

**Messiah Lutheran Church**  
**The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod**



**Quinquagesima Sunday**

**Sola Fide**

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**Divine Service I**

# 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:** Roger Jeschke & Mark Varvil

**Greeter:** Liz Schultz

**Organist:** Evone Hagerman

**Altar Guild:** Kathy Capriotti & Cara Russo-Bichsel

**Altar Flowers:** Today's altar flowers are provided by Pastor & Lesa Roemke in honor of Lena's 10<sup>th</sup> birthday and the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Pastor's installation at Messiah.

**Cookies:** Today's cookies are provided by Doris Colombe & Debbie Snodgrass.

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.

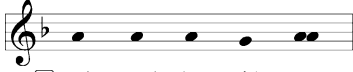
**Kyrie**

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**Gloria in Excelsis**

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## Salutation and Collect of the Day



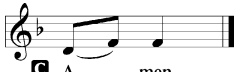
**P** The Lord be with you.



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

**P** Let us pray.

**P** 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.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 35:3-7*

- <sup>3</sup>Strengthen the weak hands,  
and make firm the feeble knees.  
<sup>4</sup>Say to those who have an anxious heart,  
“Be strong; fear not!  
Behold, your God  
will come with vengeance,  
with the recompense of God.  
He will come and save you.”
- <sup>5</sup>Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,  
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;  
<sup>6</sup>then shall the lame man leap like a deer,  
and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.  
For waters break forth in the wilderness,  
and streams in the desert;  
<sup>7</sup>the burning sand shall become a pool,  
and the thirsty ground springs of water;  
in the haunt of jackals, where they lie down,  
the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Gradual**

*Ps. 77:14–15*



**You are the God who works | wonders;\*  
you have made known your might among the | peoples.  
You with your arm redeemed your | people,\*  
the children of Jacob and | Joseph.**

**Epistle**

*1 Corinthians 13:1–13*

<sup>1</sup>If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup>And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup>If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant <sup>5</sup>or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup>it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. <sup>7</sup>Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

<sup>8</sup>Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. <sup>9</sup>For we know in part and we prophesy in part, <sup>10</sup>but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. <sup>11</sup>When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. <sup>12</sup>For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

<sup>13</sup>So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

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

**G** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

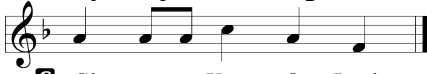
**Alleluia and Verse**



## Holy Gospel

Luke 18:31–43

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



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

<sup>31</sup>Taking 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. <sup>32</sup>For he will be delivered over to the Gentiles and will be mocked and shamefully treated and spit upon. <sup>33</sup>And after flogging him, they will kill him, and on the third day he will rise.” <sup>34</sup>But they understood none of these things. This saying was hidden from them, and they did not grasp what was said.

<sup>35</sup>As he drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. <sup>36</sup>And hearing a crowd going by, he inquired what this meant. <sup>37</sup>They told him, “Jesus of Nazareth is passing by.” <sup>38</sup>And he cried out, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” <sup>39</sup>And 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!” <sup>40</sup>And Jesus stopped and commanded him to be brought to him. And when he came near, he asked him, <sup>41</sup>“What do you want me to do for you?” He said, “Lord, let me recover my sight.” <sup>42</sup>And Jesus said to him, “Recover your sight; your faith has made you well.” <sup>43</sup>And 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.



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

*Sit*

***Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness***

*LSB 849*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Nicene Creed**

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**Prayer of the Church**

*Sit*

**Offering**

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## +SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+

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**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

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**The Words of Our Lord**

**Pax Domini** p163

**Agnus Dei** MLC Choir

*Sit*

**Distribution**

*Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus* LSB 685

*Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good* LSB 819

*Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me* MLC Youth Choir

*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!

*Stand*

**Nunc Dimittis** p165

**Post-Communion Collect** p166

**Benediction**

*Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus* LSB 660

### +PRAYER LIST+

- ✘ Those who serve in our armed forces: Austin Nehls, Michael Shafer, Rev. Lynn Christensen, Kevin Boyd, Rianon Padro, and for veterans.
- ✘ Shut-ins: Lillian Sciortino, Richard Cleereman, Wally & Gloria Pipkorn, George Metallo, and Bob Hagen.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Karin Zuehls (Jeff's aunt), Lorraine Swift, Elaine Roloff (Evone Hagerman's mother), Arlo Kristopeit (Linda Polcin's grandnephew), Linda McDonough (Terry Sommer's sister), Pat Mills, Kathy Shafer, Angela Wilz (sister of Monica Scholz), Katy Billings, Judy Stern (aunt of Sarah Billings), and Peg Holtz.

### +ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 11, 2018+

- ✘ **ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES:** Pastor Roemke will offer the Imposition of Ashes Wednesday morning, February 14<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00 am to 8:30 am. We will also have an Ash Wednesday Divine Service that evening at 6:30 pm.
- ✘ **LUTHERAN CONFESSIONS STUDY** will meet this Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup>. We will begin with Matins at 9:30 am.
- ✘ **MEALS FOR RICK & PEG HOLTZ:** If you would like to take a dinner to the Holtzes while Peg is recovering from surgery, please talk to Lesa to see what dates are available.

### +THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH+

Monday	Feb. 12	7:00 pm	Youth Choir Practice
Tuesday	Feb. 13	7:00 pm	Adult Choir Practice
Wednesday	Feb. 14	7-8:30 am	Imposition of Ashes
		9:30 am	Women's Bible Study
		6:30 pm	Ash Wednesday Divine Svc
Saturday	Feb. 17	9:30 am	Lutheran Confessions Study

### +CONTRIBUTIONS+

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$4,102
Lord's Work Received 2/4-2/10:	\$3,282
Difference Received vs. Needed:	-820
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	-1,459

**ATTENDANCE** 2/4: 102

Communed: 90

### BIRTHDAYS

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

### BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

2/11	Mike Henning
2/12	Sarah Billings
2/13	Mark Varvil
2/15	Stephanie Zuehls
2/17	Nyssa Zuehls