

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



**Last Sunday of the Church Year**

**November 24, 2019**

**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.**

**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** are found in the cover of the hymnals. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer.

**+SERVING TODAY+**

**Greeter:** Donna Boyd

**Elder:** Bob Trapp

**Organist:** Monica Scholz

**Ushers:** Mark Varvil, Mike Snodgrass, & Cody Weathersby

**Altar Guild:** Kathy Capriotti & Angela Pynaker

**Cookies:** Today's cookies are provided by the Joslyn family.

**Altar Flowers:** Today's altar flowers are provided by Bill & Fran Kroll in honor of Autumn's birthday.

**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. 39:4–5, 7–8; antiphon: Is. 35:10*



The ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with |  
singing;\*

everlasting joy shall be up- | on their heads.

They shall obtain glad- | ness and joy,\*

and sorrow and sighing shall | flee away.

**O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure | of my  
days;\***

**let me know how fleeting | I am!**

Behold, You have made my days a few handbreadths, and my  
lifetime is as nothing be- | fore You.\*

Surely all mankind stands as a | mere breath!

**And now, O Lord, for what | do I wait?\***

**My hope | is in You.**

Deliver me from all my trans- | gressions.\*

Do not make me the scorn | of the fool!

**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.**

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**Kyrie**

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**This Is the Feast**

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## Salutation and Collect of the Day

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O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that, from the bonds of our sins which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; 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

*Isaiah 65:17–25*

- <sup>17</sup>“For behold, I create new heavens  
and a new earth,  
and the former things shall not be remembered  
or come into mind.
- <sup>18</sup>But be glad and rejoice forever  
in that which I create;  
for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy,  
and her people to be a gladness.
- <sup>19</sup>I will rejoice in Jerusalem  
and be glad in My people;  
no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping  
and the cry of distress.
- <sup>20</sup>No more shall there be in it  
an infant who lives but a few days,  
or an old man who does not fill out his days,  
for the young man shall die a hundred years old,  
and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.
- <sup>21</sup>They shall build houses and inhabit them;  
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
- <sup>22</sup>They shall not build and another inhabit;  
they shall not plant and another eat;  
for like the days of a tree shall the days of My people be,  
and My chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.
- <sup>23</sup>They shall not labor in vain  
or bear children for calamity,  
for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD,  
and their descendants with them.
- <sup>24</sup>Before they call I will answer;  
while they are yet speaking I will hear.
- <sup>25</sup>The wolf and the lamb shall graze together;  
the lion shall eat straw like the ox,  
and dust shall be the serpent’s food.  
They shall not hurt or destroy



and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.’<sup>10</sup> And while they were going to buy, the Bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with Him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut.<sup>11</sup> Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’<sup>12</sup> But He answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’<sup>13</sup> Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.’”

*Sit*

***Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying***

*LSB 516, Youth Choir v. 2*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Nicene Creed**

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**Prayer of the Church**

*Sit*

**Offering**

With Grateful Heart, I Thank You, Lord

*MLC Choir*

*Stand*

**Offertory**

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**+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+**

**Preface**

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**Sanctus**

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**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**The Words of Our Lord**

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**Proclamation of Christ**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Pax Domini**

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**Agnus Dei**

*Sit*

**Distribution**

***The Tree of Life***

*LSB 561*

***What Is This Bread***

*LSB 629*

***Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers***

*LSB 515*

***The Day Is Surely Drawing Near***

*LSB 508*

*Stand*

**Thank the Lord**

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**Post-Communion Collect**

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**Benediction**

***The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us***

*LSB 514*

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## **Verbum Domini Manet in Aeternum** **The Word of the Lord endures forever**

### +PRAYER LIST+

- ✘ Those who serve in our armed forces: Austin Nehls, Michael Shafer, Rev. Lynn Christensen, Kevin Boyd, Rianon Padro, Sean Gleason, and for veterans.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Debbie Snodgrass, Thomas Kotenko (colleague of Jeff Zuehls), Mary Jens (Kathy Capriotti's sister), Vince Cozin (cousin of Jeff Vallis), Tina & Larry (friends of Sandra Babel), Henry Buehrens, Ken Krause (friend of Anita Brothers), Marcin Rosinski (friend of Bev Murakami), Frieda Hieber (Pastor Roemke's great-aunt), Ally Capriotti (Angela Pynaker's daughter-in-law), and our member on hospice: George Metallo.

### +ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 24, 2019+

- ✘ **THANKSGIVING DIVINE SERVICE** is this Wednesday at 6:30 pm.
- ✘ **MAILBOXES:** Please make a point to check your mailbox regularly. There is a letter in there now that church leadership would like you to read.
- ✘ **VOTERS' MEETING:** Our annual voters' meeting will be immediately following the Divine Service on Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. Please try to attend. If you have a teenager willing to help supervise the kids during this time, please speak to Tamara Weathersby.
- ✘ **POINSETTIAS:** If you would like to provide poinsettias for the sanctuary in celebration of the Advent and Christmas seasons, please sign-up on the sheet in the hallway. Payments are due on Wednesday.
- ✘ **ADVENT & CHRISTMAS DECORATING** will be after the Divine Service, next Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>.
- ✘ **ST. NICHOLAS FESTIVAL:** Our St. Nicholas Festival will be Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> from 2-4 pm. This year we are celebrating Sweden. It's a fun, free event for kids of all ages and is open to the public. There will be food, drinks, crafts, entertainment, and of course, storytime with St. Nick himself. Please mark this on your calendar. If you would like to help with this event, please sign up on the sheets in the hallway. Speak to Tamara Weathersby with any questions.
- ✘ **COOKIE SALE:** The Altar Guild is hosting a Christmas cookie sale December 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to donate homemade cookies, please sign up on the sheet in the hallway. If you have any questions, please see an Altar Guild member.

✘ **SAVE THE DATE!** Bishop Lytkin will be returning to our area in January and has confirmed a date to be at Messiah. On Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, we will have a Vespers service at 4 pm followed by a potluck dinner. Bishop Lytkin will do another presentation; this one different from last year's so you don't want to miss it. Mark your calendars.

**+CONTRIBUTIONS+**

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$4,330
Lord's Work Received 11/17-11/23:	4,650
Difference Received vs. Needed:	+320
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	-672

**ATTENDANCE** 11/17: 155

Communed: 138

**+NOVEMBER EVENTS AT MESSIAH+**

Wednesday	Nov. 27	6:30 pm	Thanksgiving Divine Svc.
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**+DECEMBER EVENTS AT MESSIAH+**

Sunday	Dec. 1	4-6 pm	Christian Formation @ Messiah
Wednesday	Dec. 4	5:45 pm	Advent Meal: Italian
		6:30 pm	Advent Evening Prayer
Saturday	Dec. 7	2-4 pm	St. Nicholas Festival
Sunday	Dec. 8	10:30 am	Voters' Meeting
Wednesday	Dec. 11	5:45 pm	Advent Meal: Mexican
		6:30 pm	Advent Evening Prayer
Sunday	Dec. 15	4-6 pm	Christian Formation
Wednesday	Dec. 18	5:45 pm	Advent Meal: Soup & Salad
		6:30 pm	Advent Evening Prayer
Saturday	Dec. 21	9:30 am	Lutheran Confessions Study
Tuesday	Dec. 24	6:00 pm	Service of Lessons & Carols
		11:00 pm	Midnight Divine Service
Wednesday	Dec. 25	9:00 am	Christmas Divine Service

**BIRTHDAYS**

11/24	Abby Hiebert-Schultz
	Brooke Koch
11/25	Autumn Klosowski
	Stephanie Zuehls
11/29	Henry Buehrens

**BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS**

11/25	Maggie Gerlach
11/29	Artyom Varvil
	Sergei Varvil
11/30	Autumn Klosowski

**ANNIVERSARIES**

11/24	Louie & Kathy Capriotti (46 years)
	Jim & Mary Sandberg (35 years)