

First Sunday After Christmas

December 29, 2024

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**; Bible Class Following Worship **10:15 - 11:30 AM**; No Sunday School
- MONDAY Bible Class **10:00 AM**
- TUESDAY Bible Class **9:00 AM**; Evangelism Meeting **10:00 AM**
- WEDNESDAY Devotions at Sr. Suites **12:30 PM**
- SUNDAY Communion Worship Service **9:00 AM**; Sunday School and Bible Class Following Worship **10:15 -11:30 AM**



The Business Office will be open Tuesday and Wednesday

Gifts for the work of the Lord: \$ 8,363.00 (12-15) \$ 3,060.00 (12-22)
 Mission 1-1-1: \$ 26.00 \$ 30.00
 Together in Worship: 49 (12-15) 54 (12-22)

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.

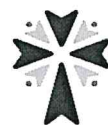


Please tear out the used page in the "Record of Fellowship" and hand it to the usher as you leave. If there are no more pages left, hand the entire book to the Usher. Thank you, for this, and the continued help of taking all items home with you or disposing of them. It helps to keep our pews tidy.

Listen to the Lutheran Hour, next Sunday morning at 7:30 am on KDKT 1410 AM radio to hear "**In the Beginning Was Dialogue**". Presented by Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Do you need more faith? Then you need the Word. Faith comes from hearing the Word of Christ. (John 1:1)



About the Cover: The Lord commanded that two turtle doves or pigeons were needed to redeem the firstborn son. Moses instructed fathers to tell their children that this was a reminder of the Lord's redemption of His people from the hand of Pharaoh. When the Father sent the Son, Christ Himself did the work of redemption as He stood in our place. Christ has bought us back from our outstanding debt of sin, not with silver or gold, but with His holy and precious blood.



Building Healthy Families: Here's a novel idea for making a New Year's Resolution this year: *don't make it about you!* What if instead of losing ten pounds, you resolved to spend unscheduled time every Sunday afternoon with your children? What if instead of getting up early to go to the gym, you resolved to read to a nursing home resident who has no family or visitors every Tuesday morning? What if instead...you get the idea. Look around; ask God to open your eyes. Who has He put in your life who needs the gift of your time and attention? Resolve to give it! Happy and Blessed New Year from your friends at Lutheran Family Service! **Lutheran Family Service** www.LutheranFamilyService.org



“MAIN STREET LIVING” is a locally-produced TV program that includes a 30-minute worship service led by participating pastors of the Minnesota North and North Dakota Districts of our LCMS, along with a 30-minute Lutheran Hour program “This Is the Life”. Tune in at 10:00 AM on KBMY Xtra Channel 17.3 or Midco – Channel 608.



Help is needed to take down our Advent/Christmas decor. If you can help mark your calendar on January 4 @ 9 AM .

Stewardship Thought: Luke 2:38 – “And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.” Notice here how giving thanks to God leads to good works (speaking about Jesus, in this case). Thankfulness towards God for all He has done for us is the foundation of a Christian life lived in godliness. For if we know all that the Lord has done for us, how can we not strive to honor Him with what we think, say and do?

THANKS
BE TO
GOD!



Beginning today the Poinsettias may be taken home.
Thank you to everyone who has shared lovely flowers all year long!!
The Enhancement Committee

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 / Hanna Link / Eleanore Krumm**
- † **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 / Tanya Schlamann / Esther Gerving-Grosz / Diann Miiller / Carla Morast** for strength and healing.
- † **Dallas / Loretta / Christine / Rodney** 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
via the FoxSports link
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*All the
firstborn
of my sons
I redeem*

Exodus 13:15