



April 28, 2024

Gifts for the work of the Lord: \$ 2,760.00 (April 21) 1-1-1 (\$ 27.00)

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.)



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. **Tithes**



Listen to the Lutheran Hour, next Sunday morning at 7:30 am on KDKT 1410 AM radio to hear "Rejoicing On the Way". Presented by Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. John Nunes. God empowers His people to share the Gospel with those they meet along the way. (Acts 8:28-39)

Stewardship Thoughts...John 15:2 – "Every branch of mine that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit." God is interested in the fruit that we bear in good works, and He even prunes us so that we may bring forth more fruit. Trusting in our Lord's work for us, being grafted by grace into His vine, we desire to be more like Him, to grow into His image. That's growth in fruit bearing — and it always comes with some pruning.

About the Cover: Without someone to assist him, the Ethiopian eunuch could not clearly envision the figure God's Word painted in Isaiah. But the Holy Spirit used Philip to lead him to Jesus, in whom the full picture of the Scriptures comes together. Christ's generous love and sacrifice is for the sake of the whole world as He delivers forgiveness of sins through Word and Sacrament.

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

- TODAY Communion Worship Service **9:00 AM**; Voters' meeting following Worship; Sunday School **10:15 -11:30 AM**
- MONDAY Bible Class **10:00 AM**; Evangelism Meeting **11:00 AM**
- TUESDAY Bible/The Lutheran Confessions Study **9:00 AM**
- WEDNESDAY Devotions at Sr. Suites **12:30 PM**; Confirmation Class **3:30 PM**
- SUNDAY Communion Worship Service **9:00 AM**; Bible Class following Worship; Sunday School **10:15 -11:30 AM**



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 home with you or disposing of them. It helps to keep our pews tidy.



The Business Office will be open Monday and Wednesday.




Summer is fast approaching!!! With that comes baseball. Would anyone be interested in attending a Larks baseball game as a group? Tickets are \$15 or \$25. Both come with reserved seating and a souvenir hat. The \$25 ticket allows you access to the All You Can Eat buffet for the first 90 minutes, once gates open, 1 hour before the game. To take advantage of this offer we need at least 10 people. If you are interested please sign up on the sheet on the counter in the narthex. If we have enough we'll try and schedule a date that works for most.



Building Healthy Families: "Don't worry, be happy!" ...remember that catchy little tune from the 80's? Repeatedly, God gives us this same message in His Word: but isn't it so much easier to say "don't worry" than it is to not worry? When you're feeling overwhelmed with worry, go to God's Word, read, then write down on a piece of paper some of the verses that speak directly to you. To get me safe as long as possible: be brave and respectful and have conversations about options before a move is needed. Find help ideas and resources at www.nis.nih.gov/health/aging-place-growing-older-home.

What's happening in Sunday School: In today's lesson, "A Call to Action," Abram responds to God's calling as he leaves his idolatry and homeland to follow the one true God. Abram takes his wife, Sarai, and nephew Lot as they journey to the land of Canaan. The Lord's appearance prompts Abram to build an altar, celebrating God's promise to give this land to his descendants. Discuss how God guides and leads us by His Word today.



 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.

Intercessory Prayers

- † Those struggling with cancer: **Sheila Faut / Becky Post/ Marcia & Elwood Grushow / Beth Wangler / Delmer Meissel / Kelly Weisz / Judy Johnson / Laverne Faut / Christie Tomes / JoAnn Crabtree**
 - † **Sophia Fischer / Carla Morast / Rev. Erich Kaelberer / Harold Mathisen / Stan Hanewald / Dawn Phillips / Allegra Boeckel / Betty Getz / Tracy Wolter / Emma Huber / Elmer Schiermeister / Chloe Graberek / Bob Johnstone / Orville Miller / Eva Olin / Christina / Rev. Jason Wolter / Kinsey Tomes / Hanna Link / Tanya Schlamann / David Grant** for strength and healing.
 - † **Dallas / Loretta / Christine / Rodney / Marcella** 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.
or from coast-to-coast
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DOES THE
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ACTS 8:34

