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*We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him.*

*If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word,  
and My Father will love him,  
and We will come to him to make Our home with him.*

*Romans 6:9; John 14:23*



## **First Reading: Acts 11:1-18 (ESV)**

Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, "You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them." But Peter began and explained it to them in order: "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air. And I heard a voice saying to me, 'Rise, Peter; kill and eat.' But I said, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But the voice answered a second time from heaven, 'What God has made clean, do not call common.' This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea. And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.' As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?" When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life."

## **Gradual**

Christ has risen from the dead,

**God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor,**

He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;  
**he has put all things under his feet.**

## **Epistle Reading: Revelation 21:1-7 (ESV)**

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son."

**"Alleluia"**

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## **Holy Gospel: St. John 16:12-22 (ESV)**

[Jesus says] *"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth, for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak, and He will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take what is Mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is Mine; therefore I said that He will take what is Mine and declare it to you.*

*"A little while, and you will see Me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see Me."* So some of His disciples said to one another, "What is this that He says to us, 'A little

while, and you will not see Me, and again a little while, and you will see Me'; and, 'because I am going to the Father?'" So they were saying, "What does He mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what He is talking about." Jesus knew that they wanted to ask Him, so He said to them, *"Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while and you will not see Me, and again a little while and you will see Me'? Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you."*

**Hymn of the Day**

# 672

**Apostles' Creed**

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**Sermon**

*"You will see Me"*

**Prayer of the Church**

**Offering**

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# 768, 631 (st. 1-4), 803

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**Closing Hymn**

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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.

## **Our Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance**

Worship: 95 Offerings: \$2,731.00

*“Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth,  
for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away,  
and the sea was no more.”*

Revelation 21:1

The things of this world are passing away. We are waiting for a new heaven and a new earth that has been promised to us in Christ. This knowledge is foundational for our stewardship of what God has put into our hands. What is truly important? What is worthy of our support? How has God called us to use “unrighteous mammon” for the good of our neighbor and His kingdom?



**In our thoughts and prayers,**

† Melissa Wiebe;

† David & Melissa Wiebe & Family, on the death  
of David's father.

**Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!** Welcome to worship in this season of Easter as we gather to rejoice that Christ has overcome death and the grave and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting? Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ (1 Cor. 15)." Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!



**Potluck Recognition:** Please join us this morning at 11:30 am to recognize our confirmands and our 2019 high school graduates.

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

**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 May 26, Rev. Brett



Hartwig presents the message, "Take Heart, I have Overcome the World." Today's *This Is The Life* program is "Love is not Enough."



**During the month of May,** donations of macaroni & cheese will be collected for Women's Action & Resource Center. Items may be left on shelving unit in entryway. Thank you.

**Greeters** are needed for the months of June and July. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board.

## † This Week at Concordia †

Sunday 8:00 am *Worship @ Glen Ullin*  
10:00 am Divine Service  
11:00 am Bible Class  
11:30 am Potluck Recognition

Monday 7:00 pm Sarah Guild

Thursday 2:30 pm *Pastor @ Marian Manor,  
Glen Ullin*

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### Church Office Hours

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