

Welcome to Messiah!

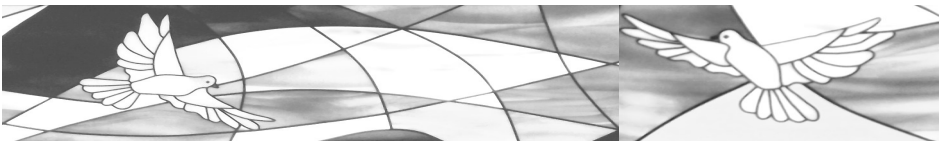
You are a beloved child of God who is unique and special. You are respected and accepted for who you are, with all your differences and gifts, including: sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, age, race, ability, culture, and economic status. Join us in acts of reconciliation and joyful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

We stand together against the prejudice toward members 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

Is available 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



Opening Hymn

5:00 PM *Though the Mountains May Fall* **Page 7**
8:15 AM *Oh God Our Help is Ages Past* ELW Red Book **#632**
10:30 AM *Though the Mountains May Fall* **Page 7**

Greeting

Kyrie

Kyrie, Kyrie eleison. Kyrie, Kyrie eleison.
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Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Let us pray....
Congregation: **Amen.**

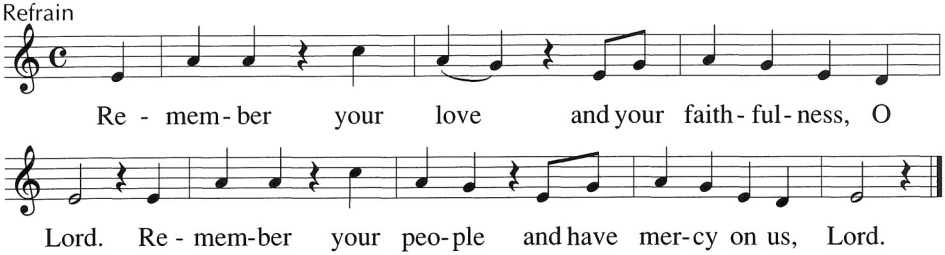
First Reading

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-16, 18

Be silent before the Lord God, for the day of the Lord is at hand! The Lord has prepared a sacrifice; he has consecrated his guests. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who settle like dregs in wine, those who say in their hearts," The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm." Their wealth shall be plundered and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter; the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the lofty battlements. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed, for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Reader: Word of God, word of Life.
Congregation: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 27 *Remember Your Love*
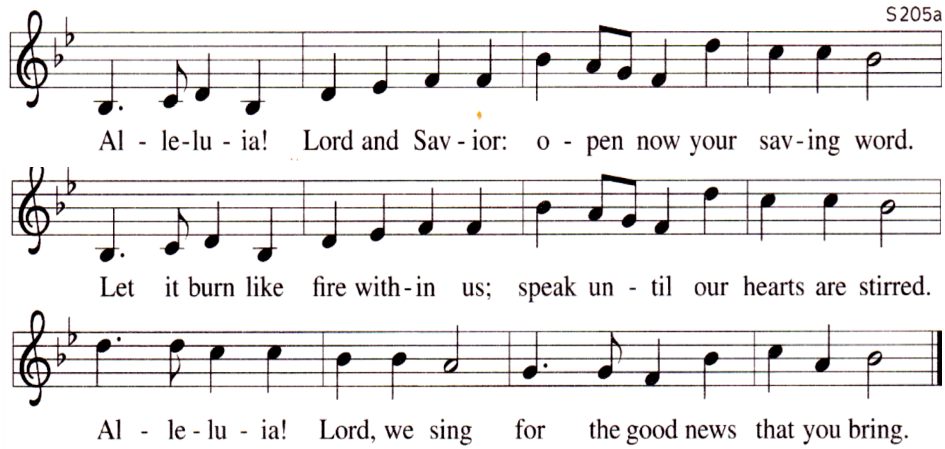


Second Reading First Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, siblings, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, siblings, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So, then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober, For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Reader: Word of God, word of Life
Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation



Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:14-29

Jesus said to the disciples: "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his servants; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. At once the one who had received the five talents went off and traded with them and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy servant; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy servant; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow and gathering where you did not scatter, so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy servant! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have used their gifts, more will be given and they will have an abundance, but from those who have used nothing of what they have been given, even what they have will be taken away.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.
Congregation: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

╬ The Homily ╬

Pastor Jeff Vanden Heuvel

Prayers of Intercession

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

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…
Congregation: **Blessed be God forever.**

Wine: Pastor: Blessed are you Lord God of all creation…
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 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

Here at Messiah, we believe that Christ is the host of this meal. Regardless of your background or tradition, we believe that all are welcome at 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	*Oh God Our Help is Ages Past*	ELW Red Book **#632**
8:15 AM	*Beautiful Savior*	ELW Red Book **#838**
10:30 AM	*For Everyone Born*	back of the ELW
	Dona Nobis Pacem	ELW Red Book **#753**

5:00 PM Candle Lighting and Closing Song

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

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

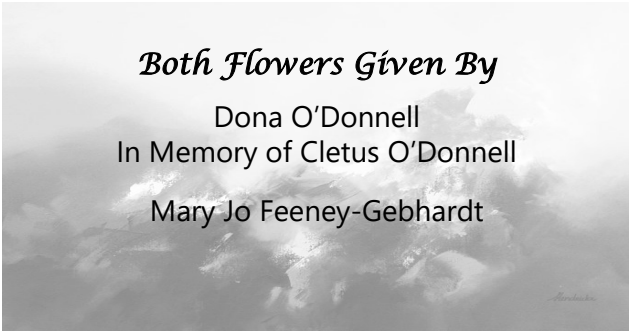
Congregation: **Amen**.

Closing Hymn
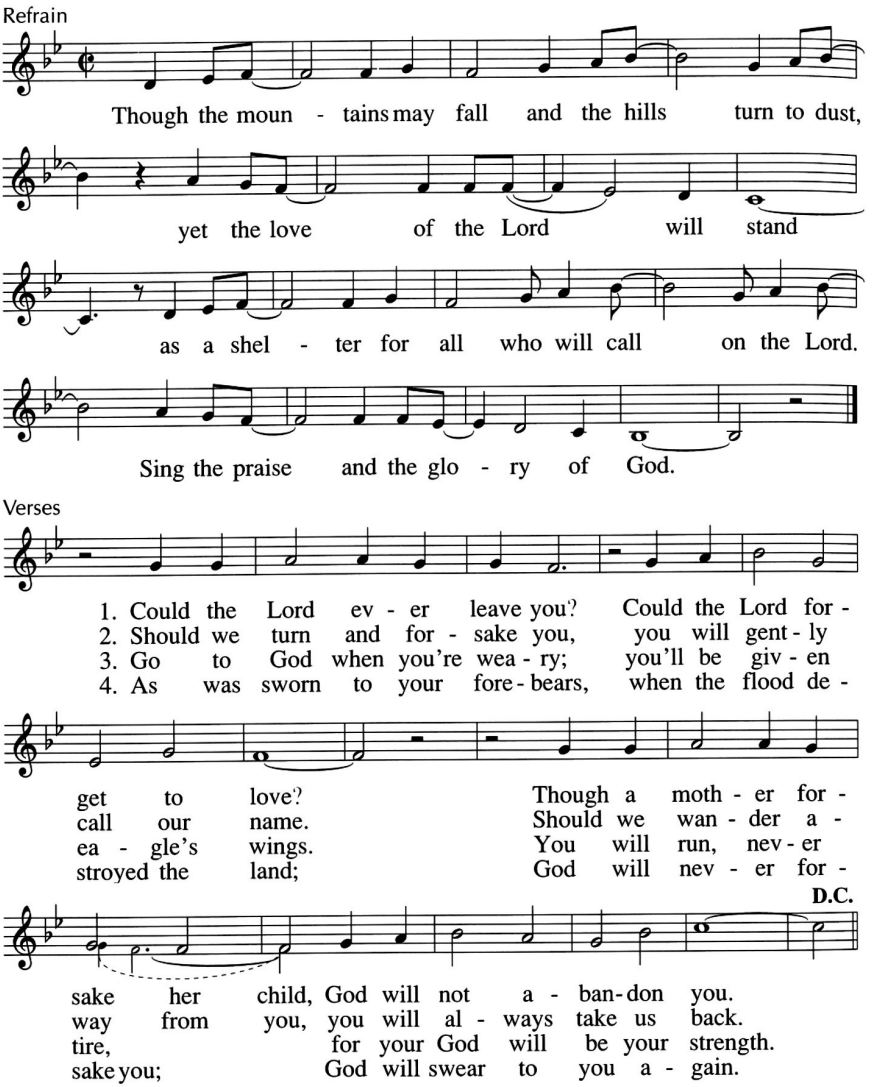
8:15 AM *Lift High the Cross* ELW Red Book **#660**
10:30 AM *I'm So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me* ELW Red Book **#860**

Dismissal

Pastor: Go in peace, serve the Lord.
Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**



Though the Mountains May Fall



This Week

November 16-22, 2026



Monday, November 16
Pastor Jeff's Day Off

Tuesday, November 17
Young Adult Friendsgiving ..... 7:00 PM

Wednesday, November 18
Morning Bible Study ..... 7:00 AM
SAM Luncheon and Presentation .... 12:00 NOON
YOW in person ..... 6:00 PM

Thursday, November 19
Men's Fellowship Breakfast ..... 9:00 AM
Pew Keepers ..... 900 AM
Women's Book Study ..... 10:30 AM
Choir Rehearsal ..... 7:30 PM

Friday, November 20
Pr. Dan's Day Off

Saturday, November 21
Worship Service ..... 5:00 PM
Family Movie Night ..... after the 5:00 PM service

Sunday, November 22
Worship Service ..... 8:15 AM
Adult Education ..... 9:20 AM
Worship Service ..... 10:30 AM

Looking Ahead

Family Movie Night ..... November 21
Prayer Shawl Ministry ..... November 23
No Morning Bible Study ..... November 25
No YOW ..... November 25
Thanksgiving Eve Service ..... November 25
High School Night ..... November 29
Prayer Shawl Meeting ..... November 30
Messiah Church Council Meeting ... December 7

Counters 11/15 Glenn Schmitz, Samantha Taylor
Snow Removal 11/22-28 ..... John Nerad

Office and Contact Information

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Office Hours
Monday-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 ..... Kelli Weisinger
Greeter ..... Doug & Jen Dettlaff
Reader ..... Kathryn Wingier
Communion ..... John & Carol Otterson
..... Kelli Weisinger, Val Roman
Ushers ..... Phil & Charlene Lawler
Musician ..... Amy Ziebell
Vocalists ..... Clyde Nyhus, Cara Musick
Mike Digman, Dave Down, Tara Von Dollen,
..... Donna Buchert
Streaming ..... Mary Reines

8:15 AM Service

Altar Ministry ..... Barbara Ash
Coffee Ministry ..... Carol & John Otterson
Greeter ..... Karen Komprood, Lynn Gingher
Reader ..... Mike Cornelius
Communion ..... Linda Olson, Sharon Ryan
..... Betty Fitzsimmons, Cynthia McVay
Ushers ..... Charlie & Bonnie Eastman
..... Bill Gingher, Brandon Gingher
Musician ..... Dean Gardner
Vocalists ..... Senior Choir Members
Streaming ..... Steve Cheramy
Nursery ..... Christina Teschendorf

10:30 AM Service

Altar Ministry ..... Susan Whitish
Communion Cups ..... Tara Von Dollen
Coffee ..... Susan Whitish
Greeter ..... Grace Kyllo, Teri Terry
Reader ..... Trisha Tully
Communion ..... Barbara Martin, Teri Terry
..... Karen Clark, Norene Shultis
... Organ - Grace Kyllo Lectern - Trisha Tully
Ushers ..... Edward & Karen Bosold
..... Gary & Gretchann Dalgaard
Musician ..... Melissa Vanden Heuvel
Vocalists ..... Celebrate Group
Streaming ..... Clark Kellogg
Nursery ..... Christina Teschendorf

