

Messiah Lutheran Church
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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: TBD

Ushers: TBD

Greeters: Vernon & Lynda Koch

Organist: Henry Buehrens

Altar Guild: Kim Collina & Kris Kochman

Altar Flowers: Provided by Vernon & Lynda Koch in honor of Vernon's birthday.

Fellowship: Donna Boyd

Old Testament Reading

Proverbs 25:6–14

⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king’s presence
or stand in the place of the great,
⁷for it is better to be told, “Come up here,”
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

What your eyes have seen
⁸do not hastily bring into court,
for what will you do in the end,
when your neighbor puts you to shame?
⁹Argue your case with your neighbor himself,
and do not reveal another’s secret,
¹⁰lest he who hears you bring shame upon you,
and your ill repute have no end.

¹¹A word fitly spoken
is like apples of gold in a setting of silver.
¹²Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold
is a wise reprove to a listening ear.
¹³Like the cold of snow in the time of harvest
is a faithful messenger to those who send him;
he refreshes the soul of his masters.
¹⁴Like clouds and wind without rain
is a man who boasts of a gift he does not give.

Gradual

Ps. 33:12, 6



**Blessèd is the nation whose God | is the LORD,*
the people whom He has chosen as His | heritage!
By the word of the LORD the heav- | ens were made,*
and by the breath of His mouth | all their host.**

Epistle

Ephesians 4:1–6

¹I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel

Luke 14:1-11

¹One Sabbath, when [Jesus] went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching Him carefully. ²And behold, there was a man before Him who had dropsy. ³And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, “Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?” ⁴But they remained silent. Then He took him and healed him and sent him away.

⁵And He said to them, “Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?”

⁶And they could not reply to these things.

⁷Now He told a parable to those who were invited, when He noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, ⁸“When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, ⁹and he who invited you both will come and say to you, ‘Give your place to this person,’ and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. ¹¹For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

Sit

Seek Where You May to Find a Way

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Sermon

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Prayer of the Church

Offertory

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+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+

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Preface

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

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Proclamation of Christ

Lord's Prayer

Pax Domini

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Agnus Dei

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Distribution

Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior

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Now, My Tongue, the Mystery Telling

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God of Grace and God of Glory

LSB 850

Take My Life and Let It Be

LSB 784

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Nunc Dimittis

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Benediction

Onward, Christian Soldiers

LSB 662

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**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 Weathersby family as they mourn.
- ✘ 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), and Vicky Basquez.

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 1st+

- ✘ **WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDIES:** Join us at 9:30 am for a study and discussion on the Hymn of the Day for next week: Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower (694). At 6:30 pm we will continue our study of 1 Corinthians and close with Compline.
- ✘ **LIFE CHAIN:** Wisconsin Right to Life is holding their annual Life Chain event today 1:30-2:30. Meet in St. Mary's parking lot at 75th St. and 39th Ave. Posters available on site.
- ✘ **YOUTH EVENT:** On Friday, October 6th at 4:00 pm there will be a bonfire and outdoor games at St. Paul's in Union Grove. Hot dogs and smores will be provided. Please bring along a beverage and/or a bag of chips to share. Please let Pastor Roemke know if you would like to go.
- ✘ **OKTOBERFEST:** Thank you to all who helped with Oktoberfest, and to those who attended. We raised \$1,380 for LCMS World Missions.
- ✘ **FIRE NIGHT WITH CHILI POTLUCK:** Our final Fire Night of the year will be Sunday, October 22nd. It will be held at the new home of Tyler and Deleen Nehls (507 13th Ave.) at 3:00 pm. Please bring a pot of your favorite chili to share and beverages and chairs for yourself.

+CONTRIBUTIONS+

Lord's Work contributions budget YTD as of 9/29:	\$191,370
Lord's Work contributions received YTD as of 9/29:	\$170,093
Difference:	-21,277
Restricted contributions YTD as of 9/29:	\$29,020
Mortgage Balance as of 9/15:	\$30,505

ATTENDANCE 9/24: 135

BIRTHDAYS

10/2 Marge Harmon
10/4 Vernon Koch

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

10/4 Irene Bashinsky
10/5 Katy Billings

ANNIVERSARIES

10/7 John & Cheryl Piel (34 years)