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6th Sunday after the Epiphany



*"Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold,
your reward is great in heaven."*

Luke 6:23a

✠ In the Name of Jesus ✠

Welcome to worship in the season of Epiphany. "Epiphany" means "appearance." In this season of the Church year, we rejoice that God has appeared to us and made Himself known to us in the appearance of His Son, Jesus of Nazareth. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

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.

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Introit

I will praise you with an upright heart,
when I learn your just and righteous decrees.

Blessed are those whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord!

Blessed are those who keep his testimonies,
who seek him with their whole heart.

You have commanded your precepts
to be kept diligently.

Oh that my ways may be steadfast
in keeping 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.**

I will praise you with an upright heart,
when I learn your just and righteous decrees.

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O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Jeremiah 17:5-8

Thus says the Lord: "Cursed is the man who trusts in man and makes flesh his strength, whose heart turns away from the Lord. He is like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see any good come. He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land."

"Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit."

Gradual

Praise the Lord, all nations!

Extol him, all peoples!

For great is his steadfast love toward us,

and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;

bring an offering, and come into his courts!

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-20

Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, 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.

“Alleluia”

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Holy Gospel: Luke 6:17-26

And [Jesus] came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of His disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear Him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all the crowd sought to touch Him, for power came out from Him and healed them all.

And He lifted up His eyes on His disciples, and said: *"Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied."*

"Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh. "Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets."

"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation."

"Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry."

"Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep. "Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets."

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Stewardship of Offerings & Attendance

Attendance: 68 Offerings: \$3,055.10

*"Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.
Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied."*

St. Luke 6:20-21

The Beatitudes are largely about emptiness. If you are poor, your pockets are empty. If you are hungry, our stomach is empty. If you are mourning, there's an emptiness in your heart that used to be filled with the presence of a loved one. Jesus assures us in each case that the Lord will fill our emptiness. that assurance gives us peace and courage to follow the Lord faithfully.



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Parents of Catechism students, please meet with Pastor right after worship this morning.



“As We Forgive”: Join us for Bible class this morning as we grow in God’s grace to “do all things in Christ who strengthens me,” even forgive my neighbor (cf. Philippians 4:13).

The flowers at the altar were donated by Glenn & Carla Renner in honor of all new members in our congregation.



The Concordia LWML would like to thank the LWML of St. James, Golden Valley, for the generous donation to do the Lord’s work.

Our Annual Voters Meeting will be Sunday, February 27th, following worship. Unapproved Voter’s Meeting minutes from the November 21, 2021 meeting are on the table in the social hall and have also been posted on the website. Fresh-baked caramel and cinnamon rolls will be served.



Donations of tuna for Women’s Action & Resource Center are welcome throughout February. Donations can be left on the shelves in the entryway.

The February calendar, December council minutes, *Portals of Prayer* devotional booklets for January – March and children’s devotional booklets are on the table in the social hall.

✠ This Week at Concordia ✠

Sunday	8:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
	10:00 am	Divine Service
	11:00 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
Monday	2:30 pm	Valentine Cookies at Knife River Care Center
Wednesday	4:00 pm	Catechism
Sunday	8:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
	10:00 am	Divine Service
	11:00 am	Bible Class

Church Office Hours

Monday

10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Tuesday – Friday

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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