



## ***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.*

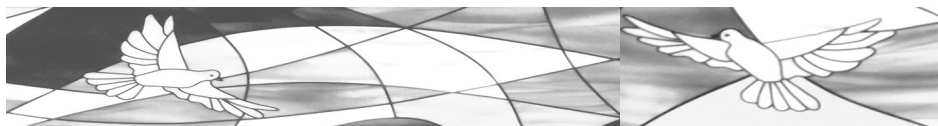
### **NURSERY CARE**

Is available 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

**Baptism of Our Lord + January 10 - 11, 2026**



## OPENING HYMN

ALL SERVICES

*We Three Kings*

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## GREETING

## KYRIE

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

*Pastor:* Let us pray....

*Congregation:* **Amen.**

## FIRST READING

Isaiah 42:1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry out or lift up his voice or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth, and the coastlands wait for his teaching. Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness; I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the LORD; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

*Reader:* Word of God, word of Life.

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

## PSALM 27

*Remember Your Love*

Refrain



Re - mem - ber your love and your faith - ful - ness, O



Lord. Re - mem - ber your peo - ple and have mer - cy on us, Lord.

## SECOND READING

Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to [Cornelius and his household]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ, he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear,

not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

*Reader:* Word of God, word of Life

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

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

S 205a



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 3:13-17

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God's Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from the heavens said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

*Pastor:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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



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...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 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 God 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 HYMNS

**ALL SERVICES**  
**10:30 AM**

*What Child is This*  
*Lord, My Strength*

ELW Red Book #296  
W&P Purple Book #93

## 5:00 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** *Songs of Thankfulness and Praise*  
**10:30 AM** *Songs of Thankfulness and Praise*

ELW Red Book #310  
ELW Red Book #310

## DISMISSAL

*Pastor:* Go in peace, serve the Lord.

***Congregation: Thanks be to God!***

## We Three Kings

1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are,  
 2. Born a babe on Beth - le - hem's plain,  
 3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I;  
 4. Myrrh is mine: its bit - ter per - fume  
 5. Glo - rious now be - hold him - rise,

Bear - ing gifts we trav - erse a - far  
 Gold we bring to crown him a - gain;  
 In - cense owns a De - i - ty nigh;  
 Breathes a life of gath - 'ring gloom;  
 King and God and sac - ri - fice:

Field and foun - tain, Moor and  
 King for - ev - er, Ceas - ing  
 Prayer and prais - ing Glad - ly  
 Sor - rowing, sigh - ing, Bleed - ing  
 Heav'n sings, "Hal - le - lu - jah!"

moun - tain, Fol - low - ing yon - der star.  
 nev - er, O - ver us all to reign.  
 rais - ing, Wor - ship - ing God on high.  
 dy - ing, Sealed in the stone cold tomb.  
 "Hal - le - lu - jah!" earth re - plies.

O star of won - der, star of night, Star with roy - al beau - ty  
 bright, West - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, Guide us to the per - fect Light.

Text: Matthew 2:1-11; John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1820-1891  
 Tune: KINGS OF ORIENT, 88 44 6 with refrain; John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1820-1891

### *Flowers Given By*

Jim Alsmo - The Kasten Family  
 In Loving Memory of Dorothy Alsmo

Steve & Kathy Lyons  
 In Memory of Robert & Colette Lyons



## THIS WEEK

January 12 - 18, 2026



### Monday, January 12

Pastor Jeff's Day Off  
Office Closed - phone & email monitored  
SAM Second Harvest Food Bank ..... 11:15 AM

### Tuesday, January 13

Church Council Meeting..... 6:45 PM

### Wednesday, January 14

Ladies Lunch Bunch ..... 11:30 AM  
YOW Activity Night..... 6:00 PM

### Thursday, January 15

Pew Keepers ..... 900 AM  
Women's Book Study ..... 10:00 AM

### Friday, January 16

Pr. Dan's Day Off

### Saturday, January 17

Dignity Project Workshop ..... 9:30 AM  
Visitation Ministry Retreat..... 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM  
Worship Service ..... 5:00 PM

### Sunday, January 18

Worship Service ..... 8:15 AM  
Racial Justice Book Study..... 9:20 AM  
Worship Service ..... 10:30 AM

## LOOKING AHEAD

Men's Bible Study ..... January 21  
YOW Field Trip to Second Harvest... January 21  
Women's Book Study ..... January 22  
Racial Justice Book Study..... January 25  
Annual Meeting ..... January 25  
SAM at Second Harvest..... January 26

Counters..... Glenn Schmitz, Samantha Taylor  
Snow Removal 1/11-1/17 ..... John Nerad

## 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**.....Mark Petersen  
**Greeter**.....Cara Musick, Elaine Stampfli  
**Reader**.....John Marchewka  
**Communion**.....Phil & Charlene Lawler  
.....Elaine McNeil, Jan Hagen  
**Ushers**.....Bernice Day, John Otterson  
**Musician**.....Amy Ziebell  
**Vocalists**.....Clyde Nyhus, Cara Musick  
.....Mike Digman, Dave Down  
.....Tara Von Dollen, Donna Buchert  
**Streaming**.....Jenna Shinstine  
**LL&L**.....Kathryn & Pete Wingier, Kim Radovan

## 8:15 AM SERVICE

**Altar Ministry**.....The Schmitz/Russell Family  
**Coffee Ministry**.....Kathryn & Pete Wingier  
.....Kim Radovan  
**Greeter**.....Cindy Ellis, Julie Hanson  
**Reader**.....Sara Mainquist  
**Communion**.....Dawn Olson, Jane Miller  
.....Julie Hanson, Karen Wenger  
**Ushers**.....Gloria & Don Hehenberger  
.....Glenn, Jonah & Violet Schmitz, Cindy Ellis  
**Musician**.....Marian Korth  
**Vocalists**.....Members of Senior Choir  
**Streaming**.....Steve Cheramy  
**Nursery**.....Christina Teschendorf

## 10:30 AM SERVICE

**Altar Ministry**.....Martha Netzloff  
**Communion Cups**.....Tara Von Dollen  
**Coffee**.....Dawn Olson  
**Greeter**.....Barbara Herrod, Doreen Hinrichs  
**Reader**.....Paula Kedzie  
**Communion**.....Martha Netzloff, Teri Terry  
.....Suzanne Warborg, Mary Marshall  
.....Lee Nelson, Paula Kedzie  
**Ushers**.....Lee Nelson  
.....Michael Savides, Walt Herrod  
**Musician**.....Melissa Vanden Heuvel  
**Vocalists**.....Celebrate Group  
**Streaming**.....Kristopher Kiel  
**Nursery**.....Christins Teschendorf

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