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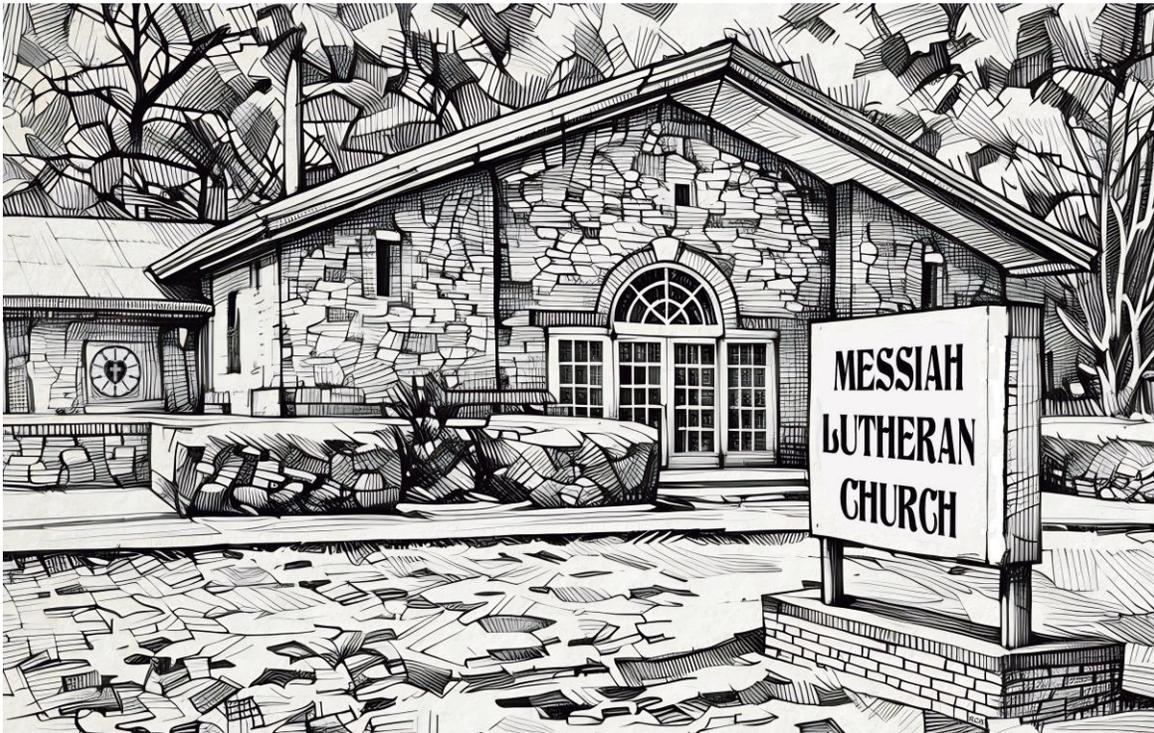
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"We have found the Messiah"

John 1: 41b

Welcome

We are pleased to meet you and have you visit us today!

Please sign our Guest Book, located in the church entryway (Narthex), as well as the attendance sheet, which can be found in the red folder in each pew. Please let us know how we can assist you in any way.

- **RESTROOMS** are located in the Narthex.
- **QUIET BAGS** are available in the Narthex for older children. We also offer a children's bulletin for ages 3-6 and ages 7-12.

- **QUIET/CALMING ROOM** and a changing table are located near the Fellowship Hall (through the accordion doors behind the choir).
- **INVITATION TO COMMUNION** *The Sacrament of Holy Communion is offered to all baptized and prepared Christians who believe Christ is truly present with us in this meal. Trusting in the promises of his Word, “—given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins,” they intend to grow in faith by the power of the Holy Spirit working through this means of grace toward a more committed life with Jesus and His Church.*
- **RECEIVING COMMUNION** *Please extend your hand to receive the bread. Wine is offered from the Chalice or individual cups. Grape juice (center ring, lighter color) is offered for those who choose not to receive wine. After the Communion Assistant follows with the Chalice, place your empty cup on the communion rail rack. Children not yet prepared for the Sacrament may come forward for a blessing “that, living in the covenant of their Baptism and in communion with the Church, they may lead godly lives until the day of Jesus Christ.”*
- **OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTIAN GROWTH**
 Sundays at 9:00 am: Adult Bible Study in the **Pine Tree House**.
 Sundays at 9:30 am: Sunday School: Grades 4th & 5th in the **Pine Tree House**.
 Sundays at 9:15 am: Sunday School: Grades 6th – 12th in the **Pine Tree House**.
 Tuesdays at 10:00 am: Tuesdays with the Pastor Bible Study in the **Fellowship Hall**.
 Tuesday 6:00 pm: Pastor’s Men’s Potluck Bible Study in the **Pine Tree House**.
 Tuesday 6:00 pm: Women’s Potluck Bible Study in the **Fellowship Hall**.

**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
DIVINE SERVICE SETTING TWO**

The Mission of Messiah Lutheran is to grow in our relationship with God through worship, education, and service, while sharing Christ’s peace and fellowship with all.

AS WE GATHER

“For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”
John 3:17

Jesus here reveals the heart of God—that Christ came not to condemn the world, but to save it. We gather every Sunday celebrate the mercy and grace of our Savior, rejoicing in his redeeming love that brings hope, restoration, and new life to all who believe.

PRELUDE & PERSONAL DEVOTION (*Quiet Please*)

+CONFESSON AND ABSOLUTION+

Stand

All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of their Baptism.

INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

EXHORTATION

LSB 151

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and self-examination.

CONFESSION OF SINS

LSB 151

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

LSB 151

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

SHARING PEACE:

*Please extend the hand of fellowship to your neighbors with the words:
"The peace of the Lord."*

+SERVICE OF THE WORD+

ENTRANCE HYMN

918 GUIDE ME, O THOU GREAT REDEEMER

1 Guide me, O Thou great Re - deem - er, Pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain Whence the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious
bar - ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might - y;
stream doth flow; Let the fi - ery, cloud - y pil - lar
fears sub - side; Death of death and hell's de - struc - tion,
Hold me with Thy pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en,
Lead me all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer,
Land me safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es,
bread of heav - en, Feed me till I want no
strong de - liv - 'rer, Be Thou still my strength and
songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to
more; Feed me till I want no more.
shield; Be Thou still my strength and shield.
Thee; I will ev - er give to Thee.

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P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen.**

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 12:1-9

¹The LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ²And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

⁴So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. ⁵And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother’s son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan. When they came to the land of Canaan, ⁶Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. ⁷Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, “To your offspring I will give this land.” So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. ⁸From there he moved to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. And there he built an altar to the LORD and called upon the name of the LORD. ⁹And Abram journeyed on, still going toward the Negeb.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

Romans 4:1-8, 13-17

¹What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? ²For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³For what does the Scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness.” ⁴Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. ⁵And to the one who does not work but trusts him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, ⁶just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works:

⁷“Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered; ⁸blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin.” . . .

¹³For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

¹⁶That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, ¹⁷as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

VERSE

LSB 173



C Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 3:1–17

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ²This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.” ³Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” ⁴Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?” ⁵Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ ⁸The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

⁹Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” ¹⁰Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? ¹¹Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

971 THERE IS A REDEEMER



1 There is a Re - deem - er— Je - sus, God's own Son;
2 Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, Name a - bove all names;
3 When I stand in glo - ry, I will see His face;



Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Ho - ly One.
Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Hope for sin - ners slain.
There I'll serve my King for-ev - er In that ho - ly place.



Refrain
Thank You, O my Fa - ther, For giv-ing us Your Son,



And leav - ing Your Spir-it Till the work on earth is done.

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SERMON

PASTOR STEPHEN WAREHAM

Stand

NICENE CREED

C I believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate from the virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake, he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For faith to fix our eyes on the Son of Man and to turn from the things of the flesh, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For all pastors, that they would patiently teach the faith to all who question the way of salvation, in this and every generation, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For all fathers, who are given the calling to hand down the faith, that their hearts would be filled with the words of Christ; and that they would show forth His mercy, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For Donald, our president; Brian Kemp, our governor; the Congress of the United States; the legislature of this state; and all who make, administer, and judge our laws, that we would preserve our liberty and use its gift wisely in the pursuit of justice and for the welfare of all people, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the people of God in their sorrows and sicknesses, [*especially* _____,] that Christ would sustain them in their afflictions, comfort them in the hour of death, and raise up the dead according to His gracious promise, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** (Special Petitions)
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For faith to hear the word of Jesus; to trust in His death on the cross; and to receive His body and blood for forgiveness, life and salvation, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For faith, that like Abraham we may delight in the Lord's promise kept in Christ; and for the Holy Spirit, that we may witness to His name and carry His Gospel to every place and people, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.
C **Amen.**

Sit

OFFERING

If you'd like to give electronically with your offering, please see the back of the bulletin for details on donating through Zelle or Thrivent.

Stand

OFFERTORY

955 LET THE VINEYARDS BE FRUITFUL



cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
 sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the
 hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we
 of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and
 give us A fore - taste of the feast to come.

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+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+

PREFACE

LSB 177

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** We lift them to the Lord.
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

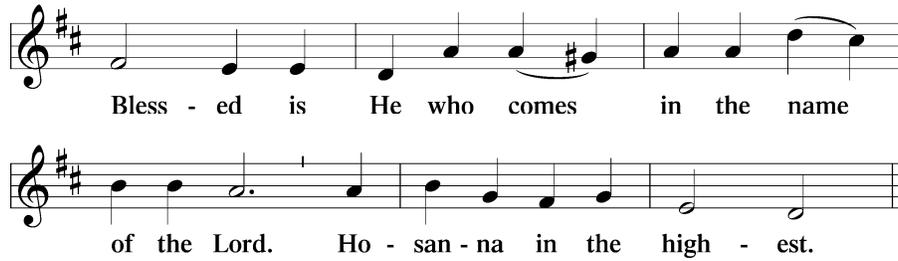
PROPER PREFACE

- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

LSB 178

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
 pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LSB 178

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.
Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”
- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.
- C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

- C** *Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.*



PAX DOMINI

LSB 180

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** Amen.

AGNUS DEI

LSB 180

C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;
 have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the
 sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of
 God, You take a - way the sin of the world;
 grant us peace, grant us peace.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION
 721 LEAD ME, GUIDE ME

Refrain

Lead me, guide me, a - long the way;
 For if You lead me, I can - not stray.
 Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.
 Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

1 I am weak and I need Thy strength and pow'r
 2 Help me tread in the paths of righ - teous - ness,
 3 I am lost if You take Your hand from me,
 To help me o - ver my weak - est hour.
 Be my aid when Sa - tan and sin op - press.
 I am blind with - out Thy light to see.



Help me through the dark-ness Thy face to see.
 I am put - ting all my trust in Thee.
 Lord, al - ways let me Thy ser - vant be.



Refrain

Lead me, O Lord, lead me.
 Lead me, O Lord, lead me.
 Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

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593 SEE THIS WONDER IN THE MAKING



1 See this won - der in the mak - ing: God Him -
 2 Mir - a - cle each time it hap - pens As the
 3 Far more ten - der than a moth - er, Far more
 4 Here we bring a child of na - ture; Home we



self this child is tak - ing As a lamb safe in His
 door to heav-en o - pens And the Fa - ther beams, "Be-
 car - ing than a fa - ther, God, in - to Your arms we
 take a new-born crea - ture, Now God's pre - cious son or



keep - ing, His to be, a - wake or sleep - ing.
 lov - ed, Heir of gifts a king would cov - et!"
 place *him/her/them*, With Your love and peace em - brace *him/her/them*.
 daugh - ter, Born a - gain by Word and wa - ter.

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LBW 212 - LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER

Verse 1

Let us break bread to-geth-er on our knees;
 Let us break bread to-geth-er on our knees.

Refrain:

**When I fall on my knees,
 With my face to the ris-ing sun,
 O Lord, have mer-cy on me.**

Verse 2

Let us drink wine to-geth-er on our knees;

Let us drink wine to-gether on our knees.

Refrain

Verse 3

Let us praise God to-gether on our knees;
Let us praise God to-gether on our knees.

Refrain

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Stand

**POST COMMUNION CANTICLE
NUNC DIMITTIS**

LSB 199

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

LSB 183

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

722 LORD, TAKE MY HAND AND LEAD ME



1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life's way;
2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear,
3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come,



Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day.
For You, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near.
I know that You will strength - en My steps toward home.



With - out Your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;
Close by Your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,
Then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend;



So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way.
For when Your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go.
So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

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P Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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SAINT DAYS, FEAST DAYS, & COMMEMORATIONS THIS WEEK

Monday, February 23rd: Polycarp of Smyrna – Pastor & Martyr

Tuesday, February 24th: St. Matthias – Apostle

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Second Sunday in Lent

Genesis 12:1 – 9; Romans 4:1 – 8, 13-17; John 3:1 – 17

“Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us.” Hebrews 12:1

† THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH LUTHERAN †

TUES	10:00	Bible Study with Pastor
	6:00	NO Potluck Bible Studies during Lent!
WED	11 – 3	Food Pantry – <i><u>Donations & Volunteers Needed!</u></i>
	Noon	Lenten Midweek Service
	6:00	Lenten Meal
	7:00 PM	Lenten Midweek Service
THURS	9 – 12	Quilter’s Group with Devotional

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

“Jesus said to him, ‘Again it is written.’”

Matthew 4:7

Jesus defeats Satan in our place, not by using His power as God, but by His perfect obedience in His perfect humanity. Jesus defeats Satan not by miracles, but by quoting the Scriptures and living according to them. This should cause us great joy for two reasons. First, we see Jesus win the victory for us. Second, here Jesus shows us how to stand in that victory: on the Word of God alone.

☀️ LWML YARD & BAKE SALE ☀️

Saturday, March 21st | 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Mark your calendars — You won’t want to miss, Our Yard Sale magic and Bake Sale bliss! **BAKERS NEEDED!** Please bring your treats, pretty and sweet, your homemade goodness can’t be beat.

Donations Accepted:

Thursday, March 19 | 9 AM – 1 PM & Friday, March 20 | 9 AM – 6 PM

SEE FLYERS FOR GUIDELINES AND RESTRICTIONS ON WHAT WE CAN TAKE.

? QUESTIONS? ?

Please call Nan Boyd 📞 229-834-4881

All monies go to charity! Thank you for helping make this event a blessing!



DON'T FORGET YOUR LOOSE CHANGE!

Today, March 1st, we’ll be collecting our special “Loose Change” offering right after

Worship! Give a little, change a lot! 🍷

Thank you for being part of it!

Loose change rattles in your coat, Lent reminds us what love wrote.

Small coins given along the way, help us bless in Christ’s own way!



♥️ TIME & TALENT SURVEY ♥️

Did you check your mailbox today?

Take a few moments — don’t delay.

Prayerfully ponder how you can serve, with gifts and talents God did preserve.

Fill it out and drop it by the door, each willing heart helps us do more.

Together in Christ, we give and live — thank you for all you share and give!



IN OUR PRAYERS

“Blessed be the God and Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our afflictions.” 2 Cor. 1:3-4a

Fiscal 2025-26 YTD Income v. Expenses - Week 25	
Income Fiscal YTD (includes designated gifts)*	\$ 104,939.23
Expenses Fiscal YTD	\$ 87,974.72
Variance Fiscal YTD*	\$ 16,964.51
Funds Collected to Date vs Budget Plan	\$ 91,086.48
Budget Planned Goal Fiscal YTD**	\$ 108,593.83
Above/Below Budget Goal to Date**	\$ (17,507.35)

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