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Divine Service II

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. **Please turn off and put away all electronic devices during the service.**

+SERVING TODAY+

Greeter: Mary Rusch

Elder: Todd Walther

Organist: Evone Hagerman

Ushers: Matthew Grenyo, Scott Tobalsky, & Mark Bernhardt

Altar Guild: Kathy Capriotti & Angela Pynaker

Altar Flowers: Today's altar flowers are provided by the Roemkes in honor of Pastor's 7th Installation Anniversary and Lena's 12th birthday.

Fellowship: Please join us for a cake reception celebrating the adoption of Logan by the Nevius family.

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: Youth Choir



*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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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.

Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 35:3–7

³Strengthen the weak hands,
and make firm the feeble knees.
⁴Say 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.”

⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
⁶then 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;
⁷the 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.

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

¹If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ²And 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. ³If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

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

⁸Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for

tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. ¹¹When 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. ¹²For 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.

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

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel

Luke 18:31–43

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.

Sit

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

LSB 849

Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed

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Loving Shepherd of Thy Sheep

Youth Choir

+THE RITE OF BLESSING OF ADOPTED CHILD AND HIS PARENTS+

This rite serves as a public thanksgiving for the precious gift of a child and as a welcome of the child into his new family. If a child is old enough to respond, it is good for a child to accept the new parents as his own. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P May the love of God be with you always.

C And with your spirit.

P It has pleased God our heavenly Father to answer the earnest prayers of Nate and Gabby for the gift of a child. Today we join them in offering heartfelt thanks for the joyful and solemn responsibility which becomes theirs by the arrival of Logan into their family.

+READING OF THE WORD OF GOD+

Brothers and sisters, listen to the words of the holy Gospel according to Saint Mark 10:13-16:

¹³ And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴ But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. ¹⁵ Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." ¹⁶ And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

+ACKNOWLEDGMENT BY THE PARENTS AND CHILD+

P You have received Logan into your family; will you continue to love and care for him?

R We will, with the help of God.

P You have accepted Nate and Gabby as your parents; will you love and respect them?

R I will, with the help of God.

P As God has made us all His children by grace and adoption, may this family always abide in His love!

C Amen.

P Let us pray:

Almighty and merciful God and Father, we thank You for creating this world, and although people deviated from Your ways, You did not leave them without Your love, and sent Your Son to be incarnated and become a Man, born of the Virgin Mary, and adopted by St.

+VDM+

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

+PRAYER LIST+

- ✘ Those who serve in our armed forces: Austin Nehls, Kevin Boyd, Rev. Lynn Christensen, Rianon Padro, Sean Gleason, Dan Bruins, and for veterans.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Thomas Kotenko (colleague of Jeff Zuehls), Mary Jens (Kathy Capriotti's sister), Vince Cozin (cousin of Jeff Vallis), Ken Krause and Steve Matthews (friends of Anita Brothers), Marcin Rosinski (friend of Bev Murakami), Ally Capriotti (Angela Pynaker's daughter-in-law), Bob Hagerman, Alberta Helmke, Jonah Johnson (Casey Blair's cousin), Sean Esser (relative of John Winter), Helen Nelson (Kelvin's mother), Cheryl Moe, Sara Poullette, Lori Eshleman (friend of Jane Gundlach), Harvey Schiefelbein (Cheryl Piel's father), Tony Sippl (Mary Jo Jiter's nephew), David Kristopeit (Linda Polcin's brother-in-law), and our shut-in, Betty Boness.

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 23+

- ✘ **ASH WEDNESDAY:** Pastor Roemke will be available for the Imposition of Ashes Wednesday, February 26th from 7:00 am to 9:00 am. Please speak to him if that time does not work for you. Ash Wednesday Divine Service will be that evening at 6:30 pm.
- ✘ **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** All verbal announcements to be made after the service need to be written down and approved by either Pastor Roemke or the elder of the day before the service. There will be no exceptions.
- ✘ **EASTER FLOWERS:** The sign-up sheet for Easter flowers is in the hallway. Please make payments by Sunday, March 22nd.
- ✘ **LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS** begin Wednesday, March 4th. Use the sign-up sheets in the hallway to share what you plan to bring.

+CONTRIBUTIONS+

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$4,460
Lord's Work Received 2/16-2/22:	5,414
Difference Received vs. Needed:	+954
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	+941

ATTENDANCE 2/16: 147

Communed: 121

BIRTHDAYS

- 2/23 Billy Weathersby
- 2/24 Tatum Nehls
- 2/25 Scott Tobalsky
- 2/27 Staci Szela
- Artyom Varvil
- Sergei Varvil
- 2/28 Shelly Emmett
- Lena Roemke

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

- 2/26 Hayley Weathersby
- Payton Weathersby
- 2/29 Elise Walther

ANNIVERSARIES

- 2/27 Mike & Dorothy McConville (21 years)

+UPCOMING EVENTS AT MESSIAH+

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| Wednesday | February 26 | 7-9 am | Imposition of Ashes |
| | | 6:30 pm | Ash Wednesday Divine Svc. |
| Wednesday | March 4 | 5:45 pm | Soup Supper |
| | | 6:30 pm | Lenten Vespers |
| Wednesday | March 11 | 5:45 pm | Soup Supper |
| | | 6:30 pm | Lenten Vespers |
| Wednesday | March 18 | 5:45 pm | Soup Supper |
| | | 6:30 pm | Lenten Vespers |
| Thursday | March 19 | 6:00 pm | Parish Planning Meeting |
| | | 7:00 pm | SLC Meeting |
| Saturday | March 21 | 9:30 am | Lutheran Confessions Study |
| Wednesday | March 25 | 5:45 pm | Soup Supper |
| | | 6:30 pm | Annunciation Divine Service |