

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



**Second Sunday after Epiphany**

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**Divine Service I**

# **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.

**PRAVERS 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:** Jeff Vallis

**Ushers:** Scott Tobalsky & Artyom Varvil

**Greeter:** Liz Joslyn

**Organist:** Monica Scholz

**Altar Guild:** Amy Vallis & Dorothy McConville

*Stand***Confession and Absolution**

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**+SERVICE OF THE WORD+****Introit***Ps. 66:1–5, 20; antiphon: Ps. 66:4; 92:1*

All the earth worships You and sings praises to You;\*

they sing praises to Your name.

It is good to give thanks to the LORD,\*

to sing praises to Your name, | O Most High.

**Shout for joy to God, | all the earth;\***

**sing the glory of His name; give to Him | glorious praise!**

Say to God, “How awesome | are Your deeds!\*

So great is Your power that Your enemies come cringing | to You.

**All the earth worships You and sings praises to You;\***

**they sing praises to Your name.”**

Come and see what | God has done:\*

He is awesome in His deeds toward the children of man.

**Blessèd | be God,\***

**because He has not rejected my prayer or removed His steadfast | love from me!**

**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.**

All the earth worships You and sings praises to You;\*

they sing praises to Your name.

It is good to give thanks to the LORD,\*

to sing praises to Your name, | O Most High.

**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, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; 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

*Exodus 33:12–23*

<sup>12</sup>Moses said to the LORD, “See, You say to me, ‘Bring up this people,’ but You have not let me know whom You will send with me. Yet You have said, ‘I know you by name, and you have also found favor in My sight.’ <sup>13</sup>Now therefore, if I have found favor in Your sight, please show me now Your ways, that I may know You in order to find favor in Your sight. Consider too that this nation is Your people.’” <sup>14</sup>And he said, “My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.” <sup>15</sup>And he said to Him, “If Your presence will not go with me, do not bring us up from here. <sup>16</sup>For how shall it be known that I have found favor in Your sight, I and Your people? Is it not in Your going with us, so that we are distinct, I and Your people, from every other people on the face of the earth?”

<sup>17</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, “This very thing that you have spoken I will do, for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name.”

<sup>18</sup>Moses said, “Please show me Your glory.” <sup>19</sup>And he said, “I will make all My goodness pass before you and will proclaim before You my name ‘The LORD.’ And I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. <sup>20</sup>But,” He said, “you cannot see My face, for man shall not see Me and live.” <sup>21</sup>And the LORD said, “Behold, there is a place by Me where you shall stand on the rock, <sup>22</sup>and while My glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with My hand until I have passed by. <sup>23</sup>Then I will take away My hand, and you shall see My back, but My face shall not be seen.”

## Gradual

*Ps. 107:20–21*



He sent out His word and | healed them,\*  
and delivered them from their de- | struction.  
Let them thank the LORD for His | steadfast love,\*  
for His wondrous works to the chil- | dren of men!

## Epistle

*Ephesians 5:22–33*

<sup>22</sup>Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. <sup>23</sup>For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, His body, and is Himself its Savior. <sup>24</sup>Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

<sup>25</sup>Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her, <sup>26</sup>that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the

washing of water with the word,<sup>27</sup>so that He might present the church to Himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.<sup>28</sup>In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.

<sup>29</sup>For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church,<sup>30</sup>because we are members of His body.

<sup>31</sup>“Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.”<sup>32</sup>This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church.<sup>33</sup>However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

*Stand*

**Alleluia and Verse**

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**Holy Gospel**

*John 2:1-11*

<sup>1</sup>On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there.<sup>2</sup>Jesus also was invited to the wedding with His disciples.<sup>3</sup>When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to Him, “They have no wine.”<sup>4</sup>And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what does this have to do with Me? My hour has not yet come.”<sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever He tells you.”

<sup>6</sup>Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons.<sup>7</sup>Jesus said to the servants, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim.<sup>8</sup>And He said to them, “Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast.” So they took it.<sup>9</sup>When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom<sup>10</sup>and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now.”<sup>11</sup>This, the first of His signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested His glory. And His disciples believed in him.

*Sit*

**The Only Son from Heaven**

*LSB 402*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Nicene Creed**

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**Prayer of the Church**

**Offertory**

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<i>Sit</i>		
<b>When Christ's Appearing was made known</b>		<i>Choir</i>
<b>+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+</b>		
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>Preface</b>		<i>p160</i>
<b>Sanctus</b>		<i>p161</i>
<b>Prayer of Thanksgiving</b>		
<b>Lord's Prayer</b>		<i>p162</i>
<b>The Words of Our Lord</b>		
<b>Pax Domini</b>		<i>p163</i>
<b>Agnus Dei</b>		
<i>Sit</i>		
<b>Distribution</b>		
<b>Lord, When You Came as Welcome Guest</b>		<i>LSB 859</i>
<b>Gracious Savior, Grant Your Blessing</b>		<i>LSB 860</i>
<b>I Love Your Kingdom, Lord</b>		<i>LSB 651</i>
<b>Holy, Holy, Holy</b>		<i>LSB 507</i>
<i>Stand</i>		
<b>Nunc Dimittis</b>		<i>p165</i>
<b>Post-Communion Collect</b>		<i>p166</i>
<b>Benediction</b>		
<b>From God the Father, Virgin-Born</b>		<i>LSB 401</i>

**+VDMÄ+**

**V**erbum** D**omini** M**anet** in A**eternum****

**The Word of the Lord endures forever**

## +PRAYER LIST+

- ✖ Those who serve in our armed forces: Lena Roemke, Rianon Asbury, Exavier Padro, & veterans.
- ✖ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Rylie Snodgrass, John Funk (friend of Steve and Sarah Billings), Michelle Knull, Linda Polcin, Anita Brothers, the Nevius Family, Nicole Padro (daughter of the Brayas), Jan Sandberg (mother of Jim Sandberg), Sarah Hagerman, Ken Gundlach (uncle of Sarah Billings), Wayne & Jeannie Pannette (brother-in-law and sister of Marilyn Dissen), Linda Davis (sister of Steve Billings), Larry Mills (friend of Mike & Sandy Martin), Jim Knuth, Mary Jo Jiter, Dave Dissen, and Rick Holtz.

## +ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 18<sup>th</sup>+

- ✖ **HIGHER THINGS:** It's time to register for the next Higher Things retreat in Sheboygan, February 13-15. Registration fees are being covered by a Messiah member. Submit your registration form to Lesa today if you would like to go.
- ✖ **MEETINGS THIS WEEK:** The Parish Planning Committee will meet this Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm and the Spiritual Life Council will meet the same evening at 7:00 pm.
- ✖ **2025 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** are in your mailboxes. Please contact our Financial Secretary, Ted Scholz, if you have any questions about your statement.
- ✖ **WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDIES:** The morning study at 9:30 will continue discussion of Zephaniah. The evening study at 6:30 will continue discussion of the Book of Concord and close with Compline.

## ATTENDANCE 1/11: 101

## ANNIVERSARIES

1/24	Vernon & Lynda Koch (67 years)
	Jeremy & Lynn Gerlach (28 years)