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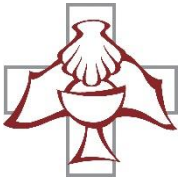
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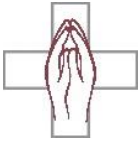
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Welcome to all our Guests and Visitors worshipping with us today! Whoever

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, Cathy Evans, Wilma Kroll, Marlene Miller, Doug Mohr, Ruth Zimmer;
- 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;
- Pastor Jacob Quast (Fort Frances, ON) who has received the call to serve as Director of Domestic Missions for LCC;
- 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.

The Annual Parish meeting will be hosted at St. Matthew’s on February 11th at 2:30 P.M.

Thank you to all of our church family for your prayers, love and support at a time when we needed you the most.

Thank you so much for visits, cards, phone calls, texts, food and memorial donations to Jackfish Camp, the Lutheran Hour and to St. Matthew’s Lutheran Church.

Thank you to all who helped serve coffee after prayers and to ALL who donated, helped prepare and serve the wonderful noon meal after the funeral service. You did a great job!

Thank you Pastor and Debbie for making both services so special for us.

God Bless you all!

Gladys, Karen, Graham, Gail, Harley & families.

Jackfish Lutheran Bible Camp is looking for male and female counsellors for our 2024 camp. It would be approximately 3 1/2 weeks of employment working with youth. Any applicant must be a confirmed Lutheran. For more information contact your Jackfish Camp church representative or Wendy Lutz at awlutz@sasktel.net 306 896 2605.

What fills the heart that has no room to forgive? Hear Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler’s message entitled **“Nature Abhors a Vacuum”** based on Ephesians 4:32 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.

At Jesus’ feet last week

| | Grace | St. Matthew’s |
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| Divine Service | 15 | 56 |
| Communion | 15 | 49 |
| Confirmation | | 3 |
| Bible Class | 9 | |
| Adult Instruction | 9 | |

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

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| 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 | - Bible Class hosted at St. Matthew's | 7:30 P.M. |
| Thursday | - Adult Instruction Class at St. Matthew's | 7:30 P.M. |
| Saturday | - Adult Instruction (Make-up sessions) at St. Matthew's | 10:00 A.M. to Noon |
| 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 FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY FORMULA OF CONCORD, EPITOME, ARTICLE X, CHURCH PRACTICES CALLED ADIAPHORA

We believe that the community of God has the power to change such worship ceremonies in a way that may be most useful and edifying to the community of God.

Nevertheless, all frivolity and offense should be avoided in this matter. Special care should be taken to exercise patience toward the weak in faith (1 Cor. 8:9; Romans 14:13).

We believe that during a time of persecution, when a plain confession is required of us, we should not yield to the enemies in such matters of adiaphora. For the apostle has written in Galatians 5:1, "For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery." He also writes in 2 Corinthians 6:14, "Do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers. For what partnership has righteousness with lawlessness? Or what fellowship has light with darkness?" Also note Galatians 2:5, "To them we did not yield in submission even for a moment, so that the truth of the gospel might be preserved for you." For in such a case it is no longer a question about adiaphora. But it concerns the truth of the Gospel, Christian liberty, and sanctioning open idolatry. It also concerns the prevention of offense to the weak in the faith. In such a case we have nothing to concede. We should confess and endure what God sends because of that confession, and whatever He allows the enemies of His Word to inflict on us.

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Life Quotes

"The Holy Spirit teaches us and enables us to be more effective with our body language, to hold the hands of those who are afraid of walking alone, to hug the ones who are falling apart for whatever reason, to lift those who sinned against God and against their brothers. We do all this by sharing the forgiveness that is found in Christ." *Rev. Dr. Hector Hoppe, guest speaker on "The Lutheran Hour"*

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



About the Cover: Paul shows us that our life of freedom resulting from the Gospel does not entail an individualistic freedom to trample upon the weaker brother. Sometimes, freedom means abstaining from what is permitted for the sake of the broader family of faith. We have a Lord who willingly gave His own life on the cross for our sake and our brothers and sisters in the faith in order to save us from our sins.

Grace

Evangelical=Lutheran Congregation
Highway #8, ½ km South of Highway #10
Zorra, Saskatchewan



St. Matthew's

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

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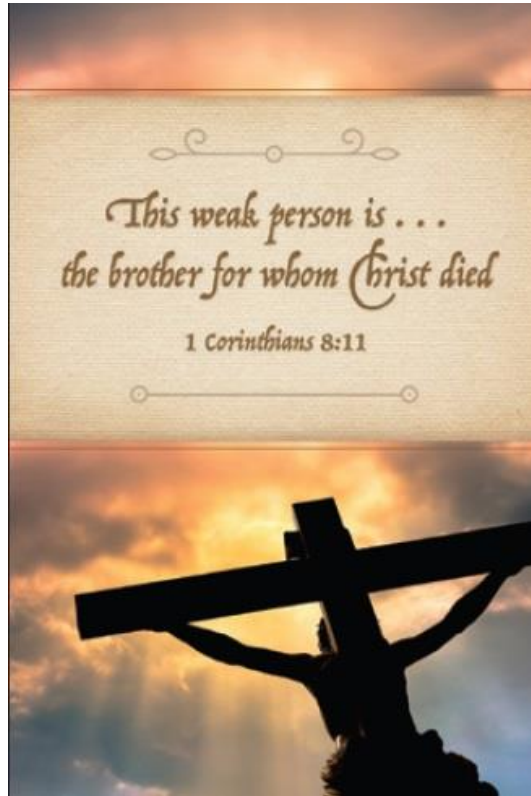


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The Cross-Border Lutheran Parish



JANUARY 28 ANNO DOMINI 2024
FOURTH 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)

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