



Hope

Welcome to Messiah!

You are a beloved child of God who is unique and special. You are respected and accepted for who you are, with all your differences and gifts, including: sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, age, race, ability, culture, and economic status. Join us in acts of reconciliation and joyful celebration of our diversity, not only as members of our faith community but as volunteers and leaders.

We stand together against the prejudice of the LGBTQIA+ community and for anti-racism, indigenous respect, environmental justice, anti-trafficking, and on behalf of all those marginalized in our society.

By working together and being open with each other, we develop our faith and follow the example of Christ by humbly loving one another as God loves all of us.

NURSERY CARE

Available Sunday from 8:00 - 9:20 AM and 10:15 - 11:35 AM

Ages 6 weeks - 6 years old, downstairs Nursery.

Secure sign-in, parent pagers available

First Sunday of Advent + November 29 - 30, 2025



OPENING HYMN

5:00 PM *The King Shall Come*

ELW Red Book #**260**

8:15 AM *The King Shall Come*

ELW Red Book #**260**

10:30 AM *Awake, Awake, and Greet the New Morn* ELW Red Book #**242**

GREETING

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION

Pastor: Faithful God...

Congregation: **We confess that we have been unfaithful to you. Like dry leaves and withered grass, our lives are blown about by our brokenness and the darkness that so often surrounds us. Restore us, O God; let the light of your face shine on us, and we shall be saved. Amen.**

ADVENT READING

BLESSING OF THE ADVENT WREATH AND LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Light One Candle

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray....

Congregation: Amen.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah, son of Amoz, saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many people shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations and shall

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arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation; neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, Let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Reader: Word of God, word of Life.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

My Soul in Stillness Waits

Refrain

For you, O Lord, my soul in still - ness
waits, tru - ly my hope is in you.

SECOND READING

Romans 13:11-14

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is already the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone; the day is near. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us walk decently as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in illicit sex and debauchery, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader: Word of God, word of Life

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.
Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.
Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

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HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 24:36-44

Jesus said to the disciples, "About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in the days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so, too, will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken, and one will be left. Keep awake, therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore, you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

***Congregation:* Praise to you, O Christ.**

✠ THE HOMILY ✠

PASTOR DAN O'BRIEN

JENNIFER GINSBURG

DIRECTOR OF SAFE HARBOR CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER

Refrain



I want to be read - y, I want to be read - y,
I want to be read - y to walk in Je-ru-sa-lem just like John.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

All Respond after each prayer: **Hear our prayer.**

Pastor:we pray all of this through Christ our Lord.

***Congregation:* Amen**

SIGN OF PEACE

Greet one another with: **Peace be with you.**

BERAKAH (Ancient Hebrew Blessing)

Bread: Pastor: Blessed are you Lord God of all creation...Bread of Life.

Congregation: Blessed be God forever.

Wine: Pastor: Blessed are you Lord God of all creation...Spiritual Drink.

Congregation: Blessed be God forever.

GRATITUDE OF THE OFFERING

Pastor: Let us pray. Merciful God...

Congregation: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - our selves, our time, our life and our breath, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sung by All

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil, for the kingdom, the pow'r and the glory are yours, now and forever.

HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to the Lord's Table

If you are unable to come forward for communion, please let an usher know and communion will be brought to you.

Grape juice is available on the trays in the central cups.

Gluten-free wafers are available in the gold container on the stand between the bread distributors.

COMMUNION HYMN

5:00 PM *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

ELW Red Book #257

8:15 AM *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

ELW Red Book #257

10:30 AM *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*
In Moments Like These

ELW Red Book #257

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5:00 PM CANDLE LIGHTING AND CLOSING SONG

*Please keep lit candles upright
and tip unlit candle to light it from another.*

At Evening

1

Now it is evening: lights of the city
bid us remember Christ is our light.
Many are lonely, who will be neighbor?
Where there is caring, Christ is our light.

2

Now it is evening: food on the table
bids us remember Christ is our life.
Many are hungry, who will be neighbor?
Where there is sharing, Christ is our life.

3

Now it is evening: little ones sleeping
bid us remember Christ is our peace.
Some are neglected, who will be neighbor
Where there is caring, Christ is our peace.

4

Now it is evening: here in our meeting
may we remember Christ is our friend.
Some may be strangers, who will be
neighbor? Where there's a welcome,
Christ is our friend.

BLESSING *Congregation: Amen.*

CLOSING HYMN

8:15 AM *People Look East*

ELW Red Book #248

10:30 AM *The King of Glory Comes*

W&P Purple Book #136

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Moments Like These

In mo - ments like these, I sing out a
 song, I sing out a love song to Je -
 sus. In mo - ments like these, I lift up my
 hands, I lift up my hands to the Lord.
 Sing - ing I love You, Lord, sing - ing
 I love You, Lord; Sing - ing
 I love You, Lord,
 I love You.
 Repeat Ending Song Ending
 I love You.

Flowers Given By

Wesley Roscoe
 In Loving Memory of Joan Roscoe

Doug & Tammy Hennick
 In Memory of Our Parents

THIS WEEK

Dec. 1 - Dec.7, 2025



Monday, December 1

Office Closed - Phone & email monitored
SAM at Second Harvest.....

Tuesday, December 2

NewBridge Senior Meal..... 12:00 PM
Divine Yoga..... December 2

Wednesday, December 3

Men's Bible Study 7:00 AM
YOW Activity Night 6:15 PM

Thursday, December 4

Pew Keepers 9:00 AM

Friday, December 5

Pr. Dan's Day Off

Saturday, December 6

Worship Service5:00 PM

Sunday, December 7

Worship Service 8:15 AM
Sunday School..... 9:20 AM
Adult Education 9:20 AM
Worship Service10:30 AM
Children's Christmas Program 11:45 AM
High School Friendsgiving.....6:30 PM

LOOKING AHEAD

Divine Yoga..... December 9
Messiah Council MeetingDecember 10
Men's Bible StudyDecember 10
YOW OnlineDecember 10
Dignity Project WorkshopDecember 13
Adult EducationDecember 14
Counters.....Lou Ann Kidd, Gayle Daugherty

Office and Contact Information

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday- Office closed - email/phone checked
Tuesday - Thursday.....8:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Friday.....8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE DROP BOX

to the left of the main front entrance

5:00 PM SERVICE

Altar Ministry.....The Remiker Family
Greeter.....Doug & Jen Dettlaff
Reader.....Briley Radovan
Communion.....Dan & Nancy Battist
.....Jan Hagen, Melissa Remiker
Ushers.....Robb & Melissa Remiker
.....Leighton Remiker, Essie Remiker
Musician.....Melissa Vanden Heuvel
Vocalists.....Clyde Nyhus, Cara Musick
.....Mike Digman, Dave Down
.....Tara Von Dollen, Donna Buchert
Streaming.....Ellie Meng

8:15 AM SERVICE

Altar Ministry.....Kathy Lukens
Coffee Ministry.....Jan Hagen
Greeter.....Jim Alsmo, Lynn Ginger
Reader.....Cynthia McVay
Communion.....Cynthia McVay, Pat Ertel
.....Judy Misfeldt, Kathy Lukens
Ushers.....Charlie & Bonnie Eastman
.....Brandon Ginger, Bill Ginger
Musician.....Marian Korth
Vocalists.....Members of Senior Choir
Streaming.....Clark Kellogg
Nursery.....Christina Teschendorf

10:30 AM SERVICE

Altar Ministry.....The Hollar Family
Communion Cups.....Tara Von Dollen
Coffee Ministry.....Ray & Kathy Robinson
Greeter.....Grace Kylo, Karl Schweitz
.....Susan Ashley
Reader.....Mary Marshall
Communion.....Paula Kedzie, Susan Ashley
.....Martha Netzlöff, Ray Robinson
Ushers.....Ed & Bonnie Maas
Musician.....Melissa Vanden Heuvel
Vocalists.....Celebrate Group
Streaming.....Jenna Shinstine
Nursery.....Christina Teschendorf



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