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# St Matthews Service

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*June 06, 2021*

*Second Sunday after Pentecost*

"Trust in the Lord with all our heart, and lean not on our own understanding. In all you ways, acknowledge him and he will direct your path." **(Proverbs 3:5-6)**



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## “Back to the Basics”

### A Review of our Christian Faith

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

6 June 2021

St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Mapleton, IA

Genesis 3:8–15 / Ps. 130 / 2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1 / Mark 3:20–35

Sermon Title: The First Great Commandment

Sermon Text: Deuteronomy 6:1-9

“Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father, and our LORD Jesus Christ.” (2 Tim. 1:2) Amen.

Today is the first day of our summer sermon series called “Back to the Basics.” The subtitle for our summer sermon series is “A Review of our Christian Faith.” We’re going to work our way through *Luther’s Small Catechism* as an outline for our weekly sermons and our weekly adult Bible studies.

*Luther’s Small Catechism* was a resource—a tool—that Martin Luther wrote for parents to teach their children the chief parts of the Christian faith. The *Small Catechism* is a rich resource of information, and everything in the *Small Catechism* comes straight out of the Bible.

Even though the *Small Catechism* was originally meant as a textbook to teach children the chief parts of the Christian faith, adults can also use this resource as a refresher of the stuff that you learned when you went through Confirmation. Even Luther said that he needed to study the core truths of the Bible regularly.

Today and next Sunday we’re going to talk about the Ten Commandments. The Ten Commandments can be divided into two parts—the First Table of the Law and the Second Table of the Law. The First Table of the Law focuses on the first three commandments. These first three commandments have to do with our relationship with God. The Second Table of the Law focuses on the last seven commandments. These last seven commandments have to do with our relationship with our neighbors.

So today we’re going to focus on the First Table of the Law which includes the first three commandments. The First Table of the Law—the first three commandments—can be summarized as: Love God.

Now, in theory that should be easy, but it often isn’t. Why is it so hard to love God? Sure, you might love God when things are going great in your life. But do you love God when things are going badly? When you physically or emotionally hurt? Let’s look at this chunk of Deuteronomy chapter 6 verses one to three:

“Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the rules—that the LORD your God commanded me to teach you, that you may do them in the land to which you are going over, to possess it, <sup>2</sup> that you may fear the LORD your God, you and your son and your son’s son, by keeping all his statutes and his commandments, which I command you, all the days of your life, and that your days may be long. <sup>3</sup> Hear therefore, O Israel, and be careful to do them, that it may go well with you, and that you may multiply greatly, as the LORD, the God of your fathers, has promised you, in a <sub>2</sub>

*land flowing with milk and honey.” (Deuteronomy 6:1-3)*

The entire Book of Deuteronomy is really a review of the previous four books—Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus and Numbers. For example, the Ten Commandments are recorded in Exodus chapter 20 and Deuteronomy chapter 5. Here in Deuteronomy chapter six, Moses reminds the people—and us today—the importance of knowing God’s Law—what he expects of us and how we are to live.

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All throughout the Scriptures—but these first five books of the Old Testament in particular—we read about the benefits to obeying God’s Laws. *“Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the rules—that the LORD your God commanded me to teach you, that you may do them in the land to which you are going over, to possess it,”*

In Deuteronomy chapter 6 verse two begins the benefits of following God’s Laws—especially the Ten Commandments. *<sup>2</sup> that you may FEAR the LORD your God, you and your son and your son’s son, by keeping all his statutes and his commandments, which I command you, all the days of your life, and that YOUR DAYS may be long.*

The first benefit is FEARING God. FEARING God in this sense means that we stand in awe of God—we see that God deserves so much respect that we WANT to come before him and we WANT to give God all praise—thank—service and obeying we can.

The second benefit: *<sup>3</sup> Hear therefore, O Israel, and be careful to do them, that it may GO WELL WITH YOU, and that you may MULTIPLY GREATLY, as the LORD, the God of your fathers, has promised you, in a land flowing with milk and honey.”*

The second benefit of obeying God’s Laws is that God will bless you—but he may bless you in a way that you don’t see as a blessing. God also gives you the opportunity to grow in your faith—and to grow as a family.

Unfortunately, today too many people want God to bless them, but they don’t want to follow his commandments and teachings. We know this by the way that some people live their lives. When you live however you want not thinking about God at all, then things won’t go so well for you. But when you live the way God desires for you to live, then God blesses you in many ways.

When you fear, love and trust in God above ALL THINGS, then you are putting your relationship with God in a right perspective. You only get to heaven by your faith in Jesus. God also gives you opportunities to serve him through the good works that he has prepared for you to do.

Some of these good works include living as a husband and wife, who seek guidance and direction from God to work on their marriage. Some of these good works include living as a father and mother, who seek guidance and direction from God as to how to raise God-fearing children. These next six verses in our text from Deuteronomy

chapter 6 are ways that you can live a God-pleasing life according to God's Laws—the Ten Commandments.

<sup>4</sup> *“Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. <sup>5</sup> You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. <sup>6</sup> And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. <sup>7</sup> You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. <sup>8</sup> You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. <sup>9</sup> You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.”* (Deuteronomy 6:4-9)

It is in this section that we find the summary of the First Table of the Law—love God. The First Table of the Law—which includes the first three commandments—is summarized with these two words: love God. When you fear, love and trust in God above ALL THINGS then you are living out what is talked about in the first three commandments. The first three commandments focus on our relationship with God.

Verses four through nine are also considered a creed—a statement of faith—which Jewish people today use in their own worship services. <sup>4</sup> *“Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. <sup>5</sup> You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. <sup>6</sup> And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. <sup>7</sup> You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. <sup>8</sup> You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. <sup>9</sup> You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on gates your.”* (Deuteronomy 6:4-9)

And what does God require of you: 1) love God above all things. 2) teach these Ten Commandments and the rest of the truths of God's Word to your children. You can use Luther's Small Catechism as a tool to start teaching your children the chief parts of the Christian faith. And 3) keep his teachings before you all the time.

God wants you to teach your children these truths all the time. <sup>7</sup> *You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.”*

In other words, God is encouraging you to teach these truths to your children and the rest of your family on a regular basis—when you're at home—when you're out in the market—when you are work. In addition to teaching these truths to your children and family, God encouraged the Israelites: <sup>8</sup> *You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. <sup>9</sup> You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on gates your.”*

God knows that if you see these truths written down or you have some physical reminder of the truths from the Bible, then you will remember them and make them a regular part of your life. In other words, if you regularly read or listen to the Bible, then you are filling up with Jesus.

And when you fill up with Jesus, then you will know the truths of the Bible and you will know how to live—what God expects of you as a husband, wife, father, mother, employer, employee and so on. When you know the truths of God's Word, then you will know how to live according to the First Table of the Law—according to the first

three commandments.

Most everyone has a mobile phone, and right there in your pocket or purse you can use your phone to remind you of the truths of God's Word. Download a Bible app and then set that app to remind you every day to read a portion of Scripture. It's really that easy.

Of course, if you like books, then keep your Bible out on the kitchen table where you'll see it every morning and remind you to read another portion of Scripture. Filling up with Jesus isn't as difficult as we make it.

Again, the first three commandments are summarized with these two words: love God. If you struggle at loving God, then pray and ask God to help you to love him. Pray and ask God to create a love for him and his Word in you so that you will grow in your faith.

When you know the truth from God's Word, then you will have a foundation on which you live your life. When other people tell you that you don't need God—or that heaven doesn't exist—or that Jesus is a fake—then you will be equipped with the truth.

When you know the truth from God's Word, then you have a foundation to work from. One sacrament to help build on this foundation is your baptism. It's important to remember your baptism, what God the Holy Spirit has done in your life, how he created faith in you and how God the Holy Spirit continues to nurture your faith.

Paul talks about this in Ephesians 4: *"I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup> with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup> eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup> There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—<sup>5</sup> one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup> one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. <sup>7</sup> But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift."* (Ephesians 4.1-7)

Now, remembering your baptism isn't a happy mantra that you chant every morning while drinking your cup of coffee. Remembering your baptism is one way to remind yourself of how God has worked in your life—how God brought you out of spiritual darkness into God's glorious, life-giving light.

When you remember your baptism, then you are reminding yourself that there is only one God and Father of all, and that God the Father sent his one- and only-begotten Son, Jesus to die for your sins and mine and to give you new life by his resurrection from the dead.

This passage from Ephesians can help us focus on the summary of the First Table of the Law—Love God. This passage reminds us *"<sup>4</sup> There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—<sup>5</sup> one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup> one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all."*

Last Sunday was Holy Trinity Sunday, and it was the day in which we confessed our faith using the words of the Athanasian Creed. When we confess that we believe in ONE God—that is the one and only God, who we follow. When we confess that there is only ONE faith—in the ONE true God—then we are able to live according to the summary of the First Table of the Law—Love God.

This passage from Ephesians is also like a creed in that we state the core biblical truths of what we believe. <sup>4</sup> *There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—* <sup>5</sup> *one Lord, one faith, one baptism,* <sup>6</sup> *one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.*”

And in this day and age, it’s really important to know what the truth is. There are so many people in this world, who adamantly believe all sorts of things that are contrary to the Bible. Our job as believers—as disciples of Jesus Christ—is to know the truth—by reading or listening to the Bible and studying it regularly—and to then share the truth when an opportunity arises.

This is what Paul writes in Ephesians chapter 4 verses 15-16: *“Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.”* (Ephesians 4:15-16)

The First Table of the Law is summarized with these two words: Love God. This is how Paul wants us to live each day—fearing, love and trusting in God Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. You’re able to fear, love and trust in God your Heavenly Father by the work of the Holy Spirit in you, who encourages you with promise from the Bible such as Jesus saying: I will never leave you nor forsake you. Amen.

Now, may the peace of God which transcends all understanding guard and keep your hearts in Christ Jesus. Amen.

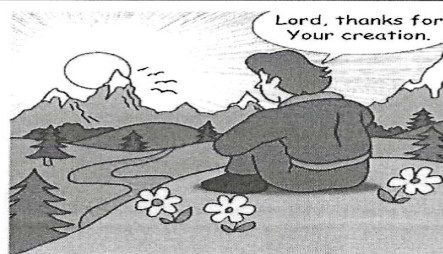
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**GOD ALLOWS THE POSSESSIONS WE HAVE TO BE UNDER OUR CONTROL, BUT HE IS THE OWNER.**

“The earth is the Lord’s and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein” (Psalm 24:1).



**Green**, comes next in the acronym and is by far the most common color seen during the year.

*Lutheran Service Book* calls for its use during the seasons of Epiphany and **Pentecost**. The first Sunday following the first full moon after the vernal equinox (March 21), also known as Easter Sunday, determines the length of these two seasons.

The days of Epiphany may entail a total of, but not more than, eight Sundays. The season of Pentecost, on the other hand, can last from 22 to 28 Sundays. Green is the appointed color for all but a few of the Sundays during these seasons. Consequently, green may be used an average of six to eight months of any given liturgical year!

Epiphany's message of Christ's revelation to the Gentiles along with the season's traditional emphasis on extending Christ's kingdom through missions, calls for the use of green—the color symbolic of growth.

The Sundays following Pentecost, observed as “the time of the church,” share a somewhat similar theme as that of Epiphany. Affectionately called the season of the “green meadow,” no doubt due to the fact of green being the established color, these Sundays also emphasize the subject of growth.

Green is a neutral color, but there is nothing colorless about our need to grow and mature as disciples of Jesus Christ. That's why the “green meadow” time of the church year is so lengthy.

Time must be given to encourage all worshipers to maintain their faith through the constant use of God's means of grace.

A helpful suggestion for congregations observing summer and fall months with one neutral color, would be to invest time and effort in obtaining several sets of green paraments. Variety and change in shades of this color would go a long way in keeping the season fresh and “green.” Changing the paraments every six weeks would complement the Sundays following Pentecost and their emphasis on personal faith that is living and growing.



Back to the Basics  
A Review of our Christian Faith  
June—August 2021



Today starts our summer sermon series and Bible study. We're using *Luther's Small Catechism* as the outline for what we'll talk about each week.

It's good to remember that *Luther's Small Catechism* is a tool—a resource—for parents to use to teach their children the core teachings from the Bible. Of course, adults can also review the material to remind them of what they learned when they went through Confirmation.

During this summer sermon series, I have three goals for this summer sermon series:

That we talk to heart the subtitle of each section in *Luther's Small Catechism*: “As the head of the family should teach...in a simple way to his household.”

Become comfortable with your Bible by keeping the following truth in mind. **2. Scripture interprets Scripture.** Context is essential for understanding language. Faithful interpretation of Scripture depends on giving the Bible a full hearing. When reading it, I need to ask: What is the context here? How do other passages of the Bible clarify my understanding of this passage? The Scripture immediately surrounding a passage is a key starting point for interpretation. What situation is being addressed or described? What event or discussion has just taken place? What follows after? Other Scripture written by the same author also helps in interpretation. Each human author used his own style of writing and unique emphases. To better understand a passage in St. Paul's Letter to the Romans, it is helpful to look elsewhere in Romans and then to Paul's other letters. Related Scriptures elsewhere in the Bible are also; helpful, since the entire Bible is inspired by the same Holy Spirit. The truth of God in one book of the Bible clarifies and deepens the divine truth in another. When we find a particular verse or passages elsewhere in the Bible that are more clear. As Luther points out, “Scripture is its own light” (Luthers Werke, vol. 11 (St. Louis: Concordia Publishing House, 1882), 2335).

Have a take-home truth to apply to your daily life. Some examples can be found in the “Table of Duties” at the end of *Luther's Small Catechism*.

Please join the adult Bible class right after worship. Pastor will be leading the discussions on each week's topic. And, of course, there's a Bible reading challenge.

I want to encourage you to read through the entire New Testament during these three months of our sermon series. If you read three chapters each day, then you'll be able to read through the entire New Testament this summer. Make sure you get a Bible reading plan and get started!

	<b>3 Month Reading Plan</b>	
	<b>Entire New Testament</b>	
	<b>June 1--August 31, 2021</b>	
	DAY	TOPIC
TUE S	6/1/2021	Matthew 1-3
	6/2/2021	Matthew 4-6
	6/3/2021	Matthew 7-9
	6/4/2021	Matthew 10-12
SUN	6/5/2021	Matthew 13-15
	6/6/2021	Matthew 16-18
	6/7/2021	Matthew 19-21
	6/8/2021	Matthew 22-24
SUN	6/9/2021	Matthew 25-27
	6/10/2021	Mat. 28-Mark 2
	6/11/2021	Mark 3-5
	6/12/2021	Mark 6-8
SUN	6/13/2021	Mark 9-11
	6/14/2021	Mark 12-14
	6/15/2021	Mark 15-Luke 1
	6/16/2021	** FREE DAY **
SUN	6/17/2021	Luke 2-4
	6/18/2021	Luke 5-7
	6/19/2021	Luke 8-10
	6/20/2021	Luke 11-13
SUN	6/21/2021	Luke 14-16
	6/22/2021	Luke 17-19
	6/23/2021	Luke 20-22
	6/24/2021	Luke 23-John 1
SUN	6/25/2021	John 2-4
	6/26/2021	John 5-7
	6/27/2021	John 8-10
	6/28/2021	John 11-13
SUN	6/29/2021	John 14-16
	6/30/2021	John 17-19
	7/1/2021	** FREE DAY **
	7/2/2021	John 20-Acts 1
SUN	7/3/2021	Acts 2-4
	7/4/2021	Acts 5-7
	7/5/2021	Acts 8-10
	7/6/2021	Acts 11-13
SUN	7/7/2021	Acts 14-16
	7/8/2021	Acts 17-19
	7/9/2021	Acts 20-22

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SUN	7/10/2021	Acts 23-25
	7/11/2021	Acts 26-28
	7/12/2021	Romans 1-3
	7/13/2021	Romans 4-6
SUN	7/14/2021	Romans 7-9
	7/15/2021	Romans 10-12
	7/16/2021	** FREE DAY **
	7/17/2021	Romans 13-15
SUN	7/18/2021	Rom. 16-1 Corin. 2
	7/19/2021	1 Corinthians 3-5
	7/20/2021	1 Corinthians 6-8
	7/21/2021	1 Corinthians 9-11
SUN	7/22/2021	1 Corinthians 12-14
	7/23/2021	1 Corin 15-2 Corin 1
	7/24/2021	2 Corinthians 2-4
	7/25/2021	2 Corinthians 5-7
SUN	7/26/2021	2 Corinths 8-10
	7/27/2021	2 Corinthians 11-13
	7/28/2021	Galatians 1-3
	7/29/2021	Galatians 4-6
SUN	7/30/2021	Ephesians 1-3
	7/31/2021	Ephesians 4-6
	8/1/2021	** FREE DAY **
	8/2/2021	Philippians 1-3
SUN	8/3/2021	Phil. 4-Col. 2
	8/4/2021	Col. 3-1 Thess. 1
	8/5/2021	1 Thessalonians 2-4
	8/6/2021	1 Thess 5-2 Thess 2
SUN	8/7/2021	2 Thess 3-1 Tim 2
	8/8/2021	1 Timothy 3-5
	8/9/2021	1 Tim 6-2 Tim 2
	8/10/2021	2 Tim 3-Titus
SUN	8/11/2021	Philemon-Heb 2
	8/12/2021	Hebrews 3-5
	8/13/2021	Hebrews 6-8
	8/14/2021	Hebrews 9-11
SUN	8/15/2021	Heb. 12-James 1
	8/16/2021	** FREE DAY **
	8/17/2021	James 2-4





### 3 Month Reading Plan

#### Entire New Testament

June 1--August 31, 2021

	DAY	TOPIC
SUN	8/18/2021	James 5-1 Peter 2
	8/19/2021	1 Peter 3-5
	8/20/2021	2 Peter 1-3
	8/21/2021	1 John 1-3
	**Aug. 22	1 John 4-5
	8/23/2021	2-3 John
	8/24/2021	Revelation 1-3
	8/25/2021	Revelation 4-6
	8/26/2021	Revelation 7-9
	8/27/2021	Revelation 10-12
SUN	8/28/2021	Revelation 13-15
	8/29/2021	Revelation 16-18
	8/30/2021	Revelation 19-20
	8/31/2021	Revelation 21-22

Where do you go from here? How about find another Bible reading plan or ask the pastor to help you get started.

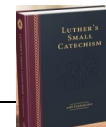
August 22: St. Matthew LC, Mission Festival @ Mission Central

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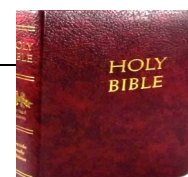
#### Entire New Testament

June 1--August 31, 2021

During the summer months of June, July and August, we're going to get back to the basics of the Christian faith which are summarized in *Luther's Small Catechism*.



I want to encourage you to read through the entire New Testament during these three months. Just read three chapters a day and you'll complete the reading plan!



During this summer sermon series, please pray for your fellow church members, who regularly attend and who haven't been in worship for a long time. Then call, text or visit them.

Needed per Week	\$3,225.02
Sunday Giving 05-30-21	\$1,235.00
Sunday Giving 05-23-21	\$1,820.00
Kids offering 05-23-21	\$2.00
Sunday attendance 05-30-21	35
Members communed	NA
Children in Church 05-30-21	3
Visitors 05-30-21	1
Bible Class 05-30-21	9/ w 1 C
Sunday School 05-30-21	2/ w 1 T
In The Word 06-03-21	9

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NO quilting** in June we will start up again in July.  
Thank you Zola

**Castana Ladies Aid** inviting our ladies group to brunch at U.C.C Church on 06-10-2021 at 9:30 a.m. RSVP by Jun. 3 call 712-353-6576 to Cathy Hanson at 34506 Hwy 34, Castana, IA

If or when you desire to purchase a **Luther's Small Catechism** (with Explanation) they are available at Concordia Publishing House on line Item# 223203 / 2017/ Hardback / 432 pages; price: \$15.99 in stock. You can also call 800-325-3040 to purchase one or l

## BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAY

Name	Date
Bonnie Banks	06/02/1934
Jennifer Goslar	06/10/1975
Mark Greiner	06/14/1954
Ferne Jacobson	06/30/1930
Kay Johnson	06/08/1941
Joe Krusen	06/12/1983
Deloris Livermore	06/09/1929
Tyler Ohlmeier	06/06/2004
Shawn Ohlmeier	06/26/1983
Weston Scheer	06/28/2015
Sarah Schmidt	06/14/1981
Mark Witzel	06/1959



We are listing  
Baptismal birthdays  
to remember and celebrate the day we were  
adopted into the family of  
God through the washing  
of the  
Holy Spirit.



## BIRTHDAYS

Name	Birthday
Julie Bollig	6/18/1968
Nathan Brodersen	6/26/1981
Brenda Brown	6/26/1963
Byron Bruhn	6/11/1967
Hudson Bruhn	6/20/2011
Jared Bruhn	6/23/1986
Zachery Goslar	6/16/1993
Karen Kueny	6/8/1948
Durene Marsh	6/7/1960
Randi Meseck	6/20/1948
Makenna Meseck	6/20/2006
Jeannette Riesberg	6/30/1957
Diana Schauer	6/27/1964
Dorothy Wessling	6/29/1942

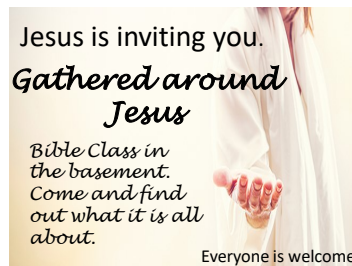
## WEDDING ANNIVERSARY God's Blessings

Russell and Roxie Wray	Jun 09, 1984	37
Marvin and Karen Koch	Jun 13, 1970	51
Melvin and Selma Schrader	Jun 15, 1961	60
Robert and Wanda Andre	Jun 23, 1968	53
Doc and Kay Johnson	Jun 23, 1962	59
Kurt and Sarah Schmidt	Jun 23, 2001	20
Grant and Shirley Scoles	Jun 28, 1963	58
Brent and Laurie Streck	Jun 28, 1997	24

## 80 + yr. Birthday God's Blessings

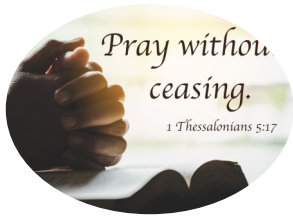
Bonnie Banks	Jun 2, 1934	87
Phyllis Fick	Jun 3, 1928	93
Roger Ingram	Jun 12, 1935	86
Delbert Kroll	Jun 1, 1933	88
Sharon Pope	Jun 16, 1940	81
Ernest Witzel	Jun 18, 1936	85

	Week of Schedule 06-07 to 06-13
Mon 07	Pastor's Family Day
Tues 08	Board of Directors 7 pm
	3rd Sun. after Pentecost 9:30 am services Ryan Paulsen Elder Ryan Paulsen Reader Screens Mark Witzel Bible Class 10:45 am
Sun 13	Sunday School 10:45 am



In His Footsteps:  
Faith is a gift from  
God that will sustain  
you and give you inner  
peace and love and this  
is priceless. Show it to  
others.

<b>Give the office a call or the Pastor...</b>	Need a ride to a Dr's appt	Need of a visit
Before going to hospital	Address or name changes	Birth of your baby
Private communion	Entering armed services	Making wedding plans
Desire to serve your Lord through the Church	Death in the family	



Please continue to pray for our church leaders.  
"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."

### Romans 12:12

### Pray without ceasing (1 Thessalonians 5:17)



**PRAYER WARRIORS**— The prayer warriors desire to hear from you as to how they can pray for you. We have 14 prayer warriors. We welcome more men and women to join us. if you need prayer call **Alice Miller** phone number 712-880-2380.

### **Members of St. Matthew with Special Needs and Concerns**

Nazaria Kaderabek  
Myrna Gosch

Carol Dose  
Mavis Skow

Melvin & Selma Schrader  
Peg Jacobsen

Alan Bruhn  
Bill Pritchard

### **Family / Friends of Members with Special Needs and Concerns**

**Ron Kraffle** friend of Marla & Joe Hogan; **Lynn Smith** friend of Marla and Joe Hogan; **Jazmin Mauch**, granddaughter of Marla and Joe Hogan; **Penny Mauch** friend of Marilyn & Duane Hamann; **Tammy Jean Bramley**, mother of Sam Kelm; ; **Cheri Moe**, niece of Dorothy Wessling. **Jerri Haindfield** of Marilyn & Duane Hamann



### Those who serve in the military

**Triston Twedt** (great-grandson of Alice and the late Keith Miller) serving with the Army @ Ft. Lewis, WA  
**Ryan Trucke** (son of Beth & Ed Trucke, Grandson of Kay and Richard Johnson) serving with U.S. Air Force @ FE Warren AFB in Wyoming.  
**Jackie Cardwell** (niece of Jeff & Karen Krusen) serving U.S. Airforce @ Shepard Air Force Base, Burkburnett TX

*Please drop them a line or two, they love getting mail and they would love hearing from their church family.*

\*\* indicates a new address

**Bonnie Banks** 87 yrs. Jun 2, 1934  
Main Street Apartments  
516 Main Street Apt 2  
Mapleton, IA 51034

**Phyllis Fick** 93 yrs. Jun 3, 1928  
Willow Dale Care—Assisted Living  
404 1st St.  
Battle Creek, IA 51006

### **Those on our prayer list:**

Nazaria Kaderabek  
310 S. 6th St.  
Mapleton, IA 51034

Melvin & Selma Schrader  
21 Ohm Drive  
Mapleton, IA 51034

**George Koithan** 89 yrs. Sept. 2, 1932  
1726 Marcella Heights  
Carroll, IA 51040

**Carol Dose** 87 yrs. Jan. 22, 1934  
Sunrise Ave.  
Maple Heights Nursing Home 51034

Sheri Heilman  
(Sue Oberg's sister)  
1721 Lincoln Street  
Great Bend, KS 67530

**Delores Boysen** 82 yrs. Mar. 5, 1939  
3903 S.W. Hollowbrook St.  
Bentonville, AR 72712

**Myrna Gosch** 80 yrs. Jan 9, 1941  
Pleasant View Care Center  
200 Shannon Dr. Rm #108  
Whiting, IA 51063

Tammy Bramley  
42715 210th St.  
Ute, IA 51060

Alan Bruhn  
14535 Walnut Ave  
Mapleton, IA 51034

**Delbert Kroll** 87 yrs. Jun. 1, 1933  
Ring Street  
Mapleton IA 51034



Mavis Skow  
102 North 6th Apt #1  
Mapleton, IA 51034

Peg Jacobsen  
Mapleton, IA 51034

Bill Pritchard  
14702 Hwy 141  
Mapleton, IA 51034

### *Spread the Fruits of the Spirit:*

*Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Gentleness,  
Kindness, Self-Control, Goodness, and  
Faithfulness.*

*You will be rewarded*



**St Matthew Lutheran Church**  
**504 Walnut Street**  
**Mapleton, IA 51034**

**LET'S STAY CONNECTED** OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU TO CONTINUE TO FILL UP WITH JESUS BY READING AND LISTENING TO THE BIBLE: **St. Matthew Lutheran Church Service at 9:30 am** e very Sunday am at the church. Facebook page-.St. Matthew Lutheran-Mapleton- Our services at 9:30 am every Sunday website: www.stmatthewmapleton.org – Our services posted weekly **Mission Central...** www.missioncentral.us **Lutheran Family Service:** www.lfsiowa.org **WEB SITES:** Iowa District West—www.idwlcms.org Camp Okoboji – www.campokoboji.org **“THE STRONG WORD”** is a daily devotion airing at 6:25 am Monday through Saturday on KDSN (104.9 FM) **“THE LUTHERAN HOUR”** can be heard every Sunday on radio station—KDSN-FM (104.9) at 6:30 am and 1530 at 10:30 am. It is available 24 hours a day on the internet in Real Audio. Visit www.lhm.org and click on the Lutheran Hour on the left side of the page **“THE GOOD SHEPHEARD HOUR** airs on the following stations every Sunday: 8 am Fort Dodge-KVFD 1400 AM; 8 am Sioux City—KSCJ 1360 AM; 10:30 am Storm Lake—KAYL 101.5 FM **Lutheran Family Services:** www.lofsiowa.org **MainStreet Living**— is a Television Program that is endorsed by the Iowa West District of the LCMS This program is broadcast on KCAU, the ABC network affiliate in Sioux City on Sunday morning, starting at 10:00 AM. The first 30 minutes are remastered episode of “This is the Life” The second half of the program is a modified Lutheran worship service that features a different Pastor each week, from the area.



Dear God,

We are indebted to you. Thank you for providing us life and salvation. And thank you that even that is not all, you want to share everything with us. Draw us to you, Lord. Help us to fight everything that keeps us away from you. Make us more like you. In Jesus' name, Amen