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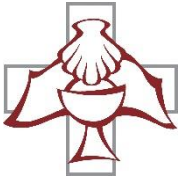
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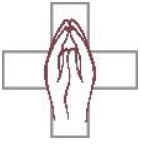


**Welcome to all our Guests and Visitors worshipping with us today!** Whoever you

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!

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**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.

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**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.

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*“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).**

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**It pleased almighty God** to call out of this life the soul of Ruth Zimmer (wife of Julius) on Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. The interment took place on April 6<sup>th</sup>. The public Memorial Service for Ruth Zimmer will be held at the St. John’s Cemetery, Shevlin on Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, at 2:00 P.M. You are welcome to bring a chair and an umbrella (in the event of rain). Social Distancing is still in place (with maximum 100 people). Please continue to keep the family in your prayers.

*“Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.”*

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*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

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*There is a power in doing good works for the sake of others, but that kind of civic righteousness can’t compare with the perfect righteousness of God which covers us through faith in Jesus Christ. In a classic radio message, Dr. Oswald Hoffmann shares the power of Christ’s resurrection that overcomes death. It’s “Archive August”. Listen to this archive broadcast 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](http://www.lutheranhour.ca).*

<b>At Jesus’ feet last week</b>	Grace	St. Matthew’s
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## **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)
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace 10:30 A.M. (SK)
Saturday	- Public Memorial Service for Ruth Zimmer at St. John's Cemetery, Shevlin 2:00 P.M. (MB)
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	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace 10:30 A.M. (SK)

### **A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST PREFACE TO THE CHRISTIAN BOOK OF CONCORD**

Being instructed from the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures, we are sure about our doctrine and Confession. By the grace of the Holy Spirit, our minds have been confirmed. Therefore, this Book of Concord should be published. It is necessary that, amid so many errors in our times, as well as causes of offense, there should exist a godly explanation about all these controversies. It should be derived from God's Word by which pure doctrine might be distinguished from the false. This matter is important. There are contentious people not bound to any formula of the pure doctrine. They stir up controversies, according to their good pleasure. The result is that the pure doctrine is hidden and lost. Then nothing is passed on to future generations except academic opinions. We owe our subjects this service: we should diligently care for the things that apply to this life and the life to come. We should take pains, with our utmost ability, to attend to those matters that promote (a) the extension of God's name and glory; (b) the spread of His Word (from which alone we hope for salvation); (c) the peace and tranquility of churches and schools; and (d) the instruction and consolation of disturbed consciences. We must do this. For it is a fact that this work of Christian concord has already been longed for and expected with anxious prayers and the greatest desire by many good and sincere people. (paragraph 22)

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### **Life Quotes**

“Our lives may be full of stress, but Jesus is with us as He has always been—walking with us, holding us in His hands, keeping us in His care. Nothing can take God's love away from us. Nothing, not even death—not even death on a cross!—can keep Jesus from the people He came to save.” *Dr. Kari Vo, Lutheran Hour Ministries*  
**A “Life Quote” is from Lutherans For Life – [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org).**



**About the Cover:** Like a merchant selling everything to have a pearl of immeasurable value, Jesus was willing to give everything to have us. Even though we are tarnished by our sin, Jesus sees each of us as precious and invaluable in His sight. He was willing to give His very life so that we may “be His own and live under Him in His kingdom” (Small Catechism, Explanation of the Second Article). Catechism: © 1986 CPH.

**Grace**

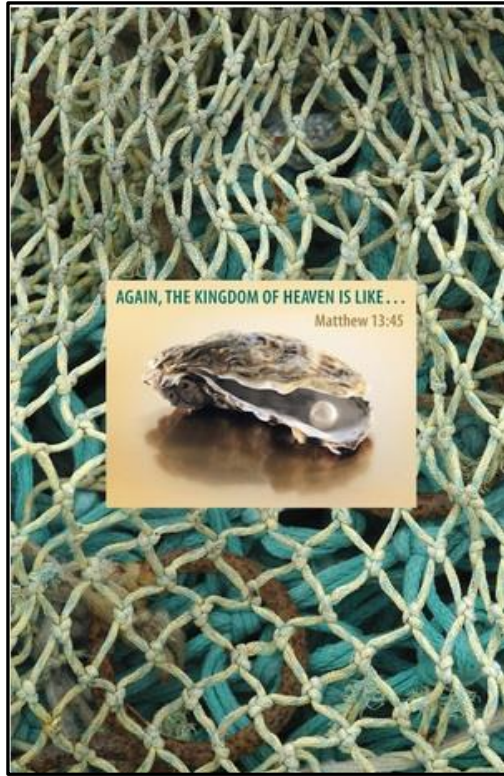
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Zorra, Saskatchewan



**St. Matthew's**

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Roblin, Manitoba

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**July 26 Anno Domini 2020**  
**Eighth 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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