## The Fifth Sunday in Lent

## March 26, 2023



Time for Silent prayer Hymn Confession and Absolution Service of the Word Introit Kyrie Hymn of Praise Salutation and Collect of the Day Old Testament Gradual Epistle Lenten Verse and Gospel Response Holy Gospel Hymn of the Day Sermon Nicene Creed Prayer of the Church Offertory Service of the Sacrament The Preface and Sanctus Prayer of Thanksgiving Words of Institution Proclamation of Christ and Lord's Prayer Pax Domini and Agnus Dei **Communion Hymns** 

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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!

**LSB Divine Service Setting One, p. 151** In the sanctuary (prayers on inside front cover of hymnal) "Come, Thou Fount of ev'ry blessing" # 686 p. 151

(on insert) p. 152-153 Omitted during Lent (a brief time of silence) p. 156 Ezekiel 37:1-14 (readings on inside of the insert) (on insert) Romans 8:1-11 p. 157 John 11:17-27, 38-53 "My Song Is Love Unknown" # 430 "Death-Defying Faith" John 11:1-45 p. 158 (or inside back cover) (responses on insert) "What Shall I Render" p. 159-160

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p. 163 *\* "The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord" #* 634 *\* "Thanks to Thee, O Christ, victorious" #* 548 *"Jesus, I Will Ponder Now" #* 440 *"Christ, the life of all the living" #* 420 *"Nunc Dimittis" p.* 165
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#### **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;
- Ben Marfleet, as he affirms the faith given him in his baptism, next Sunday in the rite of Confirmation'
- the Triune Lutheran Parish, as they have issued a call for a pastor;
- 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.



#### 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.

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 the Lord's Supper - The Sacrament of the Altar. A few copies of Luther's Large Catechism are available by the mailboxes at both Grace and St. Matthew's.

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

**The St. Matthew's Annual meeting** is today at 2:00 P.M. This will be the first annual meeting since the pandemic was declared in 2020.

Pastor Wood will be leading service for the residents at **Crocus Court** on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month beginning in April!

Hell is a serious word, meant to be taken seriously. However, hell doesn't have to be one's inevitable destination. Hear Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler's message entitled **"Hell: No One Has to Go There?"** based on Matthew 26:20-29 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.



IT'S LIKE THE LAST STRAW FOR THEM. A FEW VERSES LATER THEYVE DECIDED HE HAS TO DIE. GIVEN HOW THINGS VORKEP FOR LAZARUS, THEY THOUGHT JESUS WOLLD STAY DEAD?

JOHN 11:1-45

<u>At Jesus' feet last week</u>				
	Grace	St. Matthew's		
<b>Divine Service</b>	17	49		
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Lent Midweek				
Noon		15		
Evening		13		
Sunday School				
Confirmation				

## <u> This Week in the Grace - St. Matthew's Parish:</u>

Today	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's (in person/live streamed	i) 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)
	- St. Matthew's Annual Meeting	2:00 P.M. (MB)
Monday	- Quilting at St. Matthew's	1:00 P.M. (MB)
Tuesday	- No Junior Confirmation	
Wednesday	- Midweek Service hosted at St. Matthew's	Noon (MB)
	- Midweek Service hosted at Grace	7:00 P.M. (SK)
Saturday	- Pastor Wood leading Divine Service at MacNutt	7:00 P.M. (SK)
Next Sunday	Palm Sunday/The Sunday of the Passion	
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's (in person/live streamed	a) 9:30 A.M. (MB)
	- Sunday School at Grace	10:30 A.M. (SK)
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace – Confirmation Sunday	10:30 A.M. (SK)
	- Pastor Wood leading Divine Service at Langenburg	3:00 P.M. (SK)

### A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT FORMULA OF CONCORD, EPITOME ARTICLE I: ORIGINAL SIN

We believe, teach, and confess that there is a distinction between man's nature and original sin. This applied not only when he was originally created by God pure and holy and without sin, but it also applies to [our] nature now after the fall. In other words, we distinguish between the nature itself and original sin. This distinction is as great as the distinction between God's work and the devil's work.

God created the body and soul of Adam and Eve before the fall. But He also created our bodies and souls after the fall. Even though they are corrupt, God still acknowledges them as His work, as it is written in Job 10:8, "Your hands fashioned and made me."

Furthermore, God's Son has received this human nature, but without sin. Therefore, He did not receive a foreign nature, but our own flesh in the unity of His person. In this way He has become our true Brother. Hebrews 2:14,17; 4:15 says, "Since the children share in flesh and blood,... He had to be made like His brothers in every respect,... yet without sin". In the same way, Christ redeemed human nature as His work, sanctifies it, raises it from the dead, and gloriously adorns it as His work. But original sin He has not created, redeemed, or sanctified. He will not raise it, or save it in the elect. In the <br/>blessed> resurrection original sin will be entirely destroyed [1 Cor. 15:51–57]. (paragraphs 2, 4-6)

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#### Life Quotes

"The God who chose to give us life at the moment of fertilization is the same God who chose to rescue us and redeem us and give us salvation. And He did it by sending His Son, Jesus, to experience every stage of human life so we could be forgiven and given life everlasting with Him!"

*Rev. Craig Michaelson, Faith Community Lutheran Church, Las Vegas, Nevada* A "Life Quote" is from Lutherans For Life – www.lutheransforlife.org.



About the Cover: Jesus has promised life and salvation to all who believe in Him, and all who believe in Him will never die. Jesus means they will not experience eternal death, or separation from God the Father. Jesus then reveals His glory by raising Lazarus from the dead. We believe in Jesus and His promises to us. Through faith, even though we die a physical death, we live with Him for all eternity!

Grace

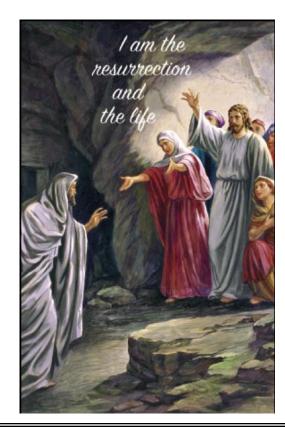
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St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Roblin, MB

**Divine Service – 9:30 A.M. (MB)** November 5, 2023 - March 10, 2024: 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 5, 2023 - March 10, 2024: Divine Service 9:30 A.M.



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