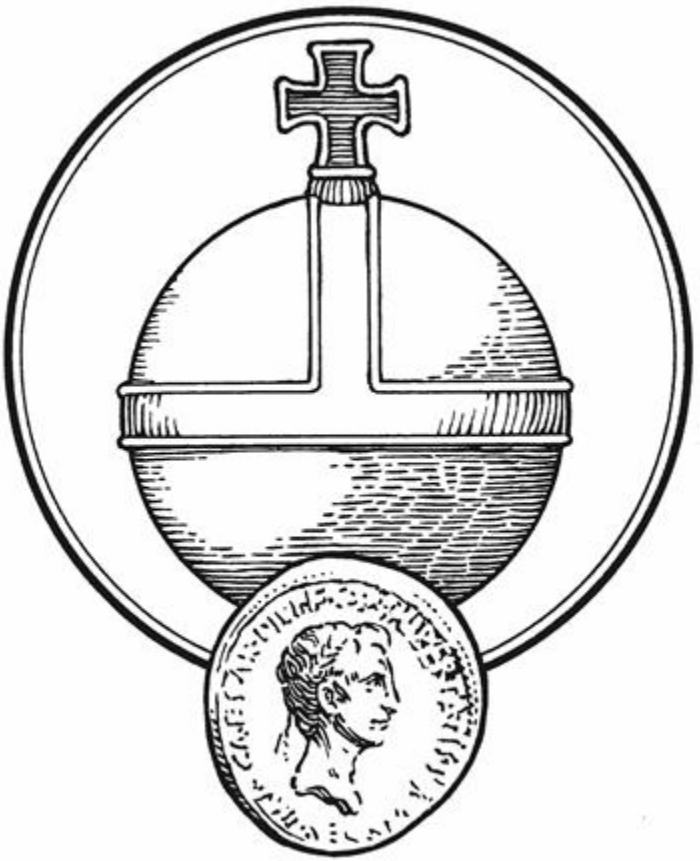
Messiah Lutheran Church

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Trinity 23

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Divine Service I

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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 Martin
Ushers: Scott Tobalsky & Kelvin Nelson
Greeter: Mary Rusch
Organist: Monica Scholz
Altar Guild: Amy Vallis & Dorothy McConville
Altar Flowers: Today's altar flowers are provided by Vernon & Lynda Koch in honor of their great-grandson, Teddy Koch.
Fellowship: John Tomsheck

Before You, Lord, We Bow *LSB 966*

Confession and Absolution *p151*

+SERVICE OF THE WORD+

Introit *Ps. 85:1, 7, 9, 11; antiphon: Jer. 29:11a, 12*



I know the plans I have for you, de- | clares the LORD,*
plans for wholeness and not for | evil.
Then you will call upon me and come and | pray to me,*
and I will | hear you.
LORD, you were favorable | to your land;*
you restored the fortunes of | Jacob.
Show us your steadfast love, | O LORD,*
and grant us your sal- | vation.
Surely his salvation is near to those who | fear him,*
that glory may dwell | in our land.
Faithfulness springs up | from the ground,*
and righteousness looks down | from the sky.

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.

I know the plans I have for you, de- | clares the LORD,*
plans for wholeness and not for | evil.
Then you will call upon me and come and | pray to me,*
and I will | hear you.

Kyrie *p152*

This Is the Feast *p155*

Salutation and Collect of the Day *p156*

O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; 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 *Proverbs 8:11–22*

11 For wisdom is better than jewels,
and all that you may desire cannot compare with her.

12 "I, wisdom, dwell with prudence,
and I find knowledge and discretion.
13 The fear of the LORD is hatred of evil.
Pride and arrogance and the way of evil
and perverted speech I hate.
14 I have counsel and sound wisdom;
I have insight; I have strength.
15 By me kings reign,
and rulers decree what is just;
16 by me princes rule,
and nobles, all who govern justly.
17 I love those who love me,
and those who seek me diligently find me.
18 Riches and honor are with me,
enduring wealth and righteousness.
19 My fruit is better than gold, even fine gold,
and my yield than choice silver.
20 I walk in the way of righteousness,
in the paths of justice,
21 granting an inheritance to those who love me,
and filling their treasuries.

22 "The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of old."

Gradual *Ps. 44:7– 8*



You have saved us | from our foes*
and have put to shame those who | hate us.
In God we have boasted con- | tinually,*
and we will give thanks to your name for- | ever.

Epistle *Philippians 3:17–21*

17 Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. 18 For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the

cross of Christ. [19]Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. [20]But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, [21]who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse *p156*

Holy Gospel *Matthew 22:15–22*

[15]Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. [16]And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. [17]Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" [18]But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? [19]Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. [20]And Jesus said to them,

"Whose likeness and inscription is this?" [21]They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." [22]When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

Sit

Who Trusts in God a Strong Abode *LSB 714*

Sermon

Stand

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Sit

+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+

Stand

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Lord's Prayer *p162*

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini *p163*

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Sit

Distribution

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Jerusalem, O City Fair and High	*LSB 674*
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Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings	*LSB 782*
Grant Peace, We Pray, in Mercy, Lord	*LSB 778*

Stand

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Eternal Father Strong to Save *LSB 717*

+VDMA+

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, Michelle Knull, Linda Polcin, the Nevius Family, Nicole Padro (daughter of the Brayas), Jan Sandberg (mother of Jim Sandberg), Sarah Hagerman, Jim Knuth, Carol (friend of Terry Sommer), Karen Martin (mother of Robin Tegel), Jim Sheridan (uncle of Kevin Brothers), Sheila (sister-in-law of Louise Braya), Theresa Busanet (daughter of Gail Kulbacki), and Linda Crawford (sister of Kathy Vescova).

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 8th+

- **WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDIES:** The morning study at 9:30 am is discussing the Doctrine of Creation and its importance to our faith. The evening study at 6:30 pm is discussing the book of Hebrews.
- **CRAFT NIGHT:** Please join us this Friday, November 13th, at 6:00 pm. Bring your current craft or art project and enjoy an evening of fellowship. Feel free to bring a friend.
- **ANNUAL VOTERS' ASSEMBLY** is scheduled for Sunday, November 22nd following the Divine Service. Congregation members are encouraged to make every effort to attend the meeting. Please see Thursday's email newsletter for a link to documents including the financial report and proposed 2027 budget. Let Lesa know if you would like hard copies of these documents.
- **POINSETTIAS:** Please use the sheet on the bulletin board to sign up to provide a poinsettia to beautify our sanctuary during the Advent and Christmas seasons. Please submit payment by Sunday, November 29th.

ATTENDANCE 11/1: 113

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING 11/7/26

Weekly receipts for operating budget	$6,048
Weekly need for operating budget	$4,869
Difference	+$1,179
Weekly long-term and fund receipts	$1,270

BIRTHDAYS

11/10 Mike Martin
11/11 Kate Tobalsky

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

11/10 Sandra Galis
11/11 Evie Hernandez
11/12 Henry Joslyn
11/14 Sandy Martin

+NOVEMBER EVENTS AT MESSIAH+

Friday	Nov. 13	6:00 pm	Craft Night
Tuesday	Nov. 17	6:00 pm	Parish Planning Meeting
		7:00 pm	SLC Meeting
Sunday	Nov. 22	10:30 am	Annual Voters' Meeting
Wednesday	Nov. 25	6:30 pm	Thanksgiving Divine Service