August 29, 2021

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood in an unworthy manner do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or hold membership in a congregation other than a congregation in the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod should refrain from receiving communion. If you are a member in good standing of another congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and would like to receive the Sacrament, please speak with the pastor or an elder prior to the service. We ask this out of Christian love and concern for you. (Please, indicate to Pastor if you require a Gluten Free Wafer.)

About our Lord's work at St. Matthew this week

TODAY . . . . . Communion Worship Service **9:00 AM**; Bible Class following worship
MONDAY. . . . . Bible Class **10:00 AM**
TUESDAY . . . . . Catechism Book Study **9:00 AM**
SUNDAY . . . . . Communion Worship Service **9:00 AM**;
Bible Class following worship

Social distancing is still recommended. The congregation continues to provide masks if you would like to wear them, and hand sanitizer is also available for your use. There is usually adequate seating at the front of the sanctuary if you prefer more social distance or in the Fellowship Hall. We do offer the common cup at the communion rail, as well as individual cups. If you have further concerns please contact the elders.

This morning we welcome, North Dakota LCMS, President, Rev. Arie Bertsch. We pray the Holy Spirit's power and blessings on his leadership and his message from God's Word to us today.
Continue in God's Word with Rev. Bertsch following worship - grab a cup of coffee and a chair for Bible Study.

Gifts for the work of the Lord: $3,507.00 (Aug. 23)
Weekly need: $4,671.37

Summary to date: $ 116,857.86
Year to date need: $138,367.76

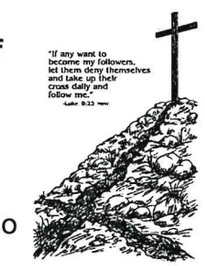
Together in Worship: Aug. 22 (62)

Together on the internet: 109

Please consider this information in the light of God's Word, which encourages regular worship and the joyful giving of our offerings for the expansion of His Mission at St. Matthew by Reaching, Caring and Sharing Christ!

The first day of Sunday School will be Sept. 19th!!!
A wonderful group of 4th - 6th graders are in need of a Sunday School teacher for the 2021 - 2022 school year. Please prayfully consider if you can be a leader for this small group of 5 students. Contact Marie Johnson for more information.

This morning we welcome into God's Kingdom through Holy Baptism, Harper Odella Sailer. She is the child of Jason & Lori Sailer. Her sponsor and witnesses are Eric & Audri Lagge and Justin Sailer. We pray God's blessings upon Harper, that she may grow in Christ and be blessed to be a blessing.



Stewardship thought: **Deuteronomy 4:6 – "Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.' "**
There is no wiser, more fulfilling life than a life lived according to the Word of God. We should be encouraged by this when the world tempts us to think that the Word of God is harmful to us. Our Father loves us; so all His Word is meant to bless us. We may have to suffer for upholding the Word of God, as St. John the Baptist did. But the cross the Lord has for us to bear will be far better than any we would create for ourselves.

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES

Listen to the Lutheran Hour, next Sunday morning at 7:30 am on KDKT 1410 AM radio to hear **"Living, Mighty, Active Faith"**.
Presented by speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. An elephant is a living, mighty, active thing. So is the faith of Jesus. (Isaiah 35:4-7)

The mite ministry . . .*the dedication of freely given offerings for the purpose of reaching out to others with the Good News of Jesus Christ.* Be a part of the LWML Mite Ministry, drop your loose change in the box located in the narthex next Sunday.

About the Cover: As Moses instructs the people on the Lord's teaching to keep His Word diligently, he calls them to never forget what they had witnessed of God's redeeming them from slavery and His providence through the desert. The Lord's Word is a lamp to our feet (Psalm 119:105). As we seek the light of God's Word for our daily lives, let us also never forget the redemption we have received in Christ Jesus, our Lord—He who died, rose, ascended, and is coming again.

Where can you serve? What blessings has God given you?

The slate of candidates for the October Voters meeting is being compiled. If you are currently holding a position and would like to continue, OR if you are in a postition and would no longer like to serve there, please contact Pastor or Dave Grant.
Who does what? How do we work together? There is a blue pamphlet of the Big Picture (taken from our Organized for Ministry handbook) available on the counter in the Narthex.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

- † Those struggling with cancer: **Sheila Faut / Becky Post / Marcia & Elwood Grushow / Paul Sayler / Emily Zietz / Beth Wangler / Delmer & Sharon Meissel / Nicole (Kilber) Teske / Kelly Weisz**
- † **Sophia Fischer / Carla Morast / Dewayne Sjostrand / Dallas & Monica Maas / Betty & Dallas Traxel / Rev. Erich Kaelberer / Harold Mathisen / Alvin & Marcella Knoell / Rev. Tom Eckstein / Myron Maas / Dave & Judy Fitzgerald / Stan Hanewald / Dawn Phillips / Allegra Boeckel / Betty Getz / Tracy Wolter / Emma Huber / Esther Gerving Grosz/ Rev. Allan Eppen / Christine Albers / Rodney Wagner / Elmer Schiermeister / Layton Bornemann / Vincent Oestriech / Chloe Graberek / Alvin Scheid / Bob Johnstone** for strength and healing.
- † **Erna / Bea / Frieda / Hertha / Emil** who reside in a care center.
- † **Pastors of our LCMS ND District**
- † **Large Print Work Center #193 / Dakota Hope Clinic**
- † **International Missions of the District**
- † **Our Military Personnel**, **Law Enforcement**, and **Rescue Workers**

Prayer chain contacts: Bonita Maas 748-6145 & Marie Mathisen 748-6347

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Service
9:00 a.m.

Sunday School
& Bible Study
10:15 a.m.

Hear our
Sunday Morning
Service *live*
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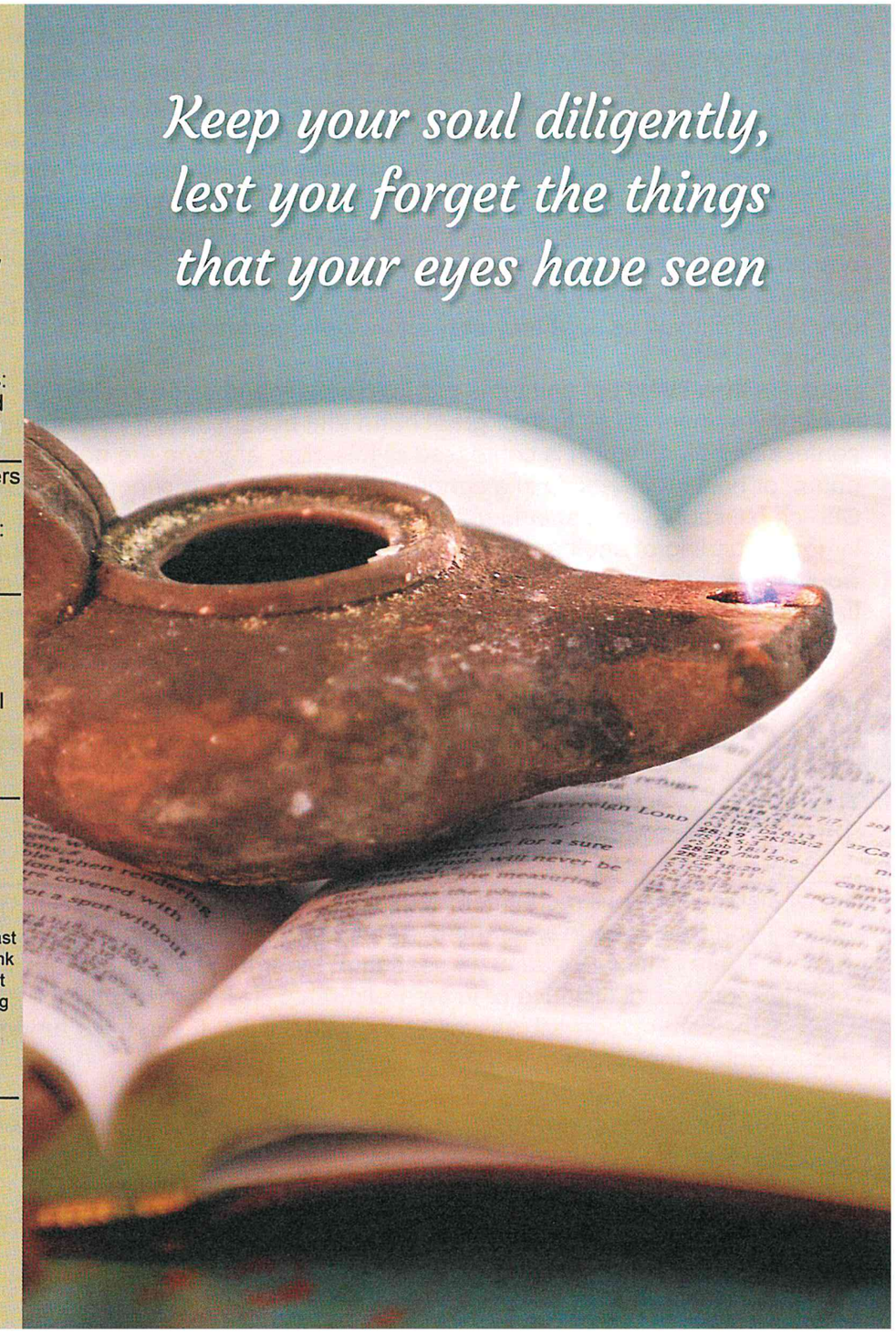
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