

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!

THOSE MINISTERING AMONG US TODAY

Organist/Keyboardist – Lorenda

Elders David, Paul

Acolyte Blake

Usher Craig

Reader Craig or Nancy

Tech Crew Bryon & Bev, Camren, Avery

Altar flowers were given in memory of Kenneth Meyer by Judi Granstra.

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS: Short-term Specific Prayer Requests: *Jan, John, Logan, and those we name in our hearts.*

Dear Heavenly Father,

I offer my prayer of praise and thanks with a joyful heart that you have once again healed me from cancer. Truly, thou are wonderful, O God, merciful Father. Make me appreciate every day of thy many blessings. Help me to count one by one the many blessings of family, friends, and members of St. Matthew Lutheran Church who have supported and prayed for me these past five years as I have battled, survived, and recovered from four different cancers. Grant that I be humble and remain in your care and to be grateful at all times for these thy benedictions and blessings. In Jesus name I pray. Amen.

Bill Brockberg

REMINDER: we had a combined July & August newsletter. The next church newsletter will be the September issue. **The deadline to submit items for this newsletter is noon TOMORROW, August 17th.** Please have items into Bev in the church office by then. Thank You!

Today's Order of Worship

Preservice Countdown Video

Announcements/Birthdays & Anniversaries

Welcome/Ringing of the Bell/Memory Verse of the Week

Call to Worship "*Sanctuary*"

Invocation

Hymn "*Jesus Shall Reign*" LSB 832

Confession of Sins

God's Assurance of Forgiveness

Song of Praise "*Hope of the Nations*"

Scripture Lessons Isaiah 56:1,6-8

Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32

Matthew 15:21-28

Confession of Faith Song "*We Believe*"

Apostles' Creed

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn "*Chief of Sinners Though I Be*" LSB 611

Sermon "*Chief of Sinners Though I Be*" Matthew 15:21-28
Isaac Hedstrom, Seminarian

Prayers of the Church

Offering "*Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us*"
Anna Hedstrom, Organ Soloist

Lord's Prayer

Closing Prayer

Benediction (p. 228)

Closing Song "*Who You Say I Am*"

Youth Presentation

THIS WEEK AT ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH

Monday	11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting 12:00 p.m. NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 6:00 p.m. 3 rd Grade Bible Class
Tuesday	8:30 a.m. Bible Study in Conference Room 12:30 p.m. Health Cabinet 6:00 p.m. 3 rd Grade Bible Class
Wednesday	9:00 a.m. Women in the Word 12:00 p.m. Bulletin & Screen Deadline
Thursday	<i>Roxie's Day Off</i>
Friday	<i>Pastor's Day Off</i> 10:30 a.m. Moms & Jesus' Lil' Lambs
Sunday	9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship & Devotion

ATTENTION PARENTS OF CHILDREN ENTERING THE 3RD GRADE: Please join us for "My New Bible Class" on **August 17 and 18 from 6:00-6:45 p.m.** We will have a fun time learning about the Bible. During these sessions, the children will be using their "New Bible" that will then be presented to them during the 9 a.m. August 23 worship service with a special blessing. **Please RSVP to the church, 507-376-6168, or Roxie's cell, 712-260-3820, to make sure there will be enough Bibles and special prizes.** This ministry is intended for a parent(s) or guardian(s) to attend with their child for a parent/child faith and memory building time.

Our youth will be helping with the local Pioneer Village "Adopt a Building" on August 19 & 26 from 3-7 p.m. This will be an on-going servant project. **The youth invite our congregation members to help also.** Contact Alexie or David Cross with questions or for more information.

SWEET CORN AND PORK BURGER FUNDRAISER for Immanuel Lutheran School in Lakefield is on Sunday, September 6, from 10:30-12:30 at North City Park in Lakefield. A free-will donation will be accepted. Meal is sponsored by St. Paul Rost Lutheran Church. North City Park is located at 400 Funk Avenue in Lakefield.



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