

MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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"We have found the Messiah"

John 1: 41b

WELCOME VISITORS!

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 located in the red folder in each pew. Let us know how we may be of service to 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: Pastor's Bible Study in the **Pine Tree House**.
Tuesday 6:00 pm: Pastor's Men's Potluck Bible Study in the **Pine Tree House**.

Welcome

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST DIVINE SERVICE SETTING ONE

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

Where do you find God? Elijah in today's Old Testament finds God speaking in a whisper. Sometimes we think that power is found in those who display great power. But today God reveals himself in the whisper. It is not that God is not powerful, but often He puts aside His power to meet us in our deepest need. Elijah is depressed, so God doesn't yell at him but gently assures him that He is with him all the way. You and I are no different.

PRELUDE & PERSONAL DEVOTION (*Quiet Please*)

+CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION+

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all 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

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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 OF THE PEACE

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you**

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



+SERVICE OF THE WORD+

ENTRANCE HYMN

819 SING PRAISE TO GOD, THE HIGHEST GOOD



1 Sing praise to God, the high - est good, The au - thor of cre -
2 What God's al - might - y pow'r has made, In mer - cy He is
3 We sought the Lord in our dis - tress; O God, in mer - cy
4 He nev - er shall for - sake His flock, His cho - sen gen - er -
5 All who con - fess Christ's ho - ly name, Give God the praise and



a - tion, The God of love who un - der - stood
keep - ing. By morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade
hear us. Our Sav - ior saw our help - less - ness
a - tion; He is their ref - uge and their rock,
glo - ry. Let all who know His pow'r pro - claim



Our need for His sal - va - tion. With heal - ing balm our
His eye is nev - er sleep - ing. With - in the king - dom
And came with peace to cheer us. For this we thank and
Their peace and their sal - va - tion. As with a moth - er's
A - loud the won - drous sto - ry. Cast ev - 'ry i - dol



souls He fills And ev - 'ry faith - less mur - mur stills:
of His might All things are just and good and right:
praise the Lord, Who is by one and all a - dored:
ten - der hand, He leads His own, His cho - sen band:
from its throne, For God is God, and He a - lone:



To God all praise and glo - ry!
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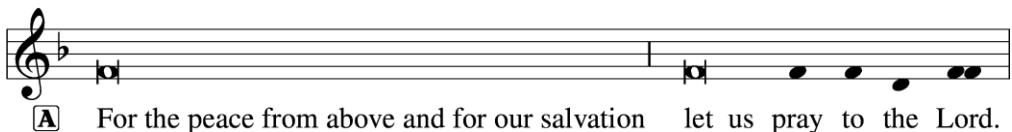
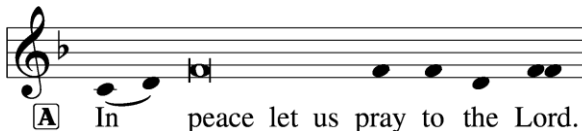
INTROIT

Psalm 85:8–10, 13; antiphon: v. 7

Show us your steadfast love, O LORD,
and grant us your salvation.
Let me hear what God the LORD will speak,
for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn
back to folly.
Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him,
that glory may dwell in our land.
Steadfast love and faithfulness meet;
righteousness and peace kiss each other.
Righteousness will go before him and make his footsteps a way.
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**
Show us your steadfast love, O LORD,
and grant us your salvation.

KYRIE

LSB 152





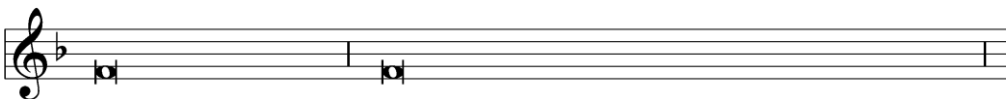
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



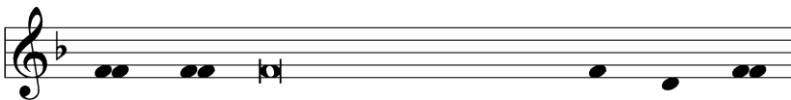
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



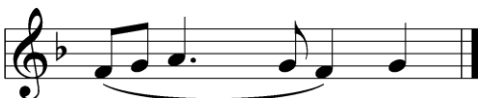
let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 154



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a - lone are the Ho - ly One, You a - lone are the Lord,

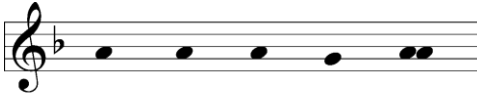


You a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY



of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away.” ¹⁵And the LORD said to him, “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. ¹⁶And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. ¹⁷And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. ¹⁸Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.”

¹⁹So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him. ²⁰And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” And he said to him, “Go back again, for what have I done to you?” ²¹And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the yokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Galatians 5:1, 13–25

¹For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. . . .

¹³For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁵But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another.

¹⁶But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit,

you are not under the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²²But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA VERSE

LSB 156

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 9:51–62

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the ninth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

⁵¹When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for him. ⁵³But the people did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said, “Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?” ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶And they went on to another village.

⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.” ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.” ⁵⁹To another he said, “Follow me.” But he said, “Lord, let me first go and bury my father.” ⁶⁰And Jesus said to him, “Leave the dead to bury their own dead. But as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” ⁶¹Yet another said, “I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home.” ⁶²Jesus said to him, “No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

685 LET US EVER WALK WITH JESUS



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, Fol - low His ex -
 2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus And with pa - tience
 3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death He
 4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en



am - ple pure, Through a world that would de - ceive us And to
 bear our cross. Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; Where He
 con - quered death, He will free us from de - struc - tion, Give to
 from the dead That to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus,



sin our spir - its lure. On - ward in His foot - steps tread - ing,
 is, there is no loss. Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter,
 us im - mor - tal breath. Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion
 You are now our head. We are Your own liv - ing mem - bers;



Pil - grims here, our home a - bove, Full of faith and
We shall reap ce - les - tial joy; All dis - com - forts
That would lead us in - to sin; And the grave that
Where You live, there we shall be In Your pres - ence



hope and love, Let us do the Fa - ther's bid - ding. Faith - ful
that an - noy Shall give way to mirth here - af - ter. Je - sus,
shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heav - en. Je - sus,
con - stant - ly, Liv - ing there with You for - ev - er. Je - sus,



Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where You guide.
here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.
here with You I die, There to live with You on high.
let me faith - ful be, Life e - ter - nal grant to me.

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SERMON

“In the Midst of Fear; Be Faithful!”
Reverend Dr. Richard Lohmeyer

Reception of New Members

Reverend Dr. Richard Lohmeyer

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 boldness in prayer, that the Church would have the zeal of Jesus Christ who set His face to go to Jerusalem and would not be deterred from the way of the cross, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For all pastors and church workers, that their labor of proclaiming God's steadfast love, announcing freedom from the yoke of slavery to sin, and pointing all toward the cross of Christ may never be in vain, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control, that these fruits of the Spirit may spring forth in all Christians as He releases them from bondage to the works of the flesh, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the nations and those who lead them, especially our president; the Congress of the United States; our governor; the legislature; and all who make, administer and judge our laws, that the Lord's voice may be heard by all as we are led to every virtue in character and holiness of life, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For [*and*] all who have requested prayer, that God would be to them a refuge in times of trial, granting healing, strength and comfort, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P (Special Petitions)

C Lord, have mercy.

P For all who commune this day, that God would thereby graft into our hearts the love of His name and the fruit of the Spirit to express love for God by bearing fruit for our neighbor's good, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For safety and strength in all our travels and most especially for the journey of this mortal life, that we may one day rest in the Lord's fullness and presence, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

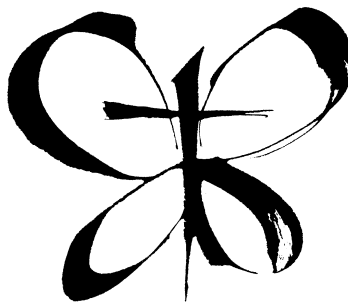
P O Lord, keep us in repentance and faith, that we may not depart from Christ, the way, the truth and the life. Bring to repentance all enemies of Your Church and those who do not yet know You, that by faith they may with us confess Jesus Christ as Lord and amend their lives by the power of Your gracious Spirit. Give us courage for the path set before us, that we may not faint or grow weary but endure to the day of Christ's coming and receive the blessed "Well done!" of Your favor; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

OFFERING

Stand



OFFERTORY

955 LET THE VINEYARDS BE FRUITFUL

Let the vine - yards be fruit-ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our
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.

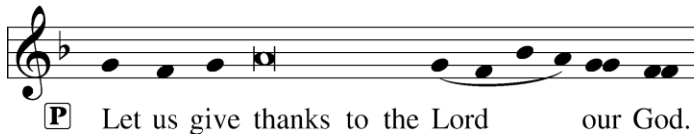
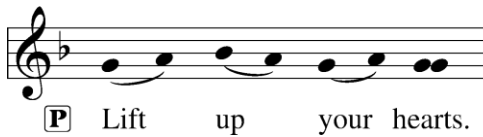
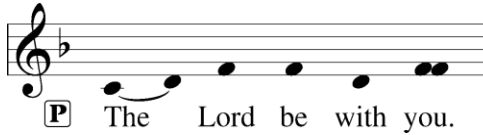
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+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+

PREFACE

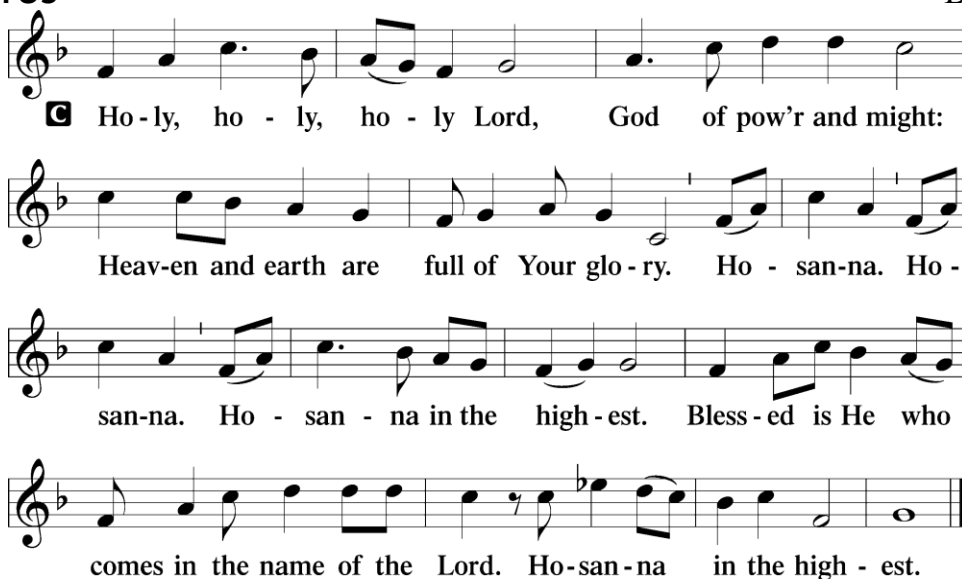
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P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who ascended above the heavens and, sitting at Your right hand, poured out on this day the promised Holy Spirit on His chosen disciples. For all this the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. 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 161



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LSB 161

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.

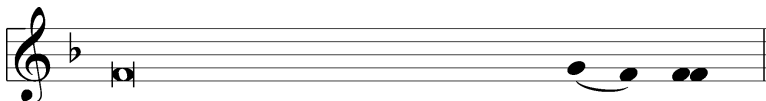
C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

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



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

AGNUS DEI

LSB 163

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.

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

712 SEEK YE FIRST

1 Seek ye first the king - dom of God, And His
2 Ask and it shall be giv - en un - to you, Seek and
3 Man does not live by bread a - lone, But by
righ - teous - ness. And all these things shall be
ye shall find, Knock and the door shall be
ev - 'ry word That pro - ceeds from the
add - ed un - to you! Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
o - pened un - to you, Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
mouth of the Lord, Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

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618 I COME, O SAVIOR, TO THY TABLE



1 I come, O Sav - ior, to Thy ta - ble, For weak and
 2 Thy heart is filled with fer - vent yearn - ing That sin - ners
 3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I
 4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my
 5 What high - er gift can we in - her - it? It is faith's



wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a -
 may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in
 have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt
 soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -
 bond and sol - id base; It is the strength of

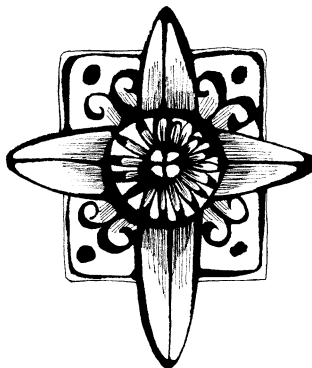


lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole:
 faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.
 ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:
 ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.
 heart and spir - it, The cov - e - nant of hope and grace.



Refrain
 Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

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626 COME, LET US EAT



1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,
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POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

THANK THE LORD

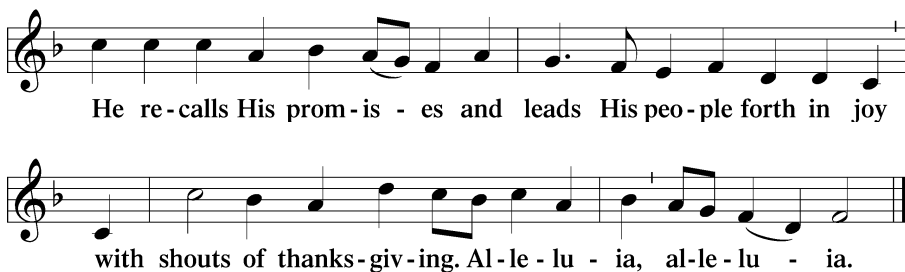
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G Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

A Let us pray.

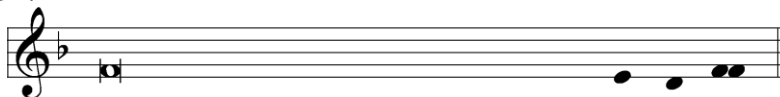
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You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

C Amen.

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BENEDICTION

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P The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

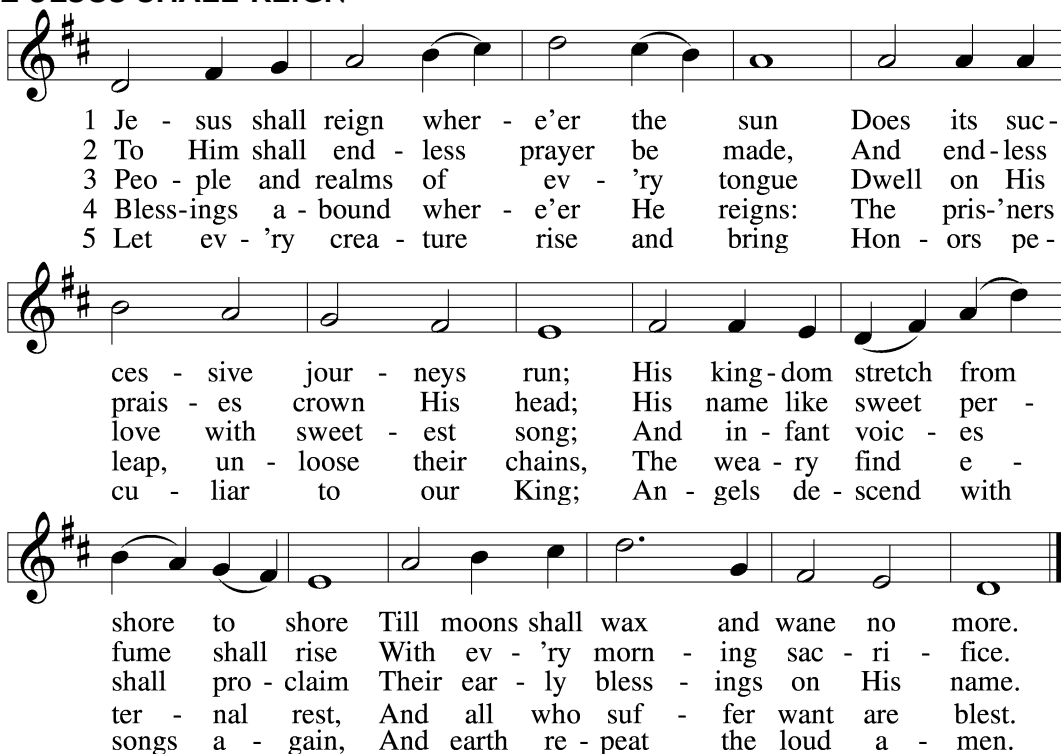
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



C A - men.

CLOSING HYMN

832 JESUS SHALL REIGN



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun Does its suc-
2 To Him shall end - less prayer be made, And end - less
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue Dwell on His
4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er He reigns: The pris - 'ners
5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring Hon - ors pe -
ces - sive jour - neys run; His king - dom stretch from
prais - es crown His head; His name like sweet per -
love with sweet - est song; And in - fant voic - es
leap, un - loose their chains, The wea - ry find e -
cu - liar to our King; An - gels de - scend with
shore to shore Till moons shall wax and wane no more.
fume shall rise With ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
shall pro - claim Their ear - ly bless - ings on His name.
ter - nal rest, And all who suf - fer want are blest.
songs a - gain, And earth re - peat the loud a - men.

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DISMISSAL

P Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 66:10 - 14; Galatians 6:1 – 10, 14 - 18; Luke 10:1 - 20

SAINT DAYS, FEAST DAYS, & COMMEMORATIONS THIS WEEK

July 2nd – The Visitation (1 Year Lectionary)

“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

Serving THIS week (29th):

Serving NEXT week (6th):

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| OFFICIANT | Rev. Dr. Richard Lohmeyer | OFFICIANT | Rev. Dr. Richard Lohmeyer |
| LECTOR | Lisa Hill | LECTOR | Bo Miller |
| COMM. ASST. | Mike DiMarco | COMM. ASST. | Larry Lorden |
| ALTAR CARE | Iris Ducey | ALTAR CARE | Carol Walters |
| ACOLYTE | PJ Hill | ACOLYTE | J.M. Pellicone |
| GREETER | Donna Berg | GREETER | Heather Miller |
| USHER 1 | Don Brugel | USHER 1 | Lisa Hill |
| USHER 2 | Ken Eldridge | USHER 2 | Donna Berg |
| ELDER | Charlie Francis | ELDER | Paul Hill |
| ORGAN/PIANO | Kay Vincent | ORGAN/PIANO | Kay Vincent |

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH LUTHERAN

TUES 10:00 Bible Study with Pastor
6:00 Men’s Potluck Bible Study
THURS 9:00 NO QUILTING GROUP THIS WEEK
SUN 9:00 Bible Study & Sunday School

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

1 Kings 19:18

“Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.” Elijah was so sure that he was right, that he was the only one left who had not gone after Baal. But he was too pessimistic; his faith in God was off-center. We can’t go by our own wisdom. We must trust the Lord and what He has revealed to us in His Word. Think about how this applies to our support of God’s work in the church with our offerings. Look in the Table of Duties in Luther’s Small Catechism to see what the Bible has to say about our giving.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

You're Invited! Ordination & Installation of Candidate Wareham

Join us for a joyful milestone in the life of Candidate Wareham, who recently earned his Master of Divinity from Concordia Seminary in St. Louis.

His Ordination and Installation Service will take place on **Sunday, July 13, at 3:00 p.m.** here at Messiah Lutheran Church. This is a special moment for him—and for our whole church family. **Mark your calendars and come celebrate with us!**

REMEMBER TO RSVP! TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO DO SO!

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)

Those who serve and protect us:

Greg Bohnhoff, Connor Montgomery, Dallas Cook, Devin Parrish, Robin Schmidt, Nikki & Gene Davila, Bryan & Hannah Tordoff, Keith Crist, Randi Markham, Eric Matlock, Matthew Francis, Jeff Kraushaar, Abbey Wolters & Catherine Hernandez, & Grayson Coester.

In Our Prayers:

- Don Dewitt: recovering from chemotherapy.
- Shirley Nelson: Diagnosed with colon cancer; had surgery.
- Mary Beth Francis: recovering from heart surgery.
- Martin Fluder: ongoing health issues.
- Gary West: Karin Boles' neighbor, Guillain-Barré Syndrome.
- Donald Barnes: Ken Eldridge's cousin, stage 4 colon cancer.
- Chuck Thomas: Cindy Hodge's friend, recovering from heart attack.

Ongoing Prayers:

- Linda Leinwol: sister of Mary Beth Francis, ongoing prayers needed.
- Circuit Visitor: Pastor Bert Matlock's mom, Doris, health issues.
- Rita Norman: friend of the Francis', diagnosed with cancer.
- Sue Kookan: friend of Carol Walters, terminal cancer.
- Donna McClintock: friend of the Mitchells, battling cancer.
- RuthAnn Clement: L. Hill & L. Pellicone's Aunt, inoperable mass.
- Mary Shufeldt: Cathy Deyo's aunt, in NY rehab, had a fall.
- Jenny Klement: Gary Klement's daughter-in-law, lymphoma.
- Terri Davis: friend of Gail Carroll, stroke & severely diabetic.
- Ron Poitras: friend of Sandy Bingham, bladder cancer.
- Nancy & Jim P.: friends of the DiMarcos, family in crisis.
- Traci Fix: friend of Sandy Bingham, starting radiation.

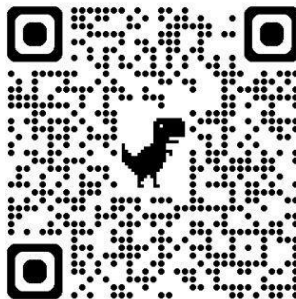
- Sonia Vance: Eldridges' son's girlfriend, ongoing health concerns.
- Nursing Home/Homebound:**
- Mary Kinchen: homebound.
 - Don Sullens: Diagnosed with lung cancer and leukemia.
 - Dennis Kluball: at The Orchard.
 - Steven Keller: homebound.
 - Barbe Fahsholz: at The Canopy, room 241.
 - Hannah Carroll: ongoing prayers, at Langdale Place, room 373.

| Fiscal 2024-25 YTD Income v. Expenses - Week 41 | |
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| Income Fiscal YTD (includes designated gifts)* | \$ 154,812.63 |
| Expenses Fiscal YTD | \$ 163,792.30 |
| Variance Fiscal YTD | \$ (8,979.67) |
| <i>*A light income week June 8th</i> | |
| Funds Collected to Date vs Budget | \$ 139,955.75 |
| Budget Goal Fiscal YTD | \$ 171,502.37 |
| Below Budget Goal to Date** | (31,546.62) |
| <i>**Income has improved but we remain below goal.</i> | |

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