, O Lord, is full of your steadfast love;

teach me your statutes!

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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Kyrie p. 204

Gloria In Excelsis p. 204

Salutation & Collect p. 205

O Lord, grant us the Spirit to hear Your Word and know the one thing needful that by Your Word and Spirit we may live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Genesis 18:1-14 (ESV)

And the Lord appeared to him by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth and said, "O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come

Knead it, and make cakes." And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, "Where is Sarah your wife?" And he said, "She is in the tent." The Lord said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent door behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years. The way of women had ceased to be with Sarah. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?" The Lord said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too hard for the Lord? At the appointed time I will return to you about this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son."

Gradual

How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news,
who publish peace and bring good news of salvation.
Their voice has gone out to all the earth,
and their words to the ends of the world.

Epistle Reading: Colossians 1:21-29 (ESV)

And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

Holy Gospel: St. Luke 10:38-42 (ESV)

Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed Him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to His teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to Him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "*Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her.*"

Hymn of the Day	# 536
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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.

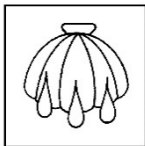
In our thoughts and prayers,

- † Our sick & recovering: Rev. Mark Drews, Buck Follis (father of Kim Senske), Cheryl Marsh (daughter of Ardella Halter) & Avery Sukut (cousin of Amy Bieber);
- † Billy, baptized today.

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

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!

At the Font: We rejoice that Billy Max, the son of Abraham & Melissa Rivers, is born again for all eternity in the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. In obedience to Christ's most gracious promise, Billy is baptized so that, by the power of the Holy Spirit in the water and the Word, his sins are forgiven, he is delivered from death and the devil, and given the gift of eternal life. "[God] has saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit" (Titus 3:5).



Please join us following worship for cookies/bars & coffee.



Volunteers are needed for July to water flowers at the Church: There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the social hall. Please note that when you sign up for a date, it is for the entire week. Thank you!

Our Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance

Worship: 60 Offerings: \$1,195.50

"Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone?" Martha is doing the right thing, but in the wrong order. Her service to the Lord is good – but she has let it get ahead of hearing His Word. Mary has placed the Word first, which is good: is there any doubt that she will rise once she has heard the Word and get to serving as well? Isn't that what hearing the Word always leads us to do? We listen, then respond; we believe and thus we act!

WE ARE THE NORTH DAKOTA DISTRICT – July is the month for youth! One bus load of District youth is going to New Orleans for the National Youth Gathering, "In Christ Alone." Another bus load is going to Colorado for Higher Things, "Bread of Life." We pray the Lord bless both events and that our youth will be strengthened in the faith by being in God's Word.

Pastor Baneck, DP

† This Week at Concordia †

Sunday 8:30 am Divine Service
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