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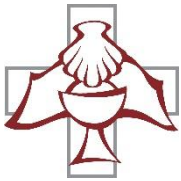
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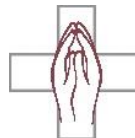
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Welcome to all our Guests and Visitors worshipping with us today! Whoever you are and from

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: Irma Baumung; Grace Bowley, Doreen Doering, Bernice Edel, Geraldine Edel, Elizabeth Kleebaum, Jack Miller,

- Georgina Nabe, Annie Nernberg, Ruth Zimmer;
- Walter Eckert, who is being treated for pneumonia;
 - Hanna Liske, hospitalized in Russell;
 - 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 mental health and other health issues;
 - Pastor David Smilek (Sudbury, ON) as he considers the call to Zion, Yorkton;
 - Trinity, Churchbridge as they resume the call process;
 - the Inglis-Grandview parish, as they resume the call process;
 - 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.



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.

"O LORD, I love the habitation of your house and the place where your glory dwells" (Psalm 26:8 ESV)

St. Matthew's is limited to two groups of 25 people/service (one cohort in sanctuary/one cohort in the basement) until at least January 11, 2022

Because intermingling is not to take place, Holy Communion will be brought to the basement attendees
 Divine Service at 11:30 A.M. in-person and livestreamed
 Divine Service at 1:00 P.M. in-person only (if necessary)

We are NOT requiring a proof of vaccination to attend service.

The use of at minimum non-medical masks is required.

Pre-registration is required because of seating limitations to ensure you have a place. (by Saturday noon MB time please).

Divine Service at Grace:

The use of at minimum non-medical masks is required.

In Christian freedom please continue to respect others' desire for physical distancing when entering/exiting and being seated.

Be mindful that not all may be vaccinated or fully vaccinated.

Thank you to all who have remembered us with cards and/or gifts this Adventide & Christmas. Thank you also to the parish for the most generous gift.

- Pastor Barry & Yvonne and Caitlin

Today is **Food Bank Sunday** and **LWMLC Mite Box Sunday** at St. Matthew's.

Mug pal exchange is next Sunday after service at St. Matthew's.

How does one deal with rejection? Push through it? Rise above it? Or start over? Hear Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler's message entitled **"Facing Rejection"** based on Luke 3:1-22 next Sunday on The Lutheran Hour on 620/am at 7:30 AM or 940/am at 9:00 AM or 1250/am (MB time) or Streaming audio and at 10:30 AM (MB time) or 810/am at 12:30 PM pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca.

At Jesus' feet last week

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* this is not a typo ☹️

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

Today	The Second Sunday of Christmas	
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace	9:30 A.M.
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's (in person/live streamed)	11:30 A.M.
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's (if necessary)	1:00 P.M.
	- Pastor Wood leading Divine Service at Zion, Yorkton	7:00 P.M.
Thursday	Epiphany	
Saturday	- Pastor Wood leading service at Trinity, Moosomin, SK	7:00 P.M.
Next Sunday	First Sunday after Epiphany – The Baptism of our Lord	
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace	9:30 A.M.
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's (in person/live streamed)	11:30 A.M.
	- Mug pal exchange	after service at St. Matthew's
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's (if necessary)	1:00 P.M.

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS FORMULA OF CONCORD, SOLID DECLARATION ARTICLE VIII: THE PERSON OF CHRIST

On account of this personal union and communion of the natures, Mary, the most blessed Virgin, did not bear a mere man. But, as the angel <Gabriel> testifies, she bore a man who is truly the Son of the most high God [Luke 1:35]. He showed His divine majesty even in His mother's womb, because He was born of a virgin, without violating her virginity. Therefore, she is truly the mother of God and yet has remained a virgin.

He did all His miracles by the power of this personal union. He showed His divine majesty, according to His pleasure, when and as He willed. He did this not just after His resurrection and ascension, but also in His state of humiliation. For example:

- (a) At the wedding at Cana of Galilee [John 2:1–11]
- (b) When He was twelve years old, among the learned [Luke 2:42–50]
- (c) In the garden, when with a word He cast His enemies to the ground [John 18:6]
- (d) In death, when He died not simply as any other man, but in and with His death conquered sin, death, devil, hell, and eternal damnation [Colossians 2:13–15]

The human nature alone would not have been able to do these miracles if it had not been personally united and had communion with the divine nature. (paragraphs 24-25)

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Life Quotes

“Friend of Jesus, no matter what painful or wonderful endings you marked in the past year, please watch for the early signs of new beginnings. Seize them as opportunities for you and God to develop together. Think about what the Bible teaches about life, appreciate God's love for you, gather up bits and pieces of experience, and put them in a file named 'lessons learned.' Then keep it handy.”

Jason Nelson, Time of Grace

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



About the Cover: Frantically searching parents finally found Jesus where He said He was to be found. Jesus is about His Father's business. Jesus is always found right where He promises to be. Years later, when the disciples were greatly concerned about the empty tomb after Jesus' death on the cross, they found Him risen from the dead and in Galilee, just as He promised. We have no need to be frantic in our search for Jesus. He is right where He has promised to be: in His Word and Sacraments.



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Zorra, Saskatchewan

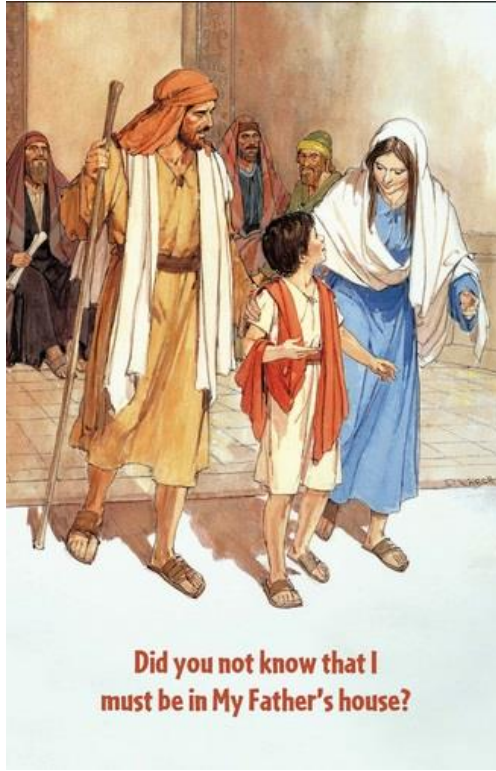


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JANUARY 2 ANNO DOMINI 2022
SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS
PROCLAIMING CHRIST AND HIM CRUCIFIED,
RISEN, ASCENDED, AND RETURNING

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

March 13, 2022 - November 6, 2022: Divine Service 9:30 A.M. (MB)

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

Sunday School – 10:30 A.M.

March 13, 2022 - November 6, 2022: Divine Service 10:30 A.M.(SK)