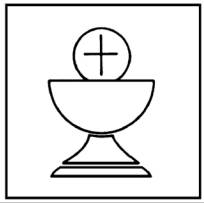


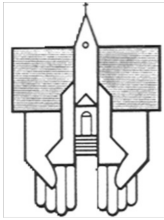


OUR REDEEMER
Lutheran Church Missouri Synod
Worship Bulletin
For 21 September 2025
TRINITY XIV
SAINT MATTHEW

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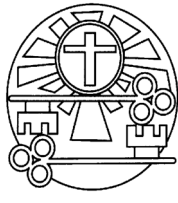


Our practice of closed communion is the historic practice of the church. It is prompted by love, both for God's Word and for God's people. It does not deny that members of other denominations are Christians. Rather, it bows the knee to the Bible's deep concern for doctrinal truth (Rom. 16:17) and the Bible's witness that doctrinal unity is central to the common reception of this sacrament. **For this reason, guests who desire to commune are asked to speak with the pastor before the service.**



WELCOME! We invite all visitors to sign the guest register in the narthex and worship with us again. If you are not a first time visitor and are not communing, please complete the card located with communion cards in front of the pews. If you have questions about how to join our church or study the Scriptures with us, please speak with one of our Elders or the Pastor.

Each Saturday evening from 6-8PM Pastor Rappe avails himself for private confession and absolution, that which the historical Lutheran Church refers to as the third Sacrament. This is made available to those whose consciences are burdened and whose hearts are troubled. No one is forced to make private confession, as no one is forced to Baptism or the Holy Supper. Rather, this is the means of God's gospel to those who seek Him and the forgiveness of sins in Jesus.



PLEASE COMPLETE A COMMUNION CARD: Fill in the names of only those who are communing and hand it to the usher. You may fill out one per family.

While the psalmist urges us to "make a joyful noise to the Lord", he did NOT mean cell phone ringtones, children's noisy toys or other modern electronic marvels. Rather, these should be SILENT while we lift our voices and hearts in worship through song and prayer to our Lord. Please see that all cell phones, toys and anything else that might disrupt our worship are turned off.

NURSERY ROOM is available for children 5 years of age who are having difficulty the service. There is also a rocking chair in the room. The room also has speakers to hear the service.

OLD TESTAMENT

"But you, son of man, hear what I say to you. Do not be rebellious like that rebellious house; open your mouth and eat what I give you."

Now when I looked, there was a hand stretched out to me; and behold, a scroll of a book was in it. Then He spread it before me; and there was writing on the inside and on the outside, and written on it were lamentations and mourning and woe.

And go, get to the captives, to the children of your people, and speak to them and tell them, 'Thus says the Lord God,' whether they hear, or whether they refuse."

EPISTLE

But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore He says:

"When He ascended on high,
He led captivity captive,
And gave gifts to men."

(Now this, "He ascended"—what does it mean but that He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth?

He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.)

And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ— from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

Holy Gospel on reverse side

EZEKIEL 2:8-3:11

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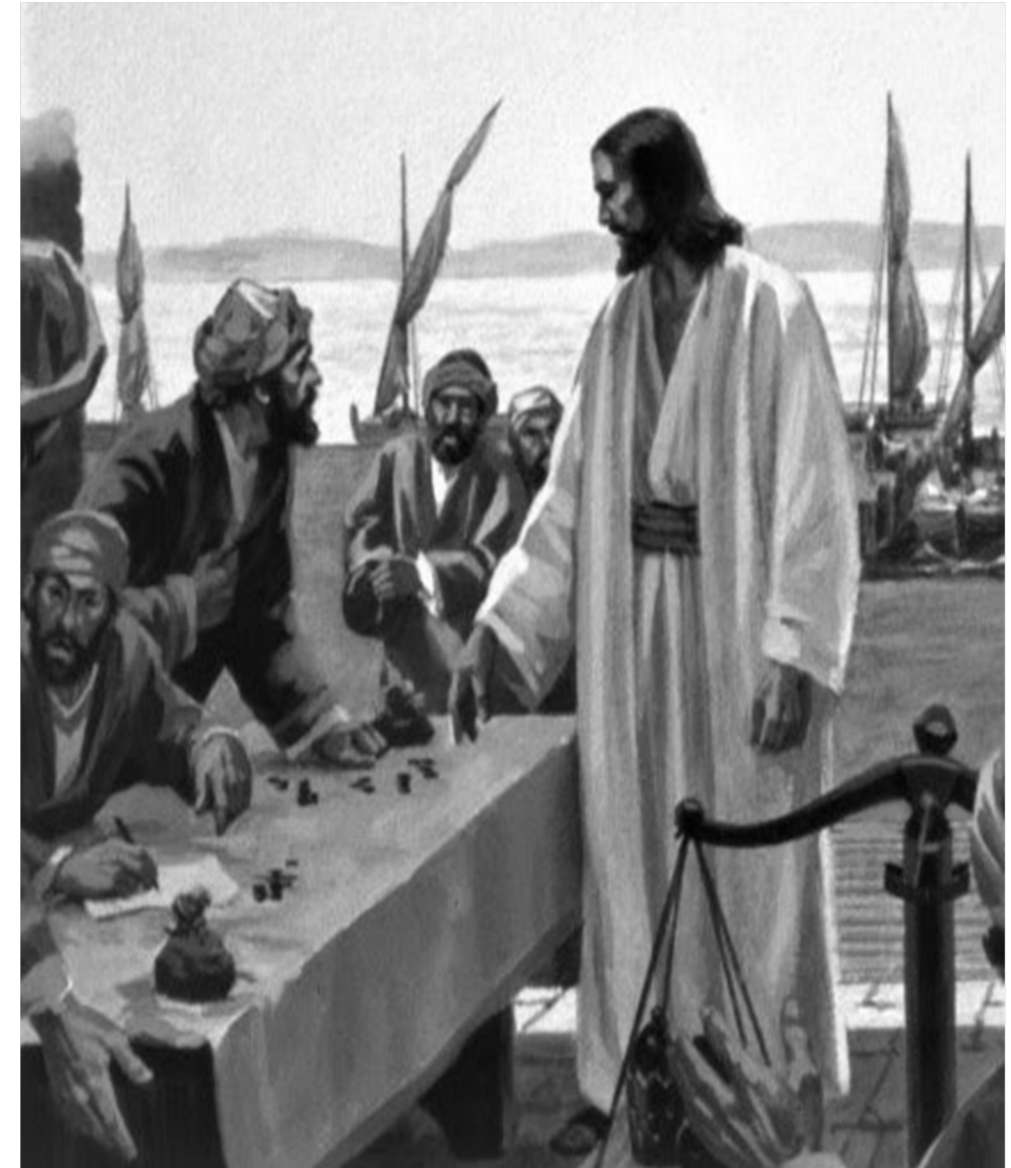
HOLY GOSPEL

MATTHEW 9:9-13

As Jesus passed on from there, He saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax office. And He said to him, “Follow Me.” So he arose and followed Him.

Now it happened, as Jesus sat at the table in the house, that behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and sat down with Him and His disciples. And when the Pharisees saw it, they said to His disciples, “Why does your Teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?”

When Jesus heard that, He said to them, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. But go and learn what this means: ‘I desire mercy and not sacrifice.’ For I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance.”



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For
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Saint Matthew

FROM THE BOARD OF FINANCE

Attendance September 1472
General Fund Income\$4175.00
General Fund weekly difference from
Budget(\$653.54)
The annual budget adopted by the Voters'
assembly requires weekly giving of
\$4828.54.
Thank you for your Contributions.

DAILY LECTIONARY

21 Sept. - Psalm 105 & Jeremiah 1-3
22 Sept. - Psalm 106 & Jeremiah 4-6
23 Sept. - Psalm 107 & Jeremiah 7-9
24 Sept. - Psalm 108 & Jeremiah 10-12
25 Sept. - Psalm 109 & Jeremiah 13-15
26 Sept. - Psalm 110 & Jeremiah 16 - 18
27 Sept. - Psalm 111 & Jeremiah 19-22



ALTAR FLOWERS today are
given to the glory of God
by Lisa Smith



Birthdays This Week

Randy Notestine 9/26

If we have missed anybody's birthday or
anniversary, please let us know.

Church Council Minutes from the last Sunday's meeting are posted on the
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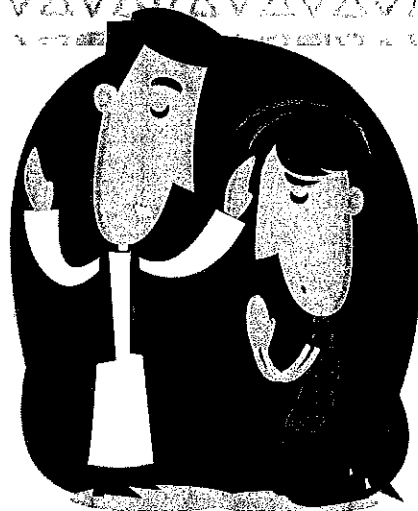
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church attic today, right after worship service. We need
some men to help us carry down the larger items. Please
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We Need Volunteers to sort and price the items for our
church yard sale. We also need volunteers to work the dates
of the sale on Friday and Saturday. Help will be needed in
bringing down the items for the yard sale that are up in the
attic. A sign up sheet for volunteers is posted on the bulletin
board next to the church office.

ST. MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST - SEPTEMBER 21 Matthew (the son
of Alphaeus, according to Mark) was a tax collector for the Roman government
in Capernaum. He is called Levi in the accounts of his call to discipleship, al-
though in the lists of the Twelve he is always called Matthew. It is frequently
believed that Levi was his original name and that Matthew (Hebrew, "gift from
God") was given to him after he became a disciple. Since the second century
the authorship of the first gospel has been attributed to Matthew. He is usually
represented in art by a winged man (suggested by Ezekiel 1 :1-10 and 10:8-
14). His feast day in the East is November 16.

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