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"The one who endures to the end will be saved."

Mark 13:13b

DIVINE SERVICE

Setting One

Hymn of Invocation

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Confession & Absolution

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Introit

The one who endures to the end

will be saved.

Let Mount Zion be glad!

Let the daughters of Judah rejoice because of your judgments!

Walk about Zion, go around her, number her towers,

consider well her ramparts, go through her citadels,
that you may tell the next generation that this is God,
our God forever and ever.

He will guide us 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.

The one who endures to the end

will be saved.

Kyrie

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O Lord, by Your bountiful goodness release us from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our weakness we have brought upon ourselves, that we may stand firm until the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Daniel 12:1-3 (ESV)

"At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book.

And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.

Gradual

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Blessed are those whose strength is in you.

in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

Epistle Reading: Hebrews 10:11-25 (ESV)

And every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet. For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.

And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying, "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds," then he adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Holy Gospel: St. Mark 13:1-13 (ESV)

And as [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of His disciples said to Him, "Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!" And Jesus said to him, *"Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down."*

And as He sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked Him privately, "Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when all these things are about to be accomplished?" And Jesus began to say to them, *"See that no one leads you astray. Many will come in My name, saying, 'I am He!' and they will lead many astray. And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take place, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These are but the beginning of the birth pains. "But be on your guard. For they will deliver you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for My sake, to bear witness before them. And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations. And when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit. And brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death. And you will be hated by all for My name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved."*

Nicene Creed

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Hymn of the Day

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Sermon

Life in the Midst of Birth Pains

Prayer of the Church

Offering

The bells will be playing "Give Thanks" during the gathering of our morning offerings.

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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,

- † Darrell Bernsdorf (Savannah Elkins' grandfather),
Kent Larson, Rev. Dave Suelzle, & Casey Voigt;
- † Those affected by the California wildfires.

Welcome to worship this morning. As the Church year comes near its end, our worship begins to focus on the second coming of our Lord Christ. In our Christian faith and life, we are called to be watchful, eagerly awaiting our Lord's return. We wait, not with fear and dread, but with hope and joy, because the return of our Lord is Good News for us. When Christ comes again, He will forever deliver us from all the threatening perils of our sins. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

Our Voters Meeting will follow worship this morning. Among the items of business will be the election of congregational officers and the adoption of the 2019 budget. Nominations are posted on the bulletin board and unapproved minutes from the February 25, 2018 meeting are also on the table in the social hall. Potluck will follow the Voters meeting.

Donations of Thanksgiving meal canned goods will be collected for Women's Action & Resource Center. Please leave items in the shelf unit by November 20th. Thank you.

You open Your hand; You satisfy the desire of every living thing (Psalm 145:16).



We give thanks to our most gracious Father in heaven for all blessings of body and soul with our Thanksgiving worship. Wednesday, November 21, 6:30 pm.

Advent Potluck: Please join us for Advent potluck on Sunday, December 2nd, 12:00 pm. Ham and buns will be furnished, and congregation members are asked to bring potluck. A free will offering will be taken for our seminary student.

Advent Meals: We are going to change the way we do the Wednesday fellowship meals during Advent in the effort to involve more people. The three work groups will be preparing the meals, with Group 1 for December 5th, Group 2 for December 12th, and Group 3 for December 19th. You will be receiving a phone call to be part of the meal for your work group.



Christmas Program: We are in need of a director for the Children's Christmas Program. If you would like to do it or want more information, please talk to Terence Schmidt or Pastor.

Christmas Cards are for sale in the social hall. They are \$4 per box. Please make checks payable to LWML and give the money to Tina Heller.



Stewardship of Offerings & Attendance

Attendance: 106 Offerings: \$3,987.50

"For by a single offering He has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified."

Hebrews 10:14

Our Lord Jesus has provided the one offering for sin. What we offer to the Lord is not a sacrifice for sin; we cannot buy our way into heaven with our money, works, or effort. Rather, what we give to the Lord's work in the Church is a thank offering, a sign of our dependency on God and all He has given us.

† This Week at Concordia †

Sunday	8:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
	10:00 am	Divine Service
	11:00 am	Sunday School/Voters Meeting
	12:00 pm	Potluck
	1:00 pm	Girl Scouts
Monday	7:00 pm	Sarah Guild
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Thanksgiving Service @ Concordia
Thursday	9:00 am	<i>Thanksgiving Service @ Glen Ullin</i>
Sunday	8:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
	10:00 am	Divine Service
	11:00 am	Bible Class

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