Concordia Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

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18th Sunday after Pentecost



Now even more the report about Him went abroad, and great crowds gathered to hear Him and to be healed of their infirmities.

Luke 5:15

♣ In the Name of Jesus ♣

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!

DIVINE SERVICE	Setting One	
Hymn of Invocation	# 528	(st. 1-5)
Confession & Absolution	n 151	

Introit

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God!

My soul makes its boast in the Lord;

let the humble hear and be glad.

Oh, magnify the Lord with me,

and let us exalt his name together!

I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears and delivers them out of all their troubles.

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.

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Kyrie p. 152
Gloria In Excelsis p. 154

Salutation & Collect p. 156

Almighty God, You show mercy to Your people in all their troubles. Grant us always to recognize Your goodness, give thanks for Your compassion, and praise Your holy 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: Ruth 1:1-19a

In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.

Then she arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the fields of Moab that the Lord had visited his people and given them food. So she set out from the place where she was with her two daughtersin-law, and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each of you to her mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. The Lord grant that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!" Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. And they said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? Turn back, my daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, for it is exceedingly bitter to me for your sake

that the hand of the Lord has gone out against me." Then they lifted up their voices and wept again. And Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

And she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." But Ruth said, "Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the Lord do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from you." And when Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more.

So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem.

Gradual

He will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

Epistle Reading: 2 Timothy 2:1-13

You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him. An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything.

Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. The saying is trustworthy, for: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself.

Holy Gospel: St. Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. And as He entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When He saw them He said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And He said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

Nicene Creed p. 158 Hymn of the Day # 895

Sermon The Merciful One

Offering

"What Shall I Render"

Prayer of the Church p. 159

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"Thank the Lord" p. 164

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Closing Hymn # 685

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



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.

For those unable to drink wine. water with a drop of wine can be found in the center of each individual cup tray.



In our thoughts and prayers,

♣ Our sick & recovering, Steve Heupel (father of Amy) Bieber), Hannah Schantz, & Ray Sorge.

Announcements

Donations of Happy Birthday Kits for Women's Action &



Resource Center are welcome during the month of October. Items may include disposable cake pans, cake mix, frosting mix, candles and birthday hats and balloons. Please

leave donation in the entryway.

The October calendar, birthday and anniversary sheet, and the October—December "Portals of Prayer" booklets are on the table in the fellowship hall.

Trunk or Treat: We will again be hosting Trunk or Treat on Halloween, 5:30 – 7:00 pm. Donations of candy are welcome and can be placed in the kitchen.



Stewardship of Offerings & Attendance

Attendance: 77 Offerings: \$1,938.00

"And He said to him, rise and go your way;
your faith has made you well."

Luke 17:19

Only one of the 10 lepers who were cleansed returned to give thanks to Jesus. Why is that? Surely the rest were indeed thankful to be freed from such a terrible disease. But only the Samaritan leper had faith, and his faith turned into action, as all true faith does. Our generosity to God's work in the Church is likewise our faith in action.

Sunday 8:00 am Worship @ Glen Ullin

9:15 am Sunday School 10:00 am Divine Service 11:00 am Bible Class

Tuesday 10:15 am Holy Communion @

Knife River Care Center

Wednesday 4:00 pm Catechism

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10:00 am Divine Service 11:00 am Bible Class

Church Office Hours

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Please use a pew card to record your worship and/or Communion attendance this morning.

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