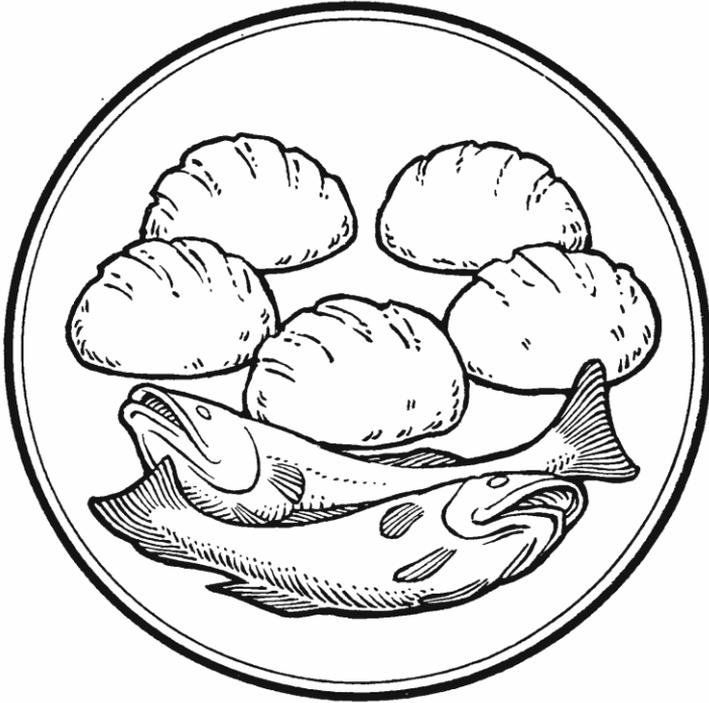


Messiah Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod



Maetare – Fourth Sunday in Lent March 15, 2015 Divine Service III

John 6:8-9 “One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, ⁹ “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?” The disciples focus on the numbers: so little for so much! But the Lord’s grace will not be limited by the narrow vision of His disciples. The Lord has a plan to use even the little for His work of greatness. So let us be faithful even in the little and watch the Lord us it for His great works!

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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: Todd Walther

Ushers: Mike Snodgrass & Mark Varvil

Greeter: Mary Rusch

Organist: Evone Hagerman

Altar Guild: Kate Tobalsky & Tamara Weathersby

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

Kyrie-II

LSB 944 sts. 1-3



1 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.
2 Chris - te e - lei - son. Chris - te e - lei - son.
3 Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.



Ky - ri - e e - le - - - i - son.
Chris - te e - le - - - i - son.
Ky - ri - e e - le - - - i - son.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

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P The Lord be with you.



G And with thy spir - it.



P Let us pray.

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; 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

Exodus 16:2-21

²And the whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, ³and the people of Israel said to them, “Would that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, “Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day’s portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not.

⁵On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily.” ⁶So Moses and Aaron said to all the people of Israel, “At evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, ⁷and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against the LORD. For what are we, that you grumble against us?” ⁸And Moses said, “When the LORD gives you in the evening meat to eat and in the morning bread to the full, because the LORD has heard your grumbling that you grumble against him—what are we? Your grumbling is not against us but against the LORD.”

⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, ‘Come near before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling.’” ¹⁰And as soon as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. ¹¹And the LORD said to Moses, ¹²“I have heard the grumbling of the people of Israel. Say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. Then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’”

¹³In the evening quail came up and covered the camp, and in the morning dew lay around the camp. ¹⁴And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.” ¹⁶This is what the LORD has commanded: ‘Gather of it, each one of you, as much as he can eat. You shall each take an omer, according to the number of the persons that each of you has in his tent.’” ¹⁷And the people of Israel did so. They gathered, some more, some less. ¹⁸But when they measured it with an omer, whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack. Each of them gathered as much as he could eat. ¹⁹And Moses said to them, “Let no one leave any of it over till the morning.” ²⁰But they did not listen to Moses. Some left part of it till the morning, and it bred worms and stank. And Moses was angry with them. ²¹Morning by morning they gathered it, each as much as he could eat; but when the sun grew hot, it melted.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Ps. 122:1, 7



I was glad when they | said to me,*
“Let us go to the house | of the LORD!”
Peace be with- | in your walls*
and security within your | towers!

Epistle

Galatians 4:21–31

²¹Tell me, you who desire to be under the law, do you not listen to the law?
²²For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by a slave woman and one by a free woman. ²³But the son of the slave was born according to the flesh, while the son of the free woman was born through promise. ²⁴Now this may be interpreted allegorically: these women are two covenants. One is from Mount Sinai, bearing children for slavery; she is Hagar. ²⁵Now Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia; she corresponds to the present Jerusalem, for she is in slavery with her children. ²⁶But the Jerusalem above is free, and she is our mother. ²⁷For it is written,

“Rejoice, O barren one who does not bear;
break forth and cry aloud, you who are not in labor!
For the children of the desolate one will be more
than those of the one who has a husband.”

²⁸Now you, brothers, like Isaac, are children of promise. ²⁹But just as at that time he who was born according to the flesh persecuted him who was born according to the Spirit, so also it is now. ³⁰But what does the Scripture say? “Cast out the slave woman and her son, for the son of the slave woman shall not inherit with the son of the free woman.” ³¹So, brothers, we are not children of the slave but of the free woman.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

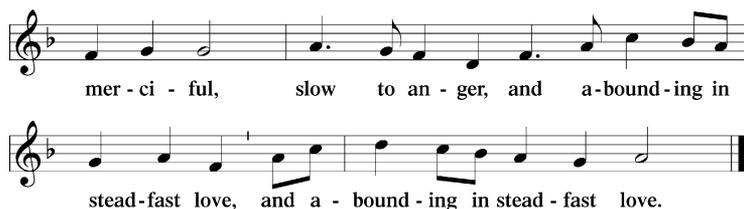
C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Lenten Verse



C Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and



Holy Gospel

John 6:1–15

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



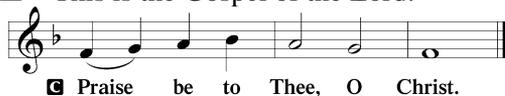
¹After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. ²And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick. ³Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. ⁴Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. ⁵Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?” ⁶He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. ⁷Philip answered him, “Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” ⁸One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, ⁹“There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?” ¹⁰Jesus said, “Have the people sit down.” Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number.

¹¹Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted.

¹²And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, “Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost.” ¹³So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten. ¹⁴When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, “This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!”

¹⁵Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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Sit

Jesus, Priceless Treasure LSB 743

Sermon

Stand

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Sit

Offering *Communion Meditation* MLC Choir

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Prayer of the Church

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+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, Andy Warren, Exor Padro, and for veterans.
- ✘ Shut-ins: Elsie Rintamaki & Lillian Sciortino.
- ✘ For our adopted seminarian, Jacob Eichers, whom the Women's Bible Study is supporting.

✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Richard Cleereman, Diane Gundlach, Karin Zuehls (Jeff's aunt), Allen Scheffer (friend of the Zuehls), Terri Nichols, Carol Wagner (friend of the Brothers), Amy, Natalie Lee (friend of Lynda Koch), Ron Hulke, Mike Gundlach (cousin of Sarah Billings), Al Bradmon (cousin of Steve Billings), Loretta Hulke, Virgil Nichols (friend of Gail Kulbacki), Cheryl Moe, Lorraine Swift, Wally and Gloria Pipkorn, and the Teruo Yamashita Family (relatives of Bev Murakami).

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 15, 2015+

- ✘ **LENTEN MIDWEEK SERVICES** continue this week. On Wednesday we will have a soup supper potluck at 5:30 pm followed by the service of Compline at 6:30. Sign-up sheets for the meals are in the fellowship hall.
- ✘ **PARISH PLANNING COMMITTEE** and the Spiritual Life Council are both meeting on Thursday at 6:30 pm.
- ✘ **MOTHER'S DAY TEA** tickets are on sale. They are \$5 each, with children 10 and under free. Please see Gail Kulbacki to purchase tickets. Checks can be made out to Messiah Altar Guild.
- ✘ **EASTER FLOWERS:** There are still some Easter flowers available for purchase. See the sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall. All payments must be made by March 22nd.

INCOME

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$3,268
Lord's Work Received 3/8:	\$3,919
Difference Received vs. Needed:	\$651
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	-\$565

ATTENDANCE 3/8: 99 Communed: 82

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS AT MESSIAH

3/17	Tuesday	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
3/18	Wednesday	Women's Bible Study	9:00 am
		Lenten Soup Supper	5:30 pm
		Lenten Compline Service	6:30 pm
3/19	Thursday	Parish Planning Committee	6:30 pm
		Spiritual Life Council	6:30 pm
3/21	Saturday	Lutheran Confessions Study	9:30 am

2015 HOLY WEEK SERVICES

3/30	Mon	Divine Service	8:15 am
3/31	Tues	Divine Service	8:15 am
4/1	Wed	Divine Service	8:15 am
4/2	Thurs	Divine Service	8:15 am
		Maundy Thursday DS w/stripping of altar	7:00pm
4/3	Fri	Good Friday Morning Litany	8:15 am
		Chief Service with Divine Service	12:00pm
4/4	Sat	The Great Vigil of Easter	7:21 pm
4/5	Sun	Easter Divine Service	9:00 am
		Easter Brunch	11:00 am

BIRTHDAYS

3/18 Emalee Koch
3/19 Gloria Pipkorn

No anniversaries this week.

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

3/15 Staci Braya-Szela
3/17 Alex Gerlach
3/19 Gloria Pipkorn
Richard Cleereman, Jr.
3/20 Chuck Brothers
3/21 Victoria Weber