Messiah Kutheran Church— Missouri Synod



Quinquagesima Sunday February 15, 2015 Divine Service II

Luke 18:34 "This saying was hidden from them, and they did not grasp what was said." Even our understanding of the Word of God is a gift – the disciples here can't understand Jesus because it is not given to them to understand him. By nature they are deaf to the Word. So everything we have is a gift of God. To realize this is the beginning of thankfulness, generosity, and kindness.

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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. <u>Please</u> <u>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.</u>

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: Scott Tobalsky Ushers: Scott Tobalsky & Jacob Tobalsky

Greeter: Gail Kulbacki Organist: Evone Hagerman
Altar Guild: Diana Dissen & Marilyn Dissen

Flowers: Today's altar flowers are provided by Pastor and Lesa Roemke in

honor of Lena's seventh birthday.

Cookies: Today's cookies and juice are provided by the Capriottis.

Stand

Invocation p167

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.

Kyriep168Gloria in Excelsisp170



P Let us pray.

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.



Sit

Old Testament Reading

1 Samuel 16:1–13

¹The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul, since I have rejected him from being king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil, and go. I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." ²And Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' ³And invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do. And you shall anoint for me him whom I declare to you." ⁴Samuel did what the LORD commanded and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling and said, "Do you come peaceably?" ⁵And he said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD. Consecrate yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice." And he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

⁶When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed is before him." ⁷But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the LORD sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." ⁸Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." ⁹Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD

chosen this one." ¹⁰And Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen these." ¹¹Then Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but behold, he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and get him, for we will not sit down till he comes here." ¹²And he sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome. And the LORD said, "Arise, anoint him, for this is he." ¹³Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers. And the Spirit of the LORD rushed upon David from that day forward. And Samuel rose up and went to Ramah.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Gift of Love

MLC Choir

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.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel

Luke 18:31–43

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



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

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Alleluia, Song of Gladness

Benediction

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As we prepare for the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday this week, the children bring forward their alleluias to be put away for a time during the Lenten fast. After the children have placed their alleluias into the trunk, the church's alleluia banner is taken down and put away and the trunk is taken out of the sanctuary to await the Great Vigil of Easter.

+PRAYER LIST+

- 母 For all the children and Christ Lutheran Academy Staff: Karen Moe, Ruth Mallmann, Stephanie Zuehls, Liesl Christensen, & Christa Hegland.
- ₱ Those who serve in our nation's armed forces: DuWayne Griepentrog, Andy Warren, Exor Padro, and for veterans.
- ▶ Shut-ins: Elsie Rintamaki & Lillian Sciortino.

- ▶ For our adopted seminarian, Jacob Eichers, whom the Women's Bible Study is supporting.
- ★ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Richard Cleereman, Diane Gundlach, Karin Zuehls (Jeff's aunt), Allen Scheffer (friend of the Zuehls), Terri Nichols, Carol Wagner (friend of the Brothers), Amy, Natalie Lee (friend of Lynda Koch), Ann Becht (Bev Murakami's sister), Ron Hulke, Mike Gundlach (cousin of Sarah Billings), Al Bradmon (cousin of Steve Billings), Loretta Hulke, and Virgil Nichols (friend of Gail Kulbacki).

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 15, 2015+

- ★ ASH WEDNESDAY: Pastor Roemke will be available from 7:00-8:00am to impose ashes on anyone who desires them before work. The Imposition of Ashes will also be included in our 8:15 am Divine Service and our 6:30 pm Divine Service.
- **▶ PARISH PLANNING COMMITTEE** is meeting on Thursday at 6:30pm.
- **★ LUTHERAN CONFESSIONS STUDY** will be Saturday, February 21st. We will begin with Matins at 9:30 am. We will be discussing monastic vows and ecclesiastical power.

INCOME

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$3,268
Lord's Work Received 2/8:	\$3,769
Difference Received vs. Needed:	\$501
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	-\$1,003

ATTENDANCE 2/8: 138 Communed: 121

THIS MONTH'S EVENTS AT MESSIAH

THIS MONTH SEVENTS AT MESSIAN				
2/17	Tuesday	Choir Practice		7:00 pm
2/18	Wednesday	Imposition of Ashes		7:00 am
		Divine Svc. w/Ashes		8:15 am
		Women's Bible Study		9:00 am
		Divine Svc. w/Ashes		6:30 pm
2/19	Thursday	Parish Planning Commit	tee	6:30 pm
2/21	Saturday	Lutheran Confessions St	udy	9:30 am
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2/16	Jeanette Kueker	2/15	Stephanie Zuehls
2/17	Don Moe		Samuel Brieman
	Cole Pederson	2/17	Nyssa Zuehls
2/19	Austin Nehls	2/19	Kathleen Leisten
2/21	Emma Jiter	2/21	Garrick Stahl

ANNIVERSARIES: None this week.