Second Sunday of Christmas

January 3, 2021

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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, Earl Chase, Doreen Doering, Grace Dressler, Walter Eckert,

Bernice Edel, Geraldine Edel, Bev Erickson, Norman Kauk, Elizabeth Kleebaum, Marie Mohr, Jack Miller, Albert Nabe, Georgina Nabe, Annie Nernberg, Trena Neumann, Gladys Timoruski, Ruth Zimmer, Wilfred Zimmer;

- Pastor Dan Moeller, recovering at home in Inglis;
- all affected by the coronavirus, that we not lose trust in our gracious heavenly Father;
- all who are unemployed as a result of the pandemic;
- that the Lord would bring an end to the pandemic according to His good and gracious will;
- the leaders of our congregations and parish;
- 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.

Thank you to all who have remembered us with cards and/or gifts this Adventide/Christmas.

- Pastor Barry & Yvonne and Caitlin

Divine Services are suspended at St. Matthew's until further notice (at least January 8th, 2021). Sunday service will be live streamed at 11:30 A.M. on Facebook and posted on our YouTube channel (Roblin Zorra Lutheran Parish) by 3:00 P.M.

All other activities at St. Matthew's are also suspended.

Divine Service at Grace is limited to 30 person (plus pastor and organist). The use of non-medical masks will be required by all attending the service. Pre-registration is requested.

When you open yourself up to hearing the backstory behind the apparent contradiction, you may encounter what the Bible is all about. Hear the message by Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler entitled **"The Backstory Behind a Bible 'Contradiction'"** based on Mark 2:13-28 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.

| At Jesus' feet la | ist week | |
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| | Grace | St. Matthew's |
| Divine Service | 16 | |
| Communion | 10 | |
| Sunday School | 4 | |

| This Week in the Grace - St. Matthew's Parish: | | | |
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| Today | The Second Sunday of Christmas | | |
| - | - Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace | 9:30 A.M. | |
| | - Sunday School at Grace | 10:30 A.M. | |
| | - Divine Service livestreamed at St. Matthew's | 11:30 A.M. | |
| Wednesday | Epiphany | | |
| Next Sunday First Sunday after Epiphany – The Baptism of our Lord | | | |
| | - Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace | 9:30 A.M. | |
| | - Sunday School at Grace | 10:30 A.M. | |
| | - Divine Service livestreamed at St. Matthew's | 11:30 A.M. | |

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS FORMULA OF CONCORD. SOLID DECLARATION ARTICLE VIII, THE PERSON OF CHRIST

Wherever you place God, you must also place the humanity. They are not separated and divided from each other. He has become one person and does not separate the humanity from Himself.

In his Treatise on the Last Words of David, which Dr. Luther wrote shortly before his death, he says the following:

According to the temporal, human birth Christ was also given the eternal dominion of God, yet temporarily and not from eternity. For the human nature of Christ was not from eternity as His divine nature was. But from the moment when deity and humanity were united in one Person, the Man, Mary's Son is called almighty, eternal God, who has eternal dominion, who has created all things and preserves them "through the communication of attributes" ... , because He is one Person with the Godhead and is also very God. Christ refers to this in Matthew 11:27: "All things have been delivered to Me by My Father," and in Matthew 28:18: "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me," Jesus of Nazareth, Mary's incarnate Son. I had this from My Father from eternity, before I became man, but when I became man, it was imparted to Me in time according to My human nature, and I kept it concealed until My resurrection and ascent into heaven, when it was to be manifested and glorified." (paragraphs 84-85)

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Life Ouotes

"God is not just our God or the God of just our people or just our nation or our congregation or our denomination or our demographic category or our tribe or our ethnicity or our language. There is no justice if it's just about just us. No, God is the God of all time and all space and all people. In Christ, all things hang together. Step into your new year with this fresh recognition that the Holy Spirit wants to fill every nook and cranny of your life until you overflow with God's everlasting love for everybody." Pastor John Nunes on The Lutheran Hour

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



About the Cover: Jesus increased in wisdom. In His divine nature, the Son of God has all knowledge and wisdom. He has no need for anyone to teach Him and yet in humility deigns to become a child, taking on our human nature. So, according to His humanity, He grows in wisdom. Jesus has become like us, except without sin, in order to redeem the whole of who we are.

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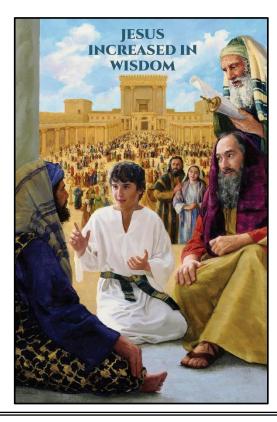


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St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Roblin, MB Divine Service – 11:30 A.M. March 14, 2021 - November 7, 2021: Divine Service 9:30 A.M. (MB)

Grace Lutheran Church, Zorra, SK Divine Service – 9:30 A.M. Sunday School – 10:30 A.M.

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