

Messiah Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod



**The Twenty-Second Sunday after
Trinity
November 16, 2014
Divine Service I**

Philippians 1:5 “I always thank God... because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now.” God doesn’t need anything we have. Yet He invites us to give so that we can indeed become “partners in the Gospel.” This is a gift of His grace: inviting us to do significant work in the Kingdom of God.

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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 the hearing and receiving of the Word of God in our midst will be filled with joy and thanksgiving!

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

HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated every Sunday and on Feast Days. Visiting communicant members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to commune today. All other visitors are asked to speak with the pastor before coming to the altar. If there is time before the service, introduce yourself to the pastor or an elder. Other visitors are invited to use this time for prayer. If you desire information about attending communion, you are encouraged to visit with the pastor after the service today.

PRAYERS OF PREPARATION may be found in the opening cover of the hymnals in each pew. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer.

+SERVING TODAY+

Preacher/Celebrant: Pr. Roemke

Elder: Bob Trapp

Ushers: Keith Kentala & Jacob Kentala

Greeter: Mary Rusch

Organist: Monica Scholz

Altar Guild: Kathy Capriotti & Bonnie Griepentrog

Cookies: Today's cookies and juice are provided by the Kentala Family.

Stand

Invocation

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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

+CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION+

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

Stand

+SERVICE OF THE WORD+

Entrance Hymn

Offertory-Micah 6, MLC Choir

Kyrie

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This Is the Feast

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Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



G And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

P O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of Your Church, especially in times of persecution, and grant that what we ask in faith we may obtain; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



G A - men.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Micah 6:6-8

^{6cc}With what shall I come before the LORD,
and bow myself before God on high?

Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,
with calves a year old?

⁷Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?

Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"

⁸He has told you, O man, what is good;

and what does the LORD require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Ps. 133:1, 3b



Behold, how good and pleas- | ant it is*

when brothers dwell in | unity!

For the LORD has commanded the | blessing,*

life for- | evermore.

Epistle

Philippians 1:3–11

³I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, ⁴always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, ⁵because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. ⁷It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. ⁹And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, ¹⁰so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, ¹¹filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel

Matthew 18:21–35

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eighteenth chapter.



G Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

²¹Peter came up and said to [Jesus], “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” ²²Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.

²³“Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. ²⁵And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ ²⁷And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’ ²⁹So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ ³⁰He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt.

³¹When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³²Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Chief of Sinners Though I Be

LSB 611

Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed

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Prayer of the Church

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Offering

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Offertory

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+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+

Preface

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Sanctus

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer

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The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

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Agnus Dei

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Distribution

God Himself Is Present

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O Living Bread from Heaven

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Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

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Stand

Benediction of St. Paul

MLC Choir

Post-Communion Collect

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Benediction

The Saints in Christ Are One in Every Place

LSB 838

+PRAYER LIST+

- ✠ For all the children and Christ Lutheran Academy Staff: Karen Moe, Ruth Mallmann, Stephanie Zuehls, Liesl Christensen, & Christa Hegland.
- ✠ Those who serve in our nation's armed forces: DuWayne Griepentrog, Exor Padro, and for veterans.
- ✠ Shut-ins: Elsie Rintamaki & Lillian Sciortino.
- ✠ For our members who were recently hospitalized: Lillian Sciortino & Jerry Tobalsky.
- ✠ For our adopted seminarian, Jacob Eichers, whom the Women's Bible Study is supporting.
- ✠ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Dennis Metallo, Joe Kayon, Richard Cleereman, Alison Daughtery (George Metallo's granddaughter), John Mills, Diane Gundlach, Karin Zuehls (Jeff's aunt), Allen Scheffer (friend of the Zuehls), Terri Nichols (diagnosed with cancer), Carol Wagner (friend of the Brothers), Amy, Pastor Hackbarth (recovering from a brain bleed), Natalie Lee (friend of Lynda Koch suffering from cancer), and Ann Becht (Bev Murakami's sister suffering from liver cancer).

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 16, 2014+

BIBLE STUDY: Today we are continuing our study on Islam. Please join us if you are able.

VOTERS MEETING: We will have a congregational voters meeting on Sunday, December 7th after the service. Please plan to attend.

MARY KAY FUNDRAISER: Do you know anyone who uses Mary Kay skin and cosmetics and would like a rare discount? Want to shop for gifts early and help CLA? For November only, you can purchase products at a 25% discount, and CLA will receive a matching donation. Please contact Lauri Trapp at 496-0092 or Classical_ed@yahoo.com for details.

MEETINGS: This month's meetings will be on Thursday, November 20th. The Spiritual Life Council will meet at 6:00 and the Parish Planning Committee will meet at 7:15. Please make every effort to attend.

ST. NICHOLAS DAY FESTIVAL: will be Saturday, December 6th from 4:30 to 6:30. This event is intended as an outreach to the community as well as a way to make people more aware of CLA. It will be lots of fun for kids of all ages. There will be crafts, Christmas caroling, snacks, and of course, a visit from St. Nicholas himself. Next week we will have flyers available for you to share with your friends and neighbors.

POINSETTIAS: The chart to sign-up for Christmas poinsettias is in the fellowship hall. We will only order flowers that have been paid for, so

please pay for the flowers you want by December 2nd. Place your check in the envelope attached to the chart. See Gail Kulbacki with any questions.

CHOIR PRACTICE: There will be no choir practice this week.

PICTURES: We would like to take new pictures of our members to update the bulletin boards in the fellowship hall. Marge will be taking pictures on Sundays, so please see her to have your picture taken when you are ready.

ADVENT MEALS: We are going to have potluck dinners before our Wednesday Advent services, similar to what we do during Lent. Sign-up sheets will be posted in the fellowship hall soon. Meals will start at 5:30 with the services starting at 6:30.

INCOME

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$3,717
Lord's Work Received 11/9:	\$3,196
Difference Received vs. Needed:	-\$521
Difference Received vs. Needed Year to Date:	-\$27,160

ATTENDANCE Sunday 11/9: 111 Communed: 88

UPCOMING EVENTS AT MESSIAH

11/19	Wed	Women's Bible Study	9:00 am
11/20	Thur	Spiritual Life Council Meeting	6:00 pm
		Parish Planning Meeting	7:15 pm
11/26	Wed	Thanksgiving Divine Service	6:30 pm
12/6	Sat	St. Nicholas Day Festival	4:30 pm
12/7	Sun	Congregational Voters Meeting	10:30 am

BIRTHDAYS

11/17	Melissa Brieman
	Todd Walther
11/19	Edwin Brieman
	Rianon Padro
11/21	John Hernandez
11/22	Casey Blair
	Wally Pipkorn

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

No Baptism Birthdays This Week