Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 19, 2023

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Post-Communion Canticle Thanksgiving Prayer, Salutation, Benedicamus and Benediction Recessional Hymn **Matters of Importance**

> 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

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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,

Wilma Kroll, Ruth Zimmer;

- Herb Nernberg, recovering at home after surgery;
- Wayne Zimmer who is now at home;
- Sophie Guenther (Ed's mother) who is back at the care home in Kamsack;
- all who are dealing with various health issues;
- our organists as they serve God's people;
- the pastor of our parish and all pastors of the synod;
- Dr. Päivi Räsänen and Rev. Dr. Juhana Pohjola of the Finnish Lutheran Church have been acquitted (again) on all charges in a unanimous decision by the Helsinki Court of Appeals. The two had been charged with hate crimes for their expression of historic Christian teaching on human sexuality.
- 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.

The LWMLC meets on Tuesday at 1:00 P.M. (MB) at St. Matthew's.

Pastor Wood will be leading service for the residents at **Crocus Court** on Thursday at 9:30 A.M. If you would like to assist with singing etc. you are invited to do so. A brief communion service will follow for our Lutheran residents.

Midweek Advent Services will be held beginning Wednesday, November 29th at Noon at St. Matthew's and alternating evening services between St. Matthew's and Grace. The theme is: *"Resounding Psalms for Advent"*.

Christmas Eve falls on Sunday, December 24th this year. December 24th is also the 4th Sunday in Advent (in the morning). A parish service will be held at Grace on the morning of December 24th at 10:00 A.M. for the 4th Sunday in Advent. Holy Communion will be celebrated.

A parish Christmas Eve Candlelight service will be held at St. Matthew's at 7:30 P.M.

> *Christmas Day with Holy Communion will be at our usual service times.*

At Jesus' feet last week					
	Grace		St. Matthew's		
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This Week in the Grace - St. Matthew's Parish:				
Today	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace	9:30 A.M.		
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's	11:30 A.M.		
Tuesday	- LWMLC hosted at St. Matthew's	1:00 P.M.		
	- Junior Confirmation at St. Matthew's	4:00 P.M – 5:30 P.M.		
Wednesday	- Bible Class hosted at St. Matthew's	7:30 P.M.		
Thursday	- Service at Crocus Court	9:30 A.M.		
	- Assiniboine Circuit Winkel at St. Matthew's	10:30 A.M.		
	- Adult Instruction Class at St. Matthew's	7:30 P.M.		
Saturday	- Pastor Wood leading Divine Service at Moosomin	7:00 P.M.		
Next Sunday	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace	9:30 A.M.		
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's	11:30 A.M.		

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

LARGE CATECHISM, PART II, APOSTLES' CREED

ARTICLE I

We confess that God has not only given us all that we have, but He daily preserves and defends us against all evil. He directs all sorts of danger away from us. He does all this out of pure love and goodness, without our merit, as a kind Father. He cares for us so that no evil falls upon us.

Now, all that we have, and whatever else is in heaven and upon the earth, is daily given, preserved, and kept for us by God. Therefore, it is clearly concluded that it is our duty to love, praise, and thank Him for these things without ceasing. In short, we should serve Him with all these things, as He demands and has taught in the Ten Commandments.

Few people believe this article. We all pass over it, hear it, and say it. Yet we do not consider what the words teach us. For if we believed this teaching, we would also act according to it. We would not strut about proudly and boast as though we had life, riches, power, honor, and such, of ourselves. We would not act as though others must fear and serve us. The world is drowned in blindness and abuses all the good things and God's gifts only for its own pride, greed, lust, and luxury. It never once thinks about God, thank Him or acknowledge Him as Lord and Creator.

This article ought to humble us all. For we sin daily with eyes, ears, hands, body and soul, money and possessions, and with everything we have. (paragraphs 17-22)

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Life Quotes

"For it can be easy on Thanksgiving to be thankful for the things, thankful for what we are and have, but thankfulness in faith cries out to God, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on me!' and falls on its face at Jesus' feet, giving thanks to Christ." *Rev. Cody Cooper, Guest Speaker on "The Lutheran Hour"* A "Life Ouote" is from Lutherans For Life – www.lutheransforlife.org.



About the Cover: Behold When the master returned, he expected that his property would have been used for its intended purpose. The third servant thought that storing it away was the safest form of management. However, it was given to be invested. Christ has given His Church His valuable Word, not to be stored away but invested in the lives of people. It will always accomplish its intended purpose because God's Word never comes back empty (see Isaiah 55:11). Jesus emptied Himself on the cross for our sake to bring us the richness of His forgiveness, life, and salvation.



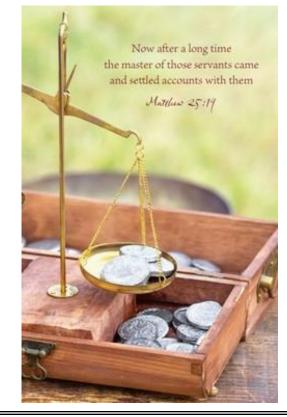
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St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Roblin, MB Divine Service – 11:30 A.M.

March 10, 2024 - November 3, 2024: Divine Service 9:30 A.M. (MB)

Grace Lutheran Church, Zorra, SK Divine Service – 9:30 A.M.

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