

The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

April 30, 2023

Are you a member or a guest? Pastoral Care - **All Visitor's and members**, please notice the red book on one end of your pew titled "Record of Fellowship". In order to help the pastor provide good care for you please fill out one line and pass it to the next person in the pew. If someone comes after the book has passed to the other end of the pew, please assist by making sure the book is available to them. Please check all of the boxes in the middle of the line which are applicable to you. If you require a large print copy of the worship service, to better help you, please ask an usher.



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.

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 . . . . .

MONDAY . . . . .

TUESDAY . . . . .

WEDNESDAY . .

SUNDAY . . . . .
- Communion Worship Service **9:00 AM**

No Bible Class

No Catechism/Bible Class

Board of Education Meeting **7:00 PM**

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Voter's Meeting following Worship; Sunday School **10:15-11:30 AM**

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This week the business office will be open Monday and Thursday.

Gifts for the work of the Lord:

Together in Worship: April 23 (60)

\$ 3,047.39 (April 23)

Together on the Internet: 223

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!

**Gifts to the Lord:** If you would like to help with the Lord's work at St. Matthew, please drop your gifts in the box located in the narthex. Guest envelopes are available in the holder in of the front of the box. You may drop your gifts in the box, before or after church.



Stewardship thought: **1 Peter 2:21** – **“For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps.”** Our heavenly Father wants us to grow into the image of His Son and to follow in His steps. Jesus suffered for us not only to redeem us, but also to show us what love looks like and to leave us an example of self-giving, sacrificial generosity. “Let us ever walk with Jesus, follow His example pure.”

Listen to the Lutheran Hour, next Sunday morning at 7:30 am on KDKT 1410 AM radio to hear **"Sojourn"**. Presented by Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Prosperity preachers promise health, wealth, and happines--but that's not what Christians should expect. (1 Peter 2:11-12)



**About the Cover:** We ought not think that our lives as God's people will be without suffering. We should expect it. However, on the other side of Christ's resurrection, our view of suffering has been forever changed. When the Lord works endurance and faith through suffering, it is a gracious thing to be counted as such by those belonging to Christ. He died and rose so that we may place all our confidence in Him. “He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it” (1 Thessalonians 5:24).



Please tear out the used page in the “Record of Fellowship” and hand it to the usher as you leave. If there are no more pages left, hand the entire book to the Usher. Thank you, for this, and the continued help of taking all items with you, to keep our pews tidy.

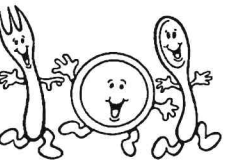


St. Matthew Quarterly Meeting will be held today following worship. Items on the agenda include: Parking cement; update on unmarked cemetery headstones.



A retirement celebration, honoring Rev. David Suelzle will be held on June 4, 4:00 - 7:00 PM, at Grace Lutheran in Fargo.

The next Evangelism Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 30 @ 2 PM. Anyone interested in joining this committee is invited to attend. We are hoping to add a few more members - men and women. There are some upcoming evangelism opportunities our congregation will host: Gerald & Heidi Paul will be presenting about their mission work in the Grand Cayman Islands(July 18), President Bertsch will present a power point about his recent trip to Chile, and we will host another Chilly for Chile in the summer months - this time ice cream. If there is anyone or another committee who would like to help with any of these events, please let Micki Fischer know. Thank you!



Find your favorite recipe and get ready to share. A Pot-Blessing will be held on Sunday, May 21.

Intercessory Prayers

- † Those struggling with cancer: **Sheila Faut / Becky Post/ Marcia & Elwood Grushow / Emily Zietz / Beth Wangler / Delmer Meissel / Kelly Weisz / Judy Johnson / Laverne Faut / Christie Tomes**
- † **Sophia Fischer / Carla Morast / Rev. Erich Kaelberer / Harold Mathisen / Marcella Knoell / Stan Hanewald / Dawn Phillips / Allegra Boeckel / Betty Getz / Tracy Wolter / Emma Huber / Elmer Schiermeister / Layton Bornemann / Chloe Graberek / Bob Johnstone / Orville Miller / Eva Olin / Christina / Rev. Jason Wolter /Kinsey Tomes** for strength and healing.
- † **Erna / Bea / Dallas / Orlene / Loretta / Christine** 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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Worship  
Service  
9:00 a.m.

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

Hear our  
Sunday Morning  
Service *live*  
each Sunday on  
KDKT 1410 AM  
9:00 a.m.  
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