

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



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**August 6, 2023**

**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:** Tyler Nehls

**Ushers:** Scott Tobalsky & Kelvin Nelson

**Greeter:** Mary Rusch

**Organist:** Benjamin Grosskreuz

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

**Fellowship:** Kathy Capriotti

**Altar Flowers:** Today's altar flowers are provided by Jerome & Michelle Knull in honor of their 29<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Stand

Confession and Absolution

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+SERVICE OF THE WORD+

Introit

Ps. 54:1-3, 7; antiphon: Ps. 54:4-5



Behold, God is my | helper;\*  
 the Lord is the upholder | of my life.  
 He will return the evil to my | enemies;\*  
 in your faithfulness put an | end to them.

**O God, save me, | by your name,\*  
 and vindicate me | by your might.**  
**O God, | hear my prayer;\*  
 give ear to the words | of my mouth.**

For strangers have risen against me; ruthless men | seek my life;\*  
 they do not set God be- | fore themselves.  
 For he has delivered me from every | trouble,\*  
 and my eye has looked in triumph on my | enemies.

**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.**

Behold, God is my | helper;\*  
 the Lord is the upholder | of my life.  
 He will return the evil to my | enemies;\*  
 in your faithfulness put an | end to them.

Kyrie

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Gloria in Excelsis

Salutation and Collect of the Day

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Let Your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of Your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. <sup>12</sup>Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. <sup>13</sup>No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

*Stand*

**Alleluia and Verse**

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## **Holy Gospel**

*Luke 16:1–13*

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus] also said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. <sup>2</sup>And he called him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.’ <sup>3</sup>And the manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. <sup>4</sup>I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.’ <sup>5</sup>So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ <sup>6</sup>He said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ <sup>7</sup>Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ <sup>8</sup>The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. <sup>9</sup>And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.”

<sup>10</sup>“One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. <sup>11</sup>If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? <sup>12</sup>And if you have not been faithful in that which is another’s, who will give you that which is your own? <sup>13</sup>No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.”

**Nicene Creed**

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*Sit*

**What Is the World to Me**

*LSB 730*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Prayer of the Church**

**Offertory Hymn - Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful**

*LSB 955*

*Sit*

**+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**

**Father Welcomes**

*LSB 605*

**Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me**

*LSB 722*

**We Give Thee But Thine Own**

*LSB 781*

**Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me**

*LSB 761*

*Stand*

**Nunc Dimittis**

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**Post-Communion Collect**

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**Benedicamus and Benediction**

**Praise and Thanksgiving**

*LSB 789*

**+VDMA+**

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

**+PRAYER LIST+**

- ✘ Those who serve in our armed forces: Rick Zuehls, Rianon Padro, Exavier Padro, and veterans.
- ✘ The Dissen family at the death of Walt Dissen.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Rylie Snodgrass, Ken Gundlach (uncle of Sarah Billings), John Funk (friend of Steve and Sarah Billings), Kathy Krause (niece of Jane Gundlach), Vicky Basquez, Nancy Hilliard, Vernon Koch, and Louie Capriotti.

**+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 6<sup>th</sup>+**

- ✘ **FIRE NIGHT:** Our next Fire Night is scheduled for this Friday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. We are doing MasterChef, so bring your best homemade party appetizer.
- ✘ **SOFTBALL GAME:** Good Shepherd in Pleasant Prairie has invited us to a picnic and softball game on Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, starting at noon. Bring a side dish or dessert. If you would like to play softball, please sign up on the sheet in the hallway and see Mark Varvil with any questions.
- ✘ **CHURCH PICNIC:** Messiah's church picnic will be Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup> after the Divine Service. The church will provide Italian baked chicken from Hometown Meats and members will bring sides, desserts, and drinks. The Kona Ice truck will be here and the first 50 cups are free thanks to a donation from a member. See the bulletin board in the hallway to sign up to bring food and/or to help set up the tent the day before.
- ✘ **WALK FOR LIFE:** Alliance Family Services is having a Walk for Life to raise money in support of women facing unplanned pregnancies. The walk is Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at Petrifying Springs Park. To donate or participate, please visit the link in Thursday's email newsletter or speak to Sandy Martin with any questions.

**+CONTRIBUTIONS+**

Lord's Work contributions budget YTD as of 8/4:	\$151,954
Lord's Work contributions received YTD as of 8/4:	\$139,901
Difference:	-12,053
Restricted contributions YTD as of 8/4:	\$27,937
Mortgage Balance as of 7/18:	\$32,235

**ATTENDANCE 7/30: 114**

## **BIRTHDAYS**

8/6 Paul Rusch  
8/10 Louise Braya  
Michelle Carpenter  
8/12 DuWayne Griepentrog  
Giulian Sommer  
Audrey Walsh

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

8/6 Jerome & Michelle Knull (29 years)  
8/8 Roger & Sara Lyngen (59 years)  
8/9 Jennifer & Alan Weber (26 years)  
8/12 Kevin & Laurie Brothers (40 years)  
Todd & Amy Walther (28 years)

## **+AUGUST EVENTS+**

Friday	Aug. 11	6:00 pm	Fire Night
Sunday	Aug. 13	12:00 pm	Softball Game @ Good Shepherd
Sunday	Aug. 20	11:00 am	Church Picnic