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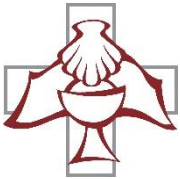
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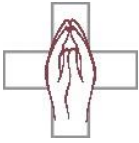
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Welcome to all our Guests and Visitors worshipping with us today! Whoever

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: Grace Bowley, Doreen Doering, Wilma Kroll, Marlene Miller, Ruth Zimmer;
- Doug Mohr and Cathy Evans;
- all who are dealing with various health issues;
- 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;
- the Inglis congregation, that those caught up in hostility against their pastor, would repent and peace be restored;
- 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.

Quilting continues at St. Matthew’s tomorrow at 1:00 P.M.

LWMLC meets Wednesday at 1:00 P.M. at St. Matthew’s.

Pastor Wood will be (tentatively) 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.

A book Ten Ways to Kill a Pastor by Christopher Thoma **has been gifted** to the loaning libraries at both Grace and St. Matthew’s: *A collection of stories, Ten Ways to Kill a Pastor peeks behind the curtain and shines a light into what has become, for so many in pastoral ministry, a very dark place. From abusive members to impossible schedules often resulting in failing health and family decay, Ten Ways presents church-goers with an opportunity for personal reflection as well as gives voice to the often undetectable "hurts" lurking behind the pastor's smile.*

*Forgiveness is a gift Christ won for us on a cross, thousands of miles away and two thousand years ago. Hear Guest Speaker Rev. Dr. Daniel Paavola’s message entitled “**Forgiveness Is a Gift from Far Away**” based on Psalm 103:11-12 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.*

<u>At Jesus’ feet last week</u>	Grace	St. Matthew’s
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Bible Class		10
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This Week in the Grace - St. Matthew's Parish:

Today	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace	9:30 A.M.
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's	11:30 A.M.
Monday	- Quilting at St. Matthew's	1:00 P.M.
Tuesday	- Junior Confirmation at St. Matthew's	4:00 P.M – 5:30 P.M.
Wednesday	- LWMLC at St. Matthew's	1:00 P.M.
	- Bible Class hosted at St. Matthew's	7:30 P.M.
Thursday	- Adult Instruction Class at St. Matthew's	7:30 P.M.
Saturday	- Pastor Wood leading Divine Service at Moosomin	7:00 P.M.
Next Sunday	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace	9:30 A.M.
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's	11:30 A.M.

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY APOLOGY OF THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION ARTICLE XIIIB, CONFESSION AND SATISFACTION

The adversaries say that satisfactions benefit by the outward work in such a way that, even though they are done in mortal sin, they still deliver from the punishments. When the passage of Paul is cited against us, “But if we judged ourselves truly, we would not be judged [by the Lord]” (1 Corinthians 11:31), “to judge” should be understood to include all of repentance and required fruit, not works that are not required. Our adversaries pay the penalty for hating grammar. They understand “to judge” to equal making a pilgrimage dressed in armor, or similar works. “To judge” means all of repentance; it means to condemn sins. This condemnation truly happens in contrition and the change of life. Isaiah 1:16–19 teaches, “Cease to do evil, learn to do good.... Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow.... If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land.” Neither should a most important meaning be transferred from all of repentance, and from works required or commanded by God, to the works of human traditions. Common evils are reduced by our repentance and by the true fruit of repentance, by good works completed from faith. Here belongs the example of the Ninevites (Jonah 3:10), who by their repentance (all of repentance) were reconciled to God and received the favor that their city was not destroyed. (paragraphs 65-69)

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Life Quotes

“As Christians, each one of us should be deeply steeped in God’s Word. That is where the truth lies. We don’t want to be ‘right’ for our own sake so we can boast in our ‘right-ness.’ We should want to be ‘right’ because God is revealing His truth to us, and we have been aligned with His truth. As we labor together in the life arena, let each one of us be so grounded in God’s Word that we recognize God’s truth and speak it in love.”

Barbara Lane Geistfeld, DVM, Lutherans For Life

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



About the Cover: Even after boarding a ship for Tarshish to avoid the Lord’s call, being rescued in a great fish, and preaching to the people of Ninevah, Jonah was slow to get on board with the Lord’s mercy. Though Jonah was reluctant, the Lord was not. Today, Christ gives us new eyes to see all people as those for whom He has died—including us! May the Lord grant us repentance and faith to receive the benefits of what He has accomplished.



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Zorra, Saskatchewan



JANUARY 21 ANNO DOMINI 2024
THIRD 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 10, 2024 - November 3, 2024: Divine Service 9:30 A.M. (MB)

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

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