

About the Cover: Seats of honor at a wedding feast are not taken. They are given by the host. So also, our honor before God is not something that we take. It has been given to us by Jesus, the Son of God. Even though Jesus deserved the greatest seat of honor, He took the shame of the cross on our behalf. But He was exalted. He rose, ascended, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. Graciously, God "raised us up with Him and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus" (Ephesians 2:6).

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CHRIST FOR YOU this week on AM850 & KFUE.org: We're continuing our study "Majoring in the Minors" on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m. CT)! This week, we'll wrap up the book of Hosea, covering chapters 11-14. Tune in to Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m. CT) as we study the return of God's people from exile. This week, we'll take a look at Ezra chapters 5-8. Don't forget to join us Friday morning for this month's Free Text First Friday episode! Pastor Booe and guest Timothy Winterstein will discuss the Council of Nicaea and the history of the Nicene Creed! Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or in the KFUE Radio app!

Intercessory Prayers

- † Those struggling with cancer: **Sheila Faut / Becky Post / Beth Wangler / Kelly Weisz / Judy Johnson / Laverne Faut / Christie Tomes / Eleanore Krumm**
 - † **Sophia Fischer / Rev. Erich Kaelberer / Harold Mathisen / 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 / Jason Fischer / Larry & Karen Wiesz / Caroline Goetz / Dave Grant** for strength and healing.
 - † **Dallas / Loretta / Christine / Rodney / Delmer / Stan** 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
1:30 P.M.

Sunday School,
Coffee gathering,
Bible Study
following worship

Hear the
Sunday Morning
Service
each Sunday on
KDKT 1410 AM
9:00 a.m.

or from coast-to-coast
via the FoxSports link
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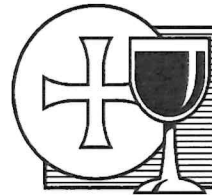
Are you a member or a guest? Pastoral Care - **All Visitor's and members**, please notice the red book on one end of your pew titled "Record of Fellowship".



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 1:30 PM;** Coffee gathering & Bible Class after Worship
TUESDAY Elder's Meeting **7 PM**
SUNDAY **Communion Worship Service 1:30 PM;** Coffee gathering & Bible Class after Worship

If you need Pastoral care, you may call Pastor Heide at:

Cell: 701-300-4249 (cell coverage is not the best in Hannover) Church: 701-794-8705

The church business office will be open as needed. If you need assistance, contact Marie Johnson by calling or texting 701-220-6386.

Gifts for the work of the Lord: \$ -no count- (8-24) Mission 1-1-1: \$
Together in Worship: 43 (8-24)

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.



Listen to the Lutheran Hour, next Sunday morning at 7:30 am on KDKT 1410 AM radio to hear "**Dying, We Live**" Presented by Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. God's love finds His people in the wilderness, the place where God gives bread from heaven, water from a rock, and streams in the desert. (Numbers 14:19-20)

A note from the ND District President: Happy Labor Day. I give thanks to God for all who toil and labor for the good of their neighbor. Our vocations give shape to our love. A mechanic loves his neighbor by fixing and maintaining his neighbor's vehicles. A teacher loves her neighbor by teaching her students that they will grow in knowledge and wisdom. A farmer loves his neighbor by growing his crops so that his neighbor will have food for his table. A mother loves her neighbor by nurturing and providing for her children. I thank God for all Godly vocations and the people who occupy them. -Rev. Mark Chepulis, North Dakota District President



Stewardship thought: Luke 18:14 – "I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Our works never impress God; they are always lacking in some way and fall short of perfection. So there is no point in taking pride in them. But a broken and contrite heart the Lord will not despise — and the works that flow from a broken and contrite heart are indeed pleasing to the Lord in and through Christ. These works will be used by the Lord for His purposes and to His glory!



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.