# Messiah Kutheran Church— Missouri Synod



# Judica - Fifth Sunday in Lent March 13, 2016 Divine Service III

Hebrews 9:12 "He entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption." What price could cover our sins? What could we pay God to forget our wickedness? The only price that could redeem us was the very Blood of the Christ. His sacrificial giving sets the pattern for our life – for how can we who are redeemed by the self-giving of God not also give of ourselves to His Kingdom?

# **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: Scott Tobalsky Ushers: Keith Kentala & Jacob Kentala

Greeter: Vicky Nelson Organist: Evone Hagerman

Altar Guild: Bonnie Griepentrog

**Cookies:** Today's muffins and juice are provided by the Roemke

Family.

# All Gloria Patris are removed from here until Easter. The crosses are completely veiled from now until Good Friday, as the Gospel reading says: Jesus hid Himself.

# Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

LSB 437

Stand

**Invocation** p184

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. 43:3-5; antiphon: Ps. 43:1-2a



Vindicate me, | O God,\*

and defend my cause against an ungodly | people,

from the deceitful and unjust man de- | liver me!\*

For you are the God in whom I take | refuge.

Send out your light and your truth; let them | lead me;\*

let them bring me to your holy hill and to your | dwelling!

Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my ex- | ceeding joy,\* and I will praise you with the lyre, O | God, my God.

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil with- | in me?\*

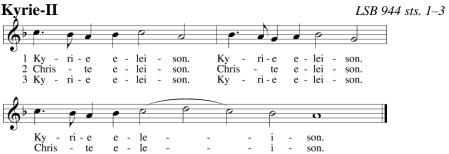
Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation | and my God.

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from the deceitful and unjust man de- | liver me!\*

For you are the God in whom I take | refuge.



Salutation and Collect of the Day

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Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; 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**

Genesis 22:1-14

<sup>1</sup>After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." <sup>2</sup>He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." <sup>3</sup>So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. <sup>4</sup>On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. <sup>5</sup>Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." <sup>6</sup>And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. <sup>7</sup>And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here am I, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" 8Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

<sup>9</sup>When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son

and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. <sup>10</sup>Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. <sup>11</sup>But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." <sup>12</sup>He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." <sup>13</sup>And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. <sup>14</sup>So Abraham called the name of that place, "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Ps. 143:9a, 10a; 18:48a, c



Deliver me from my enemies, | O LORD!\*

Teach me to do your will, for you | are my God!

[You] delivered me from my | enemies;\*

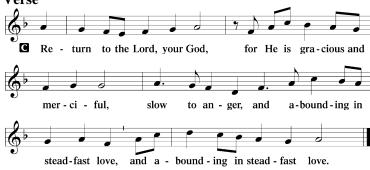
you rescued me from the man of | violence.

**Epistle** Hebrews 9:11–15

<sup>11</sup>But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) <sup>12</sup>he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. <sup>13</sup>For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, <sup>14</sup>how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God. <sup>15</sup>Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant.

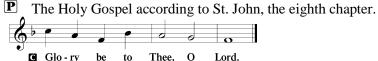
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- **C** Thanks be to God.

#### **Lenten Verse**



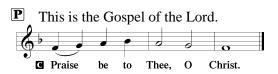
Holy Gospel

John 8:46–59



<sup>46</sup>Which one of you convicts me of sin? If I tell the truth, why do you not believe me? <sup>47</sup>Whoever is of God hears the words of God. The reason why you do not hear them is that you are not of God."

<sup>48</sup>The Jews answered him, "Are we not right in saving that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?" <sup>49</sup>Jesus answered, "I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. <sup>50</sup>Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge. <sup>51</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death." <sup>52</sup>The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, 'If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.' 53 Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?" <sup>54</sup>Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, 'He is our God.' 55But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. <sup>56</sup>Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad." <sup>57</sup>So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" 58 Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." <sup>59</sup>So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.



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#### +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: Lillian Sciortino, Myrtle Meier, Ernie Kapellusch, & Wally and Gloria Pipkorn.
- The family of Elsie Rintamaki, who mourn her passing.
- For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Richard Cleereman, Karin Zuehls (Jeff's aunt), Ruthie, Amy, Ron Hulke, 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, John Hernandez.

# +ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 13, 2016+

- LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS conclude this Wednesday. Meals are served at 5:30. Please refer to the sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall to see what you can bring.
- ► MEETINGS: Please note that the time of the PPC meeting this Thursday has been changed to 6:00 pm. The SLC will meet the same night at 7:15 pm.
- \* EASTER EGG HUNT: There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall for the kids' activities we will have on Easter morning. Please sign up any children who will be participating. Donations are welcome; please see Kate Tobalsky or Tamara Weathersby.
- **EASTER BRUNCH POTLUCK:** We will continue our tradition of holding an Easter brunch potluck after the service on Easter Sunday. There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall.
- TABLES: It was made obvious at our last potluck that we do not have enough tables to seat our growing congregation in the fellowship hall. We are looking to borrow tables from members for our Easter brunch. If you have any kind of portable table (card tables, etc.) that you can spare for the day, please let Lesa Roemke know. They would need to be here on Saturday afternoon and they can go home with you Sunday after the meal.
- LUTHERAN CONFESSION STUDY will meet this Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. We will begin with Matins at 9:30 am.
- ➤ **DONATIONS NEEDED:** The following items are being collected for Bethesda Lutheran Communities: soft toothbrushes, toothpaste, combs, hairbrushes, shampoo, bar soap, hand and body lotion, religious DVDs, and religious musical CDs. Donations can be brought to Messiah

- before Wednesday, April  $6^{\rm th}$  and placed in the container under the mailboxes. Thank you.
- ► EASTER CARDS are now available in the binders! New birthday, anniversary, thinking of you, and thank you added weekly. Card and envelope \$2.00 All proceeds go towards the kitchen for both fellowship items (coffee, creamer, cups, etc.) and refreshing kitchen items (towels, wash cloths, etc.) Any questions, please see Joan Chianelli, Jennifer Bertz, or Mary Rusch.

#### +CONTRIBUTIONS+

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$3,584
Lord's Work Received 3/6-3/12:	\$5,368
Difference Received vs. Needed:	+\$1,784
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	+\$4,466

**ATTENDANCE** 3/6: 142 Communed: 115

#### **+UPCOMING EVENTS AT MESSIAH+**

Tuesday	March 15	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Wednesday	March 16	9:00 am	Women's Bible Study
		5:30 pm	Lenten Soup Supper
		6:30 pm	Lenten Vespers
Thursday	March 17	6:00 pm	Parish Planning Meeting
		7:15 pm	Spiritual Life Meeting
Saturday	March 19	9:30 am	Confessions Study

#### **+HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE+**

Monday	March 21	6:30 pm	Spoken Divine Service
Tuesday	March 22	6:30 pm	Spoken Divine Service
Wednesday	March 23	6:30 pm	Spoken Divine Service
Thursday	March 24	6:30 pm	Maundy Thursday DS
Friday	March 25	12:00 pm	Good Friday Divine Svc.
		7:00 pm	Tenebrae @Good Shepherd
Saturday	March 26	7:11 pm	Easter Vigil
Sunday	March 27	9:00 am	Easter Divine Service
		11:00 am	Easter Brunch Potluck

# **BIRTHDAYS**

3/19 Gloria Pipkorn

# **ANNIVERSARIES**

3/15 Evan & Kelli Smith (1)

# **BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS**

- 3/13 Eric Snodgrass
- 3/14 Emma Jiter
- 3/15 Staci Braya-Szela
- 3/17 Ernie Kapellusch Alex Gerlach
- 3/19 Gloria Pipkorn

Richard Cleereman