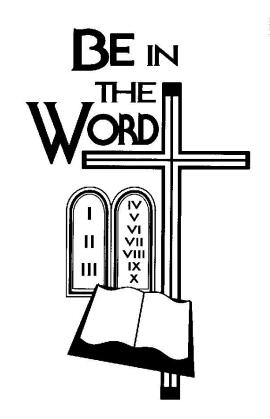
## Concordia Lutheran Church

801 Beacon Lane
Beulah, North Dakota
Rev. Toby H. Heller, Pastor
September 28, 2025

16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost



"If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead."

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**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** # 686 **Confession & Absolution** p. 151

**Introit** 

Let your steadfast love comfort me

according to your promise to your servant.

Your hands have made and fashioned me:

give me understanding that I may learn your commandments.

Those who fear you shall see me and rejoice,

because I have hoped in your word.

I know, O Lord, that your just decrees are righteous,

and that in faithfulness you have afflicted me.

Let your mercy come to me, that I may live;

for your law is my delight.

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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according to your promise to your servant.

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O God, You are the strength of all who trust in You, and without Your aid we can do no good thing. Grant us the help of Your grace that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Amos 6:1-7

"Woe to those who are at ease in Zion, and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria, the notable men of the first of the nations, to whom the house of Israel comes!

Pass over to Calneh, and see, and from there go to Hamath the great; then go down to Gath of the Philistines.

Are you better than these kingdoms? Or is their territory greater than your territory, O you who put far away the day of disaster and bring near the seat of violence?

"Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and stretch themselves out on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the midst of the stall, who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David invent for themselves instruments of music, who drink wine in bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile, and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away."

#### 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: 1 Timothy 6:6-19

Now there is great gain in godliness with contentment, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will display at the proper time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

## Holy Gospel: St. Luke 16:19-31

[Jesus says] "There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried, and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and I saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he called out. 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things: but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house—for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them. lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.' "

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# 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.

### **Announcements**

It has so pleased God in His wise grace to call from this vale of tears to Himself in heaven the soul of our dear sister in the faith, Deane Weidner. Christian Burial will be Tuesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 AM. "Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. I am the Living One; I was dead, and behold I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades" (Revelation 1:17-18).

**The September Ingathering** is warm winter gear, such as mittens, gloves, hats and scarves for Women's Action & Resource Center.

**LWML Rally:** Messiah Lutheran Church, 1020 Boundary Street, Mandan, North Dakota is hosting the Southwest Zone Fall Rally on Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup> beginning with registration at 9:15 am. A list of ingathering items is posted on the LWML bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

**Lutheran Witness:** It is time to renew subscriptions. If you are currently receiving the magazine, you will continue receiving it. If you wish to discontinue your subscription or begin receiving the magazine, please email <u>concordiasecretary@westriv.com</u> or call the Church office by Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>. Also, if your mailing address has changed, please inform the Church office.

North Dakota March for Life, Friday, Oct. 10. At 11:00 a.m., BisMan Lutherans for Life invites others to join us at Zion Lutheran Church in Bismarck (413 E Avenue D) for worship and prayer. We will then walk to the Capitol for the 12:30 March for Life program. And don't forget the BisMan LFL Kuchenfest next Sunday, Oct. 5, 3:00 p.m., at Messiah Lutheran, Mandan (1020 Boundary St NW). A flyer with more information is posted on the bulletin board in the social hall.

**Greeters are needed** for the month of October. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

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

## In our thoughts and prayers,



- → Our sick & recovering, Maria Galster, Steve Heupel (father of Amy Bieber), Hannah Schantz, Ray Sorge, & Michelle Wolf;
- → The family of Deane Weidner, as they mourn her death.

### + This Week at Concordia +

Sunday 8:00 am Worship @ Glen Ullin

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

Wednesday 4:00 pm Catechism

Thursday 2:30 pm Pastor @ Marian Manor, Glen Ullin

Sunday LWML Sunday

8:00 am Worship @ Glen Ullin

9:15 am Sunday School 10:00 am Divine Service

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11:00 am Bible Class

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. Next month will be a great time to show your pastor just how much you appreciate him preaching the Gospel and delivering to you the Lord's gifts. While cards, monetary gifts, and notes of thanks are much appreciated by your pastor, the chief way you show appreciation to your pastor is to come to church and, even better, attend Bible Study too. He will most certainly feel appreciated when you're in the Divine Service and in Bible Study, gladly learning and hearing God's Word.

Rev. Mark Chepulis, North Dakota District President

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