

Messiah Lutheran Church

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Vola Gratia

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Divine Service II

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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: Pastor Roemke

Elder: Jim Vescova

Ushers: Roger Jeschke & Mark Varvil

Greeter: Sandra Babel

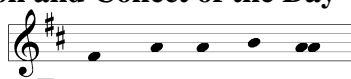
Organist: Evone Hagerman

Altar Guild: Marilyn Dissen & Diana Dissen

Altar Flowers: Today's altar flowers are provided by Jerry & Kris Kochman in honor of Thomas's birthday.

Cookies: Today's cookies and juice are provided by Sandra Babel, Donna Boyd, and Linda Polcin.

Salutation and Collect of the Day



A The Lord be with you.



G And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; 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 17:1-7

¹All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" ³But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" ⁴So Moses cried to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." ⁵And the LORD said to Moses, "Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink." And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Ps. 9:9–10, 18–19a



The LORD is a stronghold for | the oppressed,*
a stronghold in times of | trouble.
And those who know your name put their | trust in you,*
for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who | seek you.
For the needy shall not always be for- | gotten,*
and the hope of the poor shall not perish for- | ever.
A- | rise, O LORD!*
Let not | man prevail.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 9:24–10:5

²⁴Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. ²⁵Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. ²⁶So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. ²⁷But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

^{10:1}I want you to know, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ²and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. ⁵Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel

Matthew 20:1–16

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



¹[Jesus said:] “The kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴and to them he said, ‘You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.’ ⁵So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. ⁶And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, ‘Why do you stand here idle all day?’ ⁷They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You go into the vineyard too.’ ⁸And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.’ ⁹And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, ¹²saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?’ ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first last.”



Sit

Salvation unto Us Has Come

LSB 555 sts. 6–10

Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed

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Prayer of the Church

Sit

Offering

Stand

Offertory

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+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+

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Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer *LSB 918*

+PRAYER LIST+

- ✠ Those who serve in our nation's armed forces: DuWayne Griepentrog, Exor Padro, Rev. Lynn Christensen, Evan Smith, Austin Nehls, and for veterans.
- ✠ Shut-ins: Lillian Sciortino, Ernie Kapellusch, Richard Cleereman, Wally and Gloria Pipkorn.
- ✠ The family of Myrtle Meier, who mourn her death.
- ✠ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Karin Zuehls (Jeff's aunt), Richard Schneider (Kathleen Judson's father), Carol Hernandez, Jason Stephans, Mike Ricchio (nephew of Kathy Shafer), Gerald (Sandra Babel's brother), Betty Nemeth (Mary Jo Jiter's sister), Lorraine Swift, Bob Hogan (Ash Noble's uncle), Rick Holtz, Cecelia Weathersby (Billy's mother), and Donna Billings (Steve's mother).

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEB. 12, 2017+

- ✠ **MEETINGS:** The Parish Planning Committee will meet this Thursday, February 16th at 6:00 pm. The Spiritual Life Council will meet the same evening at 7:15 pm.
- ✠ **LUTHERAN CONFESSIONS STUDY** will meet this Saturday, February 18th. We will begin with Matins at 9:30 am.

- ✧ **NEW LUTHER MOVIE:** Messiah is hosting an exclusive one-night only screening of the new movie “Martin Luther: The Idea That Changed the World”. It will be Thursday, March 9th at 6:30 pm at Tinseltown Theater here in Kenosha. Pastor Roemke will lead a discussion following the movie if there are questions. Tickets are \$10 each and must be purchased prior to the event. Please go to <http://kenosha.newluthermovie.com> to purchase tickets. We must sell a minimum number of tickets by March 2nd or the event will be cancelled. Please invite your friends and family. See Lesa with any questions.
- ✧ **GREETING CARDS:** Do you need a unique Valentine for a special family member, spouse, or friend? Valentine cards now for sale on the back table in the fellowship hall. \$2 per card (includes envelope). All proceeds go towards coffee, cups, etc. for fellowship.
- ✧ **DAYS OF CREATION ICONS** are still available to be sponsored. Four have been spoken for: The First Day, in memory of Chuck Brothers; The Fifth Day by the Hegland Family; The Seventh Day in loving memory of Johnathon Stonestreet Koch; and The Expulsion from the Garden by Donna Primuth. If you would like to sponsor one for \$165, please speak with Pastor.
- ✧ **CRAFT WEEKEND:** If you would like to get away and have some fun, join us Friday, March 10th and/or Saturday, March 11th right here at church. Bring your favorite craft and enjoy the weekend with friends. If you are interested, see Mary Rusch for more information.

+CONTRIBUTIONS+

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$3,949
Lord's Work Received 2/5-2/11:	\$4,085
Difference Received vs. Needed:	+136
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	-386

ATTENDANCE 2/5: 133

Communed: 121

BIRTHDAYS

2/12	Thomas Kochman
	Amy Vallis
2/13	Elise Walther
2/14	Steve Billings
	Brian Blair
2/17	Don Moe

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

2/12	Sarah Billings
2/13	Mark Varvil
2/15	Stephanie Zuehls
2/17	Nyssa Zuehls