

Messiah Lutheran Church

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Divine Service III

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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: Mike Henning

Ushers: Mark Bernhardt & Kelvin Nelson

Greeter: Mary Rusch

Organist: Monica Scholz

Altar Guild: Kris Kochman & Amy Vallis

Altar Flowers: Today's altar flowers are provided by Jerome & Michelle Knull in honor of their 32nd wedding 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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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.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

2 Samuel 22:26–34

26⁶ With the merciful you show yourself merciful;
with the blameless man you show yourself blameless;
27 with the purified you deal purely,
and with the crooked you make yourself seem tortuous.
28 You save a humble people,
but your eyes are on the haughty to bring them down.
29 For you are my lamp, O LORD,
and my God lightens my darkness.
30 For by you I can run against a troop,
and by my God I can leap over a wall.
31 This God—his way is perfect;
the word of the LORD proves true;
he is a shield for all those who take refuge in him.

32^a“For who is God, but the LORD?
And who is a rock, except our God?
33This God is my strong refuge
and has made my way blameless.
34He made my feet like the feet of a deer
and set me secure on the heights.”

Gradual

Ps. 8:1



O | LORD, our Lord,*
how majestic is your name in | all the earth!
You have set your | glory*
above the | heavens.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 10:6–13

⁶Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. ⁷Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.” ⁸We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. ⁹We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, ¹⁰nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. ¹¹Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. ¹²Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. ¹³No 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

Psalm 112:1



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

*Alle- | luia.**

*Blessèd is the man who | fears the Lord,
who greatly delights in His com- | mandments!**

Alle- | luia.



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

Holy Gospel

Luke 16:1–13

¹[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. ²And 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.’ ³And 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. ⁴I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.’ ⁵So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶He said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ ⁷Then 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.’ ⁸The 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. ⁹And 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.”

¹⁰“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. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful in that which is another’s, who will give you that which is your own? ¹³No 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.”

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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: Lena Roemke, Kendra Vallis, Rianon Asbury, Exavier Padro, and 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, Jim Knuth, Rachel Higginbotham (friend of the Roemke family), Carol (friend of Pam Sommer), Chuck Nielsen (brother of Sandy Martin), Arlene Maxwell & Sherry Blankenship (friends of Jim & Kathy Vescova), Karen Martin (mother of Robin Tegel), Mike Laughlin, Martin Von Dissen (uncle of Diana Dissen), and Jim Sheridan (brother of Anita Brothers).

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 2nd+

- ✘ **SAVE THE DATE:** Our Oktoberfest Church Picnic will be Sunday, September 13th.

ATTENDANCE 7/26: 87

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING 8/1/26

Weekly receipts for operating budget	\$2,516
Weekly need for operating budget	\$4,869
Difference	-\$2,353
Weekly long-term and fund receipts	\$100

BIRTHDAYS

- 8/3 Nancy Hilliard
- 8/4 Mary Rusch
- 8/6 Paul Rusch
- 8/7 Matthew Brothers

ANNIVERSARIES

- 8/3 John & Elyse Adams (14 years)
- 8/6 Jerome & Michelle Knull (32 years)