

Welcome to Messiah!

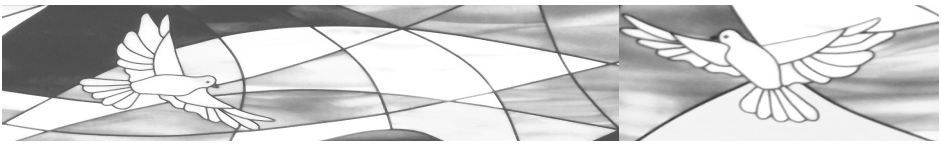
You are a beloved child of God who is unique and special. You are respected and accepted for who you are, with all your differences and gifts, including: sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, age, race, ability, culture, and economic status. Join us in acts of reconciliation and joyful 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



Opening Hymn

5:00 PM	*Crown Him With Many Crowns*	ELW Red Book **#855**
8:15 AM	*Crown Him With Many Crowns*	ELW Red Book **#855**
10:30 AM	*Sing to the Mountains*	**Page 7**

Greeting

Kyrie

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

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

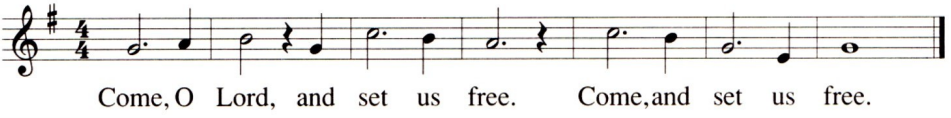
First Reading

Ezekiel 34:11-16

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep and will sort them out. As shepherds sort out their flocks when they are among scattered sheep, so I will sort out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries and bring them into their own land, and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strays, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

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

Psalm 85 *Come, O Lord, and Set Us Free*



Second Reading Ephesians 1:15-19

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Creator of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know God, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which God has called you, what are the riches of God's glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of God's power for us who believe, according to the working of God's great power.

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

Gospel Acclamation



Holy Gospel Matthew 25:31-40

Jesus said to the disciples: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you who are blessed by

my Creator, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these siblings of mine, you did it to me.'

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

╬ The Homily ╬

Pastor Dan O'Brien
Lutheran Social Service

Hymn of the Day

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Come Now You Blessed

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

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	*Alleluia, Sing to Jesus*	ELW Red Book **#392**
8:15 am	*Alleluia, Sing to Jesus*	ELW Red Book **#392**
10:30 am	*Christ Be Our Light*	ELW Red Book **#715**
	Soon and Very Soon	ELW Red Book **#439**

8:15 am Meditation Hymn

Senior Choir

Forever and Until

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 *Jesus Christ is Risen Today* ELW Red Book **#365**
10:30 AM *Jesus Christ is Risen Today* ELW Red Book **#365**

Dismissal

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

Come Now, You Blessed



Both Flowers Given By

Delores Zeeh
The Intentions of the Zeeh Family

Dawn Olson
In Memory of Marlys and Bob Wood

Sing to the Mountains



This Week

November 23-29, 2026



Monday, November 23

Pastor Jeff's Day Off

Prayer Shawl Ministry ..... 1:00 PM

Tuesday, November 24

Wednesday, November 25

Pew Keepers ..... 900 AM

Thanksgiving Eve Service ..... 5:00 PM

Thursday, November 26

Office Closed in Observance of Thanksgiving

Friday, November 27

Pr. Dan's Day Off

Column Newsletter Mailing ..... 9:00 AM

Saturday, November 28

Worship Service ..... 5:00 PM

Sunday, November 29

Worship Service ..... 8:15 AM

Adult Education ..... 9:20 AM

Worship Service ..... 10:30 AM

High School Night ..... 6:00 PM

Looking Ahead

Divine Yoga ..... December 1

Morning Bible Study - Acts ..... December 2

YOW Activity Night ..... December 2

Men's Fellowship Breakfast (offsite) December 3

Sunday School Christmas Program December 6

Messiah Church Council Meeting... December 7

Divine Yoga ..... December 8

Ladies Lunch Bunch Black Bear Inn December 9

Counters 11/22 ..... Julie Frey, Tim Coulthart

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 ..... Mark Petersen

Greeter ..... Randy & Mary Rodger

Reader ..... Jeff Stadtmueller

Communion ..... Steve & Diane Nelson

..... Mary Rodger, Melissa Remiker

Ushers ..... John & Carol Otterson

Musician ..... Jonathan Thornton

Vocalists ..... Clyde Nyhus, Cara Musick

Mike Digman, Dave Down, Tara Von Dollen,

..... Donna Buchert

Streaming ..... Jenna Shinstine

8:15 AM Service

Altar Ministry ..... Russell/Schmitz Family

Coffee Ministry ..... Jennifer Stelse

Greeter ..... Mike & Sara Veserat

Reader ..... Bill Langel

Communion ..... Jane Miller, Judy Misfeldt

..... Pam McGranahan, Cynthia McVay

Ushers ..... Cindy Ellis

..... Glenn, Jonah, & Violet Schmitz

Musician ..... Dean Gardner

Vocalists ..... Senior Choir Members

Streaming ..... Steve Cheramy

Nursery ..... Christina Teschendorf

10:30 AM Service

Altar Ministry ... Gary & Gretchann Dalgaard

Communion Cups . Gary & Gretchann Dalgaard

Coffee ..... Ray & Kathy Robinson

Greeter ..... Karl Schweitz, Suzanne Warborg

Reader ..... Elizabeth Sabaka

Communion ..... Mary Marshall, Paula Kedzie

..... Ray Robinson, Suzanne Warborg

..... Organ - Lee Nelson Lectern - Ed DeMeo

Ushers ..... Jody Dahmen

..... Lee Nelson, Walt Herrod

Musician ..... Camille Conway

Vocalists ..... Celebrate Group

Streaming ..... Clark Kellogg

Nursery ..... Christina Teschendorf

