

Messiah Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod



Quinquagesima – Sola Fide February 7, 2016 Divine Service I

Luke 18:35 “As he drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging.” Who is not a beggar? All that we have is a gift of God. We are all beggars before Him. Knowing this can leave us with nothing but thankfulness in our hearts. And this thankful acknowledgment of all the Lord's gifts is also what forms the basis of our generous giving.

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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:** Jerry Tobalsky & Scott Tobalsky

Greeter: Marge Harmon **Organist:** Monica Scholz

Altar Guild: Doris Colombe & Kathy Capriotti

Altar Flowers: Today's altar flowers are provided by Pastor & Lesa Roemke in honor of Lena's birthday.

Please join us for a potluck lunch after the service.

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. 31:1, 5, 9, 16; antiphon: Ps. 31:2b-3



Be a rock of ref- | uge for me,*
 a strong fortress to | save me!
 For you are my rock and my | fortress; *
 and for your name's sake you lead me and | guide me.
**In you, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be | put to
 shame;***
in your righteousness de- | liver me!
 Into your hand I commit my | spirit; *
 you have redeemed me, O LORD, | faithful God.

Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am | in distress;*
my eye is wasted from grief; my soul and my body | also.
 Make your face shine on your | servant; *
 save me in your | steadfast love!

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.

Be a rock of ref- | uge for me,*
 a strong fortress to | save me!
 For you are my rock and my | fortress; *
 and for your name's sake you lead me and | guide me.

Kyrie

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Gloria in Excelsis

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

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P The Lord be with you.



G And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully hear our prayers and having set us free from the bonds of our sins deliver us from every evil; 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

1 Samuel 16:1–13

¹The LORD said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul, since I have rejected him from being king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil, and go. I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.” ²And Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears it, he will kill me.” And the LORD said, “Take a heifer with you and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.’” ³And invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do. And you shall anoint for me him whom I declare to you.” ⁴Samuel did what the LORD commanded and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling and said, “Do you come peaceably?” ⁵And he said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD. Consecrate yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

⁶When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the LORD’s anointed is before him.” ⁷But the LORD said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the LORD sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.” ⁸Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” ⁹Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” ¹⁰And Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

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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.

Holy Gospel

Luke 18:31-43

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



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

³¹Taking the twelve, [Jesus] said to them, “See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written about the Son of Man by the prophets will be accomplished. ³²For he will be delivered over to the Gentiles and will be mocked and shamefully treated and spit upon. ³³And after flogging him, they will kill him, and on the third day he will rise.”

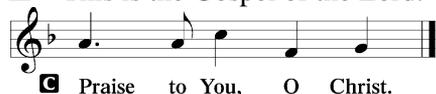
³⁴But they understood none of these things. This saying was hidden from them, and they did not grasp what was said.

³⁵As he drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. ³⁶And hearing a crowd going by, he inquired what this meant.

³⁷They told him, “Jesus of Nazareth is passing by.” ³⁸And he cried out, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” ³⁹And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁰And Jesus stopped and commanded him to be brought to him. And when he came near, he asked him, ⁴¹“What do you want me to do for you?” He said, “Lord, let me recover my sight.”

⁴²And Jesus said to him, “Recover your sight; your faith has made you well.” ⁴³And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him, glorifying God. And all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed

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**+RECEPTION OF MEMBERS BY TRANSFER OR
PROFESSION OF FAITH+**

P Beloved in the Lord, our Lord Jesus Christ said to His apostles:
"Whoever confesses Me before men, I will also confess before My
Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, I will
also deny before My Father who is in heaven." Lift up your hearts,
therefore, to the God of all grace and joyfully give answer to what I
now ask you in the name of the Lord.

P Do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation
acknowledge the gifts that God gave you in your Baptism?

R *Yes, I do.*

P Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?

R *Yes, I renounce them.*

P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, in Jesus Christ, His
only Son our Lord, and in the Holy Spirit?

R *Yes, I believe in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

P Do you hold all the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures to be the
inspired Word of God and the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran
Church, drawn from them and confessed in the Small Catechism, to
be faithful and true?

R *I do.*

P Do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord's
Supper faithfully?

R *I do, by the grace of God.*

P Do you intend to live according to the Word of God, and in faith,
word, and deed to remain true to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
even to death?

R *I do, by the grace of God.*

P Do you intend to continue steadfast in this confession and Church and to suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it?

R *I do, by the grace of God.*

P Do you desire to become a member of this congregation?

R *I do.*

P Will you support the work our gracious Lord has given this congregation with your prayers and the gifts God has given you?

R *I will, with the help of God.*

P Upon this your confession of faith, I acknowledge publicly that you are members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and of this congregation. Receive the Lord's Supper and participate with us in all the blessings of salvation that our Lord has given to His Church, in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Stand

P Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for Your great goodness in bringing these Your sons and daughters to the knowledge of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, and enabling them both with the heart to believe and with the mouth to confess His saving name. Grant that by Your Word and Spirit they may continue steadfast in the one true faith in the fellowship of this congregation as together we await the day when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

P The grace of our ✠ Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

C **Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

Sit

Offering

Day by Day

MLC Choir

Stand

Offertory

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+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+

Preface *p160*

Sanctus *p161*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Words of Our Lord *p162*

Proclamation of Christ

Lord's Prayer

Pax Domini *p163*

Agnus Dei

Sit

Distribution

God, Whose Almighty Word

LSB 979



1 God, whose al - might - y word Cha - os and
2 Lord, who once came to bring, On Your re -
3 Spir - it of truth and love, Life - giv - ing,
4 Ho - ly and bless - ed Three, Glo - ri - ous



dark - ness heard And took their flight: Hear us, we
deem - ing wing, Heal - ing and sight, Health to the
ho - ly dove, Speed forth Your flight; Move on the
Trin - i - ty, Wis - dom, love, might! Bound - less as



hum - bly pray, And where the Gos - pel day
sick in mind, Sight to the in - ly blind:
wa - ter's face, Bear - ing the lamp of grace,
o - cean's tide, Roll - ing in full - est pride,



Sheds not its glo - rious ray, Let there be light!
Oh, now to hu - man - kind Let there be light!
And in earth's dark - est place Let there be light!
Through the earth, far and wide, Let there be light!

Love in Christ Is Strong and Living

LSB 706

Word of God, Come Down on Earth

LSB 545

Amazing Grace

LSB 744

Stand

Nunc Dimittis

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Post-Communion Collect

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Benediction

Christ Be My Leader

LSB 861

+PRAYER LIST+

- ✘ Those who serve in our nation's armed forces: DuWayne Griepentrog, Exor Padro, Rev. Lynn Christensen, Evan Smith, 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), 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, Marge Pohjola (friend of Kelvin and Vicky Nelson), Carol Vescova, MacKenna Marinarli (Gail Kulbacki's granddaughter), Chuck Brothers, Mary Rusch, Wally Pipkorn, and Paul (Donna Primuth's son-in-law).

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 7, 2016+

- ✘ **BOWL-A-THON:** We are continuing the Bowl-A-Thon fundraiser, previously for CLA, now benefitting Messiah. Mark your calendars for Saturday, February 27th at 12:30 pm. It will be held at Sheridan Lanes. More info will be coming soon.
- ✘ **ASH WEDNESDAY:** Pastor Roemke will be available to impose ashes Ash Wednesday morning, February 10th, from 6:30 am to 8:30 am. We will also have a Divine Service at 6:30 pm.
- ✘ **PRAYER LIST:** If you have previously had a loved one added to our prayer list, please take a moment to update Pastor Roemke on his/her status.

+UPCOMING EVENTS AT MESSIAH+

Tuesday	Feb. 9	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Wednesday	Feb. 10	6:30 am-8:30 am	Imposition of Ashes
		9:00 am	Women's Bible Study
		6:30 pm	Ash Wed. Divine Service
Friday	Feb. 12	4:30 pm	Higher Things retreat
Wednesday	Feb. 17	5:30 pm	Lenten Soup Supper
		6:30 pm	Lenten Vespers
Thursday	Feb. 18	6:30 pm	Parish Planning Meeting
Saturday	Feb. 20	9:30 am	Confessions Study
Saturday	Feb. 27	12:30 pm	Bowl-A-Thon Fundraiser

+CONTRIBUTIONS+

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$3,584
Lord's Work Received 1/31-2/6:	\$4,737
Difference Received vs. Needed:	+\$1,153
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	+\$1,445

ATTENDANCE 1/31: 173

Communed: 133

BIRTHDAYS

2/7 Bob Trapp
2/9 Carol Hernandez
2/12 Thomas Kochman
2/13 Elise Walther

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

2/10 Alberta Helmke
2/11 Mike Henning
2/12 Sarah Billings
2/13 Mark Varvil

✠ OUR NEW MEMBERS ✠

Sandra Babel

Donna Boyd

Mark Bernhardt

Roger and Sara Lyngen

*Mike and Dorothy McConville and their children Matthew, James,
and Mikaela*

Evan and Kelli Smith

WELCOME!