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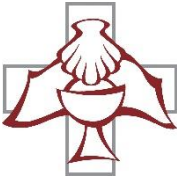
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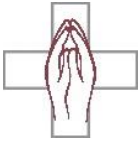
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Welcome to all our Guests and Visitors worshipping with us today! Whoever

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: Grace Bowley, Doreen Doering, Bernice Edel, Wilma Kroll, Ruth Zimmer;
- all health care workers;
- all who are dealing with various health issues;
- all affected by wildfires and flooding;
- all mothers, on this Mother’s Day;
- that the Lord would provide favourable weather as seedtime begins or is underway;
- the people of Ukraine and Sudan, that peace be restored;
- our organists as they serve God’s people;
- 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. Those who are not yet confirmed are welcome to come to receive a blessing, but are asked to keep their hands folded.

Why does God allow suffering? The answer cannot be that God is indifferent or detached from our pain. Hear Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler’s message entitled **“Responses to Suffering”** based on 1 Peter 4:12 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 podcasts at www.lutheranhour.ca.

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

Today	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's	9:30 A.M. (MB)
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace	10:30 A.M. (SK)
	- Pastor Wood leading Divine Service at Langenburg	3:00 P.M. (SK)
Tuesday	- Junior Confirmation at St. Matthew's	4:00 P.M. – 5:30 P.M. (MB)
Wednesday	- Bible Class hosted at St. Matthew's	7:30 P.M. (MB)
Thursday	Ascension Day	
Saturday	- Pastor Wood leading Divine Service at Landestreu	7:00 P.M. (SK)
Next Sunday	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's	9:30 A.M. (MB)
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace	10:30 A.M. (SK)
	- Pastor Wood leading Divine Service at Langenburg	3:00 P.M. (SK)

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

THE LARGE CATECHISM,

PART II, APOSTLES' CREED

I believe that there is upon earth a little holy group and congregation of pure saints, under one head, even Christ. This group is called together by the Holy Spirit in one faith, one mind, and understanding, with many different gifts, yet agreeing in love, without sects or schisms. I am also a part and member of this same group. I am brought to it and incorporated into it by the Holy Spirit through having heard and continuing to hear God's Word. In the past, before we had attained to this, we were altogether of the devil, knowing nothing about God and about Christ. So, until the Last Day, the Holy Spirit abides with the holy congregation or Christendom [John 14:17]. Through this congregation He brings us to Christ and He teaches and preaches to us the Word. By the Word He works and promotes sanctification, causing this congregation daily to grow and to become strong in the faith and its fruit, which He produces.

God's grace is secured through Christ, and sanctification is wrought by the Holy Spirit through God's Word in the unity of the Christian Church. Yet because of our flesh we are never without sin. Therefore, in the Christian Church we daily receive the forgiveness of sin through the Word, to comfort and encourage our consciences as long as we live here. So even though we have sins, the Holy Spirit does not allow them to harm us.

(paragraphs 51-55)

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Life Quotes

“This, dear friends, is why Christ's ascension is a good goodbye. Jesus leaves you with everything! He has done it all. The grave is empty. Death is defeated. Life is yours. So, people of God, ‘Why do you stand here looking into the sky?’ You have an ascension victory to celebrate and an ascended Savior to proclaim!”

Rev. Peter Sulzle, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota

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



About the Cover: Jesus never abandons us. He is always with us in His Word. The Spirit strengthens us to live our faith no matter what happens in life. Jesus promised, “I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper . . . the Spirit” (John 14:16–17). Jesus then promises even more: “I will not leave you as orphans” (v. 18 ESV®). Jesus loves us so much that He gave His life for us, that we may live with Him forever.



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The Cross-Border Lutheran Parish



MAY 14 ANNO DOMINI 2023
THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
*PROCLAIMING CHRIST AND HIM CRUCIFIED,
RISEN, ASCENDED, AND RETURNING*

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)

November 5, 2023 - March 10, 2024: Divine Service 9:30 A.M.