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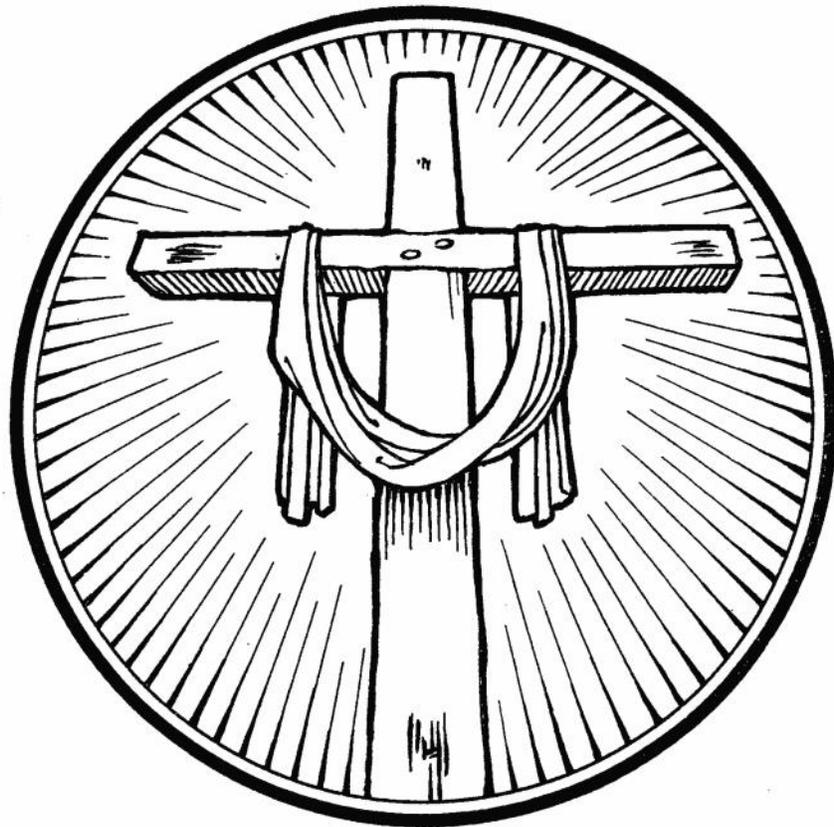
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The Resurrection of our Lord



*Christ Jesus abolished death and brought life
and immortality to light through the gospel.*

2 Timothy 1:10b

Please rise

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And with your spirit.

Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed.

Let us pray...

Almighty God, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. We humbly pray that we may live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Let us go forth in peace,

In the name of the Lord.

Processional Hymn # 457

The ornaments and the paraments, previously stripped from the altar for the solemn service of Good Friday, are returned to the altar as an expression of our joy on this festival of our Lord's resurrection.

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O God, for our redemption You gave Your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross and by His glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of the enemy. Grant that all our sin may be drowned through daily repentance and that day by day we may arise to live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Isaiah 65:17-25 (ESV)

"For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind.

But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the Lord, and their descendants with them.

Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food.

They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 (ESV)

If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

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Holy Gospel: St. John 20:1-18 (ESV)

Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid Him.” So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that He must rise from the dead. Then the disciples went back to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him." Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "*Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?*" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried Him away, tell me where you have laid Him, and I will take Him away." Jesus said to her, "*Mary.*" She turned and said to Him in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "*Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to My brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to My Father and your Father, to My God and your God.'*" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"—and that He had said these things to her.

Nicene Creed

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Hymn of the Day

Behold the Man before You

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| 1 Behold the man before you:
The One who would restore you
Stands silent in your stead.
He waits for His conviction—
Your rightful crucifixion.
He bows His holy, weary head. | 4 Behold your God, here buried:
Your sin and sorrows carried
Into the earthen tomb.
But wait with expectation:
The Lord of your salvation
Will rescue you from graven doom. |
| 2 Hands, feet, and shoulders bleeding,
To God the Father pleading
For your own heart and soul.
Come, sinner, watch in wonder:
His body laden under
The ransom of your sin in whole. | 5 Christ, God and man, is living!
His risen body giving
Proof that our Savior won.
Your hands will raise to bless Him,
Your lips will e'er confess Him:
The born and dead and risen One! |
| 3 Exposed and bare, He covers
Your shame with grace that hovers
Upon you night and day.
His final breath expended—
The reign of death upended.
His verdict kills the devil's sway. | |

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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,

† Kent Larson, Doug Neuberger, & Melissa Wiebe.

Stewardship of Offerings & Attendance

Offerings: \$4,183.58 Attendance: 113

“He is not here, but has risen. Remember how He told you, while He was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise.”

Luke 24:6-7

So Jesus is risen....but is that Good News? What if He is mad at us for betraying Him, for running away at Gethsemane, for not believing He would rise? The Good News is not just that Jesus is risen, but that He is risen to bless us: there is no need to be alarmed. He still calls us His friends and brothers and means to bring us through death to resurrection as well. The Lord is risen, He is risen indeed!

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Welcome to worship as we rejoice in the empty tomb of Easter. We rejoice in the words of St. Paul, "Death has been swallowed up in victory (1 Corinthians 15:57)." Death and the grave have been defeated forever by the Easter resurrection of our Lord Jesus. We especially rejoice and give thanks that the resurrection of Christ means that we and all believers will rise to eternal life in Christ. As He lives, we live today and for all eternity in Him. Alleluia! Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

Main Street Living is a locally produced TV program featuring area LCMS pastors. It can be seen at 10:00 am Sundays on Midcontinent Channel #594 (the Xtra channel). On April 28, Rev. Robert Wentzel presents the message, "My Name Is Thomas." Today's *This Is The Life* program is "Miracle in Chinatown."



Vacation Bible School: We are in need of a director for VBS. If you are interested, please talk to Terence Schmidt or Pastor Heller.



Thank you to all who brought Easter lilies. Please feel free to take them home after worship if you wish. Also a special thank you to Connie Gegelman for providing the palm branches for Palm Sunday.

If anyone is interested in providing meals for David & Melissa Wiebe & family, please contact Kristi Stevens for more information, 873-5841.

During the month of April, donations of paper products will be collected for Women's Action & Resource Center. Items may include paper towels, napkins, bathroom tissue and Kleenex.

† This Week at Concordia †

Sunday	8:00 am 10:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i> Divine Service
Monday	Church Office Closed	
Tuesday	1:00 pm	Bible Class @ Knife River Care Center
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Questioning
Thursday	9:00 am	Deadline for May Calendar Information
Sunday	Confirmation Sunday 8:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i> Divine Service Sunday School

Church Office Hours

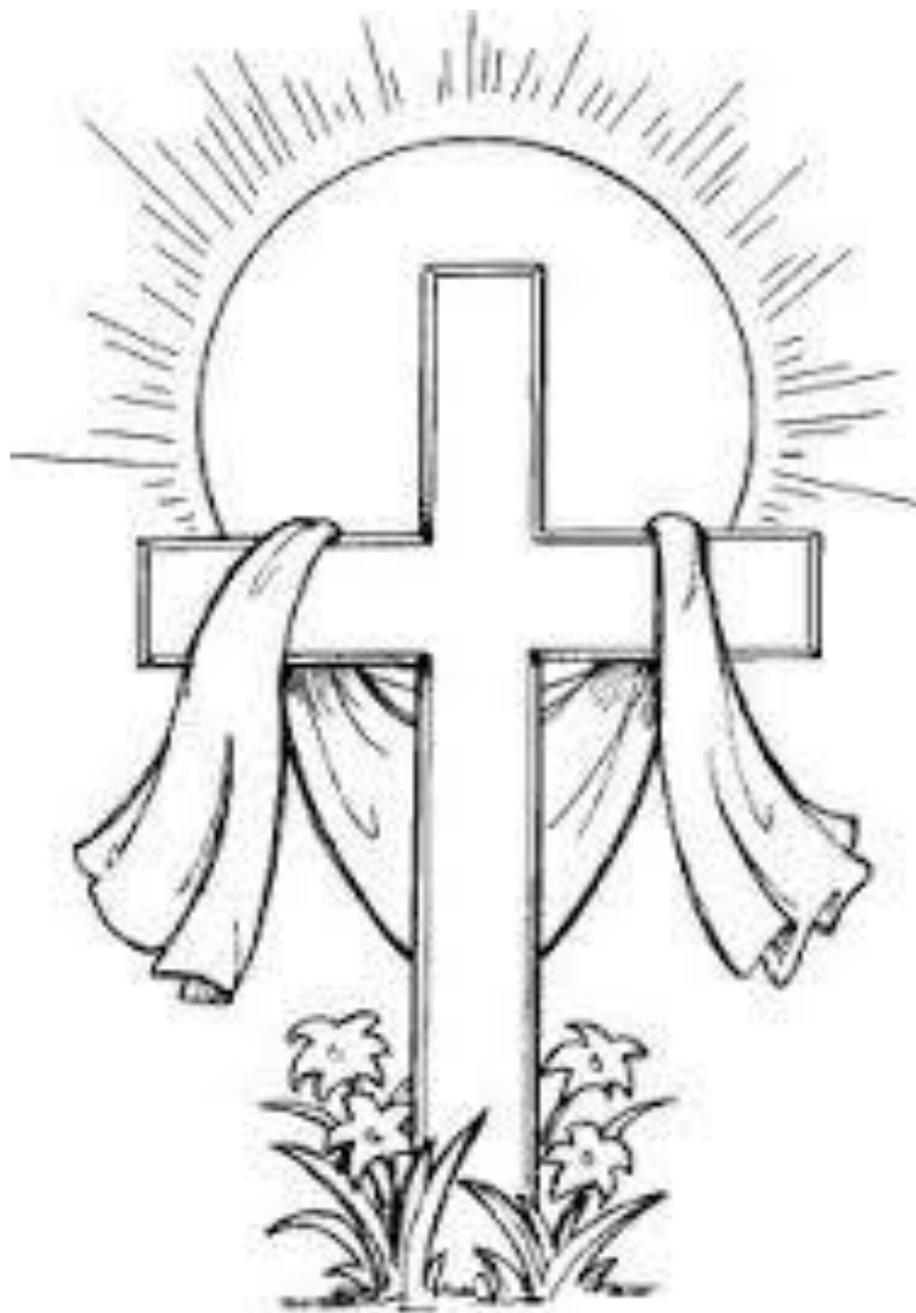
Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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Communion attendance this morning.*



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