

Messiah Lutheran Church  
Welcomes You to the Lord's House

# Welcome in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

**Welcome to Messiah!** Whether you're a member, a returning guest, or maybe this is your first time at Messiah, we welcome you to this time of worship. During our time together, we hope that you experience the presence and love of God in a profound and life-changing way! May the music we share stir you, may the prayers we offer comfort you, and may the proclaimed Word of God challenge you to live with a new passion and purpose. Again, we are honored that you have chosen to worship here today. Let's give God all glory and praise.

First-Time guests, we invite you to look through the "Welcome to Messiah" brochure found in the attendance card slot on the pew in front of you. If you have any questions, please talk to an usher. For parents with young children, there is a Cry room available in the back of the Sanctuary.

**Once we enter God's House,** we pray that our hearts are changed, and that His perspective becomes ours; that we release the cares of this world, and bask in the beauty of His holiness; that we give Him whatever burdens our heart, and find the Spirit's peace that passes all human understanding; that we learn more about Jesus through His Word, and the joy that comes from a closer walk with the Lord.

If music is being played, we invite you to open the Bible in front of you, and focus on His Word, or spend time in quiet prayer.

If a song is being sung, words are provided on the screens at the front of the sanctuary. We invite you to sing along, or meditate on the song's message.

*O God, You are my God; earnestly I seek You; my soul thirsts for You;  
my flesh faints for You, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.  
So I have looked upon You in the sanctuary, beholding Your power and glory.  
Because Your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise You.  
So I will bless You as long as I live; in Your name I will lift up my hands. Psalm 63:1-4*

Luther's Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

*“Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?” (Luke 24:38). These are questions our risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ asked of His disciples in another resurrection appearance after that first Easter morning. They are questions that could also be asked of us numerous times in our daily lives as we face trouble and doubts. Yet as Jesus kept on appearing, He kept on showing them Himself, and more than that, He continued to teach and remind them that all that was written was fulfilled in and through Him. Though we cannot physically touch His hands and side, each time we gather, Jesus continues to speak to us, affirming His work, the Word fulfilled, and the worth of humanity for whom He came. Amid troubles and doubts, through Christ, we can “see what kind of love the Father has given to us” (1 John 3:1).*

*P=Pastor  
C=Congregation*

*In the Invocation, we “invoke” God’s presence by repeating the name in which we were baptized by the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*



April 18, 2021  
11:00am Worship

## THE PRESERVICE PRAISE

### THE GREETING

#### THE OPENING SONG “Our God Saves”

In the name of the Father, in the name of the Son,  
In the name of the Spirit, Lord, we come.  
We’re gathered together to lift up Your name,  
To call on our Savior, to fall on Your grace. **(repeat)**

Hear the joyful sound of our offering  
As Your saints bow down, as Your people sing.  
We will rise with You, lifted on Your wings, and the world will see that-

Our God saves! Our God saves! There is hope in Your name.  
Mourning turns to songs of praise.  
Our God saves! Our God saves!

Hear the joyful sound of our offering  
As Your saints bow down, as Your people sing.  
We will rise with You, lifted on Your wings, and the world will see that-  
Yes, the world will see that-

Our God saves! Our God saves! There is hope in Your name.  
Mourning turns to songs of praise.  
Our God saves! Our God saves!  
Our God saves! Our God saves!  
Our God saves! Our God saves!

#### THE INVOCATION

P: Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;

**C: Death no longer has dominion over Him.**

P: Christ has risen from the dead. Alleluia!

**C: God the Father has crowned Him with glory and honor,**

P: He has given Him dominion over the works of His hands;

**C: He has put all things under His feet. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*In the Confession, we bare our souls before the Lord, admitting our sins and accepting responsibility for the harm they caused in our relationships with God and with each other. (1 John 1:8-9; Rom. 3:23)*

*The pastor then speaks God's Word to give the forgiveness Jesus won for us on the cross. (John 20:23)*

*We respond to God's forgiveness with a song of praise, expressing our joy and thanks to God!*

## THE CONFESSION AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS

P: Let us kneel and confess our sins to God our merciful Father.

**C: Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our creator and preserver, we admit and confess our sinfulness. We are stained by sin from our very beginnings. We have sinned again and again in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves and have turned away from one another in our thinking, speaking, and doing. We have done the evil You forbid and have not done the good You demand. We do repent and are truly sorry for all of our many sins. Have mercy on us, gracious Father; forgive us all that is past, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, direct our lives so that we serve You in true faithfulness. Grant us victory over all that oppresses us, and build Your kingdom among us here through Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

P: In His boundless mercy, God has promised forgiveness of sins to those who repent and turn to Him for restoration and renewal. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. God keep you in His grace by the Holy Spirit, and grant you a life on earth in which you tell of His greatness, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## **i** THE SONG OF PRAISE "Your Grace is Enough"

Great is Your faithfulness Oh God. You wrestle with the sinner's heart.  
You lead us by still waters into mercy, and nothing can keep us apart.  
So, remember Your people, remember Your children,  
Remember Your promise, Oh God.

**Chorus:** Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough.  
Your grace is enough for me.  
Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough.  
Your grace is enough for me.

Great is Your love and justice God.  
You use the weak to lead the strong.  
You lead us in the song of Your salvation,  
And all Your people sing along.  
So remember Your people, remember Your children.  
Remember Your promise, Oh God. **Chorus**

So remember Your people, remember Your children  
Remember Your promise, Oh God.

*In the Collect, the pastor and congregation greet each other as the angel greeted Mary at her annunciation. (Luke 1:28)*

*The phrase also indicates the special relationship between the pastor and the congregation.*

*We call this prayer a "Collect" because it collects the themes of the lessons and puts them into a prayer.*

*The First Lesson today is taken from the New Testament, and is found on page 911 in the pew Bible.*

*The Epistle Lesson is generally from St. Peter's letters. Today's lesson is found on page 1014 in the pew Bible.*

Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough.  
Your grace is enough for me.  
Your grace is enough; Heaven reaching down to us.  
Your grace is enough for me. God I see Your grace is enough.  
I'm covered in Your love. Your grace is enough for me. For me.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: O almighty and eternal God, You have assured us of the completion of our forgiveness and new life in You through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus. You call us Your children through the waters of Baptism and give us eyes to see Your love for us in Your only-begotten Son. Give us the will to show forth in our lives the faith we profess with our lips; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## 🔪 THE FIRST LESSON Acts 3:11–21

<sup>11</sup>While [the lame man who was now healed] clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, astounded. <sup>12</sup>And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? <sup>13</sup>The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. <sup>14</sup>But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, <sup>15</sup>and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. <sup>16</sup>And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

## THE EPISTLE LESSON 1 John 3:1-5

<sup>1</sup>See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure. <sup>4</sup>Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness;

sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup>You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin.

## THE GOSPEL SONG "Oh, How He Loves You and Me"

*The Gospel Song may change weekly or the ordinary verse is from John 6:68.*

The musical score is written for two voices (Soprano and Bass) and piano accompaniment. It consists of four systems of music. Each system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are as follows:

1. Oh, how He loves you and me, Oh, how He  
2. Je - sus to Cal - v'ry did go, His love for  
loves you and me. He gave His life, what  
sin - ners to show. What He did there brought  
more could He give? Oh, how He loves you; Oh, how He  
hope from de - spair.  
loves me; Oh, how He loves you and me!

*The Gospel Lesson is selected according to the season or festival Sunday of the Church Year, and is found on page 885 in the pew Bible.*

## THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 24:36-49

<sup>36</sup>As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" <sup>37</sup>But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. <sup>38</sup>And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? <sup>39</sup>See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit

does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.”<sup>40</sup> And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet.<sup>41</sup> And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?”<sup>42</sup> They gave him a piece of broiled fish,<sup>43</sup> and he took it and ate before them.<sup>44</sup> Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.”<sup>45</sup> Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures,<sup>46</sup> and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead,<sup>47</sup> and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.<sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of these things.<sup>49</sup> And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

*We respond to the Word of God with an acclamation of praise, and then by confessing our faith.*

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **WE CONFESS OUR FAITH-*The Apostles Creed***

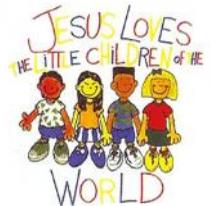
**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*The Apostles Creed dates from about 75 AD and was used in the instruction of those to be baptized. We are confessing our personal faith.*

### **☞ THE CHILDREN’S TIME “Jesus Loves the Little Children”**

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.  
Every one is so unique,  
From their head down to their feet.  
Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Jesus loves the little children,  
All the children of the world.  
Every color, every race, all are covered by His grace.  
Jesus loves the little children of the world.



*The Children's Time: We invite children ages 2 through 5th grade to come forward for the Children's Time. A children's song is sung that is based on the theme of the day.*

*The Sermon Hymn may coordinate with the Gospel lesson, or with the pastor's sermon topic.*

**THE SERMON HYMN "Stay with Us" LSB 879**

Musical notation for the first line of the hymn, including a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a melody line with lyrics underneath.

1 Stay with us, till night has come: Our praise to  
 2 Walk with us, our spir - its sigh: Hear when our  
 3 Walk with us, the road will bend: Make all our  
 4 Talk with us, till we be - hold A joy - ful  
 5 Stay with us, till day is done: No tears nor

Musical notation for the second line of the hymn, including a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a melody line with lyrics underneath.

You this day be sung. Bless our bread, O - pen our  
 wea - ry spir - its cry, Feel a - gain Our loss, our  
 weep - ing, wail - ing end. Wipe our tears, For - give our  
 life You will un - fold: Heal our eyes To see the  
 dark shall dim the sun. Cheer the heart, Your grace im -

Musical notation for the third line of the hymn, including a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a melody line with lyrics underneath.

eyes: Je - sus, be our great sur - prise.  
 pain: Je - sus, take us to Your side.  
 fears: Je - sus, lift the heav - y cross.  
 prize: Je - sus, take us to the light.  
 part: Je - sus, bring e - ter - nal life.

*The Sermon applies God's Word to our lives and helps to equip us to fulfill our baptismal calling to new life in Christ.*

**THE SERMON "Believe it for Yourself" Luke 24:36**

1. Jesus cares about hurting people.
2. There is life after death.
3. Live with that everlasting joy.



**¶ WE RESPOND TO GOD'S TEACHING "Jesus Loves Me"**

Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so.  
 Little ones to Him belong; they are weak, but He is strong.  
 Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me.  
 Yes, Jesus loves me; the Bible tells me so.

*After the Offering Prayer, we ask all of those present to please fill out an attendance card. You will find this on the live stream link. If you are a guest with us today, please fill out the front and back of the card. If you have any special prayer requests, you will find a space for this on the back of the card. Thank you.*

*Prayer is one of the marks of the congregation gathered in worship, according to Acts 2:42.*

*Here the congregation, established and gathered by God according to His purpose, agrees together on earth that it may be done for them by the Father in heaven, as prayers, supplications, and thanksgivings are offered for all in authority and all sorts of human need.*

## 🔪 THE OFFERING PRAYER THE ANTHEM "I Will Rise"

There's a peace I've come to know, though my heart and flesh may fail.  
There's an anchor for my soul- I can say "it is well."  
Jesus has overcome and the grave is overwhelmed.  
The victory is won! He is risen from the dead!

**Chorus:** (And) I will rise when He calls my name;  
No more sorrow no more pain.  
I will rise on eagle's wings before my God, fall on my knees,  
And rise I will rise (I will rise).

There's a day that's drawing near when this darkness breaks to light,  
And the shadows disappear, and my faith shall be my eyes.  
Jesus has overcome and the grave is overwhelmed.  
The victory is won! He is risen from the dead! **Chorus**

And I hear the voice of many angels sing-Worthy is the Lamb!  
And I hear the cry of ev'ry longing heart-Worthy is the Lamb!  
And I hear the voice of many angels sing-Worthy is the Lamb!  
And I hear the cry of ev'ry longing heart-Worthy is the Lamb!  
Worthy is the Lamb! **Chorus**

## 🔪 THE PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- P: Gracious Lord, we praise You for the blessings You bestow on us daily. We feel Your love and care all around us. We come before You now humbly in prayer, laying our concerns at Your feet. May you grant to us what we truly need, forgiveness, life, and salvation, through Your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C: Give to each of us a zeal for studying and learning Your Word. Bless and give the guidance of Your Holy Spirit to those who preach and teach, so that together we can joyfully proclaim that Jesus is our Lord and our God.**
- P: Alpha and Omega, we acknowledge that You hold us and all things in Your good hands. When we become overwhelmed, help us to trust that You are always good and You are at work to accomplish Your purposes in our lives.
- C: Strengthen our faith in Jesus, that we may know the fullness of joy that comes from abiding in Your love.**
- P: O Holy Comforter, be with all Your faithful people, both Christian and Jew, who suffer discrimination, hatred, violence and death at the hands of the servants of evil. In all corners of the earth, Your faithful ones are being targeted for their unwavering faith in You.

*More prayer requests are found in the Announcement Guide. Please use them for your prayer time this week.*

*The Lord's Prayer is the prayer Jesus taught to His disciples and to us in His Word. (Matthew 6:9-13 & Luke 11:2-4)*

*Then follows the Aaronic Benediction in which the Lord recognizes us as His people, putting His name on us, and fulfilling all promises in His name. (Numbers 6:24-25; Matt. 18:19-20)*

*You are welcome to take this bulletin home and use it for personal devotions this week. Otherwise, we ask that you return it to an usher table. Thank you!*

*We enter to pray and praise and we leave with a renewed commitment to serve and witness!*

**C: Strengthen their resolve to stand fast, as they face uncertainty. Comfort them in their grief for loved ones taken by violence, and place Your mighty hedge of protection around them.**

P: Beginning and the End, You hold the past, the present, and the future. We give You thanks for our loved ones and for all the saints who have fallen asleep in Jesus.

**C: Grant us faith to follow Jesus during our days of pilgrimage, and bring us at last to Your kingdom, where You dwell with the saints in unapproachable light.**

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)**

**C: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; (pause) and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

### **THE BENEDICTION**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord look upon you with His favor and give you His peace.

**C: Amen.**

### **THE SILENT PRAYER**

## **THE MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE**

## **THE CLOSING SONG "My Redeemer Lives"**

I know He rescued my soul.  
His blood has covered my sin.  
I believe! I believe!  
My shame He's taken away.  
My pain is healed in His name.  
I believe! I believe!  
I'll raise a banner; my Lord has conquered the grave!

My Redeemer lives! My Redeemer lives!  
My Redeemer lives! My Redeemer lives! **(Repeat All)**



# Serving in the Lord's House Today

PREACHER	Rev. Dr. Victor Kollmann
LITURGIST	Vicar Matthew Lee
CHILDREN'S TIME	Vicar Matthew Lee
ELDER CAPTAIN	Blake Vogler
ALTAR TEAM	Team 3
USHER TEAM	Team F
ANTHEM	Lor Smith
PRAISE TEAM	Team D, Teresa Logue, Dorothy Sherrod, Charles Hayes, Duane Dieterich, Fletcher Jones
PRODUCTION TEAM	Bill Swan, Toby Meeks, Vicar Matthew Lee, Samantha Logue

## Our Response to the Lord Last Week

### Church Faith Budget

Given last week	\$ 26,447
Given year to date	\$ 706,057
Given year to date last year	\$ 687,652

### Trusting God With Tomorrow Building Fund

Given last week	\$ 890
Total For Campaign	\$ 2,735,692



*In planning for the future, consider including the church in your will.*

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Services available on Live Stream/YouTube/Facebook Live

♦ Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary: 8:30 & 11:00AM  
(Holy Communion every 2nd and 4th Sunday)

♦ Sunday School & Adult Bible Class: 9:45-10:40AM

♦ Wednesday Worship in the Chapel 7:00PM  
(Holy Communion every Wednesday)

MESSIAH LUTHERAN



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***With the help of the Holy Spirit, we will share God's light as we:***

***Gladly enter God's House weekly (Worship) —Psalm 122:1***

***Listen for God's voice. (Discipleship-Bible Study, Quiet Time, Prayer)— John 10:27***

***Open my heart and hands to serve God. (Ministry) —1 Samuel 12:24***

***Wholeheartedly love God and my neighbor. (Evangelism/Fellowship-Outreach) —Luke 10:27***