Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 20, 2023

ORDER OF SERVICE

Time for Silent prayer Hymn

Confession and Absolution

Service of the Word

Introit **Kyrie**

Hymn of Praise Salutation and Collect of the Day

Old Testament

Gradual **Epistle**

Alleluia and Verse

Holy Gospel

Nicene Creed

Hymn of the Day Sermon

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

The Preface and Sanctus Prayer of Thanksgiving

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Communion Hymns

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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: Grace Bowley, Doreen Doering,

Wilma Kroll, Ruth Zimmer;

- all health care workers:
- all who are dealing with various health issues;
- all affected by wildfires and flooding;
- that the Lord would provide favourable weather for crops and livestock;
- our organists as they serve God's people;
- the pastor of our parish and all pastors of the synod;
- Dr. Päivi Räsänen and Rev. Dr. Juhana Pohjola of the Finnish Lutheran Church as they await retrial on August 22-24th.
- 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.

Please mark the registration sheet for communion and worship attendance in the

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

Our study of Revelation continues this Wednesday at St. Matthew's at 7:30 P.M. (MB)

Pastor Wood will be leading service for the residents at **Crocus Court** on Thursday at 9:30 A.M. If you would like to assist with singing etc. you are invited to do so. A brief communion service will follow for our Lutheran residents.

Junior confirmation at St. Matthew's will resume on Tuesday, October 3rd at 4:00 P.M.

Every day and everywhere they go, the followers of Jesus bring the "echo" of Easter with them. Hear Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. John Nunes' message entitled "Raising the Praise" based on 1 Peter 1:3 next Sunday on The Lutheran Hour on 620/am at 7:30 AM (SK) or 940/am at 9:00 AM (SK) or 1250/am at 10:30 AM (MB) or Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca.



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	Grace		St. Matthew's
Divine Service	17		50
Communion	17		40
Bible Class		9	

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

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- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's	9:30 A.M. (MB)		
- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace	10:30 A.M. (SK)		
- Bible Class hosted at St. Matthew's	7:30 P.M. (MB)		
- Service at Crocus Court	9:30 A.M. (MB)		
- Pastor Wood leading Divine Service at Moosomin	7:00 P.M. (SK)		
- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's	9:30 A.M. (MB)		
- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace	10:30 A.M. (SK)		
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A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST PREFACE TO THE BOOK OF CONCORD

It is not at all our plan and purpose to condemn people who err because of a certain simplicity of mind, but are not blasphemers against the truth of the heavenly doctrine. Much less do we intend to condemn entire churches. Rather, it has been our intention and desire to openly criticize and condemn only the fanatical opinions and their stubborn and blasphemous teachers. For these errors conflict with God's clear Word. We have written condemnations that all godly persons might be diligently warned to avoid these errors. Even in those churches that have not agreed with us in all things—many godly and by no means wicked people are found. We also hope that these simple people would be taught correctly the truth of God's Word. With moderation theologians and ministers should teach from God's Word those who have erred from the truth. It has never been our purpose, by means of this godly formula for union, to create trouble or danger to the godly who are suffering persecution today. We have already entered into the fellowship of grief with them, moved by Christian love, so that we are shocked at the persecution and most painful tyranny that is used against these poor people with such severity. We sincerely detest it. In no way do we agree to the shedding of innocent blood, which undoubtedly will be required with great severity from the persecutors at the Lord's awful judgment before Christ's court. (par. 20)

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Life Quotes

"Live as a son or daughter of God, for He loves you as only a Father could. One thing you can know about God: He will never say about you, 'These are not Our kind of people.' Because of Christ and what He has done for you, the Father will never say that about you."

Rev. Dr. Oswald Hoffman, Guest Speaker on "The Lutheran Hour"

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



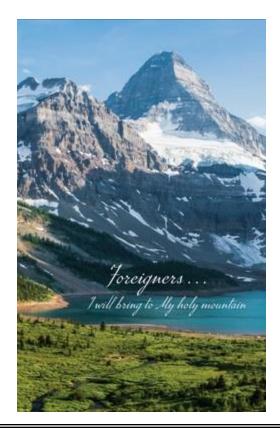
About the Cover: Throughout the Old Testament Scriptures, God proclaimed that He would bring people from all nations to His holy mountain, Zion. God's grace and mercy makes strangers into citizens. "But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ" (Ephesians 2:13). Now, for all who are in Christ, there are only citizens of His heavenly kingdom.

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August 20 Anno Domini 2023

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST PROCLAIMING CHRIST AND HIM CRUCIFIED, RISEN, ASCENDED, AND RETURNING

> St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Roblin, MB Divine Service – 9:30 A.M. (MB)

November 5, 2023 - March 10, 2024: Divine Service 11:30 A.M.

Grace Lutheran Church, Zorra, SK Divine Service – 10:30 A.M. (SK)

November 5, 2023 - March 10, 2024: Divine Service 9:30 A.M.

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