

# Messiah Lutheran Church

## The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod



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Divine Service III

# 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:** Jim Vescova

**Ushers:** Scott Tobalsky & Kelvin Nelson

**Greeter:** Pat Tomsheck

**Organist:** Evone Hagerman

**Altar Guild:** Angela Pynaker & Diana Dissen

*Stand*

**Confession and Absolution**

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**+SERVICE OF THE WORD+**

**Introit**

*Ps. 74:1–2, 19b, 21b; antiphon: Ps. 74:20a, 21a, 22a, 23a*



Have regard for the covenant, | [O Lord];\*  
let not the downtrodden turn | back in shame.  
Arise, O God, de- | fend your cause;\*  
do not forget the clamor | of your foes.

**O God, why do you cast us off for- | ever?\***  
**Why does your anger smoke against the sheep of your |**  
**pasture?**

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

**which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your | heritage!\***  
**Remember Mount Zion, where | you have dwelt.**

Do not forget the life of your poor for- | ever.\*  
Let the poor and needy | praise your name.

**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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let not the downtrodden turn | back in shame.  
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do not forget the clamor | of your foes.

**Kyrie**

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**Gloria in Excelsis**

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**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

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Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and charity; and that we may obtain what You have promised, make us love

what You have commanded; 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

*2 Chronicles 28:8–15*

<sup>8</sup>The men of Israel took captive 200,000 of their relatives, women, sons, and daughters. They also took much spoil from them and brought the spoil to Samaria. <sup>9</sup>But a prophet of the LORD was there, whose name was Oded, and he went out to meet the army that came to Samaria and said to them, “Behold, because the LORD, the God of your fathers, was angry with Judah, he gave them into your hand, but you have killed them in a rage that has reached up to heaven. <sup>10</sup>And now you intend to subjugate the people of Judah and Jerusalem, male and female, as your slaves. Have you not sins of your own against the LORD your God? <sup>11</sup>Now hear me, and send back the captives from your relatives whom you have taken, for the fierce wrath of the LORD is upon you.”

<sup>12</sup>Certain chiefs also of the men of Ephraim, Azariah the son of Johanan, Berechiah the son of Meshillemoth, Jehizkiah the son of Shallum, and Amasa the son of Hadlai, stood up against those who were coming from the war <sup>13</sup>and said to them, “You shall not bring the captives in here, for you propose to bring upon us guilt against the LORD in addition to our present sins and guilt. For our guilt is already great, and there is fierce wrath against Israel.” <sup>14</sup>So the armed men left the captives and the spoil before the princes and all the assembly. <sup>15</sup>And the men who have been mentioned by name rose and took the captives, and with the spoil they clothed all who were naked among them. They clothed them, gave them sandals, provided them with food and drink, and anointed them, and carrying all the feeble among them on donkeys, they brought them to their kinsfolk at Jericho, the city of palm trees. Then they returned to Samaria.

## Gradual

*Ps. 77:14–15*



**You are the God who works | wonders;\***  
**you have made known your might among the | peoples.**  
**You with your arm redeemed your | people,\***  
**the children of Jacob and | Joseph.**

## Epistle

*Galatians 3:15–22*

<sup>15</sup>To give a human example, brothers: even with a man-made covenant, no one annuls it or adds to it once it has been ratified. <sup>16</sup>Now the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring. It does not say, “And to offsprings,” referring to many, but referring to one, “And to your offspring,” who is Christ. <sup>17</sup>This is what I mean: the law, which came 430 years afterward, does not annul a covenant previously ratified by God, so as to make the promise void. <sup>18</sup>For if the inheritance comes by the law, it no longer comes by promise; but God gave it to Abraham by a promise.

<sup>19</sup>Why then the law? It was added because of transgressions, until the offspring should come to whom the promise had been made, and it was put in place through angels by an intermediary. <sup>20</sup>Now an intermediary implies more than one, but God is one.

<sup>21</sup>Is the law then contrary to the promises of God? Certainly not! For if a law had been given that could give life, then righteousness would indeed be by the law. <sup>22</sup>But the Scripture imprisoned everything under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse

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■ Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

*Alle- | luia.\**

*Sing aloud to | God our strength;*

*Shout for joy to the God of | Jacob\**

*Alle- | luia.*



■ Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

*Luke 10:23–37*

<sup>23</sup>Turning to the disciples [Jesus] said privately, “Blessed are the eyes that see what you see! <sup>24</sup>For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.”

<sup>25</sup>And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>26</sup>He said to him, “What is written in the Law? How do you read it?” <sup>27</sup>And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.”

<sup>28</sup>And he said to him, “You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.”

<sup>29</sup>But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” <sup>30</sup>Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup>Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. <sup>32</sup>So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup>But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. <sup>34</sup>He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. <sup>35</sup>And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, ‘Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.’ <sup>36</sup>Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?” <sup>37</sup>He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” And Jesus said to him, “You go, and do likewise.”

## **Nicene Creed**

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*Sit*

## **Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me**

*LSB 683*

## **Sermon**

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## **Offertory**

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## **Prayer of the Church**

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

*Stand*

## **Preface**

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## **Sanctus**

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## **Lord's Prayer**

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## **The Words of Our Lord**

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## **Pax Domini**

## **Agnus Dei**

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*Sit*

## **Distribution**

## **O Blessed, Holy Trinity**

*LSB 876*

## **My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less**

*LSB 575*

## **Evening and Morning**

*LSB 726*

## **Christ, the Word of God Incarnate**

*LSB 540*

*Stand*

**Nunc Dimittis**  
**Thanksgiving**  
**Salutation and Benedicamus**  
**Benediction**

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*p200*  
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*p202*

**Blest Be the Tie That Binds**

*LSB 649*

**+ 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, Rianon Padro, Exavier Padro, and veterans.
- ✠ 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, and Vernon Koch.

**+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>+**

- ✠ **FIRE NIGHT:** Our next Fire Night is planned for Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>.
- ✠ **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:** Regular church office hours will resume for the school year this week. Lesa will be in the office on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 8 am to noon. Feel free to stop by during those times. Talk to Pastor or Lesa to arrange a time outside of those hours if necessary.

- ✱ **OKTOBERFEST TICKETS NOW ON SALE:** Please see Lesa to purchase tickets to our Oktoberfest fundraiser on Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Tickets must be purchase ahead of time to guarantee you a meal. Prices are the same as last year (brat \$10, schnitzel \$15, combo \$20, kid \$5). Proceeds this year will go to LCMS World Missions. We are also accepting cash donations to purchase food and supplies. Please contact Lesa if you would like to volunteer for this event as we are always glad for more help.
- ✱ **SUNDAY SCHOOL & BIBLE STUDIES:** Sunday School and Bible Study will be starting up soon. If you would like to teach one of our Sunday School classes, please talk to Pastor Roemke. The opening Bible Study class will be held September 10<sup>th</sup> for all ages in the sanctuary, as we review the art in church and what it all means. Regular classes will begin September 17<sup>th</sup>. A new Wednesday morning Bible Study will begin on September 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am. Pastor Roemke will be teaching with Jane on the Hymn of the Day for the following Sunday. Everyone is welcome.

#### **+CONTRIBUTIONS+**

Lord's Work contributions budget YTD as of 9/1:	\$171,105
Lord's Work contributions received YTD as of 9/1:	\$155,133
Difference:	-16,098
Restricted contributions YTD as of 9/1:	\$28,246
Mortgage Balance as of 8/18:	\$31,371

**ATTENDANCE 8/27: 116**

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

9/3	Sandy Martin
	Jim Vescova
9/7	Diana Dissen
9/8	Cara Zietz
9/9	Vincent Hernandez

#### **BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS**

9/3	Noah Jiter
9/6	Colleen Nevius
9/7	Brent Jiter

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

9/9	Jacob & Liz Joslyn (5 years)
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