

# Messiah Lutheran Church

## The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

### THE PARABLE



### OF THE SOWER



**Sexagesima – Vola Scriptura**

**February 20, 2022**

**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 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:** Mike Henning

**Ushers:** Mark Bernhardt & Roger Jeschke

**Greeter:** Pat Tomsheck

**Organist:** Evone Hagerman

**Altar Guild:** Diana Dissen & Kathy Capriotti



## Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 55:10–13*

10<sup>4</sup> For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven  
and do not return there but water the earth,  
making it bring forth and sprout,  
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,  
11 so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;  
it shall not return to me empty,  
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,  
and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

12<sup>4</sup>“For you shall go out in joy  
and be led forth in peace;  
the mountains and the hills before you  
shall break forth into singing,  
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

<sup>13</sup>Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;  
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;  
and it shall make a name for the LORD,  
an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

## Gradual

*Ps. 83:18. 13*



**[Let your enemies] know that You alone, whose name | is the LORD,\***

are the Most High over | all the earth.  
O my God, make them like | whirling dust,\*  
like chaff be- | fore the wind.

## Epistle

*2 Corinthians 12:7-9*

<sup>7</sup>So to keep me from being too elated by the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. <sup>8</sup>Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. <sup>9</sup>But He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse

*p173*

**Holy Gospel**

*Luke 8:4–15*

<sup>4</sup>When a great crowd was gathering and people from town after town came to [Jesus], He said in a parable: <sup>5</sup>“A sower went out to sow His seed. And as He sowed, some fell along the path and was trampled underfoot, and the birds of the air devoured it. <sup>6</sup>And some fell on the rock, and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. <sup>7</sup>And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up with it and choked it. <sup>8</sup>And some fell into good soil and grew and yielded a hundredfold.” As He said these things, He called out, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

<sup>9</sup>And when His disciples asked Him what this parable meant, <sup>10</sup>He said, “To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God, but for others they are in parables, so that ‘seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.’ <sup>11</sup>Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. <sup>12</sup>The ones along the path are those who have heard. Then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved. <sup>13</sup>And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe for a while, and in time of testing fall away. <sup>14</sup>And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. <sup>15</sup>As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.”

*Sit*

**Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word**

*LSB 655*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Nicene Creed**

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**Prayer of the Church**

**Offertory**

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*Sit*

***Go Out in Joy***

*Choir*

**+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+**

*Stand*

**Preface**

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**Sanctus**

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**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Lord’s Prayer**

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**The Words of Our Lord**

**Pax Domini**

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**Agnus Dei**

*Sit*

**Distribution**

**Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast**

*LSB 577*

**The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace**

*LSB 580*

**Father, We Thank Thee**

*LSB 652*

**Almighty Father, Bless the Word**

*LSB 923*

*Stand*

**Nunc Dimittis**

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**Post-Communion Collect**

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**Benediction**

**On What Has Now Been Sown**

*LSB 921*

**+ 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: Rick Zuehls, Rev. Lynn Christensen, Rianon Padro, and for veterans.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: David Kristopeit (brother-in-law of Linda Polcin), Henry Handschke (brother-in-law of Mary Jo Jiter), Herb Knautz (relative of Angela Pynaker), Donna Primuth, Rylie Snodgrass, Fran Kroll, Hannah Basquez (granddaughter of Jim & Kathy Vescova), Allison Heiman (granddaughter of Jane Gundlach), Vern and Judy Stern (relatives of Jane Gundlach), Jim Tomsheck (brother of John Tomsheck), Wendell Zirbel (brother-in-law of Mary Sandberg), Nancy Davenport (aunt of Cara Zietz), Howard Britten, and Bill Colombe.

### +ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 20<sup>th</sup>+

- ✘ The family of Marilyn Thornburgh would like to express our thanks to our Messiah family for your loving support of our wife/mom over the past few months. Our gratitude goes out to Monica for the lovely organ music, to Lesa Roemke for preparing the bulletins, to the Altar Guild for providing the reception, and to Pastor Roemke for delivering words of comfort and hope throughout her illness and the memorial service. Your words and kindness at our time of need will always be treasured.  
~ In Christian Love, The Thornburgh and Barkley Families
- ✘ **SUNDAY SCHOOL:** There will be no Sunday School this morning. Adult Bible Study will meet as usual.
- ✘ **SOCIAL WELFARE:** Please bring food donations next Sunday as they are delivered to the Shalom Center at the end of the month. Also, please check out our Birthday Board to help out the kids living at Shalom Center. Any questions see Donna Boyd or Evone Hagerman.

### +CONTRIBUTIONS+

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$4,653
Lord's Work Received 2/13-2/19:	3,701
Difference Received vs. Needed:	-952
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	-443
Mortgage Balance as of 12/31/2021:	57,625

**ATTENDANCE 2/13: 119**

## **BIRTHDAYS**

2/21 Emma Jiter  
2/23 Billy Weathersby  
2/24 Tatum Nehls  
2/25 Scott Tobalsky

## **BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS**

2/26 Hayley Weathersby  
Payton Weathersby