The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 12, 2023

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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

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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, Bernice Edel.

Wilma Kroll, Annie Nernberg, Ruth Zimmer;

• all affected by the coronavirus, including all who are unemployed or under-employed, that we not lose trust



in our gracious heavenly Father and that He would bring an end to the pandemic according to His good and gracious will;

- all health care workers;
- all who are dealing with various health issues;
- the people of Turkey and Syria after the devastating earthquake;
- the people of Ukraine, that peace be restored;
- our organists as they serve God's people;
- the leaders of our congregations and parish;
- the pastor of our parish and all pastors of the synod;
- 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. 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.

Bible Class on *Revelation* continues Wednesday at 7:30 P.M. hosted at St. Matthew's.

The annual parish meeting will be held **next Sunday** at 2:00 P.M. hosted at St. Matthew's

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on February 22nd. In addition to the usual Wednesday evening services throughout Lent, there will be a noon-hour midweek service (at St. Matthew's only).

A variety concert for the food bank and the Canadian Foodgrains Bank (Canadian Lutheran World Relief is a CFB member) will be held on Friday, February 17th at 7:00 P.M. at Knox United Church. The Frey Family and Ed Doering will be performing. Donations will be gratefully received at the door.

Earthquake in Turkey and Syria – CLWR and the Humanitarian Coalition are rushing assistance to help people in need in Syria and Turkey. Please join us in prayer and consider making a gift to provide blankets, shelter, clean water, food, and healthcare. To find out more or to donate, please visit clwr.org/earthquake or call 1-800-661-2597 (Mon-Fri 8:30am-4pm CST).

Frequent family dinners are important, but none more so than the gracious meal to which God invites His family, the Church. Hear Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler's message entitled "Table Manner" based on Exodus 24:11 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.



Today's Sermon

At Jesus' feet last week				
	Grace	St. Matthew's		
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Sunday School				
Bible Class				
Confirmation				

This Week in the Grace - St. Matthew's Parish:			
Today	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace	9:30 A.M.	
-	- Sunday School at Grace	10:30 A.M.	
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's and live-streamed	11:30 A.M.	
Monday	- Quilting at St. Matthew's	1:00 P.M.	
Tuesday	- Junior Confirmation at St. Matthew's 4:00 l	P.M - 5:30 P.M.	
Wednesday	- Bible Class hosted at St. Matthew's	7:30 P.M.	
Saturday	- Pastor Wood leading Divine Service at MacNutt	7:00 P.M.	
Next Sunday	The Transfiguration of our Lord		
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace	9:30 A.M.	
	- Sunday School at Grace	10:30 A.M.	
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's and live-streamed	11:30 A.M.	
	- Annual Parish meeting hosted at St. Matthew's	2:00 P.M.	
	- Pastor Wood leading Divine Service at Langenburg	3:00 P.M	

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY LARGE CATECHISM, THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

You shall not murder.

We have finished teaching about temporal government, that is, the divine and the parental authority and obedience. But now we learn how we should live with our neighbor. Therefore, God and government are not included in this commandment. Nor is the power to kill taken away, which God and government have. To punish evildoers, God has delegated His authority to the government, not parents. What is forbidden in this commandment is forbidden to the individual in his relationship with anyone else, but not to the government.

This commandment is easy enough, because we hear it each year in the Gospel of Matthew 5:20–26, where Christ Himself explains and sums it up. He says that we must not kill, neither with hand, heart, mouth, signs, gestures, help, nor counsel. Therefore, this commandment forbids everyone to be angry, except those who are in the place of God, that is, parents and the government. For it is proper for God and for everyone who is in a divine estate to be angry, to rebuke, and to punish because of those very persons who transgress this and the other commandments [Romans 13:4].

The need of this commandment is that God knows that the world is evil [Galatians 1:4], and that this life has much unhappiness. Therefore, He has set up the commandments between the good people and the evil. (paragraphs 179-183)

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Life Quotes

"When God tells us He knew us before we were born in our mother's womb, we can hardly say life doesn't begin at fertilization. When God tells our days are numbered and He will decide when our life is over, we can hardly ask for our life to be taken prematurely rather than dying a natural death. As you ponder God's Word and stand up For Life, your witness will have remarkable power and you, only you, will be impactful in your response. So, even if you are going it alone, you can and should contribute to the message For Life, and God will bless your efforts."

Virginia Flo, Lutherans For Life U.S.A.

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



About the Cover: In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus reveals that the demands of the Law apply not only to mere outward actions, but also to the heart. As we seek to live according to the Law, we are soon struck by the reality of our own sin. But we also are reminded of who is speaking: Jesus, our Lord and Savior. He is the one by whose cross we are declared righteous before God. He is the source of our lives of love.

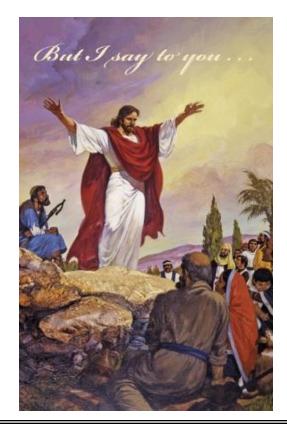
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SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY PROCLAIMING CHRIST AND HIM CRUCIFIED. RISEN, ASCENDED, AND RETURNING

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Roblin, MB Divine Service – 11:30 A.M.

March 12, 2023 – November 5, 2023: Divine Service 9:30 A.M. (MB)

Grace Lutheran Church, Zorra, SK Divine Service – 9:30 A.M.

Sunday School – 10:30 A.M.

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