

# Messiah Lutheran Church

## The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod



## The Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist

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Divine Service IV

# Messiah Lutheran Church

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**VISITORS WELCOME!** A special welcome to any visitors and guests who are with us today. Please sign the guestbook near the front door and introduce yourself to the pastor after the service. We pray that the hearing and receiving of the Word of God in our midst will be filled with joy and thanksgiving!

**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+**

**Elder:** Mark Varvil

**Ushers:** Mark Bernhardt & Roger Jeschke

**Greeter:** Donna Boyd

**Organist:** Monica Scholz

**Altar Guild:** Angela Pynaker & Kim Collina

*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, 3, 5; antiphon: Rev. 7:14b*



These are the ones coming out of the great tribu- | lation.\*

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood | of the Lamb.

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

**in Your righteousness de- | liver me.**

For You are my rock and my | fortress;\*

and for Your name's sake You lead me and | guide me.

**Into Your hand I commit my | spirit;\***

**You have redeemed me, O LORD, | faithful God.**

**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.**

These are the ones coming out of the great tribu- | lation.\*

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood | of the Lamb.

**Kyrie**

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**Gloria in Excelsis**

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

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Almighty God, You gave Your servant John the Baptist to be the forerunner of Your Son, Jesus Christ, in both his preaching of repentance and his innocent death. Grant that we, who have died and risen with Christ in Holy Baptism, may daily repent of our sins, patiently suffer for the sake of the truth, and fearlessly bear witness to His victory over death; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*Sit*

## First Reading

*Revelation 6:9–11*

<sup>9</sup>When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the witness they had borne. <sup>10</sup>They cried out with a loud voice, “O Sovereign Lord, holy and true, how long before You will judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?” <sup>11</sup>Then they were each given a white robe and told to rest a little longer, until the number of their fellow servants and their brothers should be complete, who were to be killed as they themselves had been.

## Gradual

*Ps. 34:9, 19, alt.*



**Fear the LORD, | you His saints,\*  
for those who fear Him lack | nothing!  
Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,\*  
but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.**

## Epistle

*Romans 6:1–5*

<sup>1</sup>What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? <sup>4</sup>We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

<sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His.

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse

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## Holy Gospel

*Mark 6:14–29*

<sup>14</sup>King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some said, “John the Baptist has been raised from the dead. That is why these miraculous powers are at work in Him.” <sup>15</sup>But others said, “He is Elijah.” And others said, “He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.” <sup>16</sup>But when Herod heard of it, he said, “John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.” <sup>17</sup>For it was Herod who had sent and seized John and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because he had married her. <sup>18</sup>For John had been saying to Herod, “It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.” <sup>19</sup>And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to put him to death. But she could not, <sup>20</sup>for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he kept him safe.

When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed, and yet he heard him gladly.

<sup>21</sup>But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his nobles and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee.

<sup>22</sup>For when Herodias's daughter came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests. And the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it to you." <sup>23</sup>And he vowed to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom." <sup>24</sup>And she went out and said to her mother, "For what should I ask?" And she said, "The head of John the Baptist." <sup>25</sup>And she came in immediately with haste to the king and asked, saying, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." <sup>26</sup>And the king was exceedingly sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her. <sup>27</sup>And immediately the king sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison <sup>28</sup>and brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl, and the girl gave it to her mother. <sup>29</sup>When his disciples heard of it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

## **Nicene Creed**

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*Sit*

## ***If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee***

*LSB 750*

## **Sermon**

*Stand*

## **Prayer of the Church**

### **Offertory Hymn**

### ***Create in Me***

*LSB 956*

*Please be seated as the altar is prepared for the Service of the Sacrament.*

## **+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+**

*Stand*

## **Preface**

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## **Sanctus**

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

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## **Lord's Prayer**

## **The Words of Our Lord**

## **Pax Domini**

## **Agnus Dei**

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*Sit*

**Distribution**

*Oh, What Their Joy*

*LSB 675*

*Saints, See the Cloud of Witnesses*

*LSB 667*

*Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me*

*LSB 756*

*I Bind unto Myself Today*

*LSB 604*

*Stand*

**Nunc Dimittis**

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**Post-Communion Collect**

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**Benedicamus and Benediction**

*We Know That Christ Is Raised*

*LSB 603*

**+ V D M A +**

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

### +PRAYER LIST+

- ✘ Those who serve in our armed forces: Austin Nehls, Rev. Lynn Christensen, Rianon Padro, Rick Zuehls, and for veterans.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Sean Esser (relative of John Winter), David Kristopeit (brother-in-law of Linda Polcin), Toni Marshman, Henry Handschke (brother-in-law of Mary Jo Jiter), Beth (friend of Donna Boyd), Dave and Mary (friends of Sandra Babel), Herb Knautz (relative of Angela Pynaker), Donna Primuth, Delmer Kohl (father of Deleen Nehls), Marilyn Thornburgh, Bob Hagerman, and John Mueller (relative of Dennis Helmke).

### +ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 29+

- ✘ **CHOIR PRACTICES** will begin Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. If you would like to participate in choir, please speak to Monica Scholz.
- ✘ **PIANO CD:** Our organist, Monica Scholz, has her first album of her own original music available for purchase in the fellowship hall for \$10. Half of the proceeds will go to the new piano fund.
- ✘ **SUNDAY SCHOOL** will begin on September 12<sup>th</sup>. We need teachers and a Sunday school superintendent to organize everything. Please speak to Pastor Roemke if you can help.
- ✘ **OKTOBERFEST 2021** will be Friday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. In an effort to ensure enough food for everyone, we are selling tickets ahead of time. If you would like to purchase tickets, please see Lesa. Also this year, instead of asking for food donations, we are asking for cash donations instead. So please see Lesa if you are able to contribute cash to purchase ingredients and supplies. We are also in need of volunteers for this event, so let Lesa know if you would like to help out. This is a great way for youth to accumulate community service hours. Proceeds this year will go to paying off our mortgage.

### +CONTRIBUTIONS+

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$4,648
Lord's Work Received 8/22-8/28:	2,797
Difference Received vs. Needed:	-1,851
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	+3,719

**ATTENDANCE 8/22: 113**

### **BIRTHDAYS**

8/29    Garrett Koch  
         Dorothy McConville  
8/31    Peggy Holtz  
9/3      Sandy Martin  
         Jim Vescova

### **BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS**

8/29    Pam Sommer  
         Luke Bertz  
8/30    Lesa Roemke  
9/1      Paul Rusch  
9/3      Noah Jiter

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

9/1      Pr. Andy & Lynn Barkley (42 years)

### **+SEPTEMBER EVENTS AT MESSIAH+**

Tuesday	Sept. 7	7:00 pm	Choir Practice begins
Sunday	Sept. 12	10:30 am	Sunday School begins
Friday	Sept. 17	6:00 pm	Fire Night
Saturday	Sept. 18	9:30 am	Lutheran Confessions Study
Tuesday	Sept. 21	6:00 pm	Parish Planning Meeting
		7:00 pm	Spiritual Life Council Mtg
Friday	Sept. 24	5:30 pm	Oktoberfest