

Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. Ephesians 6:11

+ In the Name of Jesus +

Welcome to worship in the season of Lent, the time of following Jesus to the cross. The 1st Sunday in Lent teaches us the cost of following Jesus. We who have died to sin and been raised to new life in Jesus in Holy Baptism are daily tempted to abandon Jesus so that the evil foe may be lord over us. As we feebly struggle, we find comfort in the words of the battle hymn of the Reformation, "A Mighty Fortress." The Valiant One, Jesus, has crushed the head of the evil one for us and He alone is our fortress in our struggle with the devil. 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

When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;

I will rescue him and honor him.

With long life I will satisfy him

and show him my salvation.

Because you have made the Lord your dwelling place-

the Most High, who is my refuge-

no evil shall be allowed to befall you,

no plague come near your tent.

For he will command his angels concerning you

to guard you in all your ways.

On their hands they will bear you up,

lest you strike your foot against a stone.

You will tread on the lion and the adder;

the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.

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.

When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;

I will rescue him and honor him.

Kyrie

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Gloria In Excelsis is omitted during Lent

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O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

"When you come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you for an inheritance and have taken possession of it and live in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from your land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket, and you shall go to the place that the Lord your God will choose, to make his name to dwell there. And you shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, 'I declare today to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our fathers to give us.' Then the priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the Lord your God.

"And you shall make response before the Lord your God, 'A wandering Aramean was my father. And he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number, and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. And the Egyptians treated us harshly and humiliated us and laid on us hard labor. Then we cried to the Lord, the God of our fathers, and the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. And the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great deeds of terror, with signs and wonders. And he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which you, O Lord, have given me.' And you shall set it down before the Lord your God and worship before the Lord your God. And you shall rejoice in all the good that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house, you, and the Levite, and the sojourner who is among you.

Gradual

O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,

the founder and perfecter of our faith,

who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Epistle Reading: Romans 10:8b-13

"The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

"Alleluia" is omitted during Lent

Holy Gospel: St. Luke 4:1-13

And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And He ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, He was hungry. The devil said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." And Jesus answered him, *"It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone."* And the devil took Him up and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, and said to Him, "To You I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. If You, then, will worship me, it will all be Yours." And Jesus answered him, *"It is written, " 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve.'"*

And he took Him to Jerusalem and set Him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to Him, "If you are the Son of God, throw Yourself down from here, for it is written, " 'He will command His angels concerning You, to guard You,' and" 'On their hands they will bear You up, lest You strike Your foot against a stone.'"

And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test." And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from Him until an opportune time.

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"And Jesus answered him, "It is written..." Luke 4:8

Isn't it interesting that Jesus does not defeat Satan with His power as God but rather by His perfect obedience in His perfect humanity? Jesus defeats Satan not by miracles but by quoting the Scriptures and living according to it. This should cause us great joy for two reasons. First, because we see Jesus win the victory for us. Second, because here Jesus shows us how to stand in that victory – on the Word of God alone. Let us build our lives on the sure rock of this Word!



Acknowledgments

Divine Service, Setting Three from Lutheran Service Book

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Seven Signs	of Jesus
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Jesus Turns Water into Wine	John 2:1-11
Jesus Heals the Official's Son	John 4:43-54
Jesus Makes the Lame Walk	John 5:1-15
Jesus Walks on Water	John 6:16-24
Jesus Feeds the Multitudes	John 6:1-15
Jesus gives sight to the Blind	John 9:1-38
Jesus raises Lazarus from the Dead	John 11:1-44

us that He is the Messiah, the Son of God incarnate. Christ's seven signs take us on a journey beginning with a wedding feast n Cana and ending with the resurrection of Lazarus. Throughbut this trip, we will see the incredible events of water turned into vine, a sick boy restored, a lame man brought to his feet, thousands fed, a storm silenced, a blind man gaining sight, and a

dead man coming forth from his tomb. Join us for Bible Class this morning!



Witness to Christ: Join us this Wednesday for worship at 6:30 PM as we see Jesus through the eyes of Mary, the sister of Lazarus and Martha. Soup and sandwiches are served at 5:30 PM.



Voices are needed to record 12 hymns for Main Street Living. If you would like to help, you are invited to join the recording at Bethel Lutheran Church, Saturday, March 12th. Rehearsal will begin at 12:30 pm, with recording to *WW* begin at 2:00 pm. Dress code is white top, black bottoms.

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



Daylight Saving Time begins March 13th. Remember to set your clocks ahead one hour Saturday evening.

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During the month of March, we will be collecting Bingo prizes for Knife River Care Center. Items may include bags of popcorn, candy bars, sugar free candy, Pringles, Werther's candy.

+ This Week at Concordia +

Sunday	8: <i>00 am</i> 10:00 am 11:00 am	
Monday	9:30 am	Circuit Pastors
Tuesday	10:15 am	Holy Communion @ Knife River Care Center
Wednesday	2:30 pm 4:00 pm 5:30 pm 6:30 pm	Birthday Party @ Knife River Care Center Catechism Soup & Sandwiches – Group 3 Lenten Service
Sunday	<i>8:00 am</i> 10:00 am 11:00 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i> Divine Service Bible Class/Sunday School

Church Office Hours

Monday 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM Tuesday – Friday 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM Church: 873-4388 Parsonage: 873-4223 revheller@westriv.com concordiasecretary@westriv.com