

The 6th Sunday of Easter

May 14, 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.)



Exodus 20:12, "Honor your father and your mother," and Leviticus 19:3, "Every one of you shall revere his mother and his father.

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

- TODAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

SUNDAY
- Happy Mother's Day / Communion Worship Service **9:00 AM**

Bible Class following Worship; Sunday School **10:15-11:30 AM**

No Bible Class

No Catechism/Bible Class

Communion Worship Service **9:00 AM**; Teacher Appreciation/
Bible Class following Worship; Last day of Sunday School **10:15-11:30 AM**



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

Gifts for the work of the Lord:

Together in Worship: May 7 (73)

\$ 12,994.00 (May 7)

Together on the Internet: 201

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, before or after worship. Guest envelopes are available in the holder on of the front of the box.



Stewardship thought: **John 14:15** – “If you love me, you will keep my **commandments**.” Jesus is clear: our obedience to His Word comes from our love for Him. But where does that love come from? Jesus tells us that as well: “Her sins, which are many, are forgiven — for she loved much” (Luke 7:47). Christ shows us His love and gives us the forgiveness of our sins, which causes love to well up in us and thereby keep the commandments of Jesus. For after all, the summary of the Law is “love.”

Listen to the Lutheran Hour, next Sunday morning at 7:30 am on KDKT 1410 AM radio to hear "**Responses to Suffering**". Presented by Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Why does God allow suffering? The answer cannot be that God is indifferent or detached from our pain. (1 Peter 4:12)



About the Cover: We are a people of hope oriented to the Lord's promises for our future. Yet there will be times when the world will seek to challenge that hope. Peter calls us to always be ready to give the reason behind it. The reason is none other than Jesus Himself. He has suffered, died, and risen for us. By Baptism, we have been joined to Christ so that no matter what the world brings, we are His, He is ours, and, likewise, we shall rise.



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.

Join us on May 18th at 7:30 at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Hannover for Ascension Day service.





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

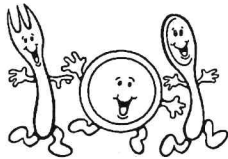
What are those kids in Sunday School talking about? "The Kingdom of Children" is this week's lesson. The disciples try to prevent the people from bringing their children to Jesus. Jesus rebukes the disciples and draws the children near to Himself, using a child as an example of how believers receive the kingdom of God.



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 next Sunday, May 21 following Bible Class.

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**

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& Bible Study
10:15 a.m.

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Service *live*
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A reason for the hope
that is in you

1 Peter 3:15