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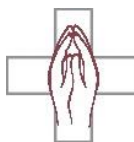
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Welcome to all our Guests and Visitors worshipping with us today! Whoever you

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: Emily Bauer; Irma Baumung, Grace Bowley, Earl Chase, Grace Dressler, Walter Eckert,

Hertha Edel, Geraldine Edel, Norman Kauk, Elizabeth Kleebaum, Jack Miller, Georgina Nabe, Annie Nernberg, Ed Zimmer;

- that the Lord would provide favourable weather for crops and livestock;
- Bev Erickson;
- all affected by the coronavirus, that we not lose trust in our gracious heavenly Father;
- the leaders of our congregations and parish;
- the members of Grace and St. Matthew's;
- 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.

"I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD!'" (Psalm 122:1 ESV) **We give thanks to God that in-person Divine Service** has resumed. Under the respective provincial health guidelines we are allowed to have up to 50 people at St. Matthew's (9:30 A.M. MB) and up to 30 people at Grace (10:30 A.M. SK).

Pre-registration is requested (by Friday afternoon please).

It is a false dichotomy (a false either/or) to say that a pastor should only care for the soul of the members of the congregation to which he has been called. Yes pastors are called to address spiritual needs, but God who is spirit, became incarnate to save us body and soul, a pastor then has a legitimate concern for the members, body and soul.

A pastor is a *seelsorger*, one who provides care for the soul, a physician of souls. "The care of *souls* means to care for *people*, realizing they are not disembodied spirits, but God's own creatures with both fleshly and spiritual features....A soul is a person in relation to God (coram Deo). When I use the word 'soul,' I don't mean the exclusively spiritual dimension of a human being. I mean rather the whole person (body and soul) – and specifically in terms of that person's relationship to God. *Coram Deo* ('in the presence of/before the face of God') is the technical theological terminology the church has used through the centuries to express" this thought. (The Care of Souls: Cultivating a Pastor's Heart, Harold L. Senkbeil, Lexham Press, 2019, p. 63-64.) Harold L. Senkbeil is an Executive Director of DOXOLOGY: The Lutheran Center for Spiritual Care.)

It is sometimes difficult to balance the requirements of the kingdom of the left hand (public health orders) and the kingdom of the right (the church). I don't like these regulations any more than any of you. As one pastor put it: "What many don't understand is I hate the rules in place but I want to make very sure the Health Department doesn't target us/churches in our area." The world is watching us. The world will hate us no matter what we do in this pandemic, but there is no need to inadvertently fuel that hatred. If any of you have a concern with the procedures currently in place for church attendance or anything else, please speak to me. Also please see the back of the insert (originally printed in the bulletin for March 22).

- Pastor Wood

At Jesus' feet last week

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How do you react to the brokenness all around you? God gives His people the reflex to reflect His mercy in the world. Hear the conclusion of the Exodus series in this inspirational message by Rev. Dr. Zeigler “**Reflexive Mercy**” based on **Exodus 32** 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.

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

Today	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion)	in person and livestreamed at St. Matthew's 9:30 A.M. (MB)
		10:30 A.M. (SK)
Next Sunday	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion)	in person and livestreamed at St. Matthew's 9:30 A.M. (MB)
		10:30 A.M. (SK)

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST APOLOGY OF THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION ARTICLES VII AND VIII, THE CHURCH

They have condemned Article VII of our Confession, in which we said that the Church is the congregation of saints. The adversaries have added a long essay stating that the wicked are not to be separated from the Church, since John the Baptist has compared the Church to a threshing floor on which wheat and chaff are heaped together (Matt. 3:12), and Christ has compared it to a net in which there are both good and bad fish (Matt. 13:47). This is a true saying: “There is no remedy against the attacks of the slanderer.” Nothing can be spoken with such care that it can escape ridicule. For this reason we have added Article VIII. Let no one think that we separate the wicked and hypocrites from the outward fellowship of the Church, or that we deny power to Sacraments administered by hypocrites or wicked men. There is no need here of a long defense against this slander. Article VIII is enough to acquit us. For we grant that in this life hypocrites and wicked people have been mingled with the Church, and that they are members of the Church according to the outward fellowship of the signs of the Church, that is, of Word, profession, and Sacraments. Neither are the Sacraments powerless when administered by wicked men. Paul predicts, “[The antichrist] takes his seat in the temple of God” (2 Thess. 2:4). In other words, he will rule and bear office in the Church.

(paragraphs 1-4)

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Life Quotes

“Lifting each other up, as we share our faith in Christ Who came to make all things new, is the only hope we have. Let us not waste this life God has given us, but let us move forward in faith, together, knowing that ultimately the gates of hell will not prevail against those who love God.” *Abbott Tryphon, Vashon Island, Washington*

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



About the Cover: Patience is difficult for those who do not know the reason for waiting; however, our Lord has given God's reason for His patience. His patience has a purpose. The final day will not be rushed, for the Father is waiting so that the full crop of those being saved is ready at harvest. We are comforted in our waiting, knowing our Lord and Savior will return at just the right time.

Grace

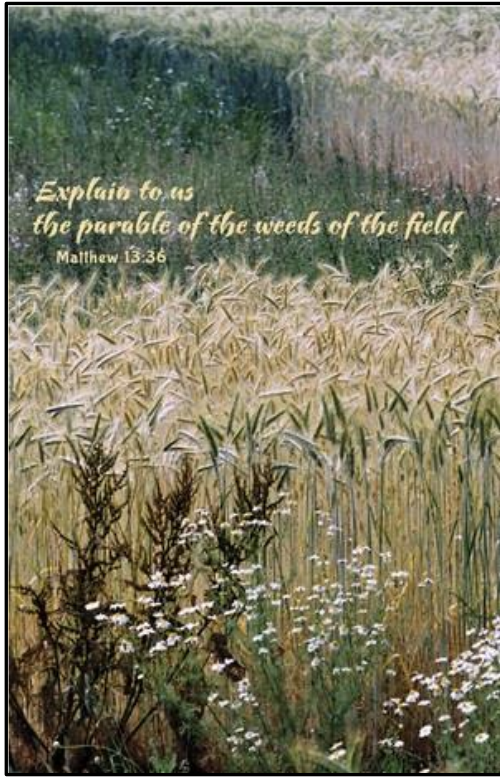
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Zorra, Saskatchewan



St. Matthew's

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

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July 19 Anno Domini 2020
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
*Proclaiming Christ and Him Crucified, Risen,
Ascended, and Returning*

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Roblin, MB

Divine Service – 9:30 A.M. (MB)

November 1, 2020 -March 14, 2021: Divine Service 11:30 A.M.

Grace Lutheran Church, Zorra, SK

Divine Service – 10:30 A.M. (SK)

Sunday School – 9:30 A.M. (SK)

November 1, 2020 - March 14, 2021: Divine Service 9:30 A.M.

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