



## ***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 during the Summer Sunday from 10:15 - 11:45 am  
Ages 6 weeks- 6 years old, downstairs Nursery.  
Secure sign-in, parent pagers available

**Sixth Sunday after Pentecost + July 4 - 5, 2026**



## SECOND READING

Romans 7:15-25a

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me. For I know that the good does not dwell within me, that is, in my flesh. For the desire to do the good lies close at hand, but not the ability. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that, when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched person that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

*Reader:* Word of God, word of Life

*Congregation:* **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

S205a

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.

## HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 11:25-30

Jesus prays: "I thank you, Abba God, Creator of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the Intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Abba, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by Abba God, and no one knows the Son except the Abba God, and no one knows Abba God except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn

from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

*Pastor:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## ‡ THE HOMILY ‡

PASTOR MARK PETERSEN

### 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

<b>5:00 PM</b>	<i>I Want Jesus To Walk With Me</i>	ELW Red Book #325
<b>8:15 AM</b>	<i>Rock of Ages</i>	ELW Red Book #623
<b>10:30 AM</b>	<i>Be Not Afraid</i>	<b>Page 7</b>
	<i>I Want Jesus To Walk With Me</i>	ELW Red Book #325

## 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

<b>8:15 AM</b>	<i>Let There Be Peace on Earth</i>	<b>Page 6</b>
<b>10:30 AM</b>	<i>Bring Forth the Kingdom</i>	W&P Purple Book #22

## DISMISSAL

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

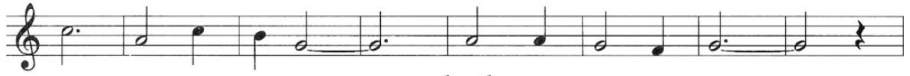
## Let There Be Peace On Earth



Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with me.



Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be. With



God as our Fa-ther,                      broth - ers  
fam - 'ly all are we.



Let me walk with my broth-er                      in per-fect har-mo - ny.  
us                      each                      oth-er



Let peace be - gin with me; let this be the mo - ment now.



With ev - 'ry step I take, let this be my sol - emn vow;                      To



take each mo - ment, and live each mo - ment in peace e - ter - nal - ly!



Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with me.

### *Flowers Given By*

Jody Dahmen  
In Memory of Ron Dahmen

Jeff & Paula Stadtmueller  
In Memory of Katie Stadtmueller, Jeff's mom

# Be Not Afraid

## Verse 1



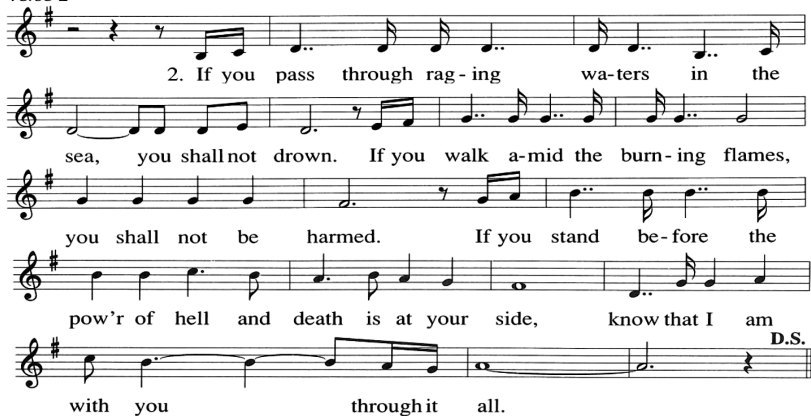
1. You shall cross the bar-ren des-ert, but you shall not die of thirst. You shall wan-der far in safe-ty though you do not know the way. You shall speak your words in for-eign lands and all will un-der-stand. You shall see the face of God and live.

## Refrain



Be not a-fraid. I go be-fore you al-ways. Come, fol-low me, and I will give you rest.

## Verse 2



2. If you pass through rag-ing wa-ters in the sea, you shall not drown. If you walk a-mid the burn-ing flames, you shall not be harmed. If you stand be-fore the pow'r of hell and death is at your side, know that I am with you through it all. **D.S.**

## Verse 3



3. Bless-ed are your poor, for the king-dom shall be theirs. Blest are you that weep and mourn, for one day you shall laugh. And if wick-ed tongues in-sult and hate you all be-cause of me, bless-ed. **D.S.**  
bless-ed are you!

## THIS WEEK

July 6 - 12, 2026



### Monday, July 6

Pastor Jeff's Day Off  
Messiah serves at Triangle Ministry.....

### Tuesday, July 7

### Wednesday, July 8

### Thursday, July 9

Men's Fellowship Breakfast.....9:00 AM  
Pew Keepers .....900 AM

### Friday, July 10

Pr. Dan's Day Off

### Saturday, July 11

Dignity Project Workshop.....9:00 AM  
Worship Service .....5:00 PM

### Sunday, July 12

Worship Service .....8:15 AM  
Worship Service .....10:30 AM

## LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday School Mini Mission Trip ..July 13-14  
Youth Mission Trip .....July 13-16  
No Church Council Meeting .....July 14  
Movie 1946 .....July 14  
SAM at Horicon Marsh.....July 15  
Boomerang Bag Workshop.....July 21  
Prayer Shawl Meeting.....July 27

Counters 7/5.....Julie Frey, Tim Coulthart  
Lawn Mowing Team .....Bill Durkin  
.....Don Hehenberger, Pr. Dan

## Office and Contact Information

**OFFICE PHONE**.....608-222-3833

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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**.....Barry Strauss, Sally Carpenter  
**Reader**.....Peggy Petersen  
**Communion**.....Dan & Nancy Battist  
.....Elaine McNeil, Kelli Weisinger  
**Ushers**.....Joe & Sherri Neill, Michele Jabs  
**Musician**.....Marian Korth  
**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, Kathy Lukens  
**Coffee Ministry**.....Kelli Weisinger  
**Greeter**.....Mike Vesperat, Sara Mainquist  
**Reader**.....Pam McGranahan  
**Communion**.....Jane Miller, Sharon Ryan  
.....Nancy Wilson, Kathy Lukens  
**Ushers**.....Cindy Ellis, Joseph Green  
.....Glenn, Jonah & Violet Schmitz  
**Musician**.....Dean Gardner  
**Vocalists**.....Senior Choir Members  
**Streaming**.....Steve Cheramy

### 10:30 AM SERVICE

**Altar Ministry**..Gary & Gretchann Dalgaard  
**Communion Cups** .....Karen Dilley  
.....Gary & Gretchann Dalgaard  
**Coffee** .....Deb Plantz  
**Greeter**.....Andy Schauer, Barbara Herrod  
**Reader**.....Dave Lindorff  
**Communion** .....Clyde & Holly Tunak  
.....Betty Fitzsimmons, Suzanne Warborg  
.....Dave Lindorff, Jody Dahmen  
**Ushers**.....Dave Smith, Jody Dahmen  
.....Lee Nelson, Walt Herrod  
**Musician**.....Melissa Vanden Heuvel  
**Vocalists**.....Celebrate Group  
**Streaming**.....Clark Kellogg  
**Nursery** .....Christina Teschendorf

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