

A warm welcome to you. Members & Visitors: Please complete a yellow "caring card" **each time you attend a service.** They can be found in the pew racks. Please place your card in the offering plate. If you have a **Prayer Request**, please put that information on the back of the card. Thank You!

ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION - *Using Scripture as our guide, we believe that when we eat this bread and drink this wine, we receive the true body and blood of our Savior. It assures us of His love for us, of the forgiveness of our sins, and of His empowering presence in our daily lives. Any who have not been instructed, are in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or one of our elders. NOTE: If you would like to receive communion at any service from the pew, please tell the pastor or an elder before the service. Thank You!*

THOSE MINISTERING AMONG US TODAY

Organist	Linda
Elders	Ron, David
Ushers	(8) Lyle; (10:15) _____
Acolytes	(8) Kaisley; (10:15) Jace
Readers	(8) Sandie; (10:15) Nancy
Tech Crew	(8) Lynn, Camren, Avery

(We welcome you to the balcony to help or train with us.)
(10:15) Jason & Holly, Madison/Monroe

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS: Short-term Specific Prayer Requests: *Bill, Lula, Bill, Sharon, Jan, Logan, and those we name in our hearts.* We rejoice with Cory & Anne Greenway on the baptism of their son, Jace this morning.

Altar flowers were given:

- To the Glory of God by Wayne & JoAnne Smith
- In Memory of Tim Hansberger. He would have celebrated 50 years on the 22nd of April. Psalm 23:66 *"and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."*

Baptized today at the 8 a.m. service is Jace Douglas Greenway, son of Cory & Anne Greenway. Sponsors are Lisa Raetz and Bill Severud. *"Fear not, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by your name. You are mine."* Isaiah 43:1

St. John's Lutheran Church in Rushmore, MN is sadly closing. **Everyone is invited** to attend a service for the closing rite **TODAY at 2PM at the church**. We thank God for 132 years of service to Him and community history.

BI-ANNUAL VOTERS MEETING
NEXT Sunday, April 26, at 9:15AM
In the Basement Fellowship Hall

One of the items on the agenda is the Election of Officers for the July 1, 2026-June 30, 2028, term. An Agenda is posted on our north entrance bulletin board.

"Voting Members are active Confirmed Members who have reached their eighteenth year. Voting Members shall be entitled to vote at meetings of the Voters Assembly, and, if qualified, be entitled to hold office in the congregation."

Thank you to all who contributed in any way to our Holy Week services. Each of you helped to make these services worshipful and meaningful. A special "thank you" to our Sunday School students for their joyful singing on Palm Sunday. "Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!"

Attention Everyone: ALL worship bulletins, children's bulletins, sermon note sheets, and any other important handouts are on the table near the "Welcome" banner in the Great Hall. Please use the Great Hall for fellowship before and after worship services. Please keep the elevator area uncongested for those who need to use that service. Thank You!

We will observe Rogation Sunday, **next Sunday, April 26th** at both of our worship service. Bring your seed to be blessed!

Do you enjoy attending our Modern Worship Service? Do you have a talent for singing? If you answered "yes" to both questions, please consider joining our worship band crew. Please contact Lorenda Glade at the church, or at 712-330-1523 if you are interested in joining us. **We need band members for our Modern service to continue, so please prayerfully consider this opportunity.**

A few Lost & Found items are located in the Narthex/back area of the church, on the podium by the stained glass door. Please check to see if anything is yours. Thank You!

THIS WEEK AT ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH

Monday 11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

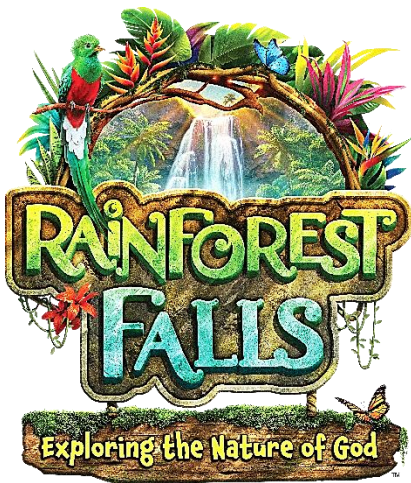
Tuesday 8:30 a.m. Bible Study in Conference Room
12:30 p.m. Health Cabinet Meeting
1:30 p.m. Sarah Circle in Fireside Room

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Women in the Word
12:00 p.m. Bulletin Deadline
5:10 p.m. Confirmation Supper
5:30 p.m. Confirmation & Kids in the Word
5:30 p.m. Youth Group
6:15 p.m. Bell Choir
7:00 p.m. Adult Choir

Thursday *Roxie's Day Off*

Friday *Pastor's Day Off*

Sunday 8:00 a.m. Classic Worship
9:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
9:15 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
9:15 a.m. VOTERS MEETING
10:15 a.m. Modern Worship, Communion



**VBS 2026 will be
June 15-19 from
9 AM to 12:30 PM**

A kid-friendly lunch will be included. **We need volunteers in several areas.** All help will be very much appreciated, even if you can only help for a few hours. Please contact Jeanette Varuska or Roxie Leckband if you can volunteer some of your time to help with our VBS.

Watch for more information.

Registration Forms will be available soon.

The Blessings of Baptism

Acts 2:36-41



Third Sunday of Easter
April 19, 2026

St. Matthew Lutheran Church

Worthington, MN (507) 376-6168

Administrative Pastor, Rev. David G. Hahn – ext. 3

Administrative Assistant, Bev Spittle – ext. 2

Director of Human Care & Children's Ministries, Roxann Leckband – ext. 5

Director of Music, Lorenda Glade – ext. 6

Youth, David & Alexie Cross – ext. 4

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8:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE – Divine Service Setting 4

Announcements/Birthdays/Anniversaries

Welcome/Ringing of the Bell

Call to Worship Song "*Sanctuary*"

Invocation

Baptism Hymn "*Dearest Jesus, We Are Here*" vs. 1-3 LSB 592

Holy Baptism *Jace Douglas Greenway*

Hymn Continued "*Dearest Jesus, We are Here*" vs. 4-5

Confession & Absolution (pg. 203)

Kyrie (pg. 204)

Gloria in Excelsis (pg. 204)

Salutation & Collect of the Day

Scripture Lessons Acts 2:14a, 36-41

1 Peter 1:17-25

Alleluia & Verse (pg. 205)

Luke 24:13-35

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn "*Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen*" vs. 1, 2, 4 LSB 474

Sermon "*The Blessings of Baptism*" Acts 2:38-39

Prayers of the Church

Offering

Sacrament of Holy Communion (pgs. 208-212)

Preface

Sanctus

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer

Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

Agnus Dei

Distribution "*Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness*" LSB 563

"Abide, O Dearest Jesus" LSB 919

Nunc Dimittis

Post-Communion Collect

Benedicamus & Benediction

Closing Hymn "*Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia*" vs. 1, 4, 5 LSB 466

10:15 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

Preservice Countdown Video

Announcements/Birthdays/Anniversaries

Welcome/Ringing of the Bell

Call To Worship Song "*Sanctuary*"

Invocation

Worship Songs "*Glorious Day*"
"*Goodness of God*"

Confession of Sins

God's Assurance of Forgiveness

Confession of Faith Song "*We Believe*"

Apostles' Creed

God' Word

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

1 Peter 1:17-25

Luke 24:13-35

Children's Message

Message "*The Blessings of Baptism*" Acts 2:38-39

Prayers of the Church

Offering

Singing of the Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)

Lord's Prayer (spoken)

Closing Prayer

Benediction Song "*The Blessing*"

Closing Song "*Because He Lives*"

*Thank you for joining us in worship today!
Wishing you blessings on your week!*