Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 10, 2023

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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 and flooding;
- 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;
- Dr. Päivi Räsänen and Rev. Dr. Juhana Pohjola of the Finnish Lutheran Church as they await the verdict in their retrial on November 30th.
- 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 1:30 P.M. (MB) at St. Matthew's.

This Wednesday will be the last day (pun intended) of our study of Revelation at St. Matthew's at 7:30 P.M. (MB). Bible class will resume October 4th.

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

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.

People praise that which they find laudable, valuable, beautiful. But when does praise become a problem? Hear Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler's message entitled "Pure Michigan and the Problem of Praise" based on Psalm 103 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		
	Grace	St. Matthew's
Divine Service	10	45
Communion	10	37
Bible Class		9 (+2)

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 - LWMLC hosted at St. Matthew's 1:30 P.M. (MB) Wednesday - Bible Class hosted at St. Matthew's 7:30 P.M. (MB) Thursday - Assiniboine Circuit Winkel at Langenburg 10:00 A.M. (SK) Next Sunday - Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at St. Matthew's 9:30 A.M. (MB)

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD

- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST APOLOGY OF THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION ARTICLE XV, HUMAN TRADITIONS IN THE CHURCH

Paul writes to the Colossians that traditions have "an appearance of wisdom" (2:23). Indeed, they have. Good order is very fitting in the Church, and is for this reason necessary. Human reason, because it does not understand the righteousness of faith, naturally imagines that such works justify people because they reconcile God. Common people thought this, and among us ceremonies have grown in the monasteries. Human reason thinks bodily exercises, such as fasts, are services that justify. The look of wisdom and righteousness in such works tricks people. When people want to imitate the saints, they imitate, for the most part, the outward exercises. They do not imitate their faith.

After this look of wisdom and righteousness has deceived people, then countless evils follow. The Gospel about the righteousness of faith in Christ is clouded over, and empty confidence in such works succeeds. Then God's commandments are clouded over. These human works are preferred more than the works of God's commandments (one's own calling, management of a family, married life, and bringing up of children). Compared with those ceremonies, the latter are judged to be ungodly, so that they are exercised by many with doubting consciences. For it is known that many have left married life to welcome these human ceremonies as better and holier.(paragraphs 22-26)

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Life Quotes

"There is no more valuable work for God and for all of Christendom than bringing up your children in the faith and trust of Jesus! It's not hard to believe that if this were our primary aim, that our children would not question their gender, that they would respect their neighbor and love their spouses, that they would welcome the opportunity to serve the public with politics that reflect solid biblical values, and that they would continue to attend church well after confirmation!"

Rev. Jeff Duncan, Lutherans For Life

10:30 A.M. (SK)

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



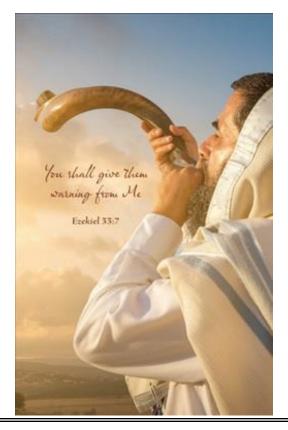
About the Cover: About the Cover: Like the piercing shofar trumpet blast that made the people tremble before Mount Sinai (see Exodus 19:16), Ezekiel was called to sound forth the warning of God's Law. God gives the warning of His Law before the final judgment to lead us to repentance and faith in the Gospel of Jesus' death and resurrection for our forgiveness. God sounds the "note of judgment" so that we might hear and join in singing the notes of "gladness," "pardon," and "triumph" in Christ (LSB 511).

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SEPTEMBER 10 ANNO DOMINI 2023

FIFTEENTH 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.

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