

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 11, 2025

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 Communion Worship Service **9:00 AM**; Sunday School and Bible Class following Worship **10:15 -11:30 AM**
- MONDAY Bible Class **10:00 AM**
- TUESDAY Bible Class **9:00 AM**; Knife River Care Center **10:15 AM**; Elders Meeting **7:00 PM**
- WEDNESDAY Confirmation Class **3:00 PM**
- SUNDAY Communion Worship Service **9:00 AM**; Sunday School and Bible Class following Worship **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.

Gifts for the work of the Lord: \$ 3,509.00 (5-4) Mission 1-1-1: \$ 16.00
Together in Worship: 48 (5-4)

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 or in the pew.

About the Cover: As Paul prepared to go to Jerusalem, he called the elders of Ephesus to give them his parting encouragement that they should watch over the flock of the Good Shepherd. The Lord's under shepherds are to remind the flock to heed the Shepherd's voice and to flee from every voice that would entice them away from His care. For Christ alone is the Good Shepherd. He laid down His life on the cross and rose again from the grave to give all who believe in Him eternal life.



The Large Print Work Center may close. This Mission Work needs your help to continue!!! The Large Print Work Center needs someone to lead. Be the contact person to Lutheran Braille Workers in Yucipa, CA. Check and order supplies through LBW - only takes a phone call. Print labels and mail the Large Print books that are ordered. Schedule days for volunteers to come in and work. 3-4 days each month is all it takes to make and mail books. You decide your days and times - take the summer off, take off December - you decide!! What a great way to help spread the Word of God!!! Prayerfully consider if you can serve. If you can, please contact Rhonda Koehler for more information or to tell her you'd love to serve.♥



KFUO Radio, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. CHRIST FOR YOU this week on AM850 & KFUE.org: Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT) continues its study through 1 Kings, picking up with chapter 7. On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), we are continuing our journey through the book of Genesis. Join us as we study together, covering chapters 19-23. Don't forget to tune in to Concord Matters this Saturday (4/28 at 10:00 a.m. CT) for a discussion of confession and excommunication in the church. Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or in the KFUE Radio app!





Listen to the Lutheran Hour, next Sunday morning at 7:30 am on KDKT 1410 AM radio to hear **"Truth That Takes Us In"**. Presented by Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Jesus is the Truth Who will take you in to live like He lives, planted in God His Father's love. (John 15:9)

Note the special insert as we celebrate Pastor Peters and Lisa's retirement and farewell. The event is open to the community so we need your help. **See the sign up sheet on the narthex bulletin board for the needed items.** There are extras, pies, side salads, and helper positions to fill.



The email list for supplying cookies or bars for funeral lunches is being updated. If you'd like to help, please give your email address to the church office.



Stewardship Thought: John 10:27 – "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow Me." On their own sheep are in great danger. They need a shepherd to guide them. The sheep know the Shepherd's voice, and we delight to go where He leads. Of course, the world, the devil, and our own sinful flesh want to pull us in another direction. Namely, they want to pull us in the direction of death. But following the Shepherd means life. So, no matter how difficult the path is, let us follow the Shepherd!



Intercessory Prayers

- † Those struggling with cancer: **Sheila Faut / Becky Post/ Marcia & Elwood Grushow / Beth Wangler / Kelly Weisz / Judy Johnson / Laverne Faut / Christie Tomes / Hanna Link / Eleanore Krumm**
 - † **Sophia Fischer / 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 / Tanya Schlamann / Esther Gerving-Grosz/ Lisa Peters** for strength and healing.
 - † **Dallas / Loretta / Christine / Rodney / Delmer** who reside in a care center.
 - † **Pastors of our LCMS ND District**
 - † **Large Print Work Center #193 / Dakota Hope Clinic / Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads**
 - † **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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Pay careful attention . . . to all the flock

Acts 20:28

