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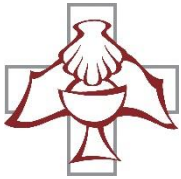
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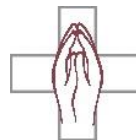
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Welcome to all our Guests and Visitors worshipping with us today! Whoever you

are and from whatever walk of life you come -- we welcome you in Jesus' name. May you find in Him, the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Do come again! If you have no Church home, we invite you to join our fellowship. The Pastor will be pleased to discuss membership with you. **Please take a moment to introduce yourself and to sign our guest register in**

the narthex (please include full mailing address or email address). May the Lord bless your worship with us today. We would be pleased to have you return again!



Remember in your prayers:

- all who are sick, hospitalized, or shut in, especially all members of our church family, including: Irma Baumung, Grace Bowley, Earl Chase,

Doreen Doering, Walter Eckert, Bernice Edel,

Geraldine Edel, Norman Kauk, Elizabeth Kleebaum, Jack Miller, Georgina Nabe, Annie Nernberg, Ruth Zimmer;

- Leonard Gerbrandt (Jessica Frey’s father) who is hospitalized in Dauphin (non-covid related);
- all affected by the coronavirus, that we not lose trust in our gracious heavenly Father;
- all who are unemployed or under-employed as a result of the pandemic;
- that the Lord would bring an end to the pandemic according to His good and gracious will;
- the leaders of our congregations and parish;
- the members of Grace and St. Matthew’s;
- the pastor of our parish;
- our neighbours and friends – that they might respond favourably to our invitation to come meet Jesus in our midst.



Holy Communion is celebrated today.

The Sacrament of the Altar is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, for us Christians to eat and to drink, instituted

by Christ Himself. Jesus Christ is present in the sacrament by His Word and we receive His gifts through faith for the assurance of the forgiveness of our sins and for strength to live new life in Him.

Our practice of closed communion is the historic practice of the church. It is prompted by love, both for God’s Word and God’s people. It does not deny that members of other denominations are Christians. Rather, it acknowledges God’s deep concern for doctrinal truth (Rom. 16:17) and the Bible’s witness that doctrinal unity is central to the common reception of this sacrament.

For this reason, guests who desire to commune are asked to speak with the pastor before the service.

Advance registration for this service today is also registration for communion. In the interim the use of communion registration cards will be suspended and have been removed from the pews.

Those who are not yet confirmed are welcome to come to receive a blessing, but are asked to keep their hands folded.

“I was glad when they said to me, ‘Let us go to the house of the LORD!’” (Psalm 122:1 ESV) Under the provincial health guidelines we are allowed to have 25% capacity (55 people) at St. Matthew’s. The use of non-medical masks will be required by all attending the service. There will be one service at St. Matthew’s: 9:30 A.M. (MB).

Divine Service at Grace is limited to 30 (30 persons plus pastor and organist). The use of non-medical masks will be required by all attending the service.

Pre-registration is required for all services (by Saturday noon MB time please).

Information from LCMS on the covid vaccines is available on the information table in the narthex. This document presents information on vaccines with ethical concerns. If faced with no choice in vaccine and having to receive a vaccine with ethical concerns, consider this from Martin Luther (though not in the same context at all): “Sin boldly, but trust Christ more boldly.” Pastor Wood is available to discuss any concerns you might have on this matter.

Broken doesn't mean "disposable." Dr. Michael Zeigler tells how God redeems and repurposes broken people. Hear the message entitled “**Replace or Repair?**” based on Jonah 2 next Sunday on The Lutheran Hour on 620/am at 7:30 AM or 940/am at 9:00 AM or 1250/am at 10:30 AM (MB time) or 810/am at 12:30 PM (MB time) or Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca.

At Jesus’ feet last week

	Grace	St. Matthew’s
Divine Service	20	45
Communion	18	37
Sunday School	2	

This Week in the Grace - St. Matthew's Parish:

Today	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's and live-streamed	9:30 A.M. (MB)
	- Sunday School at Grace	9:30 A.M. (SK)
Next Sunday	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace	10:30 A.M. (SK)
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's and live-streamed	9:30 A.M. (MB)
	- Sunday School at Grace	9:30 A.M. (SK)
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace	10:30 A.M. (SK)

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER FORMULA OF CONCORD, SOLID DECLARATION, ARTICLE II, FREE WILL

We read in the Smalcald Articles (Repentance):

In Christians, this repentance continues until death. For through one's entire life, repentance contends with the sin remaining in the flesh. Paul testifies that he wars with the law in his members not by his own powers, but by the gift of the Holy Spirit that follows the forgiveness of sins. This gift daily cleanses and sweeps out the remaining sins and works to make a person truly holy.

These words say nothing at all about our will, or that even in regenerate people our will does anything by itself. But they credit this work to the gift of the Holy Spirit, who cleanses a person and makes him daily more godly and holy. Our own powers are entirely excluded from this work.

In Dr. Luther's Large Catechism this is written:

I am also a part and member. I am incorporated into it by the Holy Spirit through having heard and continuing to hear God's Word. In the past, before we had attained to this, we were altogether of the devil, knowing nothing about God and about Christ. So, until the Last Day, the Holy Spirit abides with the holy congregation. Through this congregation He brings us to Christ and He teaches and preaches to us the Word. By the Word He works and promotes sanctification, causing this congregation to become strong in the faith and its fruit.
(pars. 34-37)

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Life Quotes

"Hang on to Jesus, my dear friend. In Him and Him alone is true life—both now and forever. Though God's work in the world may be hard to understand sometimes, we rejoice and celebrate as we look forward to all that He has in store for us."

Rev. Dr. Oswald Hoffman, The Lutheran Hour

A "Life Quote" is from Lutherans For Life – www.lutheransforlife.org.



About the Cover: The risen Jesus came before fear-filled disciples to bring peace through the reality of His bodily resurrection. The Jesus who lives is the same Jesus who was crucified. Those marks remain today and remind us of what He endured and triumphed over for us. His wounds are marks of His glory and love and reminders of the price He paid to redeem sinners. So He speaks these same words to us: "Peace to you."

Grace

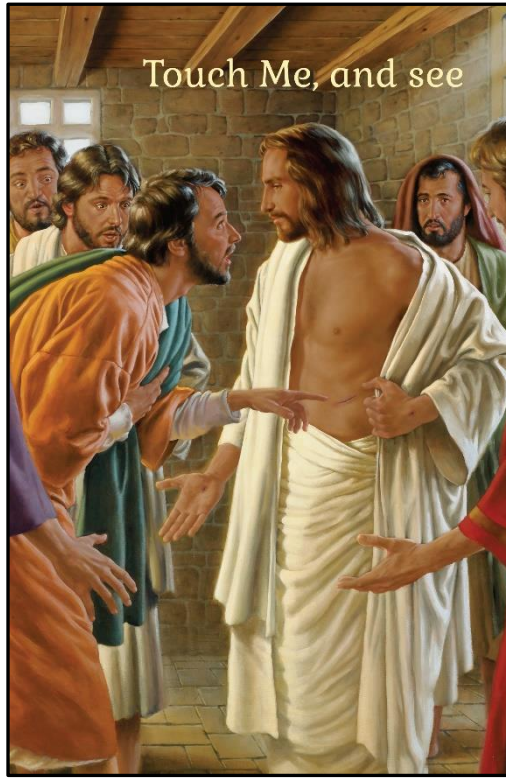
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Zorra, Saskatchewan



St. Matthew's

Evangelical=Lutheran Congregation
Highway #5, at Park Street
Roblin, Manitoba

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Touch Me, and see

April 18 Anno Domini 2021
The Third Sunday of Easter
*Proclaiming Christ and Him Crucified, Risen,
Ascended, and Returning*

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Roblin, MB

Divine Service – 9:30 A.M. (MB)

November 7, 2021 - March 13, 2022: Divine Service 11:30 A.M.

Grace Lutheran Church, Zorra, SK

Divine Service – 10:30 A.M. (SK)

Sunday School – 9:30 A.M. (SK)

November 7, 2021 - March 13, 2022: Divine Service 9:30 A.M.

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