

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



**Reformation Sunday**

**October 29, 2023**

**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:** Mark Varvil

**Ushers:** Mark Mielke & Garrett Koch

**Greeter:** Pat Tomsheck

**Organist:** Monica Scholz

**Altar Guild:** Kim Collina & Kris Kochman

**Fellowship:** Potluck after the service

*Stand and face procession*

**Salvation unto Us Has Come**

*LSB 555 v. 1-5*

**Confession and Absolution**

*p167*

**+SERVICE OF THE WORD+**

**Salvation unto Us Has Come**

*LSB 555 v. 6-10*

**Kyrie**

*p168*

**Gloria in Excelsis**

*p170*

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

*p172*

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*Sit*

**First Reading**

*Revelation 14:6–7*

<sup>6</sup>Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. <sup>7</sup>And he said with a loud voice, “Fear God and give Him glory, because the hour of His judgment has come, and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

**God’s Word Is Our Great Heritage**

*LSB 582*

**Epistle**

*Romans 3:19–28*

<sup>19</sup>Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup>For by works of the law no human being will be justified in His sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup>But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: <sup>23</sup>for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup>and are justified by His grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God put forward as a propitiation by His blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God’s righteousness, because in His divine forbearance He had passed over former sins. <sup>26</sup>It was to show His righteousness at the present time, so that He might be just and the

justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup>Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup>For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

*Stand and face procession*

**Alleluia II**

*LSB 952*

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**Holy Gospel**

*John 8:31-36*

<sup>31</sup>So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in Him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” <sup>33</sup>They answered Him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free?’”

<sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

**Nicene Creed**

*p174*

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*Sit*

**A Mighty Fortress Is Our God**

*LSB 656*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Prayer of the Church**

**Offertory**

*p176*

*Sit*

**+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+**

*Stand*

**Preface** *p177*

**Sanctus** *p178*

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**The Words of Our Lord** *p179*

**Proclamation of Christ**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Pax Domini** *p180*

**Agnus Dei**

*Sit*

Distribution

**By Grace I'm Saved** *LSB 566*

**Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word** *LSB 655*

**The Church's One Foundation** *LSB 644*

**Built on the Rock** *LSB 645*

*Stand*

**Nunc Dimittis** *p182*

**Post-Communion Collect** *p183*

**Benediction**

**Thy Strong Word** *LSB 578*

*All verse 1, Choir verse 2, Women verse 3, Choir verse 4, Men verse 5, All verse 6*



**+VDMÅ+**

**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, Irene Bashinsky, and Dale Knutell.

**+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 29<sup>th</sup>+**

- ✘ **WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDIES:** Wednesday morning at 9:30 we will study the hymn For All the Saints (677). At 6:30 pm we will continue our study of 1 Corinthians and close with Compline.
- ✘ **CIRCUIT REFORMATION SERVICE:** Today, St. John's Lutheran Church, Racine will host the annual Racine/Kenosha circuit Reformation Service at 4:00 pm. The guest preacher for the afternoon service will be Rev. Sean Willman. A reception with cake will follow the service.
- ✘ **ANNUAL VOTERS' ASSEMBLY** is scheduled for November 12<sup>th</sup> following the Divine Service. Congregation members are encouraged to make every effort to attend the meeting. The slate of candidates for Parish Planning Committee positions: President – Tyler Nehls, Financial Secretary – open to nomination, Education – vacant, open to nomination, Evangelism – role assumed by Spiritual Life Council in vacancy, open to nomination, Social Welfare – Donna Boyd, Board of Youth – Nate Nevius, Stewardship – vacant, open to nomination.

**+CONTRIBUTIONS+**

Lord's Work contributions budget YTD as of 10/27:	\$210,648
Lord's Work contributions received YTD as of 10/27:	\$188,611
Difference:	-22,037
Restricted contributions YTD as of 10/27:	\$36,545
Mortgage Balance as of 10/18:	\$29,635

**ATTENDANCE 10/22: 126**

## **BIRTHDAYS**

10/29 Jen Bertz  
10/31 Rich Cleereman  
11/1 Mike Henning

## **BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS**

10/29 Nate Nevius  
11/4 Pastor Roemke

