

Messiah Lutheran Church

Christ Lutheran Academy

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Trinity 23– November 11, 2012

VISITORS WELCOME! – A special welcome to any visitors and guests who are with us today. Please introduce yourself to the pastor after the service, and we pray that you will hear and receive the Word of God with joy in our midst.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: During the offering we ask that you sign the friendship register located at the center aisle of each pew. Please hand the filled in sheet to the usher as you exit. Let the usher know if you don't have a pad in your pew.



OUR COMMUNION PRACTICE : In the fullness of time, the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth. Until the end of time, His grace is still given to us as He promised it in the Lord's Supper. As we receive His gift today, we would ask *guests* who desire to commune to speak with the pastor *before* the service. In joyful obedience to the teaching of Scripture, we practice closed communion.

PRAYER FOR RIGHT RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION: O Lord, our God, in the name of whose only-begotten Son we have been called to be Christians and have been blest with Baptism for the remission of sins, make us, we pray, ready to receive the most holy body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of all our sins and to give thanks with grateful hearts to you, O Father, to your Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FLOWERS: The flowers on the altar are provided by George and Lois Metallo in honor of Bruce and Tammy's birthdays.

VACANCY: Pastor Spahn has office hours on most Thursdays. For an emergency please contact an elder or call directly to Pastor's cell phone: 847-224-9524.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: "Saul Becomes King" was the Sunday School lesson for today. Students learned that though God lets us have our own way at times, His is the way of forgiving and saving, which He did for His people of old and for us today. *Consider asking, "How did God care for the children of Israel even though their desires were sinful? How does God show His care for us even though we are sinful?"*

CHURCH RECORDS: Please take a look at the church records that are in the fellowship hall and feel free to add and/or revise as needed. I know there are families missing from our records. When you have time, please look for past friends and family that are no longer members here to help complete the church records. Thank you!

LWML RETREAT: LWML is hosting the 25th Annual LWML Young Women's Retreat Feb. 1 & 2, 2013. Please see the bulletin board in front of the secretary's office for more information.

CLA POINSETTIA SALE: Today is the last day to purchase CLA poinsettias. If you are interested, please contact a CLA teacher or student. Thank you!

CHURCH USE: Please remember to clean up and put everything away after you have used the church for an event. Thank you!

CARICATURE PORTRAITS: A talented young artist from Pentecost Lutheran Church is working his way to the National Youth Gathering in San Antonio, Texas, July of 2013. Ian Barclay is using his God-given talent in a unique way. For a small fee, \$50.00 for 2 hours or \$90.00 for 4 hours, Ian will attend your party or event, bringing all the supplies necessary to draw caricature portraits for your guests. 8 ½ x 11 sized paper is used for a black and white unframed drawing. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to add a unique twist to your next party or gathering, and support a youth in his journey to the NYG. Please contact Ian directly to make arrangements, 262-995-3451. Special pricing is available for larger, all day events or individual requests.

ELECTION DAY BAKE SALE: Thank you to everyone who baked and helped out for the Election Day Bake Sale!

+ DIVINE SERVICE I+

THE PREPARATION

Opening Hymn.....**940**
Confession & Absolution.....151

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

Introit.....Insert
Kyrie (*Lord, have mercy*).....152
This is the Feast.....155
Collect.....Insert
Old Testament..... Insert
This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual.....Insert
Epistle.....Insert
This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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Final Hymn **791**

*Please Remain Standing for Final Hymn
Announcements*

In Our Prayers

- For all the children and Christ Lutheran Academy Staff: Debi Tauschek (Headmaster), Karen Moe, Ruth Mallman, Stephanie Zuehls, Kris Grenyo, & Christa Hegland.
- Exor Padro, Joshua Jacobs, Ted & Katie Hart, Allen Weber, and Lynn Christensen, our members and family members who serve in the armed forces.
- Shut-Ins: Elsie Rintamaki, Arby Tobalsky, Marlene Jeschke, Lillian Sciortino, and Crystal Stoll.
- For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including Dennis Metallo, Joe Kayon, Mary Louise Trapp (mother of Bob Trapp), Richard Cleereman, John Hrupka, George Metallo, Peter Campagna, Fred Dissen (Bill Dissen’s brother), Alison Daughtery (granddaughter of George & Lois Metallo), Parker & Camden Blair, Kathy Shafer, and Richard Lowe (friend of Debi Tauschek).
- For Messiah as we call a new pastor.

Christ’s Servants Today

- Elder:

Ushers:

Greeter:

Altar Guild:

Organist:

Cookies:
- Pat Tauschek

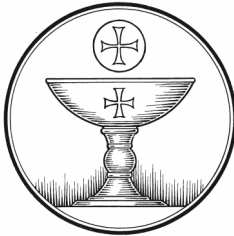
Mike Snodgrass & Roger Jeschke

Toni Marshman

Doris Colombe & Kathy Capriotti

Evone Hagerman

Kochman Family



INCOME

Average Budget Income needed in a week	\$3,255
Budget Income received 11/4	\$2,570
Budget Income received to needed	-\$685
Received to Budget YTD 2012 (Deficit)	\$

Attendance 11/4: 105 Communed: 85

This Week’s Events for Messiah

Wednesday, Nov. 14th	CLA Divine Service	8:15 a.m.
	Women’s Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
Thursday, Nov. 15th	CLA Vespers	2:30 p.m.

Future Events for Messiah

Wednesday, Nov. 21st	CLA Divine Service	8:15 a.m.
	Women’s Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
Thursday, Nov. 22nd	CLA Vespers	2:30 p.m.
	Spiritual Life	6:00 p.m.
	Parish Planning	7:15 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 29th	KALEA Meeting	
Sunday, Dec. 9th	VOTER’S MEETING	10:15 a.m.

Wedding Anniversaries

11/17 Rachel Koerth

Baptism Anniversaries

11/11 Peter Campagna
Evie Hernandez

Pray for our members

11/11 Robyn Gray
11/12 Aaron Ratzburg
11/13 Debi Tauschek
11/14 Logan Maki
11/15 Kathy Capriotti
11/16 Troy Wolgefahrt
11/17 Naomi Jiter

Birthdays

11/11 Peter Campagna
Kate Tobalsky
11/15 Cara Russo-Bichsel
11/17 Melissa Brieman
Todd Walther

Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity
November 11, 2012



Because it belongs to Him
Matthew 22:15-22

Render to God the things of God

When confronted with the civic duty of paying taxes, our Lord Jesus, Wisdom incarnate, walked “in the way of righteousness, in the paths of justice” (Prov. 8:20) and discerned that wisdom “is better than jewels” and “better than gold, even fine gold” (Prov. 8:11, 19). When we set our minds on earthly things, such as wealth and passing glory, our “end is destruction” (Phil. 3:19). However, our humble and prudent Lord has rendered “to God the things that are God’s” (Matt. 22:21), namely, perfect fear, love, and trust, as well as the complete sacrifice for our sin. In so doing, He also rendered to Caesar the things of honor and justice, submitting to the law of the land that put Him on the cross. The true “riches and honor are with [Him],” because “enduring wealth and righteousness” (Prov. 8:18) are found in our heavenly citizenship from which “we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.” He “will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself” (Phil. 3:20-21).