Concordia Lutheran Church The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

801 Beacon Lane Beulah, North Dakota Rev. Toby H. Heller, Pastor November 10, 2019

22nd Sunday after Pentecost



"He is not God of the dead, but of the living, for all live to Him." Luke 20:38 **Divine Service** Setting One Hymn of Invocation # 802 Confession & Absolution p. 151 Introit You who fear the Lord, trust in the Lord! He is their help and their shield. Why should the nations say, "Where is their God?" Our God is in the heavens; he does all that he pleases. Their idols are silver and gold, the work of human hands. Those who make them become like them: so do all who trust in them. The dead do not praise the Lord, nor do any who go down into silence. But we will bless the I ord from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the Lord! 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. You who fear the Lord, trust in the Lord! He is their help and their shield.

Kyrie	p.	152
Gloria in Excelsis	p.	154

Salutation & Collect

Living God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of Your grace to lay hold of Your promises and live forever in Your presence; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

p. 156

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 3:1-15 (ESV)

Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Periz-zites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" He said, "But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain "

Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you." God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

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: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-8, 13-17 (ESV)

Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we ask you, brothers, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come. Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God. Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? And you know what is restraining him now so that he may be revealed in his time. For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way. And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his comina.

But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth. To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by our spoken word or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

"**Alleluia**" p. 156

Holy Gospel: St. Luke 20:27-40 (ESV)

There came to [Jesus] some Sadducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, and they asked Him a question, saying, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, having a wife but no children, the man must take the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. Now there were seven brothers. The first took a wife, and died without children. And the second and the third took her, and likewise all seven left no children and died. Afterward the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had her as wife."

And Jesus said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and to the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage, for they cannot die anymore, because they are equal to angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed, in the passage about the bush, where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for all live to Him." Then some of the scribes answered, "Teacher, you have spoken well." For they no longer dared to ask Him any question.

Nicene Creed	p. 158
Hymn of the Day	# 672
Sermon	The God of the Living
Prayer of the Church	
Offering	
"What Shall I Render"	p. 159
Service of the Sacrament	p. 160
Distribution Hymns	# 619, 748, 878
"Thank the Lord"	p. 164
Post-Communion Collect	p. 166
Benediction	p. 166
Closing Hymn	# 917

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.



Stewardship of Offerings & Attendance

Attendance: 124 Offerings: \$4,818.85

"Now He is not God of the dead, but of the living, for all live to Him." Luke 20:38

We are people of the Resurrection. We know our future. And this knowledge colors all our actions in this world. Since we know we are destined to live in God's kingdom forever, what kind of lives ought we to live? Where should our priorities be?



In our thoughts and prayers,

† For servants to serve as Sunday School teachers and congregational officers.

Welcome to worship as we near the end of the Pentecost season. Daylight hours grow shorter and the green of the fields gives way to the brown of autumn. The changes in nature reflect the spiritual conflict in which we find ourselves. As we near the end of the Pentecost season, we focus our attention more closely on living a Christian life in conflict with Satan. As he prowls around as a roaring lion to devour us Christ continues to strengthen us through His Word, the spoken Word and the visible Word of the Sacraments, that we may be faithful unto death. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon.

Voters Meeting: Following worship next Sunday, November 17th, we will have our Voters Meeting. Among the items of business will be the election of congregational officers and the adoption of the 2020 budget. Potluck will follow the Voters Meeting. Nominations are posted on the bulletin board and unapproved minutes from the February 24, 2019 meeting are on the table in the social hall.



Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever (Ps 135:1). We give thanks to our most gracious Father in heaven for all blessings of body and soul with our Thanksgiving worship, Wednesday, November 27, 6:30 PM.

Main Street Living, a locally produced TV program featuring



area LCMS pastors can be seen at 10:30 am Sundays on Midcontinent Channel #594 (the Xtra channel. Episodes of *This Is The Life*

precede it at 10:00 am.

The November calendar, birthday and anniversary sheet and council minutes are on the table in the social hall.

During the month of November donations of Thanksgiving meal canned goods will be collected for Women's Action & Resource Center. Please leave items in the entryway shelves.



Greeters are needed for the months of November and December. Please sign-up on the Greeters List which is posted on the bulletin board.

† This Week at Concordia †

<i>8:00 am</i> 10:00 am 11:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i> Divine Service Bible Class
10:15 am	Knife River Care Center Communion
4:00 pm 6:00 pm	Catechism Council Meeting
<i>8:00 am</i> 10:00 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm	Worship @ Glen Ullin Divine Service Voters Meeting/Sunday School Potluck
	10:00 am 11:00 am 10:15 am 4:00 pm 6:00 pm <i>8:00 am</i> 10:00 am 11:00 am

Church Office Hours Monday – Friday 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM Church: 873-4388 Parsonage: 873-4223 revheller@westriv.com concordiasecretary@westriv.com Website: www.concordiabeulah.org

