

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



**Twenty-Fifth Sunday after  
Trinity**

**November 13, 2016**

**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:** Pastor Roemke

**Elder:** Todd Walther

**Ushers:** Tyler Nehls & Mike Snodgrass

**Greeters:** Sandra Babel & Gail Kulbacki    **Organist:** Monica Scholz

**Altar Guild:** Tamara Weathersby & Kate Tobalsky

**Altar Flowers:** Today's altar flowers are provided by Scott & Kate Tobalsky in memory of Matthew.

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. 31:1–2a, 5, 24; antiphon: Ps. 31:9a, 15b, 17a*



Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am | in distress;\*  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my perse- |  
cutors!

O LORD, let me not be | put to shame,\*  
for I call up- | on you.

**In you, O LORD, do I take | refuge;\*  
let me never be | put to shame.**

In your righteousness de- | liver me;\*  
incline your ear to me; rescue me | speedily!

**Into your hand I commit my | spirit;\*  
you have redeemed me, O LORD, | faithful God.**

Be strong, and let your heart take | courage,\*  
all you who wait | for the LORD!

**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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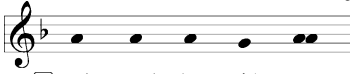
**Kyrie**

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**This Is the Feast**

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## Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



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

**P** Let us pray.

**P** Almighty God, we implore You, show Your mercy to Your humble servants that we, who put no trust in our own merits, may not be dealt with after the severity of Your judgment but according to Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**G** A - men.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Exodus 32:1-20*

<sup>1</sup>When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered themselves together to Aaron and said to him, “Up, make us gods who shall go before us. As for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.” <sup>2</sup>So Aaron said to them, “Take off the rings of gold that are in the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.” <sup>3</sup>So all the people took off the rings of gold that were in their ears and brought them to Aaron. <sup>4</sup>And he received the gold from their hand and fashioned it with a graving tool and made a golden calf. And they said, “These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!” <sup>5</sup>When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it. And Aaron made proclamation and said, “Tomorrow shall be a feast to the LORD.” <sup>6</sup>And they rose up early the next day and offered burnt offerings and brought peace offerings. And the people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.

<sup>7</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, “Go down, for your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves. <sup>8</sup>They have turned aside quickly out of the way that I commanded them. They have made for themselves a golden calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, ‘These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!’” <sup>9</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, “I have seen this people, and behold, it is a stiff-necked people. <sup>10</sup>Now therefore let me alone, that

my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, in order that I may make a great nation of you.”

<sup>11</sup>But Moses implored the LORD his God and said, “O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you have brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? <sup>12</sup>Why should the Egyptians say, ‘With evil intent did he bring them out, to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth’? Turn from your burning anger and relent from this disaster against your people.

<sup>13</sup>Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, to whom you swore by your own self, and said to them, ‘I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your offspring, and they shall inherit it forever.’” <sup>14</sup>And the LORD relented from the disaster that he had spoken of bringing on his people.

<sup>15</sup>Then Moses turned and went down from the mountain with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand, tablets that were written on both sides; on the front and on the back they were written. <sup>16</sup>The tablets were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, engraved on the tablets.

<sup>17</sup>When Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted, he said to Moses, “There is a noise of war in the camp.” <sup>18</sup>But he said, “It is not the sound of shouting for victory, or the sound of the cry of defeat, but the sound of singing that I hear.” <sup>19</sup>And as soon as he came near the camp and saw the calf and the dancing, Moses’ anger burned hot, and he threw the tablets out of his hands and broke them at the foot of the mountain. <sup>20</sup>He took the calf that they had made and burned it with fire and ground it to powder and scattered it on the water and made the people of Israel drink it.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Ps. 74:4, 2a*



**Your foes have roared in the midst of your | meeting place;\***  
**they set up their own | signs for signs.**

**Remember your congregation, which you have pur- | chased of**  
**old,\***

**which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your | heritage!**

## Epistle

*1 Thessalonians 4:13–18*

<sup>13</sup>But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope.

<sup>14</sup>For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. <sup>15</sup>For this

we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. <sup>16</sup>For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup>Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. <sup>18</sup>Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

### Alleluia and Verse

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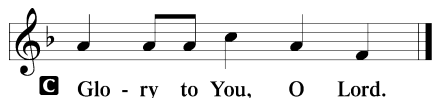


**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### Holy Gospel

*Matthew 24:15–28*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fourth chapter.



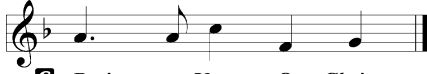
**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>20</sup>Being asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, [Jesus] answered them, “The kingdom of God is not coming with signs to be observed, <sup>21</sup>nor will they say, ‘Look, here it is!’ or ‘There!’ for behold, the kingdom of God is in the midst of you.”

<sup>22</sup>And he said to the disciples, “The days are coming when you will desire to see one of the days of the Son of Man, and you will not see it. <sup>23</sup>And they will say to you, ‘Look, there!’ or ‘Look, here!’ Do not go out or follow them. <sup>24</sup>For as the lightning flashes and lights up the sky from one side to the other, so will the Son of Man be in his day. <sup>25</sup>But first he must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation. <sup>26</sup>Just as it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the days of the Son of Man. <sup>27</sup>They were eating and drinking and marrying and being given in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all. <sup>28</sup>Likewise, just as it was in the days of Lot—

they were eating and drinking, buying and selling, planting and building,  
<sup>29</sup>but on the day when Lot went out from Sodom, fire and sulfur rained  
 from heaven and destroyed them all— <sup>30</sup>so will it be on the day when  
 the Son of Man is revealed.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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

*Sit*

***Preserve Your Word, O Savior***

*LSB 658*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Nicene Creed**

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**Prayer of the Church**

*Sit*

**Offering**

*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**

***Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense***

*LSB 741*

***From God Can Nothing Move Me***

*LSB 713*

***Who Trusts in God a Strong Abode***

*LSB 714*

*Stand*

**Thank the Lord**

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**Post-Communion Collect**

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**Benediction**

***The Clouds of Judgment Gather***

*LSB 513*

### +PRAYER LIST+

- ✘ Those who serve in our nation's armed forces: DuWayne Griepentrog, Exor Padro, Rev. Lynn Christensen, Andy Warren, Evan Smith, Austin Nehls, and for veterans.
- ✘ Shut-ins: Lillian Sciortino, Myrtle Meier, Ernie Kapellusch, Richard Cleereman, Wally and Gloria Pipkorn.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Karin Zuehls (Jeff's aunt), Richard Schneider (Kathleen Judson's father), Carol Vescova, Carol Hernandez, Jason Stephans, Mike Ricchio (nephew of Kathy Shafer), and Jimmy (Vicky Nelson's brother).

### +ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF NOV. 13, 2016+

- ✘ **ORGAN BLESSING:** St. Paul's in Union Grove will be blessing their new pipe organ during a special Vespers Service this afternoon at 3:30. All are invited to celebrate with them.
- ✘ **MEETINGS:** The Parish Planning Committee will meet this Thursday at 6:00 pm. The Spiritual Life Council will meet the same evening at 7:15 pm.
- ✘ **FUNERAL:** The funeral for Ron Hulke will be here at Messiah on Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>. Visitation will begin at 10:00 am with the service beginning at 11:00 am. A luncheon will be served following the service.
- ✘ **CONFESSIONS STUDY:** Due to the funeral, this month's Lutheran Confessions Study has been canceled. We will resume on December 17<sup>th</sup>.
- ✘ **POINSETTIAS:** If you would like to provide a poinsettia to adorn our church during the Advent and Christmas seasons, please sign up on the sheet in the hallway.
- ✘ **SAVE THE DATE:** This year's St. Nicholas Festival is scheduled for Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup>. More info coming soon.

### +CONTRIBUTIONS+

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$3,584
Lord's Work Received 11/6-11/12:	\$3,515
Difference Received vs. Needed:	-69
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	+10,266

**ATTENDANCE** 11/6: 147

Communed: 126

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

11/15 Cara Russo-Bichsel

11/17 Todd Walther

#### **BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS**

11/15 Roger Lyngen