



# Messiah's Messenger

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## God Provides All

**“April showers bring May flowers. April, traditionally a rainy period, gives way to May, when flowers will bloom because of the water provided for them by the April showers”** (According to Wiktionary—a wiki-based Open Content Dictionary). In many parts of our country this old idiom still rings true. Proper amounts of rain and sunshine combine to produce beautiful flowers. It is a kind of “action/reaction” thing.

There is an application for our lives as God's stewards and managers of all of life and life's resources for His purposes. Dr. Martin Luther's explanation to the First Article of the Apostles' Creed states it so well when it credits God with being our Maker and Provider. God richly provides us with **all** that we need to support this body and life. **All** is used nine times in Luther's explanation. Our Almighty Father in heaven has made us and all creatures, gives us all we need and defends us against all danger and guards and protects us from all evil.

The clincher for us as God's stewards comes in the closing paragraph of Luther's explanation of the First Article as he writes: **“All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.”**

The truth of the matter is that our Heavenly Father provides everything that we need in this life. His greatest gift is His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who came willingly to this sinful world to offer up His holy life for the sins of the world—yours and mine included. That takes care of our spiritual welfare. That is the most important gift, but God also lavishes all kinds of physical gifts upon us as His people.

God richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment (1 Timothy 6:17b), but He also wants us to use all these blessings in unselfish ways to bring glory to His holy name and blessings to those people around us, just like April showers bring May flowers. Our faithful management and use of God's gifts makes life more beautiful and fragrant for us and others.

How we use our time, abilities and financial resources makes a big difference for us and others. How we manage our relationships, God's creation, our own bodies and the privilege of sharing the good news of Jesus also makes a big difference for us and others.

***We give thanks to God for calling us to be His maturing stewards who are privileged to manage all of life and life's resources for His purposes!***

May God's Holy Spirit work richly in, with and among us so that we live each day as God's redeemed children who are growing in the divine traits of loving and giving!

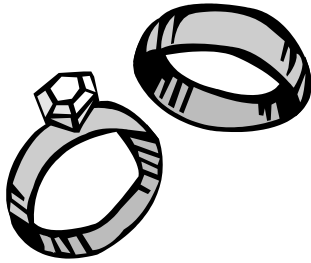


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# Events/ Volunteers

## Wedding Anniversaries

- 5/2 John & Betty Hrupka
- 5/6 Phil & Denise Jacobs
- 5/9 Wally & Gloria Pipkorn
- 5/18 Bruce & Diane Eisenbraun
- 5/19 Jacob & Megan Kueker
- 5/21 Mark & Amy Snodgrass



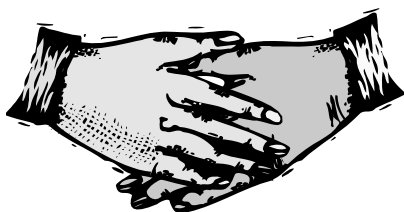
## Elders

- 5/6 Brent Jiter
- 5/13 Todd Walther
- 5/20 Pat Tauschek
- 5/27 Bob Trapp



## Greeters

- 5/6 Gail Kulbacki
- 5/13 Diane Eisenbraun
- 5/20 Stacey Cleereman
- 5/27 Mary Rusch



## Birthdays

- 5/2 Brittany Busse
- 5/5 Allen Swift
- 5/12 Ethan Tobalsky
- 5/13 Nicole Wolgefahrt
- 5/14 Amelia Noble
- 5/15 Allen Weber & Robyn Gray
- 5/16 Brooke Ratzburg
- 5/17 Laurie Brothers
- 5/25 Anita Brothers, Sara Riccio,  
Rebecca Brothers & Bryce  
Braya-Weyrauch
- 5/28 Gemma DelFrate
- 5/29 Brody Pederson
- 5/31 Debbie Davidson

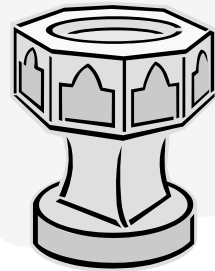


## Ushers

- 5/6 Mark Varvil & Roger  
Jeschke
- 5/13 Keith & Jacob Kentala
- 5/20 Tyler & Austin Nehls
- 5/27 Sam Braya & Dale Miller

## Baptisms

- 5/1 Austin Nehls
- 5/5 Hope Kentala
- 5/9 Krista Bruneau
- 5/14 Rick Zuehls
- 5/15 Hailee Nicolazzi
- 5/17 Marilyn Dissen & Jacob  
Kentala
- 5/21 Todd Giese & Jason Stephans
- 5/22 Ryan Stephans
- 5/28 Allen Swift
- 5/29 Cole Pederson
- 5/31 Allen Weber & Nicole



## Altar Guild

- Diane Eisenbraun &  
Gail Kulbacki



## Flower chart

- 5/6 Moe/Hrupka
- 5/13
- 5/20 DelFrate/Billings
- 5/27 Brothers

# Our Church

## Leaders

### May 2012

May 2012							June 2012						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
		1	2	3	4	5						1	2
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28	29	30

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Apr 29 - May 5	<b>Apr 29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>May 1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
				9:00am 10:30am Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Ha 4:15pm 5:15pm Children's Catechism (LOG)			Cinco de Mayo 1:30pm 3:00pm LWML Sisters In Christ Afternoon Tea
May 6 - 12	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
	9:00am 10:15am Divine Service 10:15am 11:15am SS & Bible Class			9:00am 10:30am Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Ha 4:15pm 5:15pm Children's Catechism (LOG)			
May 13 - 19	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
	Mother's Day 9:00am 10:15am Divine Service 10:15am 11:15am SS & Bible Class			9:00am 10:30am Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Ha 4:15pm 5:15pm Children's Catechism (LOG)	6:00pm 7:00pm Spiritual Life (Messiah Lutheran Church) 7:00pm 8:00pm Parish Planning		
May 20 - 26	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
	9:00am 10:15am Divine Service 10:15am 11:15am SS & Bible Class			9:00am 10:30am Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Ha 4:15pm 5:15pm Children's Catechism (LOG)	6:30pm 7:30pm KALEA		
May 27 - Jun 2	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>Jun 1</b>	<b>2</b>
	9:00am 10:15am Divine Service 10:15am 11:15am SS & Bible Class	Memorial Day	John F. Kennedy's Birth	9:00am 10:30am Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)			

Have you been wondering who are church leaders are? Are you interested in becoming a church leader or learning more about being a church leader?

We have posted the names and pictures of our church leaders, along with which position they currently hold. The poster is next to the front door, just above the table with reading material on it. It will also show you which positions are currently vacant and need to be filled.

### June 2012

June 2012							July 2012						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
				1	2		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30						29	30	31				

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May 27 - Jun 2	<b>May 27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>Jun 1</b>	<b>2</b>
						Justin, Martyr	
Jun 3 - 9	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
	9:00am 10:15am Divine Service 10:15am 11:15am SS & Bible Class		Boniface of Mainz, Mis Elections	9:00am 10:30am Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)			
Jun 10 - 16	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
	9:00am 10:15am Divine Service 10:15am 11:15am SS & Bible Class		The Ecumenical Council	9:00am 10:30am Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)	Elisha Flag Day		
Jun 17 - 23	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
	Father's Day 9:00am 10:15am Divine Service 10:15am 11:15am SS & Bible Class			9:00am 10:30am Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)	7:00pm 8:00pm Spiritual Life		
Jun 24 - 30	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
	9:00am 10:15am Divine Service 10:15am 11:15am SS & Bible Class	Presentation of the Au	Jeremiah	Cyril of Alexandria, Pas 9:00am 10:30am Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)	Irenaeus of Lyons, Pas 6:30pm 7:30pm KALEA	8:00am 5:30pm Lifeline Screening (Fellowship Hall)	

What do our church leaders do? Articles VI and VII of our church constitution state the roles of our leaders and are available on the table in the fellowship hall.

The nomination committee is working to fill the positions that are vacant and up for re-election. If you are interested in a position (or are interested in being on a committee without being the chairman), please talk to Brent Jiter, Allison Stephans, Scott Tobalsky or Tom Tobalsky.

# Upcoming Events at Messiah



Sat. May 5th

LWML Sisters In Christ Tea

1:30 p.m.

Thurs. May 17th

Spiritual Life

6:00 p.m.

Parish Planning

7:15 p.m.



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