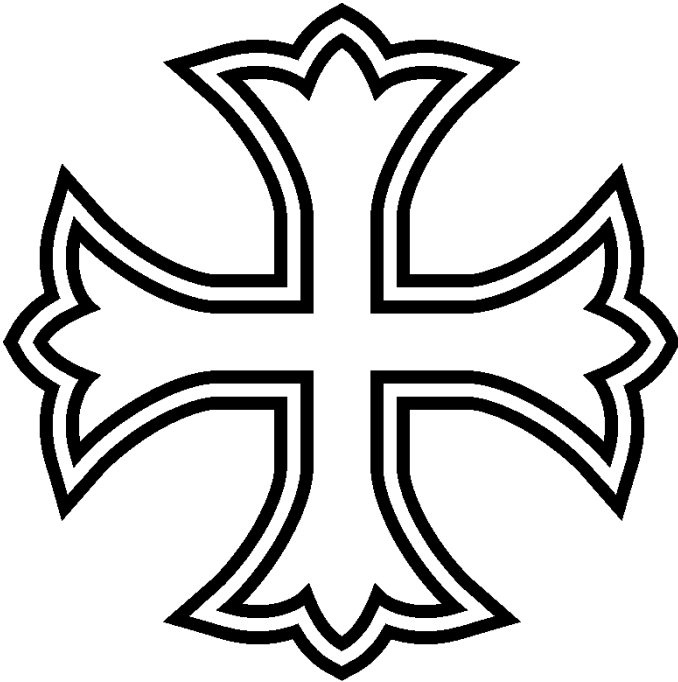


*God's Enduring Love:
A Fall Celebration*



“O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.” – Psalm 136

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Messiah Lutheran Church 1929-2019

Sunday, November 3, 2019, 8:30 & 11 am

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TO OUR GUESTS: WELCOME!

May the God who led you here today refresh you with his grace and peace in Christ Jesus as you spend this hour with us. We're glad you're here.

Some helpful things to know



- ***Let us know that you were here.*** You'll find a visitor's card in the pew rack that you can fill out and either hand to an usher or drop in the offering plate.
- ***Restless children?*** Nursery care is available during the late Sunday morning services. We also have a room where parents can tend to little ones while watching and listening to the service. Ask an usher for directions.
- ***Large print bulletins and personal audio receivers*** are available at Sunday services for any who may find them helpful. Don't hesitate to ask an usher.
- ***May you commune at Messiah?*** Yes, if you're a baptized communicant elsewhere and are able to respond with joyful confidence when Christ invites you to meet him in the sacrament here. As he says of the bread, "This is my body," and of the cup, "This is my blood"; and of both he says, "given and shed for you."
- ***Our communion procedures:*** the sacrament is distributed at the head of the aisle. Come forward as the usher directs. For receiving the wine, two cups are available, one to drink from and a second to dip the host in. Follow your preference. If you choose not to commune but would like even so to receive a blessing, approach the pastor or assisting minister with your arms crossed. For a gluten-free host, quietly ask the pastor.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 3, 8:30 & 11 A.M.

*The congregation is invited to participate at the places marked with **bold** type*

WE PREPARE FOR GOD'S GIFTS...

Music and Quiet

Asking God's Forgiveness

Stand

Joined to Christ Jesus in the waters of Holy Baptism, we are clothed with God's promise of forgiveness and life. Let us put this gift to use and prepare to meet our Lord. We pray.

We give you thanks, O God.

In the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters.

By your Word you created the world.

You called forth life in which you took delight.

Forgive us, merciful Lord.

We have failed to delight you. Our sinful habits injure the world. We neglect your Word and dishonor your Spirit. We fail to thank you as we should, with heart, soul, strength, and mind. Forgive us, merciful Lord.

As water is poured into the font –

We praise you, O God. You delivered Noah and his family through the waters of the flood.

You led Israel through the sea, from slavery to freedom.

To redeem the world, your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

You have made us your children in Christ through Word and water.

Restore us, gracious Father. Fill us in this hour with the power of your Holy Spirit, so that we will sing your praise, trust your Word, receive our Savior

Christ with glad and cheerful hearts, and walk with him by faith through the days which lie ahead.

Restore us, gracious Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

As a pastor of the church and at Christ’s command, I tell you that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Opening Hymn

“For All the Saints,” #422

stanza 2—men only; stanza 5—women only

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Gloria

Assisting minister

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s peo - ple on earth.

All

Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,

we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

GOD'S WORD

Today's Prayer

Let us pray. Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Sit

From the Old Testament

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

¹In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: ²I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, ³and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

¹⁵As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. ¹⁶I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: ¹⁷"As for these four great beasts, four kings shall

arise out of the earth. ¹⁸But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

From the Book of Psalms

149:1-5

Cantor/Choir sings refrain; All sing refrain

Sing the LORD's praise in the as- sem - bly of the faith - ful.

Cantor/Choir sings verses in regular print; All sing verses in bold print

- ¹Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD | a new song,
God's praise in the assembly | of the faithful.
- ²**Let Israel rejoice | in their maker;**
let the children of Zion be joyful | in their ruler.
- ³Let them praise their maker's | name with dancing;
let them sing praise with tambou- | rine and harp.
- ⁴**For the LORD takes pleasure | in the people**
and adorns the | poor with victory.
- ⁵Let the faithful re- | joice in triumph;
let them sing for joy | on their beds. **Refrain**

From a New Testament letter

Ephesians 1:11-23

¹¹In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I

remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Thanking God for the Word of Christ (#441 stanza 1)

Oh, happy day when we shall stand
Amid the heav'nly throng;
And sing with hosts from ev'ry land
The new celestial song, the new celestial song.

From one of the four Gospels

Luke 6:20-31

The Holy Gospel is recorded in the 6th chapter of St. Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁰Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. ²¹"Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

²²"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. ²⁴"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. ²⁵"Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. ²⁶"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

²⁷"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If

anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

God's Word for Today

Pastor Bridger

Stand

Hymn for Today

“For All Your Saints, O Lord,” #427

Offering Our Commitments

Priscilla Hinsch

Offering our Prayers

After each portion of the prayers

Lord in your mercy. . .

. . . **hear our prayer.**

In the last of the prayers we remember members of Messiah who fell asleep in the Lord during the past year. A bell will toll after each name is read. A final bell will conclude the remembrance.

Sharing Christ's Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Greet those around you with these or similar words

Sit

Gathering Gifts

“Jubilance,” Kevin McChesney (8:30)
“Behold a Host Arrayed in White,”
Bradley Ellingboe (11)

Stand

The Gifts are Presented

“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come,”
#693 stanzas 1,4

Come, ye thankful people come;
raise the song of harvest home.
All be safely gathered in
ere the winter storms begin.
God, our maker, doth provide
for our wants to be supplied.
Come to God’s own temple, come,
raise the song of harvest home.

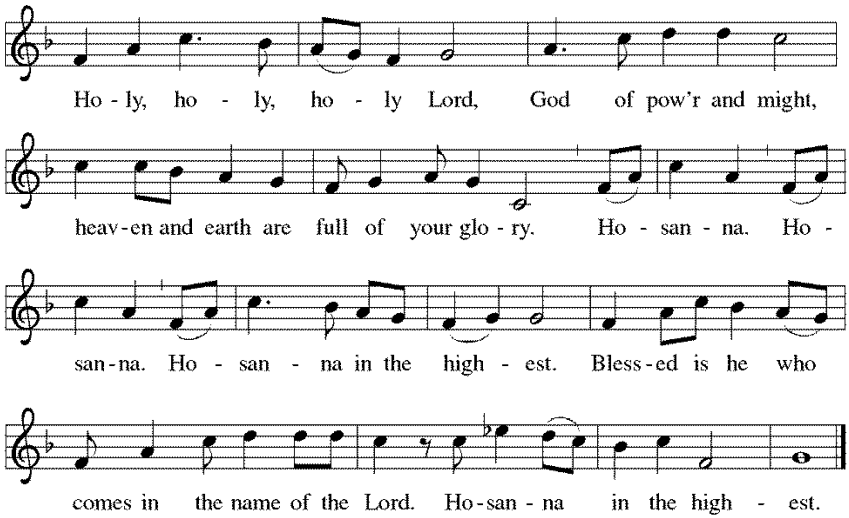
Even so, Lord, quickly come
to thy final harvest home.
Gather then thy people in
free from sorrow, free from sin,
There, forever purified,
in thy garner to abide.
Come with all thine angels, come,
raise the glorious harvest home!

Let us pray. God of mercy and grace,
You adorn our lives with neighbors to love, bread to share, and good news to tell. Help us embrace our work with joy, and use what we have gathered to glorify your holy name, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

CHRIST, OUR FOOD AND DRINK

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy. . .we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

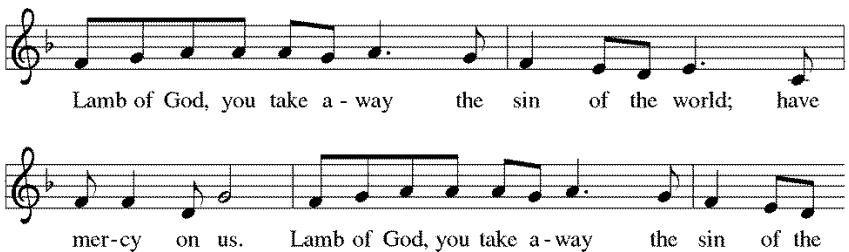
Prayer of Consecration

Blessed are you, O Lord our God. . . now and forever. **Amen.**

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 power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

Sit; To learn how we distribute communion, see the inside cover.

Communion Hymns



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

“Blest Are They”

#728

“Shall We Gather at the River”

#423

Stand

Post Communion Blessing and Prayer

We thank you, Almighty God, for knitting us together in the one body of Jesus Christ, your Son. By the power of the Holy Spirit, fill us with such faith that our thanks will blossom in steadfast service to our neighbors and joyful witness to the world: through the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

ON OUR WAY

A Final Word and Promise

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and for - ever. A - men

A Hymn

“O Day Full of Grace,” #627 stanzas 1, 3, 5

A Mission

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Music as we leave

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90 YEARS OF MEMORIES

"My favorite Messiah memory is the inter-generational mission trip to Joliet in 2014 because it was such a learning experience. I witnessed how it opened the eyes and hearts of the teens and adults that traveled with us, it strengthened my faith, revealed to me how the simplest acts of service can change someone's entire life, created a bond and memories between Messiah members and the Joliet community that I wouldn't otherwise have had an opportunity to experience."

-Mag Donohoe



IN MEMORIAM

<u>Deceased</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>
Holly Krause	04/06/1946	12/31/2018
Virginia Hemsath	04/18/1924	01/18/2019
Jane Hahn	7/7/1937	1/31/2019
Doris Werblak	12/19/1932	02/24/2019
Rita Ruggles	02/04/1932	04/19/2019
William Bound	01/16/1954	04/20/2019
William Manthey	08/24/1927	05/03/2019
Richard Quentmeyer	09/09/1933	05/03/2019
Wilmer Schuett	10/09/1934	05/23/2019
Brenda Schuster	07/26/1947	07/18/2019
Cheryl Kucera	06/30/1962	09/24/2019



SERVING TODAY

Preaching Minister – Pastor Bridger

Presiding Minister – Pastor Burce

Assisting Ministers – Ron Coulter (8:30); Peggy Schauer (11)

Lectors – Amy Roman (8:30); Christopher Peters (11)

Communion Assistants – Eric Anderson, Kate Durnan Carl Herhuth (8:30);
Nancie Smith, Bob Stoddard, Linda Stoddard (11)

Acolytes – Eleanor Schauer, Leah Vandrasik (11)

Joy Ringers (8:30) – Directed by Ruth King

Messiah Choir (11) – Directed by Connie Triplett

Organist – Connie Triplett

Greeters – Kathy & Pat Gallagher (11)

Deacons – Ray Durban, Joe Frantz (8:30); Terrie Leske, Mark Schauer (11)

Ushers – Craig Jernigan, Steve Swanson, Adam Castro (8:30);
Padraig Donohoe, Reilly Kinter, Tyler Seagro, George Skliros (11)

Nursery – Cathy Brewer, Noah Brewer (11)

Altar Guild – Tiffany Advani, Maria Geier

Trustee – Mike Green

IN OUR PRAYERS

- + The church's witness to God's promises in Christ
- + The saints and stewards of our congregation, as we plan our support for the Lord's work at Messiah in 2020
- + Our country's citizens as they vote this coming Tuesday
- + All whose lives have been upended by the fires in California
- + People living under threat of war and violence, or fleeing from it
- + In need of healing: Jim Carlin, Elenor Davis, Jacob Ressler, Jim Schultz
- + All who mourn today

ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN

In remembrance of All the Saints of Messiah
By Rev. & Mrs. Ronald Morgan

Correction to Altar Flowers for October 27: Flowers were given in celebration of the birthdays of Kristen Burns and Kimberly Golden

THIS WEEK'S COMMEMORATIONS

Nov. 7—]JOHN CHRISTIAN FREDERICK HEYER, d. 1873, the first missionary sent by American Lutherans to a foreign country. He served in India from 1842 to 1857 and again from 1869 to 1871.

GOD'S WORD FOR NEXT WEEK

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Job 19:23-27a, Psalm 17:1-9, 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17, Luke 20:27-38
We encourage you to read the lessons as part of your preparation for divine services.

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