

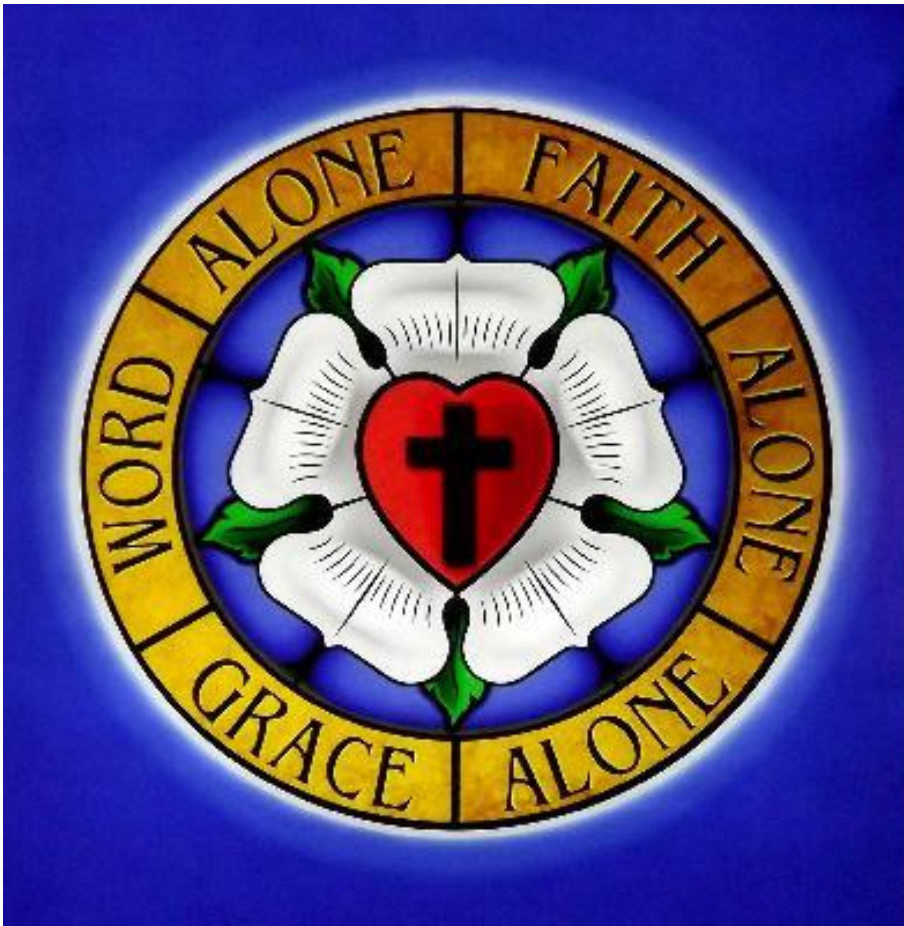


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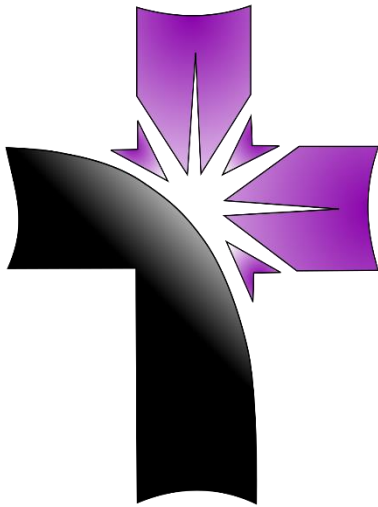
MESSENGER

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PLEASE NOTE: The deadline for next month's *Messenger* articles is October 20.



Speaking Of The Hope Within Us



The fastest-growing group in American religious life over the past few decades has been the non-religious. More and more people say that they have no religious affiliation at all. These people are often called the Nones because when asked what religious group they belong to, they check “none.” Nones constitutes about 24 percent of the US population—up from about 8 percent in 1990.

Knowing about the growth of the Nones can help us understand the culture in which the church operates. For one thing, the rise of the Nones means that we can no longer assume that people around us know what Christians believe, or why the church gathers, or how and why Christians seek to be a blessing to the world. It’s more important than ever to be able to articulate the faith within us when the natural occasion for such a conversation arises.

So let me suggest an exercise for all of us. Take a few moments to think about how you would respond if someone were to say, “Tell me what Christianity means to you.” What would you say if someone were to ask, “Why is Jesus important to you? What’s in the Bible? Why do you go to church?” Perhaps in response you would tell a story, or speak about a relationship.

The primary goal of this exercise is to practice putting the faith into your own words and speaking in a way that reflects your hopes and the life you seek to live.

As Christians we believe that all humans, including the Nones, are made in the image of God, and all humans seek an abundant life. In fact, all people have a life with God, whether they acknowledge it or not, or use religious language to describe it or not. All people deal with loss and sin and death. Therefore, there is a basis for speaking—humbly—of our journey with God and of the abundant life we seek through Jesus. And there’s a basis for listening—humbly—to the other person’s response.

With the rise of the Nones, the words of First Peter (3:15) gain a fresh meaning: “Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence.” The gentleness is for the other person, made in the image of God, and the reverence is for the God in whom we all live and move and have our being.

Grace and peace, Pastor David

MESSIAH UPDATES



Indoor Services and Online Church Services Continue With Current Mask Guidelines!

The current guidelines from the Metro Chicago Synod and the Centers for Disease Control call for all people, whether vaccinated or unvaccinated, to wear masks indoors, so we are therefore asking everyone to wear masks for worship services and any visit to the church building. Recent data indicates that although the vaccine has a high level of protection against serious cases of

Covid-19, the very contagious Delta variant can be spread even by those who are vaccinated.

The Executive Committee and Pastor David continue to monitor guidelines and provide updates as they change. As we've learned this past year and a half, it's important that we remain flexible and adapt to these changes as they are presented. We are doing our part to protect one another, our families, our neighbors, and the wider community. Please contact the church office if you have any questions.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

As a reminder, all of the church services can be viewed through two different avenues. All of the services are posted on the Messiah Facebook page as well as our YouTube channel under the name Messiah Park Ridge. The YouTube channel can be found at this web address, <https://www.youtube.com/user/holzerp>. Services are posted at 10:15 am Sunday mornings, but can be watched at any time. If you need help accessing either viewing platforms please reach out to the church office and we can help. Thanks to Paul Holzer for making sure we can participate virtually in worship for the last 4 years!



EC Corner:

Messiah has a long history of service and we've continued this strong tradition through a myriad of trials – in part due to dedicated and talented leadership.

The EC is working toward finalizing Messiah's ministry profile and prepare it to submit to the synod. Thank you to all those who dedicated their time to complete the profile.

During their September meeting, the EC discussing included Center of Concern program starting in October, property issues including the installation of an additional security door requested by CCC, upcoming events such as LSSI True Friends event and Crop Walk, confirmation class, plus general congregation business. Dave Hanson continues to oversee maintenance and property issues that arise. Thank you Dave for your hard work keeping the building in shape.

The Executive Committee, along with Pastor David, have resumed meeting in person. We thank them for continuing to lead us through this difficult time and guide our future steps.

MESSIAH UPDATES (continued)

Ways to Donate



Messiah still needs your support! Giving is down, there are still bills to pay to continue to operate plus unexpected expenses!

Simply Giving is Messiah's regular electronic giving program to make keeping up with donations easier. If interested in enrolling in this program, contact the church office.



Contributions to Messiah can be submitted through a variety of means as outlined in previous newsletters. Check out Messiah's website on ways to contribute:

<https://www.messiahparkridge.org/contribute.html>

Communication With Church & Each Other:

The church office has returned to regular office hours as follows: Monday, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm.

In addition, phone messages, regular mail and email will continue to be monitored throughout the week. If you are in need of pastoral care, please leave a message on the church phone or send an email to the church at office@messiahparkridge.org or Pastor David at messiahpastor1605@gmail.com. Please be sure to check your email regularly so you don't miss any updates. If you know someone who doesn't have email or doesn't check it regularly, please keep them up to date! If you have information to share with all members, submit it to the church office for the weekly **Messiah Message Board!**

If you are not receiving email communication, please first check your spam or promotions folder in your email. Often email providers automatically move mass emails into those folders and if you are not checking, you may be deleting important information. If you are still not receiving email communication, please reach out to the office to be added to the email list. Or if you don't have email, contact the office to be put on a call list.



MESSIAH MINISTRIES

OUR MISSIONARY: REVEREND DR. PHILIP KNUTSON

<https://southernafricanconnections.wordpress.com/>

Check out Pastor Knutson's September newsletter where he discusses the disparity in higher education and job potential in Southern Africa,

In closing his newsletter, Pastor Knutson said, "Thank you for your prayers, support and your participation in God's mission locally and globally."

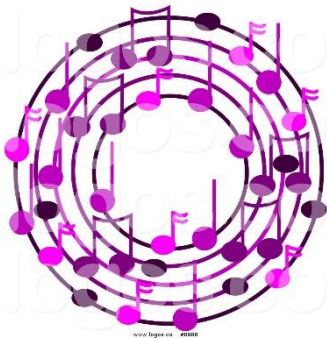


MESSIAH MINISTRIES (continued)

Music Ministry: Rest

Jesus once said, "Come to me, all you that 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." (Matthew 11:28-30)

His words are an invitation to all who know weariness and the pressures of carrying the heavy burdens of everyday life. Jesus offers himself, claiming that his "yoke" is unlike other kinds of "yokes" that entangle our lives. "Take my yoke. It is an easy yoke. A light burden. Learn from me. You will find rest."



I want to introduce you to a man whose music is, I believe, part of our journey of life that Jesus is leading us on. His name is Tim Janis. He is a prolific composer of general/secular music as well as the music of faith. Regarding the music of faith, he has created tuneful and melodic versions of many familiar hymns that I believe will awaken your hearts and minds.

Go to YouTube and type in his name. Look for subtitles that say something like "Beautiful relaxing hymns, peaceful instrumental music" and click on it. He uses the world of Nature as illustrations of the music as you watch scenes of waterfalls, rivers, oceans, mountains, valleys, forests, bears, deer, seals, whales and lots of other flora and fauna and wildlife. He makes ample use of piano and strings and flutes. Some of these hymns are in the ELW. Since Janis' music is instrumental, you might want to turn to the hymn's page in the ELW and follow the texts as you listen to the music and see scenes of the world's natural beauty.

The hymns he has chosen are central to our Western European hymnody including *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty; Peace Like a River* (otherwise known as *It is Well with My Soul*), *All Creatures of Our God and King*, *Nearer My God to Thee*, *Amazing Grace*, *Ave Maria*, and more. He has also interspersed these hymns with other musical selections that he has composed which will be new to your ears but are also both tuneful and relaxing.

Looking for rest? Have a listen.

Bill Decker, Music Coordinator

MESSIAH MINISTRIES (continued)

Assistance Ministry

Happy Fall! We have had some sensational fall days - hope you have been able to be outdoors and are enjoying the beautiful weather.

We have continued to serve a nutritious lunch to all vaccinated guests and a lunch to go for the few guests who are not vaccinated. We are encouraging our guests to leave after they finish their meal rather than stay to chat in an effort to minimize being inside without masks.

Thanks for your continued support and donations. We have been blessed with donations of casseroles, meats, bakery goods, etc. and our guests have been enjoying the delicious lunches.

Please consider joining us on Monday mornings. You don't have to commit to every week - we'd welcome you anytime!

Thanks for all that you do,
Connie Kaufman



Assistance Ministry p.s.



We have permission to share this story with you. One of our Assistance Ministry Monday morning guests was hit by a truck last year. He had surgery at Lutheran General and then went to a rehab/ nursing home in Northbrook for therapy. We kept in touch with him and have helped him with a couple of things that he needed. He recently contacted Julie and said that he had a donation for us, so we visited him.

"G" said that he had been seeing advertisements for Bombas socks and that for every sock purchased, Bombas donates a pair of socks to individuals who are homeless. "G" wondered how he could get a pair as he is homeless. He contacted Bombas and asked if he could have a pair and was told that they usually distribute through a group or agency who work with the homeless. "G" told them about Journeys and Messiah's Assistance Ministry. The person he spoke with asked him all about our ministry and asked him if he could get the socks to Messiah. He assured them that he could and they sent him 200 pairs of black socks, specifically designed and made for individuals who are homeless! "G" gave us 100 pairs of socks today for our guests and will give socks to persons in need at the nursing home.

We also will contact Bombas to thank them. "G" was so very happy and proud to have made this happen and to "give back" to our ministry. Messiah is truly touching people and making a difference!

Please check out Bombas! Our family loves these socks and it is good to know that they really do donate socks to the homeless!

With thanks, Connie Kaufman

MESSIAH MINISTRIES (continued)



Quilts & Kits

We are hopeful to schedule time coming up this fall work on assembling quilts, personal care kits and school kits. If you're interested in participating in a small group to work on these projects, please contact Trudi or Carol.

We are always happy to accept donations of items for personal care and school kits, material and supplies for quilts including new or gently used flat sheets (any size) and monetary donations.

If you want to check out the Quilts & Kits program at Lutheran World Relief, go to <https://lwr.org>.

Trudi Handzel & Carol Hrodey

Christian Education

Confirmation

Joint confirmation program has kicked off!



This year Messiah's confirmation ministry is a partnership with three other Lutheran congregations in the area: Trinity Lutheran in Des Plaines, St. Mark Lutheran in Mt. Prospect, and Grace Lutheran in Mt. Prospect. Leaders at these congregations realized that by working together we could provide our learners in faith with a richer program and wider fellowship of fellow learners.

The first class was held September 27 at Trinity in Des Plaines.

The confirmation classes are held on Mondays from 4:30 pm to 6 pm. The location of the classes will rotate between the four churches. Leadership of the program is also shared. Each class session will include a lesson, devotion, prayers, and activities.

Please keep the students from Messiah in your prayers, along with all the confirmands and leaders, that our youth may grow in knowledge, faith, hope, and love.



Messiah Lutheran Child Care Center

CCC is in full gear this fall and planning for fall conferences and vision/hearing screenings in October. Watch for details on an upcoming fundraiser at Moretti's!

Upcoming Manna order dates:

Orders Due

October 4th

Available for Pick-Up

October 7th

For more information on CCC Activities and Programs contact CCC Office at 847-825-3767 or see the website at www.messiahchildcare.com

CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
<p>26 10:15 AM Worship 2:00 PM HKCC Worship 3:30 PM HKCC Fellowship</p>	<p>27 5:00 AM HKCC AM Prayer 11:00 AM Assistance Ministry 12:45 PM MLC Staff Meeting 4:30 PM Confirmation 7:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting</p>	<p>28 5:00 AM HKCC AM Prayer 12:30 PM Center of Concern lunch</p>
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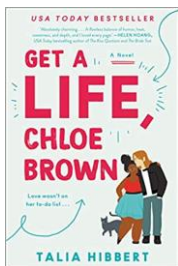
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October 2021 Activities!

Men's Brotherhood Breakfast

Men's Brotherhood has resumed meeting in person at Jimmy's Restaurant in Des Plaines located at 1440 Rand Rd. The next breakfast gathering will take place on Saturday, October 9th at 9:00 a.m. All Messiah men are invited to participate. Contact Rich Seggeling or Paul Holzer if you have questions.



Messiah Book Club

The next book club meeting will be Thursday, October 14, 2021 at 7:00- 9:00 pm in the Friendship Place unless otherwise notified!



Next Selection: Get a life, Chloe Brown by Hibbert, Talia, author

Summary: Emerging from a life-threatening illness, a fiercely organized but unfulfilled computer geek recruits a mysterious artist to help her establish meaning in her life, before finding herself engaged in reckless but thrilling

activities.

All are welcome to attend and if you have questions, please contact Paul Holzer.

Help A Child... Take a Trip! LSSI Annual True Friend Fundraiser



Lutheran Social Services of Illinois (LSSI) is holding its annual True Friend fundraising event in a little different way this year and we invite you to be part of it!

This year's proceeds will benefit LSSI's Children's Community Services including the Foster Care Programs. LSSI provides supportive services for children in need and their families. Foster care services focus on placing children who have experienced neglect or abuse in a loving and secure home. Children's Community Services offers numerous other services to at-risk children and their

families in their communities. LSSI is the largest foster care agency in the state. We were blessed to see a video and hear Terri Gens from LSSI speak during the service on Sunday, September 27th. If you weren't able to attend or haven't watched the service online yet, check it out at: <https://www.youtube.com/user/holzerp>.

A \$30 registration fee to LSSI for the True Friend event helps these at-risk children and also gives you the opportunity to access an exclusive video by keynote speaker, travel author and TV personality, Rick Steves. The presentation will explore the idea of travel as a spiritual act that promotes empathy, solidarity, and connection. In addition, there will be many ticket and travel packages offered in an online Silent Auction! If you're tired of the limitations of the pandemic, why not consider bidding on the chance to take a short car trip to a great, nearby location!

LSSI True Friends Fundraiser (continued)

To make the \$30 donation/registration fee, go to [Register | LSSI True Friend Celebration 2021 | Lutheran Social Services of Illinois](#) and complete the registration information. All registrants will be given the link to the virtual event which can be accessed beginning October 7th at 6:30 p.m. Ignore the Watch Group section as that is only for groups that meet in-person. The auction will also run that evening and afterwards (more information on that to come).

If you want to simply make a donation and not access the event, you can donate any amount via the LSSI fundraiser on Messiah's Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/donate/257865506232382/> or by cash or check made out to Messiah Lutheran Church but be sure to indicate that the donation is for LSSI. You'll still be able to bid on the silent auction items. If you have any questions, contact Julie Jensen!



Niles/Park Ridge CROP Walk October 17th

Messiah has formed a team to participate in the CROP Walk this year. If you are interested in joining the team, please see Larry Ryzcek or Trudi Handzel or visit, <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2021/team/messiah-lutheran-church-park-ridge>.

If you would like to contribute but do not want to walk, your monetary donations are welcome. There are also restaurant fundraising nights leading up to the walk where a portion of your order will benefit the walk. The next restaurant give back is October 5th at D'Agostino's at 7530 W Oakton St in Niles. 15% of your pre-tax total goes to the CROP Walk.

Reformation Sunday: October 31st Here's a Reformation Refresher!

- A religious and political movement of 16th-century Europe that began as an attempt to reform the Roman Catholic Church and resulted in the establishment of the Protestant Churches

How did it come about?

- Martin Luther, one of the most notable theologians in Christian history, is responsible for initiating the Protestant Reformation. To some sixteenth century Christians he was hailed as a pioneering defender of truth and religious freedoms, to others he was charged as a heretic leader of a religious revolt. Today most Christians would agree that he influenced the shape of

Protestant Christianity more than any other person. The Lutheran denomination was named after Martin Luther.

The Birth of the Reformation

- As Martin Luther immersed himself deeply in the study of Scripture, especially the letters written by the Apostle Paul, God's truth broke through and Luther came to the overwhelming knowledge that he was : "[saved by grace through faith alone](#)" (Ephesians 2:8).



Reformation Sunday (continued)

- When he began to teach as a professor of biblical theology at the University of Wittenburg, his new found enthusiasm began to spill over into his lectures and discussions with staff and faculty.
- He spoke passionately about:
Christ's role as the only mediator between God and man, and that by grace and not through works, are men justified and forgiven of sin.
- **Salvation**, Luther now felt with all assurance, was God's free gift.
- It didn't take long for his radical ideas to get noticed. For not only did these revelations of God's truth change Luther's life, they would forever change the direction of church history.

What Was Luther's Biggest Issue with the Catholic Church in the 16th Century?

- In 1514 Luther began to serve as a priest for Wittenburg's Castle Church, and people flocked to hear God's Word preached like never before. During this time Luther learned of the Catholic Church's unbiblical practice of selling indulgences.
 - In those days, the Pope, according to his discretion from the "treasury of merits from the saints," sold religious merits in exchange for building funds. Those who purchased these indulgence documents were promised a reduced punishment for their sins, for the sins of departed loved ones, and in some cases, total forgiveness from all sin.
 - During a church conference in Rome Luther became more disillusioned and very discouraged by the immorality and corruption he witnessed there among the Catholic priests of that time.
 - Luther publicly objected to this dishonest practice and abuse of church power.
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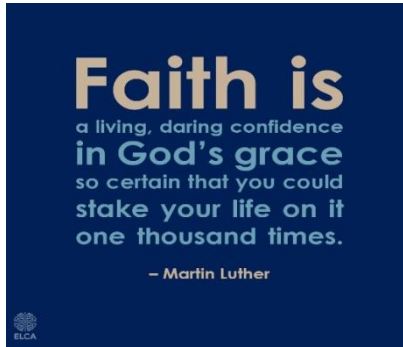
Reformation Motto

An excerpt from <https://lutheranreformation.org/history/the-motto-of-the-reformation/>

Verbum Domini Manet in Aeternum (The Word of the Lord Endures Forever) is the motto of the Lutheran Reformation, a confident expression of the enduring power and authority of God's Word. The motto is based on 1 Peter 1:24–25. It first appeared in the court of Frederick the Wise in 1522. He had it sewn onto the right sleeve of the court's official clothing, which was worn by prince and servant alike. It was used by Frederick's successors, his brother John the Steadfast, and his nephew John Frederick the Magnanimous. It

became the official motto of the Smalcaldic League and was used on flags, banners, swords, and uniforms as a symbol of the unity of the Lutheran laity who struggled to defend their beliefs, communities, families, and lives against those who were intent on destroying them. It was found inscribed inside churches, over doorways, on foundation stones, even on horse's helmets! The VDMA logo and statement has appeared throughout Lutheran churches worldwide and remains an enduring motto of the Reformation to this day.

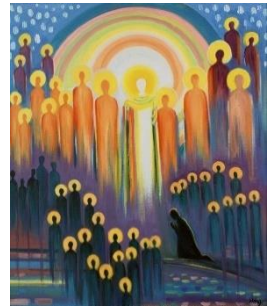
Several examples of its use during the Reformation era appear on a coin, over a doorway in Braunschweig, Germany, and on a clock, and finally, a particularly interesting artifact, a helmet from 1553 that would have been placed on a warhorse, contains the motto.



All Saints' Day November 7, 2021

With the tremendous loss caused by the global pandemic, taking a moment to remember and celebrate the lives of those who were lost is paramount. Please join us in celebrating those who have gone to their heavenly home Sunday, November 7th.

During the service on November 7th we will pause to recognize family and friends who have passed. Please write the name of your loved ones in *The Remembrance Book* located on the welcome center and their name will be read aloud during worship.



Reaching Out: Center of Concern

Beginning Tuesday, September 28th, the Center of Concern has begun utilizing the Friendship Place to serve

participants a meal and spend time as a community. They will use the space Tuesdays thru Fridays from 12:30 to 2:30. We are thankful we can provide a space for the Center of Concern to continue to serve their community.

The Center of Concern is a non-profit social service agency addressing the needs of seniors and the disabled, enabling them to live safely and independently.

If you would like more information about their programs please visit, <https://centerofconcern.org/> or call 847-823-0453

Bulletin Dedication

If you would like to dedicate a weekly bulletin in honor, memory, or in celebration of a loved one please sign up using the dedication chart across from the Assistance Ministry food pantry. If you recall, the EC decided to use silk flowers to decorate the altar from week to week, so we are no longer dedicating flowers.



THIS MONTH IN WORSHIP

The following are the scripture readings for October

1 st Reading	Psalm	2 nd Reading	Gospel
October 3rd – 19th Sunday after Pentecost			
Genesis 2:18-24	Psalm 8	Hebrews 1:1-14, 2:5-12	Mark 10:2-16
October 10th - 20th Sunday after Pentecost			
Amos 5:6-7, 10-15	Psalm 90:12-17	Hebrews 4:12-16	Mark 10:17-31
October 17th – 21st Sunday after Pentecost			
Isaiah 53:4-12	Psalm 91:9-16	Hebrews 5:1-10	Mark 10:35-45
October 24th – 22nd Sunday after Pentecost			
Jeremiah 31:7-9	Psalm 129	Hebrews 7:23-28	Mark 10:46-52
October 31st – 23rd Reformation Sunday			
Jeremiah 31:31-34	Psalm 46	Romans 3:19-28	John 8:31-36

Worship Teams for September

	October 3	October 10	October 17	October 24	October 31
Assisting Ministers	Diane B	TBD	Vikki H	Cindy N	Karen B
Readers	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Projection & Video	Jim H & Paul H	Jim H & Paul H	Jim H & Paul H	Jim H & Paul H	Jim H & Paul H
Altar Guild	Sue K	Sue K	TBD	Cindy N	TBD
Counter	Jim H	Jim H	Jim H	Jim H	Jim H



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray for each other, our congregation, our families, our community, our state, our country and the world during this challenging time.

Those who are ill, in recovery, or facing adversity:

The Dumerer Family The Hauser Family Mary Jane Kovach
Trudi & Jim Handzel Richard Levy Daniel Kovach
Carol Hrodey Joe & Nick Levy
Maria Raicia (*mother of Laura Hauser*)
Sonja Snell (*family of Bill and Cindy Decker*)
Mike Rodbro and family (*Child Care Center family*)
Katie Brandon and Carol Rudy (*friends of Dotti Burger*)
Domonic & Leah Mareuccilli Family, Anne Flick (*Friends of the Lippert Family*)
Pat & Ted Gradt, Amanda Jensen, John, Karen Heisler, and Sy Rubenstein (*friends and family of the Jensen Family*)
Ron, Margot, Maggie, Steve W., Mary, Bruce, and Terry DeSchepper (*friends of David Swanson*)
George, Pattie Aaron, Sandi Farley, J.T. & Becky (*family & friends of the Handzel Family*)
Ed & Toni (*friends of Rich Seggeling*)
Joshua Harady (*friend of Tim Saul*)
Brady Nelson (*family friend of Alaine Wong*)



Those who are homebound:

Arlene Baranowski Barb Loverme Dorothy Nagel
Eva Thoren Dorothy Pollack

Those serving in the armed services and first responders:

(those known to us & all those who serve)

Brandon Ajyek Tim David Tyler Daye Jarred Engvall Bobby Hanson
Jenni Hanson Mikey Hanson Andreas Johnson Claudine Ward Jason Koesler
Joey Rosequist Brian Nagel Eric Nagel David Nagel
Officer Matt McGannon

Those attending college and graduate school:

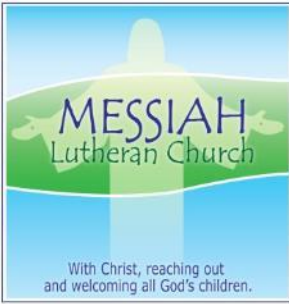
Thomas Yager Phil Holzer Nick Levy Novena Christal Haley Lippert
Dina Salemi Arden Sasak Adam Hauser Ryan Hauser Kevin Kovach
Trygve Jensen Nikolas Ryczek Michael Yager

Those who celebrate:

Linda Stolz 10/5, Sandra Downie 10/6, Daniel Kovach 10/7, James Clauser 10/8, Tommy Hanson 10/16, and David Kaufman, 10/29

Anniversaries this month

Larry & Monica Ryczek 10/8 (33 years!), Robert & Karen Black 10/20 (31 years!), and Tom & Kim Hanson 10/29 (31 years!)



The Messiah Messenger

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Prayers of the People*

Worship Currently Occurs Indoors & Virtually on Sundays at 10:15

Child Care Center

Year- round 3-K

Monday - Friday 6:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Other Schedules

Pastor's Office Hours

Available upon request

Church Office

Mondays, Wednesday, & Fridays
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Assistance Ministry

Monday 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

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