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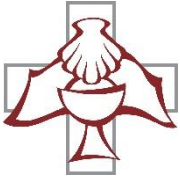
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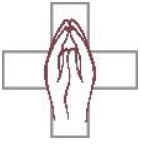


**Welcome to all our Guests and Visitors worshipping with us today!** Whoever you

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!

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**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;
- 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.

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**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.

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**With the celebration of the Resurrection Triumph of our Lord** the “Alleluias” – which have been absent since the beginning of Lent – return in this Easter season. *Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed! ALLELUIA!!*

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**Flowers by the altar at St. Matthew’s** are placed by Emil Schmollinger in loving memory of his wife, Hertha.

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**The Paschal Candle at St. Matthew’s** will be lit every Sunday until Ascension day. Please see the back of the insert for more information on the meaning of the Paschal Candle.

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*“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).**

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*Loving, caring, and sharing--it's what we do as God's family, His Church.* Hear the message by Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gerard Bolling entitled **“What It Means to Be a Family”** based on Acts 4:32-35 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](http://www.lutheranhour.ca).

**At Jesus’ feet last week**

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Divine Service	20	38
Communion	18	35
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Maundy Thursday	12/10	15/15
(att/comm)		
Good Friday	30	38

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

### Today ***The Resurrection of our Lord – Easter Sunday***

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

### Next Sunday

- 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**

### **THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD**

### **FORMULA OF CONCORD, SOLID DECLARATION**

### **ARTICLE VI, THE THIRD USE OF GOD'S LAW**

Christians are not under the Law but under grace. For by faith in Christ the persons are freed from the Law's curse and condemnation. Their good works, although they are still imperfect and impure, are acceptable to God through Christ. Because, in so far as they have been born anew according to the inner man, they do what is pleasing to God. They act not by coercion of the Law, but by the renewing of the Holy Spirit, voluntarily and spontaneously from their hearts. However, they still have a constant struggle against the old Adam.

The old Adam, like an unruly, stubborn ass, is still a part of them. It must be forced to obey Christ. It not only requires the teaching, admonition, force, and threatening of the Law, but it also often needs the club of punishments and troubles. This goes on until the body of sin is entirely put off and a person is perfectly renewed in the resurrection. Then he will need neither the preaching of the Law nor its threats and punishments, just as he will no longer need the Gospel. These belong to this imperfect life. Just as people will see God face-to-face, so they will—through the power of God's indwelling Spirit—do the will of God with unmingled joy, voluntarily, unconstrained, without any hindrance, and with entire purity and perfection. They will rejoice in it eternally.

(paragraphs 23-25)

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### **Life Quotes**

“As we gather this Easter just with our household, or perhaps all alone, we will undoubtedly miss some of the traditions that we have embraced over the years. Do not lament the loss of what does not last. Rather, embrace the enduring message that ‘He is risen! He is risen indeed!’ It changes everything!”

*Rev. Robert Fleischmann, Christian Life Resources*

**A “Life Quote” is from Lutherans For Life – [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org).**



**About the Cover:** The three women depicted on the cover paint a picture of shock, then bewilderment, and, finally, wonder as they stand closer to the empty tomb. It was, without a doubt, a jarring experience for those who witnessed the first Easter. And yet, Jesus does not leave us in shock but fills us with a joyful response to His saving work. His death and resurrection are for our forgiveness, life, and salvation! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

**Grace**

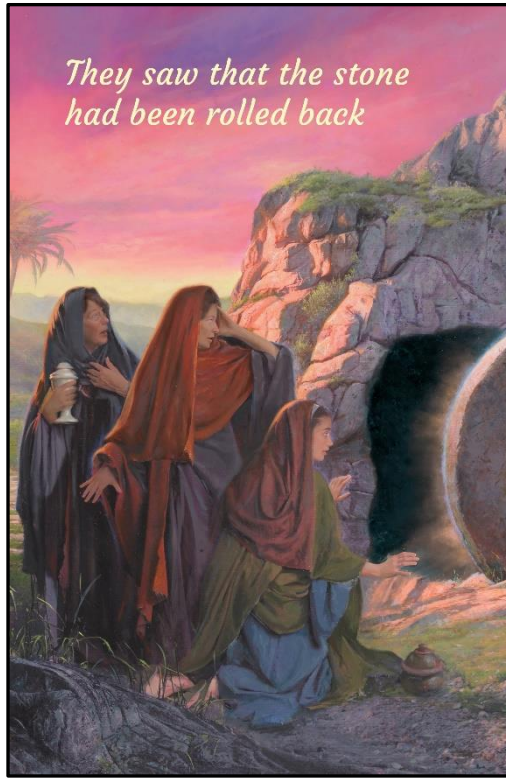
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Zorra, Saskatchewan



**St. Matthew's**

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Roblin, Manitoba

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*They saw that the stone  
had been rolled back*

**April 4 Anno Domini 2021**  
**The Resurrection of our Lord – Easter Sunday**  
*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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