

# Messiah Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod



## Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity November 15, 2015 Divine Service I

*Col. 1:10: "... so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God." Living a godly life really is its own reward. Does the life St. Paul describes here sound more enjoyable than a life of worry, self-aggrandizement, and self-centeredness? God wants us to walk closely to our Lord and imitate Him for a reason: so that we will be blessed and happy.*

# 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:** Brent Jiter

**Ushers:** Keith Kentala & Jacob Kentala

**Greeter:** Vicky Nelson

**Organist:** Monica Scholz

**Altar Guild:** Tamara Weathersby & Kate Tobalsky

**Flowers:** Today's altar flowers are provided by Jerry & Geri Tobalsky in memory of Matthew Coss.

**Cookies:** Today's cookies and juice are provided by Louis & Kathy Capriotti.

*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.*

**+SERVICE OF THE WORD+**

**Introit**

*Ps. 95:1–4; antiphon: Ps. 95:6–7a*



Oh come, let us worship and | bow down;\*

let us kneel before the LORD, our | Maker!

For he | is our God,\*

and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep | of his hand.

**Oh come, let us sing | to the LORD;\***

**let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal- | vation!**

Let us come into his presence with thanks- | giving;\*

let us make a joyful noise to him with | songs of praise!

**For the LORD is a | great God,\***

**and a great King a- | bove all gods.**

In his hand are the depths | of the earth;\*

the heights of the mountains are his | also.

**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.**

Oh come, let us worship and | bow down;\*

let us kneel before the LORD, our | Maker!

For he | is our God,\*

and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep | of his hand.

**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.



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

**P** Let us pray.

**P** Stir up, O Lord, the wills of Your faithful people that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by You be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 51:9–16*

<sup>9</sup>Awake, awake, put on strength,  
O arm of the LORD;  
awake, as in days of old,  
the generations of long ago.  
Was it not you who cut Rahab in pieces,  
that pierced the dragon?  
<sup>10</sup>Was it not you who dried up the sea,  
the waters of the great deep,  
who made the depths of the sea a way  
for the redeemed to pass over?  
<sup>11</sup>And the ransomed of the LORD shall return  
and come to Zion with singing;  
everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;  
they shall obtain gladness and joy,  
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.  
  
<sup>12</sup>“I, I am he who comforts you;  
who are you that you are afraid of man who dies,  
of the son of man who is made like grass,  
<sup>13</sup>and have forgotten the LORD, your Maker,  
who stretched out the heavens  
and laid the foundations of the earth,  
and you fear continually all the day

because of the wrath of the oppressor,  
when he sets himself to destroy?

And where is the wrath of the oppressor?

<sup>14</sup>He who is bowed down shall speedily be released;  
he shall not die and go down to the pit,  
neither shall his bread be lacking.

<sup>15</sup>I am the LORD your God,  
who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar—  
the LORD of hosts is his name.

<sup>16</sup>And I have put my words in your mouth  
and covered you in the shadow of my hand,  
establishing the heavens  
and laying the foundations of the earth,  
and saying to Zion, ‘You are my people.’”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Walk Worthy

*MLC Choir*

## Epistle

*Colossians 1:9–14*

<sup>9</sup>And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, <sup>10</sup>so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. <sup>11</sup>May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, <sup>12</sup>giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. <sup>13</sup>He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup>in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

**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. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the' are written below the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with quarter and eighth notes, and the lyrics 'words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' are written below it. The piece ends with a double bar line.

# Holy Gospel

Matthew 9:18–26

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



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

<sup>18</sup>While [Jesus] was saying these things to them, behold, a ruler came in and knelt before him, saying, “My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.” <sup>19</sup>And Jesus rose and followed him, with his disciples. <sup>20</sup>And behold, a woman who had suffered from a discharge of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his garment, <sup>21</sup>for she said to herself, “If I only touch his garment, I will be made well.” <sup>22</sup>Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And instantly the woman was made well. <sup>23</sup>And when Jesus came to the ruler’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, <sup>24</sup>he said, “Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. <sup>25</sup>But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl arose. <sup>26</sup>And the report of this went through all that district.

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



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

*Sit*

***Be Still, My Soul***

*LSB 752*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Nicene Creed**

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**Prayer of the Church**

*Sit*

**Offering**

**Canon of Praise**

*MLC Choir*

*Stand*

**Offertory**

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**+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+**

**Preface**

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<b>Prayer of Thanksgiving</b>	
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<i>Abide, O Dearest Jesus</i>	<i>LSB 919</i>
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**+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, & Wally and Gloria Pipkorn.
- ✘ 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), 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), Marge Pohjola (friend of Kelvin and Vicky Nelson), and Elaine Cottingham.

**+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 15, 2015+**

- ✘ **PARISH PLANNING MEETING** is this Thursday, the 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30.
- ✘ **POINSETTIAS:** It's time to order poinsettias for the Advent and Christmas seasons. There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall. Please sign up and submit your payment by Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>. See Bonnie Griepentrog with any questions.

- ✘ **KLEENEX:** With colder temperatures quickly approaching, the church is in need of donations of tissues. The next time you are getting some for your house, please consider picking up an extra box and bringing it to church. We could also use bottles of hand sanitizer.
- ✘ **ST. NICHOLAS FEST:** Planning is underway for our second annual St. Nicholas Festival on Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 pm. This year's theme is Germany. If you would like to help out, please speak to Becky Noble.
- ✘ **THANKSGIVING DIVINE SERVICE:** We will have our Thanksgiving Divine Service on Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30.
- ✘ **VOTERS' MEETING:** Our annual voters' meeting will be held Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup> immediately following the Divine Service. Please make every effort to attend.
- ✘ **ADVENT ACOLYTES:** Young men are needed to help with acolyting for Advent Evening Prayer Services on Wednesdays. Ideally, we would have 2 young men helping at each service. Talk to Pastor if you are interested in being trained to help with these services.
- ✘ **ADVENT/CHRISTMAS DECORATING** will be after the service on Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>.

**+CONTRIBUTIONS+**

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$3,268
Lord's Work Received 11/8:	\$3,218
Difference Received vs. Needed:	-\$50
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	+\$337

**ATTENDANCE** 11/8: 132

Communed: 112

**+UPCOMING EVENTS AT MESSIAH+**

Tuesday	11/17	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Wednesday	11/18	9:00 am	Women's Bible Study
Thursday	11/19	6:30 pm	Parish Planning Meeting
Saturday	11/21	9:30 am	Lutheran Confessions Study
Wednesday	11/25	6:30 pm	Thanksgiving Divine Service
Sunday	11/29	10:30 am	Advent/Christmas Decorating
Wednesday	12/2	5:30 pm	Advent Meal
		6:30 pm	Advent Evening Prayer
Saturday	12/5	4:00 pm	St. Nicholas Festival
Sunday	12/6	10:30 am	Voters' Meeting

**BIRTHDAYS**

11/15	Cara Russo-Bichsel	11/20	Bill Kroll
11/17	Todd Walther	11/21	John Hernandez