

Concordia Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

801 Beacon Lane

Beulah, North Dakota

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April 19, 2026

3rd Sunday of Easter



*We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;
death no longer has dominion over Him.*

*Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road,
while He opened to us the Scriptures?*

Romans 5:9; Luke 24:32

✠ In the Name of Jesus ✠

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Welcome to worship in this season of Easter as we gather to rejoice that Christ has overcome death and the grave and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. *“O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting? But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ” (1 Cor. 15:55, 57).* Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!

DIVINE SERVICE

Setting One

Hymn of Invocation

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Confession & Absolution

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Introit

Behold, how good and pleasant it is

when brothers dwell in unity!

It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard,
on the beard of Aaron,

running down on the collar of his robes!

It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion!

For there the Lord has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.

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

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“This is the Feast”

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Salutation & Collect

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O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading: Acts 2:14A, 36-41

But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them.

“Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.” And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.” So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

Gradual

Christ has risen from the dead.

God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor,
He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;
he has put all things under his feet.

Epistle Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-25

And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for your sake, who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; for "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever." And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

“Alleluia”

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Holy Gospel: St. Luke 24:13-35

That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were kept from recognizing Him. And He said to them, "*What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?*" And they stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered Him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" And He said to them, "*What things?*" And they said to Him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and rulers delivered Him up to be condemned to death, and crucified Him. But we had hoped that He was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, and when they did not find His body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that He was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but Him they did not see." And He said to them, "*O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into His glory?*" And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, He interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself.

So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if He were going farther, but they urged Him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So He went in to stay with them. When He was at table with them, He took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognized Him. And He vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the Scriptures?" And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how He was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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

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),
& Carter Johnson (grandson of Ray & Lorraine Sorge).

Announcements



Greeters are needed for 2026. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

Parents of Catechism Students, your child's work will be in your mailbox.

Vacation Bible School: We are trying to figure out dates that will work for VBS. If you are interested in bringing your children, please talk to Terence Schmidt, 891-1750.



The April Ingathering is pasta for Women's Action & Resource Center. Suggestions are Mac & Cheese or Hamburger Helper.

I have some exciting news to share. There is a new campus ministry starting in the ND District. The Northwest Circuit is supporting a campus outreach at Minot State University called SOLA (Students of Lutheran Apologetics). The group has been accepted by MSU as an official student organization, and its advisory committee is moving forward with the work to establish a strong Lutheran presence on campus. If you would like more information, please contact Mr. Caleb Hoverson at calebhoverson@yahoo.com.

Rev. Mark Chepulis, North Dakota District

✠ This Week at Concordia ✠

Today	8:00 am	Worship @ Glen Ullin
	9:15 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Divine Service
	11:00 am	Bible Class
Monday	7:00 pm	Sarah Guild
Tuesday	1:30 pm	Bible Study
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Questioning
Thursday	9:00 am	Deadline for May calendar items
	2:30 pm	Pastor @ Marian Manor, Glen Ullin
Sunday	Confirmation Sunday	
	8:00 am	Worship @ Glen Ullin
	10:00 am	Divine Service

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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

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LCMS ND District - Message in the Pew

April 2026

Both seminaries of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are preparing for their annual assignment and call services.

Concordia Seminary, St. Louis (CSL)

livestream at [csl.edu/live](https://www.csl.edu/live)

- Assignment of Vicarages and Deaconess Interns — Tuesday, April 28, 3 p.m. CDT
- Assignment of Calls — Tuesday, April 28, 7 p.m. CDT

Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne (CTSFW)

livestream at [ctsfw.edu/callday](https://www.ctsfw.edu/callday)

- Vicarage and Deaconess Internship Assignment Service — Tuesday, April 28, 6 p.m. CDT
- Candidate Call Service — Wednesday, April 29, 6 p.m. CDT

We pray the Lord's blessings on all the candidates and their families as they prepare for their first calls and assignments!

Around the District

VACANCY:

- St. Paul-Beach Rev. *Greg Lucido* ***applied for a sem candidate***
- St. Peter-Belfield *vacant*
- Redeemer-Grassy Butte Rev. *Mike Wolters*
- St. Matthew-Hazen Rev. *Zelwyn Heide*
- Redeemer-Lisbon Rev. *Mike Grieve*
- Christ Lutheran Parish-Garrison, Max, Underwood, Pick City Revs. *Rothchild, Thompson, Olson* ***enrolling an SMP candidate***
- Crosspointe-Fargo Rev. *Dave Suelzle* ***applied for a sem candidate***
- Zion-Edgeley // Bethlehem-Forbes Rev. *Brademeyer & Preus*
- Zion English - Grafton Rev. *Dan Provost*
- Immanuel-Wahpeton Rev. *Anthony Ahrendt*

CALLS EXTENDED/ACCEPTED:

- St. John-Hillsboro // Trinity-Hope Revs. *Bodin, Provost* **call issued to Rev. Jakob Berger, Thompson Falls, MT**

PASTORS IN THE DISTRICT:

- **Rev. Dr. Adam Filipek (Holy Cross/Immanuel - Lidgerwood)** returned a call to St. Paul Lutheran Church, Granite Falls, MN

LCMS ND District - Financial Report

March 2026

INCOME:

Congregation Mission Giving	\$68,710.80
Less Synodical Pledge (35%)	(\$24,048.78)
Net Congregation Mission Giving	\$44,662.02
Other unrestricted gifts	\$7,862.61
1-1-1 Mission giving	\$631.00
Current gifts/fees for missions	\$7,264.98
Available Income	\$60,420.61

EXPENSES:

Local Missions and Committee Activities	\$14,845.35
<i>Wittenberg Chapel, Church Workers, Youth</i>	
Congregational Support/Operating Expenses	\$38,671.96
<i>Operations, District President, Business Manager, Board of Directors</i>	
Convention Resolution Mission Payments	\$0.00
Current Expenses	\$53,517.31
NET OPERATING INCOME FOR MARCH	\$6,903.31
Funds previously given used for current expenses	\$2,653.28
YTD NET INCOME/LOSS	(\$11,418.16)

CONVENTION RESOLUTION MISSIONS YTD GIFTS // PAYMENTS

Christ's Care for Children - Kenya (\$25,000)	\$1,650 // \$0.00
Chile Partnership (\$25,000)	\$565 // \$0.00
Shepherd's Hill Retreat (\$10,000)	\$200 // \$0.00

Gifts from individuals & congregations designated for these missions, established by convention resolutions, are sent at the end of each fiscal quarter.

You can donate directly to the District using your credit/debit card on our website. Click on the GIVE button at nodaklcms.org to direct your donation for the work of your District!

**Please contact the District Office if you have any questions 701.293.9001
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