

**Messiah Lutheran Church—  
Missouri Synod**



**Twentieth Sunday after Trinity  
October 18, 2015  
Divine Service II**

*Isaiah 55:2* “Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?” What Isaiah says here is reminiscent of what Jesus says about putting our earthly wealth in places where “moth and rust destroy.” Where we put the money God has given us to manage says a lot how we actually view life. What do your spending priorities say about what you think is truly important in life?

# Messiah Lutheran Church

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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:** Gail Kulbacki

**Organist:** Monica Scholz

**Altar Guild:** Bonnie Griepentrog, Kathy Capriotti, & Doris Colombe

**Flowers:** Today's altar flowers are provided by Don & Cheryl Moe in honor of their 20<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Cookies:** Today's baptism cake is provided by the Altar Guild.

## +ORDER OF HOLY BAPTISM+

*God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It*

*LSB 594 sts. 1–2*

*Stand*

**P** Dearly beloved, Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” In the last chapter of Mark our Lord promises, “Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved.” And the apostle Peter has written, “Baptism now saves you.”

The Word of God also teaches that we are all conceived and born sinful and are under the power of the devil until Christ claims us as His own.

Therefore, depart, you unclean spirit, and make room for the Holy Spirit in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

*The pastor makes the sign of the holy cross upon the forehead and heart of the candidate while saying:*

**P** Receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your ✠ forehead and upon your ✠ heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

**P** Let us pray.

O almighty and eternal God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we pray on behalf of Your servant Eleanor, who asks for the gift of Your Baptism and desires Your eternal grace through spiritual rebirth. Receive her, Lord, according to Your promise: “Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.” Now give Your blessing to her who asks and open the door to her who knocks, so that she may obtain the eternal blessing of this heavenly bath and receive the promised kingdom that You give; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, according to Your strict judgment You condemned the unbelieving world through the flood, yet according to Your great mercy You preserved believing Noah and his family, eight souls in all. You drowned hard-hearted Pharaoh and

all his host in the Red Sea, yet led Your people Israel through the water on dry ground, foreshadowing this washing of Your Holy Baptism. Through the Baptism in the Jordan of Your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood and a lavish washing away of sin.

We pray that You would behold Eleanor according to Your boundless mercy and bless her with true faith by the Holy Spirit, that through this saving flood all sin in her which has been inherited from Adam and which she herself has committed since, would be drowned and die. Grant that she be kept safe and secure in the holy ark of the Christian Church, being separated from the multitude of unbelievers and serving Your name at all times with a fervent spirit and a joyful hope, so that, with all believers in Your promise, she would be declared worthy of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

**P** Hear the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

They brought young children to [Jesus] that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, “Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it.” And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them.

*The pastor places his hands on the head of the candidate.*

**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.**

**P** The Lord preserve your coming in and your going out from this time forth and even † forevermore.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

**P** Eleanor, do you renounce the devil?

**R** Yes, I renounce him.

**P** Do you renounce all his works?

**R** Yes, I renounce them.

**P** Do you renounce all his ways?

**R** Yes, I renounce them.

**P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?

**R** Yes, I believe.

**P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead?

**R** Yes, I believe.

**P** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting?

**R** Yes, I believe.

**P** Eleanor, do you desire to be baptized?

**R** Yes, I do.

*The pastor pours water three times on the head of the candidate while saying:*

**P** Eleanor Rose, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

*A white garment may be placed on the newly baptized.*

*The pastor places his hands on the head of the newly baptized while saying:*

**P** The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life † everlasting.

**C** Amen.

**P** Peace † be with you.

**C** Amen.

All return to their places.

**God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It**

LSB 594 sts. 3–4

**+SERVICE OF THE WORD+**

**Introit**

*Ps. 48:1a, 9–11; antiphon: Prayer of Azariah 1:4, 7, 20, 19*



The Lord is righteous in all he has | done to us,\*  
for we have not obeyed his com- | mandments.  
Glorify your name, | O Lord;\*  
and deal with us according to your great | mercy.

**Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised\*  
in the city of our God, his holy | mountain.**

We have thought on your steadfast love, | O God,\*  
in the midst of your | temple.

**As your name, O God, so your praise reaches to the ends | of the  
earth.\***

**Your right hand is filled with | righteousness.**  
Let Mount Zion | be glad!\*

Let the daughters of Judah rejoice because of your | judgments!

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
and to the Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

The Lord is righteous in all he has | done to us,\*  
for we have not obeyed his com- | mandments.  
Glorify your name, | O Lord;\*  
and deal with us according to your great | mercy.

**Kyrie**

**Gloria in Excelsis**

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

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**A** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

**P** O Lord, grant to Your faithful people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve You with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 55:1–9*

<sup>1</sup>“Come, everyone who thirsts,  
come to the waters;  
and he who has no money,  
come, buy and eat!  
Come, buy wine and milk  
without money and without price.

<sup>2</sup>Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,  
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?  
Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,  
and delight yourselves in rich food.

<sup>3</sup>Incline your ear, and come to me;  
hear, that your soul may live;  
and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,  
my steadfast, sure love for David.

<sup>4</sup>Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples,  
a leader and commander for the peoples.

<sup>5</sup>Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know,  
and a nation that did not know you shall run to you,  
because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel,  
for he has glorified you.

<sup>6</sup>“Seek the LORD while he may be found;  
call upon him while he is near;

<sup>7</sup>let the wicked forsake his way,  
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;  
let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on  
him,  
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

<sup>8</sup>For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD.

<sup>9</sup>For as the heavens are higher than the earth,  
so are my ways higher than your ways

and my thoughts than your thoughts.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## See This Wonder in the Making

*MLC Choir*

### Epistle

*Ephesians 5:15–21*

<sup>15</sup>Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, <sup>16</sup>making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup>Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. <sup>18</sup>And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup>addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, <sup>20</sup>giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup>submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

### Alleluia and Verse

**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.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. Below the staff, the lyrics are: "Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the". The second staff continues the melody with quarter and eighth notes, ending with a double bar line. Below the staff, the lyrics are: "words of e-ter-nal life. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia."

### Holy Gospel

*Matthew 22:1–14*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

**C** Glo-ry to You, O Lord.

The image shows a single staff of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, ending with a double bar line. Below the staff, the lyrics are: "Glo-ry to You, O Lord."

<sup>1</sup>Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, <sup>2</sup>“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, <sup>3</sup>and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. <sup>4</sup>Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.’

<sup>5</sup>But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, <sup>6</sup>while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and

killed them. <sup>7</sup>The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. <sup>8</sup>Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. <sup>9</sup>Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.’ <sup>10</sup>And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

<sup>11</sup>“But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. <sup>12</sup>And he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. <sup>13</sup>Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ <sup>14</sup>For many are called, but few are chosen.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

***We Are Called to Stand Together***

*LSB 828*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Prayer of the Church**

*Sit*

**Offering**

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**Offertory**

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**+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+**

**Preface**

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**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**The Words of Our Lord**

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**Proclamation of Christ**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Pax Domini**

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**Agnus Dei**

*Sit*

**Distribution**

***"Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake***

*LSB 688*

***Come unto Me, Ye Weary***

*LSB 684*

*Glorious Things of You Are Spoken*

LSB 648

*Father Welcomes*

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*Stand*

**Nunc Dimittis**

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**Post-Communion Collect**

**Benediction**

*Baptismal Waters Cover Me*

LSB 616

**+PRAYER LIST+**

- ✘ Those who serve in our nation's armed forces: DuWayne Griepentrog, Andy Warren, Exor Padro, and for veterans.
- ✘ Shut-ins: Elsie Rintamaki, Lillian Sciortino, Myrtle Meier, & Ernie Kapellusch.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Richard Cleereman, Diane Gundlach, Karin Zuehls (Jeff's aunt), Carol Wagner (friend of the Brothers), Amy, Ron Hulke, Al Bradmon (cousin of Steve Billings), Loretta Hulke, Kyle Darling (friend of the Zuehls), Cindy (friend of Geri Tobalsky), Grace Scholz (Ted's mother), Richard Schneider (Kathleen Judson's father), Maurissa Murakami (Bev Murakami's daughter-in-law), Rose Murakami (Bev's granddaughter), Bob Hogan (Ash Noble's uncle), Leslie Brothers (recovering from a vehicle accident), and Marge Pohjola (friend of Kelvin and Vicky Nelson).

**+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 18+**

- ✘ **SPIRITUAL LIFE COUNCIL** is meeting this Tuesday, the 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.
- ✘ **OKTOBERFEST** is this Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 5:30-7:00. Brats, schnitzel (cooked by Pastor), homemade sauerkraut, and German potato salad will be served and we will hold a costume contest with prizes for the kids. Please check out the sign-up sheets in the fellowship hall to see how you can help.
- ✘ **REFORMATION SUNDAY POTLUCK:** We will again have our Oktoberfest potluck after the service on October 25<sup>th</sup>. Please see the sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall to decide what to bring. And don't forget to wear red next Sunday!
- ✘ **EARN MONEY FOR MESSIAH!** Do you shop at Meijer or Amazon.com? Both of these companies will give Messiah .5% of

all of your purchases. Signing up is easy; see the bulletin board in the hallway and ask Lesa if you have any questions. This is a great way to donate to Messiah without spending anything extra.

- ✘ **EMAIL NEWSLETTER:** Most members have already signed up, but if any of our regularly-attending visitors would like to receive our weekly newsletter (sent via email on Thursdays), please send an email to [secretary@messiahkenosha.org](mailto:secretary@messiahkenosha.org) and Lesa will sign you up.
- ✘ **LWML MITES** will be collected next Sunday in the fellowship hall.
- ✘ **REFORMATION SUNDAY:** All members of Messiah are invited to a bi-circuit Reformation Divine Service at St. John's in Racine October 25<sup>th</sup> at 3:00. Rev. Dr. Timothy Maschke will be preaching.
- ✘ **TRUNK OR TREAT:** Good Shepherd is hosting a trunk or treat event this Saturday from 3:30 to 6:30. There will be a costume contest, hay rides, silent auction, food, games and a bake sale.

#### +CONTRIBUTIONS+

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$3,268
Lord's Work Received 10/11:	\$3,620
Difference Received vs. Needed:	+\$352
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	+\$839

**ATTENDANCE** 10/11: 134

Communed: 115

#### +OCTOBER EVENTS AT MESSIAH+

Tuesday	10/20	7:00 pm	Spiritual Life Council Meeting Choir Practice
Wednesday	10/21	9:00 am	Women's Bible Study
Friday	10/23	5:00 pm	Oktoberfest
Sunday	10/25	11:00 am	Reformation Day Potluck

#### BIRTHDAYS

10/18 Chuck Brothers  
10/20 Evie Hernandez  
10/22 Jennifer Weber  
10/23 Maggie Gerlach

#### BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

10/20 Todd Walther  
Ethan Wright

#### ANNIVERSARIES

10/18 Brian & Casey Blair (12)  
10/21 Ash & Becky Noble (15)

# Oktoberfest

Friday  
Oct 23, 2015  
5:30-7:00

Messiah Lutheran Church  
2026 22nd Ave. Kenosha



German  
Music &  
Dancing

\* Brats \* Schnitzel

\* German Potato Salad

\* Sauerkraut \* Pretzels

And a Halloween Costume Contest for  
the kids. Prizes awarded!



\$8 for a brat plate (\$4 children)

\$10 for a schnitzel plate (\$5 children)

Or \$25 per family

Proceeds benefitting Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Berlin