Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Time for Silent prayer

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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: Debbie Andres, Irma Baumung, Grace Bowley, Doreen Doering, Grace Dressler,

Earl Chase,

Walter Eckert, Bernice Edel, Hertha Edel, Geraldine Edel, Bev Erickson, Norman Kauk, Elizabeth Kleebaum, Jack Miller, Georgina Nabe, Annie Nernberg, Gladys Timoruski, Ruth Zimmer;

- for favourable weather for crops and livestock, now that harvest is underway or soon to be underway;
- Trena Neumann, who had knee surgery last Monday;
- David Ollenberger (Christina Wood's fiancé);
- Yvonne, Pastor Wood, Caitlin, Christina and all the family upon the death of Yvonne's father Michael Pothier, Thursday evening as we wait for the great reunion at the Resurrection;
- all who are undergoing medical procedures;
- all affected by the coronavirus, that we not lose trust in our gracious heavenly Father;
- all who are unemployed as a result of the pandemic;
- the leaders of our congregations and parish;
- the members of Grace and St. Matthew's;
- the pastor of our parish;
- 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.

Advance registration for this service today is also registration for communion. 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.

"I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD!'" (Psalm 122:1 ESV) We give thanks to God that in-person Divine Service has resumed. Under the respective provincial health guidelines we are allowed to have up to 58 people (30% capacity and is dependent on seating configuration from pre-registration) at St. Matthew's (9:30 A.M. MB) and up to 30 people (30% capacity) at Grace (10:30 A.M. SK).

Pre-registration is requested (by Friday afternoon please – If you forget, please message when you remember).

In-person Bible Class (with physical distance protocols) continues Wednesday at 7:30 P.M. (MB) with a study of 1 Peter entitled "God's Chosen People".

The Households of Faith series continues with an inspirational message by guest speaker Rev. Dr. Jason Broge entitled **"Room at the Table"** based on **1 Peter 4** 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.

At Jesus' feet last week

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This Week in the Grace - St. Matthew's Parish:			
Today	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion)		
	in person and livestreamed at St. Matthew's 9:30 A		
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace	10:30 A.M. (SK)	
Wednesday	- Bible Class hosted at St. Matthew's	7:30 P.M. (MB)	
Friday	- Assiniboine Circuit Winkel at Langenburg	10:00 A.M. (SK)	
Next Sunday	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion)		
	in person and livestreamed 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

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST APOLOGY OF THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION ARTICLE XIIA, REPENTANCE

We have assigned these two parts, contrition and faith, to repentance. In order that the doctrine of faith might be clearer, we have named it among the parts of repentance. For experience shows that those passages are dangerous that require contrition or good works, and make no mention of justifying faith. Since the Fathers speak in some places about one part of repentance, and in other places about another part, it would have been good to select and combine their judgments not only about one part but about both, that is, about contrition and faith.

Tertullian speaks about faith, discussing the oath in the prophet Ezekiel, "As I live, declares the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live" (33:11). As God swears that He does not want the death of a sinner, He shows that faith is required, in order that we may believe that He forgives us. In our estimation, the authority of the divine promises should be great by itself. If anyone is not confident that he is forgiven, he denies that God has sworn what is true. A more horrible blasphemy cannot be imagined.

Here we must know that this faith should be confident that God freely forgives us for Christ's sake, for the sake of His own promise, not for the sake of our works, contrition, confession, or satisfactions. (paragraphs 91-95)

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Life Quotes

"The Adoption Creed: 'Not flesh of my flesh, nor bone of my bone, but still miraculously my own; never forget for a single minute, you didn't grow under my heart, but in it.""

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



About the Cover: The employer in the parable gave his workers exactly what had been promised. Jesus calls us to see that God's promises are not based upon the work that we do. Rather, God's promises are based upon the call itself. God does not prorate His grace toward us, and we should not be concerned with how He shows generosity to others. His promises to us are eternal in Christ Jesus.

Grace

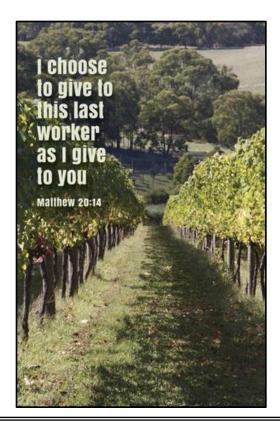
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St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Roblin, MB Divine Service – 9:30 A.M. (MB) November 1, 2020 -March 14, 2021: Divine Service 11:30 A.M.

Grace Lutheran Church, Zorra, SK Divine Service – 10:30 A.M. (SK) Sunday School – TBD

November 1, 2020 - March 14, 2021: Divine Service 9:30 A.M.

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