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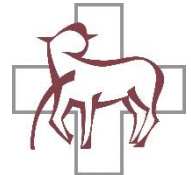
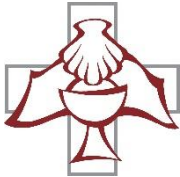
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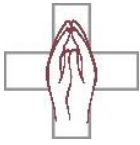


Welcome to all our Guests and Visitors worshipping with us today! Whoever

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, Wilma Kroll, Ruth Zimmer;
- all health care workers;
- all who are dealing with various health issues;
- all affected by wildfires, flooding, and other natural disasters;
- for favourable weather for crops and livestock, now that harvest is underway;
- our organists as they serve God's people;
- the pastor of our parish and all pastors of the synod;
- to ask the Lord's continued blessing on the Roblin-Zorra Lutheran Parish and Pastor Wood as we have begun our 11th year together (Pastor Wood was installed September 29th, 2013);
- Dr. Päivi Räsänen and Rev. Dr. Juhana Pohjola of the Finnish Lutheran Church as they await the verdict in their retrial on November 30th.
- the electorate of Manitoba as we go to the polls on Tuesday;
- 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.

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

Junior confirmation at St. Matthew's will resume on Tuesday, October 3rd at 4:00 P.M.

Bible Class will resume on October 4th as we begin a study of the 3 letters of John.

Adult confirmation/Instruction/Inquirers class is tentatively planned to begin late October/early November (after harvest). If you know of anyone interested, please let Pastor Wood know.

"The Lord is my Shepherd..." That's how the 23rd Psalm begins. It goes on to describe the ways in which our Good Shepherd leads, comforts, and protects the sheep of His flock. Every line gives us a reason to be thankful. Hear Guest Speaker Pastor Keith Haberstock's message entitled "Whatever and Wherever, Thank You, Lord!" based on Psalm 23 next Sunday on The Lutheran Hour on 620/am at 7:30 AM (SK) or 940/am at 9:00 AM (SK) or 1250/am at 10:30 AM (MB) or Streaming audio and pod-casts at www.lutheranhour.ca.

At Jesus' feet last week

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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)
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)
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)

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST APOLOGY OF THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION, ARTICLE V, LOVE AND FULFILLING THE LAW

Our sins are forgiven if we believe that our sins are forgiven for Christ's sake. Otherwise, why would we need the Gospel? Why would we need Christ? This belief should always be in view so that it may oppose those who cast Christ and the Gospel aside and wickedly distort the Scriptures to human opinions, such as the idea that we purchase the forgiveness of sins by our works.

Faith is required also in the sermon of Daniel (4:24–27). For Daniel says, “Break off your ... iniquities by showing mercy to the oppressed” [4:27]. This means, break off your sins by a change of heart and works. Here also, faith is required. We have the excellent confession of the king about the God of Israel, “There is no other god who is able to rescue in this way” (Daniel 3:29). Daniel promises the forgiveness of sins to the king. This promise of the forgiveness of sins is an evangelical voice. Daniel certainly meant that the promise should be received in faith. For Daniel knew that the forgiveness of sins in Christ was promised not only to the Israelites, but also to all nations. Otherwise, he could not have promised to the king the forgiveness of sins. Daniel speaks clearly about repentance and even more clearly brings out the promise. Only those who truly believe take hold of this promise, and through faith overcome sin and death.

(paragraphs 139-142)

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Life Quotes

“The science is conclusive: Human life starts at fertilization. The Bible is conclusive: Life is from God, it begins at fertilization, and God's commandment of ‘You shall not murder’ (Exodus 20:13) certainly applies to the slaying of an innocent child in the womb. Because that little baby in the womb IS a human being.”

Pastor Paul Clark, President of Lutherans For Life of Michigan

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



About the Cover: Our life as the children of God is a pure and beautiful gift. Christ has loved us by dying on the cross for our sins, putting our interests above His own. Because of Christ, we also are free to put the interests of others before our own. In turn, the Lord has placed the beautiful gifts of love and service into our hands so we can share them with our neighbours.

Grace

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St. Matthew's

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OCTOBER 1 ANNO DOMINI 2023
EIGHTEENTH 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 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.



St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Roblin, MB
Grace Lutheran Church, Zorra, SK
The Cross-Border Lutheran Parish