

## ORDER OF SERVICE

Time for Silent prayer

Hymn

Confession and Absolution

### Service of the Word

Introit

Kyrie

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### Service of the Sacrament

The Preface and Sanctus

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Words of Institution

Proclamation of Christ and Lord's Prayer

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*In the sanctuary (prayers on inside front cover of hymnal)*

*"Glorious things of You are spoken" # 648*

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*Exodus 17:1-7 (readings on inside of the insert)*

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Romans 5:1-8

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John 4:5-26

*"May God bestow on us His grace" # 824*

*"Location! Location! Location!" John 4:5-26*

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*\*"I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table" # 618*

*\*"Jesus Sinners Doth Receive" # 609*

*"When I Behold Jesus Christ" # 542*

*"My song is love unknown" # 430*

*"Nunc Dimittis" p. 165*

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*"When peace, like a river" # 763*



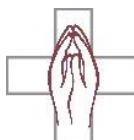
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*Welcome*

**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, Bernice Edel, Wilma Kroll, Annie Nernberg, Ruth Zimmer;
- 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 various health issues;
- the people of Ukraine, that peace be restored;
- 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;
- 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.*

**Please mark the registration sheet for communion and worship attendance in the narthex. 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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**The LWMLC meets on Tuesday at 1:00 P.M. (MB) at St. Matthew's.**

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**Taking On Something for Lent: Luther's Catechisms**, is the theme for our 2023 Midweek Lenten Services. Our Midweek Lenten journey continues at Noon at St. Matthew's and **7:00 P.M. (SK) at Grace** this week as we consider Holy Baptism. A few copies of Luther's Large Catechism are available by the mailboxes at both Grace and St. Matthew's.  
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**The installation** of Pastor Airton Glitz as pastor of Trinity, Churchbridge, will be on Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 P.M. (SK time). All are invited to attend. A fellowship supper will follow the service.  
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**The St. Matthew's Annual meeting** will be held on Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 P.M. This will be the first annual meeting since the pandemic was declared in 2020.  
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All ladies are invited to the LWMLC Spring Seminar "Oaks of Righteousness" being held at the Russell Inn, April 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$125 (which includes registration, seminar booklet, Friday supper, Saturday breakfast, Saturday lunch). Accomodations extra. Registration deadline is March 15<sup>th</sup>. For more information please see the poster on the narthex door or speak to Gladys Timoruski.  
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Pastor Wood officiated at a funeral in Langenburg on Saturday.  
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*When bad things happen, is it "bad karma" or an opportunity for our Good Creator to be doing a greater work?* Hear Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler's message entitled **"Bad Karma vs. Good Creator"** based on John 9:3 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).

<u>At Jesus' feet last week</u>		
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## **This Week in the Grace - St. Matthew's Parish:**

Today	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's (in person/live streamed)	9:30 A.M. (MB)
	- Sunday School at Grace	10:30 A.M. (SK)
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace	10:30 A.M. (SK)
	- Pastor Wood leading Divine Service at Langenburg	3:00 P.M. (SK)
Monday	- Quilting at St. Matthew's	1:00 P.M. (MB)
Tuesday	- LWMLC at St. Matthew's	1:00 P.M. (MB)
	- Junior Confirmation at St. Matthew's	4:00 P.M. – 5:30 P.M. (MB)
Wednesday	- Midweek Service hosted at St. Matthew's	Noon (MB)
	- Midweek Service hosted at Grace	7:00 P.M. (SK)
Thursday	- Assiniboine Circuit Winkel in Inglis	10:00 A.M. (SK)
Saturday	- Pastor Wood leading Divine Service at Moosomin	7:00 P.M. (SK)
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	- Sunday School at Grace	10:30 A.M. (SK)
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	- Installation of Pastor Airton Glitz at Trinity, Churchbridge	4:00 P.M. (SK)

## **A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT APOLOGY OF THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION ARTICLE XIIA: REPENTANCE**

As the second part of repentance we add faith in Christ. The Gospel, in which the forgiveness of sins is freely promised concerning Christ, should be presented to consciences in terror. They should believe that, for Christ's sake, their sins are freely forgiven. This faith cheers, and enlivens the contrite, according to Romans 5:1, "Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God." This faith obtains the forgiveness of sins. It justifies before God, "since we have been justified by faith." This faith shows the distinction between the contrition of Judas and Peter. The contrition of Judas [Matthew 27:3–5] is useless because faith is not added. Faith grasps the forgiveness of sins, given as a gift for Christ's sake. So the contrition of Peter [Matthew 26:75] helps because faith, which takes hold of the forgiveness of sins granted for Christ's sake, is added to it. Love is not present before reconciliation has been made through faith. For without Christ, the Law is not performed, according to Romans 5:2, "Through [Christ] we have also obtained access [to God]." This faith grows gradually and throughout the entire life, struggles with sin, in order to overcome sin and death. Love follows faith. Childlike fear is defined as anxiety that has been connected with faith, that is, where faith comforts the anxious heart. Without faith to sustain the anxious heart it is slavish fear. (paragraphs 35-38)

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### **Life Quotes**

"Despite the hardships we experience and the sin we face, God's work submerges us in a pool of joy; through our Baptism, He daily refreshes us, strengthening our bonds to Him and to each other. Yes, we Christians are connected more deeply than participation in any march or gathering can offer. By God's grace, we have become family. We share a home and a future."

*Michelle Bauman, Y4Life*

**A "Life Quote" is from Lutherans For Life – [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org).**



**About the Cover:** As God's people gather for worship, we have purpose of mind. We gather to confess our sins and receive absolution. Also, we give thanks for all the blessings God has given and continues to give us. We do all this with spiritual knowledge of the wonderful God who loves us. We have learned from His Word all He has done and still does for His people. For those blessings, we worship the Father in spirit and truth.



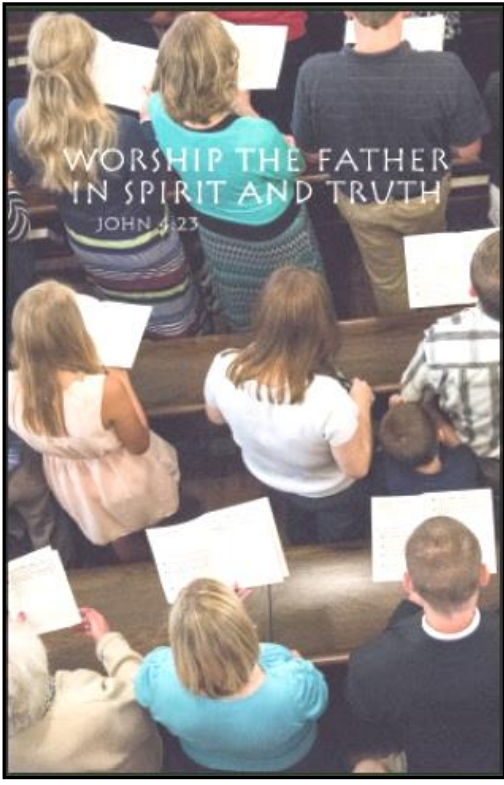
# St. Matthew's

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

Members of Lutheran Church Canada

# Grace

Evangelical=Lutheran Congregation  
Highway #8, 1/2 km South of Highway #10  
Zorra, Saskatchewan



## MARCH 12 ANNO DOMINI 2023 THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT PROCLAIMING CHRIST AND HIM CRUCIFIED, RISEN, ASCENDED, AND RETURNING

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

March 12, 2023 – November 5, 2023: 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 12, 2023 – November 5, 2023: Divine Service 10:30 A.M. (SK)



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