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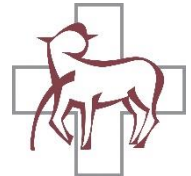
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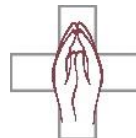
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*"Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways" # 707*

**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, Grace Bowley, Irma Baumung, Earl Chase, Doreen Doering, Grace Dressler,

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;
- David Ollenberger (Christina Wood's fiancé);
- Michael Pothier, (Yvonne Wood's father), whose time of departure from this life is drawing near;
- 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;
- parents, teachers and students as preparations are made for a return to the classroom;
- 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.



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**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.

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*"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).**

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\* Preregistration last week at St. Matthew's was 52; 7 were unable to attend. Attendance was 53. If all pre-registered people had all come we would have been over capacity in the sanctuary (use of the "overflow" in the basement would have been necessary.) 😊

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

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**Bible Study will be delayed one week:** In-person Bible Class (with physical distance protocols) will be resuming on **September 16<sup>th</sup>** at 7:30 P.M. (MB) with a study of 1 Peter entitled "God's Chosen People".

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*Our relationship with God is not something to "set and forget" like a thermostat.* Hear the inspirational message by Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, **"Fireplace Spirituality"** based on **Acts 2:37-47** 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](http://www.lutheranhour.ca).

**At Jesus' feet last week**

	Grace	St. Matthew's
Divine Service	21	53
Communion	21	45

## **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.M. (MB)	
	- Divine Service (with Holy Communion) at Grace	10:30 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 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST APOLOGY OF THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION ARTICLES VII AND VIII THE CHURCH**

Before the Synod of Nicaea, some observed Easter at one time and others observed it at another time. Neither did this lack of uniformity harm faith. Afterward, the plan was adopted by which our Passover (Easter) did not fall at the same time as that of the Jewish Passover. The apostles had commanded the churches to observe the Passover with the brethren who had been converted from Judaism. Therefore, after the Synod of Nicaea, certain nations held firmly to the custom of observing the Jewish time. The apostles, by this decree, did not wish to put a demand upon the churches, as the words of the decree testify. For it asks no one to be troubled, even though his brothers and sisters, in observing Easter, do not change the time correctly. The words of the decree are found in Epiphanius:

Do not calculate, but celebrate it whenever your brethren of the circumcision do; celebrate it at the same time with them, and even though they may have erred, let not this be a care to you.

The apostles wished to free the people from the foolish opinion of a fixed time, to help them from being troubled, if a mistake should be made in setting the date. Epiphanius interprets it in the sense in which we interpret it, because the apostles thought it unimportant what time the Passover should be observed.  
(paragraphs 42-43)

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### **Life Quotes**

“On earth, there will be no shortage of burdens to bear as we care for those in need. But one day, these burdens will be lifted from our shoulders in Heaven, where the Lord will see us through the lens of Christ’s perfect sacrifice and will say, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! ... Enter into the joy of your master’ (Matthew 25:21). Rest in His unfailing love.”

*Marie K. MacPherson, author*

**A “Life Quote” is from Lutherans For Life – [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org).**



**About the Cover:** During New Testament times, children were viewed as a burden, unable to provide an economic benefit to society. To our Lord, these little ones are precious beyond value. Their Father in heaven looks down upon them with great care and protection, and He calls His people to do the same. Indeed, Jesus has died and risen for these little ones, who are dependent upon Him for life and salvation.

**Grace**

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Zorra, Saskatchewan



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**St. Matthew's**

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Roblin, Manitoba



**September 6 Anno Domini 2020**  
**Fourteenth 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 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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