# Concordia Lutheran Church

801 Beacon Lane Beulah, North Dakota Rev. Toby H. Heller, Pastor July 14, 2024

8th Sunday after Pentecost



Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Mark 5:10

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**Welcome to worship** in the season of Pentecost. The green paraments remind us that this is the season of growth. The theme of Pentecost is living a Christian life. As Christ strengthens us through His Word, the spoken Word and the visible Word of the Sacraments, we grow more like Him in our thoughts, words, and deeds. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

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**Introit** 

For your name's sake, O Lord, preserve my life!

In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!

Hear my prayer, O Lord; give ear to my pleas for mercy!

In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!

Enter not into judgment with your servant,

for no one living is righteous before you.

Let me hear in the morning of your steadfast love, for in you I trust.

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.

For your name's sake, O Lord, preserve my life!

In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!

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Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Holv! Communion in which joyfully receive i Christ's Bodv and Blood, under bread and wine. for forgiveness of our sins. As we celebrate the! Sacrament, we also give public witness that we are in complete; agreement with denomination's doctrinal teachings at! altar whose we i commune. Therefore, i only: ask that communicant members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod! commune with us. All I guests are asked to talk i to Rev. Heller before; coming to the altar to receive the Sacrament.

O Lord, You granted Your prophets strength to resist the temptations of the devil and courage to proclaim repentance. Give us pure hearts and minds to follow Your Son faithfully even into suffering and death; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Old Testament: Amos 7:7-15

This is what he showed me: behold, the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line."

Then the Lord said, "Behold, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass by them; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel. The land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, "'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy there, but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the

kingdom." Then Amos answered and said to Amaziah, "I was no prophet, nor a prophet's son, but I was a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore figs. But the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

#### Gradual

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! For from him and through him and to him are all things.

To him be glory forever. Amen.

Epistle Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him.

In love he predestined us for adoption through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

#### Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel: St. Mark 6:14-29

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some said, "John the Baptist has been raised from the dead. That is why these miraculous powers are at work in him." But others said, "He is Elijah." And others said, "He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." For it was Herod who had sent and seized John and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because he had married her. For John had been saying to Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to put him to death. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he kept him safe. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed, and yet he heard him gladly.

But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his nobles and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. For when Herodias's daughter came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests. And the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it to you." And he vowed to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom." And she went out and said to her mother, "For what should I ask?" And she said, "The head of John

the Baptist." And she came in immediately with haste to the king and asked, saying, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." And the king was exceedingly sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her. And immediately the king sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison and brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl, and the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard of it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

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## WE GO FROM THIS PLACE OF WORSHIP WHERE WE ARE ABOUT **EQUIPPING DISCIPLES TO MAKE DISCIPLES FOR JESUS**

**You are invited** to the Ordination and Installation for Vincent Otto at Zion Lutheran Church, 413 E Avenue D, Bismarck, today, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 PM. A meal will follow.

Roof Repair: After diligent investigation by Richard Simenson and a roofing contractor, it appears that the water leaks from the roof at the church have been identified. 5 Star Roofing has been contracted to make repairs to the problem area near the top of the roof. The estimate for the repairs is \$4,800 and they are expected to be on the roof mid to late July. If you have any questions, please contact Jamey or

Richard.

Janitorial Services: Our current janitor, Kim Senske, has resigned her position effective this fall. There will be more information on our janitorial position to come. Thank you, Kim, for your hard work and years of dedicated service to Concordia!

**Donations** of back to school items are welcome during the month of July. Donations can be left on the shelves in the entryway.



Watering Schedule: There is a sign-up sheet for watering flowers at Church on the table in the social hall. The dates listed are Sundays, so when you sign up for that date, it is for the week following the date listed.

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Sunday	8:00 am	Worship @ Glen Ullin	
-	10:00 am	Divine Service	
	4:00 pm	Vincent Otto Ordination & Ir	nstallation @ Zion, Bismarck
Monday	1:30 pm	Bible Class @ Knife River Care Center	
Thursday	2:30 pm	Pastor @ Marion Manor, Glen Ullin	
Sunday	8:00 am	Worship @ Glen Ullin	Church Office Hours

Divine Service

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10:00 am

#### Church Office Hours

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