

Messiah Memos



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Drawing in to Christ . . . Building up in Christ . . . Sending out for Christ . . .



**December 2023
January 2024**

Worship at Messiah

Saturday

December 2 & 16
January 13 & 27
5:30 pm Saturday Evening
Worship In The Commons

Sunday

8:30 am Holy Communion
9:45 am Education Hour
Adult—Weekly (in-person/zoom)
Sun. School— Dec. 3 & 17, Jan. 21
MYGroup—Dec. 3 & 17, Jan. 21
11 am Holy Communion

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Office Hours

Monday—Friday
8:30 am—4 pm

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Contact Information

Do you need to update your contact information with the church office? Call the office to update your information.

Weekly Memo & Flocknote

Don't receive a Messiah Weekly Memo or texts from Messiah? To be added to our communications email shainsbergen@messiahfp.org

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Holden Evening Prayer

Wednesdays @ 7 pm
December 6, 13, & 20

Christmas Eve Sunday Services

10 am Advent 4
5 pm Family Service
7 pm Holy Communion w/Brass, Carols & Candlelight
9:30 pm Holy Communion w/ Brass, Carols & Candlelight

Christmas Day Festival Eucharist at 10 am

*May all of us make time for the refreshing joy of God's word and promise.
See you at Church!*



CHRISMON MAKE-IT-AND-TAKE-IT RETURNS

Sunday, December 3 @ 9:45 am

Join us for an inter-generational Chrismon-making event held in the Fellowship Hall from for interested Church and School families and friends. Chrismon Project organizer Janice Snyder brings this fun, hands-on Advent project with all materials provided. Get your glitter on!

The word Chrismon is a hybrid of "Christ" and "monogram". Chrismons are used to decorate Christmas trees with symbols representing aspects of Jesus, Christian life, and the Christian promise. As monograms of Christ, they are all made in combinations of gold and white--White is the liturgical color for Christmas and stands for our Lord's purity and perfection. Gold represents His majesty and glory.

IT'S TIME TO ORDER CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS!

The deadline for ordering Christmas poinsettias is Sunday, Dec. 17. The cost continues to be \$10 and you may indicate your purchase in honor of or in memory of a loved one (s). Poinsettias can be taken home after the Christmas Day service.

Given by: _____

In memory (or in honor) of: _____

No. of plants (\$10/ea) _____

Tear off and drop in offering plate, at the church office or email orders to church@messiahfp.org.



HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING

FAMILY NEWS



BAPTISM

Maverick Pierse
11/19/23

DEATHS

Sandy Bennhoff
2/13/1947—10/23/2023

Betty Brewer
3/3/1932—11/7/2023



THANK YOU!

I wish to thank you for your prayers, cards, and meals provided during my recovery from surgery. You have been a great blessing to me. Thank you—God Bless

Bruce Albers

MID-WEEK ADVENT EVENING PRAYER

Wednesday at 7pm December 6, 13, 20

As we prepare to welcome the Christ Child, join us for Advent Evening Prayer on **Wednesdays at 7 pm**. On the evenings of December 6 & 13, we will meet in the sanctuary to sing the Holden setting of Evening Prayer. On Wednesday, December 20, worship will be preceded by Family Night (eat, play, and pray!).

Come, and prepare your hearts!

FAMILY NIGHTS

Wednesday, December 21 & January 18 @ 6 pm

Join us on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6 pm at Messiah to celebrate as one big family. Come together with your friends and family to Eat, Play, and Pray.

Eat... 6 pm dinner is served. Bring a side dish (chips, fruit, veggies, side, etc) to share if you'd like.

Play... 6:30 pm activities begin.

Pray... 6:45 pm story time, followed by a devotion and prayer.

**Family
Nights
DECEMBER**

**Family
Nights
January**

GRIEF GROUP

Friday, December 8 & January 12 @ 10 am

Have you recently experienced a loss? Chaplain Brent Raitz, Director of Spiritual Care & Chaplain at the Cleveland Clinic Fairview Hospital holds a Grief group meeting on the second Friday of each month. This group meets at 10 am in the Commons and is intended for adults who have recently experienced a loss of any kind—loss of a loved one, loss of a job, loss of a pet, all are welcome.



CHRISTMAS GREETING—2023

Dear Messiah people of Joy, Do you enjoy receiving Christmas Cards? Do you enjoy sending Christmas Cards? If yes, there are homebound members of Messiah in need of your care. Call or email the church office, and they will send you a list of 6—7 members who need a loving, hope-filled greeting this Advent/Christmas season. Thank you for considering this ministry.

God's peace and blessings,
Deaconess Ruth

PINTS WITH PASTOR

Wednesday, January 10 @ 7 pm

Join Pastor Seth on Wednesday, January 10 at 7 pm across the street from Messiah at Gunselman's. This is an informal opportunity to connect with others within the Messiah community and fellowship together.



LAUNDRY LOVE NOW SERVING TWO MISSION SITES!

Laundry Love is not a service project or something you do "to" or "for" people. It's an expression of loving your neighbor. Messiah provides the community with clean laundry free of charge, a wonderful meal, and the opportunity to meet some new friends.



Thursday, **December 28** from 6-8 pm at Leo's
Thursday, **January 25** from 6-8 pm at Leo's

Saturday, **January 13** from 12—2pm at The Wash House

If this ministry resonates with you & you'd like to know more, please contact Janice Snyder at jsnyder@messiahfp.org



**Messiah
Lutheran
School**

CHRISTMAS WREATH FUNDRAISER

As the holiday season approaches, consider buying your beautiful wreaths and decorations through Messiah School's fundraiser. Fifteen percent of your purchase supports Messiah School's PTL which sponsors activities, trips, and more for students. Items are delivered directly to shoppers. Please share this link with family and friends! **Order by December 10.**

www.lynychcreekfundraising.com/c/301298 Not interested in shopping? You can still make a direct donation on the website, and 100% of donations go directly to the school. Thanks for your support!

TURN YOUR \$20 DONATION INTO \$250!

Thrivent Financial (a Christian financial organization) grants \$250 gifts to projects related to education, service, and giving. You can apply for a grant to support a child's classroom or school each year. The first step is to apply for a membership for only \$20. Messiah's students have benefited from thousands of dollars worth of Thrivent grants. You can sponsor a class's next field trip, project, guest speaker, library, and more! Apply for your membership today at Thrivent.com.

MAKE IT AND TAKE IT CHRISMON CRAFT, DECEMBER 3

School families and Church members are invited to our annual inter-generational Chrismon-making event held in the Fellowship Hall from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. This is a fun, hands-on Advent project to make Christmas ornaments from symbols representing aspects of Jesus, Christian life, and the Christian promise. All materials will be provided. Come get your glitter on!

CHRISTMAS CONCERT, DECEMBER 12

Mark your calendar for Messiah School's Christmas Concert! K-8 students will perform in the sanctuary on Tuesday, December 12, at 6:30 p.m. Students report at 6:15. More information about dress, parking, and more is on the flyer in students' take-home folders.

CHRISTMAS VACATION

Our School Break is from December 22 until January 7, 2024.

LUTHERAN SCHOOL WEEK OPEN HOUSE, JANUARY 21, 1—3 PM

A new calendar year means that Messiah School is excitedly preparing to welcome families to a new school year in 2024-2025. On Sunday, January 21 from 1-3 pm, we will host our annual All-School Open House. Our trained Student Ambassadors from grades 4/5 and Middle School are enthusiastic and knowledgeable tour guides. When a friendly, articulate Messiah student tells a visiting family, "This is what I love about our school..." it speaks volumes! Talk to our students, meet our staff, tour our campus, take an "inside look" into our Messiah School ministry, and ask LOTS of questions. Call 440-331-6553 to RSVP. You can also schedule a personalized tour and consultation at your convenience by emailing Admissions Coordinator Janice Snyder at jsnyder@messiahfp.org

SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE



We are halfway through the Sunday School year! We have been seriously blessed this year so far. This year we are learning about All God's Creatures, and how their uniqueness can teach us about kindness, empowerment, diversity, and strength through Christ! Opening with a devotion we then do a craft, followed by story-time and we always end with coloring/activity sheets. We have new and returning students. **All kiddos from Pre-K—Grade 4 are encouraged to attend from 9:45—10:45 am on the first and third Sunday of each month.** Calendars are available outside the church office or snap a picture of the one hanging up outside the Sunday School Room. Thank you to those who have volunteered to help, and if you are interested in helping, please reach out to Allison K. Younger-Waugaman 440-525-3350. Check out some of the highlights so far!



EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Preschool—Grade 4

Sunday School, for Preschool thru grade 4 students, is offered on the first and third Sunday of each month from 9:45-10:45 am. Sunday School meets in the Sunday School room on the same floor as the Sanctuary across from the bathrooms. Questions? Email allisonkyounger@gmail.com

Upcoming Dates:
December 3 & 17
January 21



HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

The Messiah Youth group, MYGroup, meets most first and third Sundays of each month during education hour at 9:45—10:45 am.

Upcoming dates are:
December 3 & 17
January 21

Email ahenderson@messiahfp.org for more information.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

In-Person & Via Zoom

Join Pastor Seth for a Bible Study from the Letter to the Colossians. Meet Wednesdays at 10 am. We will be using the following resource for this course: *The Mighty and the Mysterious: A Study of Colossians* by *Heidi Goehmann*.

The class is taught as a hybrid class (In Person each week in the Commons at Messiah or participate via Zoom). Meet on **December 6, 13, & 20 and January 10, 17, 24, & 31.**

Meeting ID: 864 8011 0615 **Passcode:** 890748

ADULT AND CHILDREN DEVOTIONALS

Advent begins Sunday, December 3. You can pick up adult, family and children's devotionals outside the church office.



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CONFIRMATION CORNER

Confirmation is an essential part of the faith formation of young people as they grow in Christ and mature as Christians. The Confirmation ministry at Messiah begins in grade 5 with First Communion Instruction and continues through grade 8. Confirmation class meets on the first floor of Messiah's Middle School building.

CONFIRMATION CLASS SCHEDULE

December 6, 13, 20 Wednesday evening during the season of Advent at **7—8:15 pm**. Course topic is "Advent 101: What is this season called Advent?"

Questions? Pastor Seth can be reached by email sbridger@messiahfp.org or by phone 440-331-2405

THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

The Thursday Night Bible Study meets via Zoom on Thursdays at 8 pm. It's a great way to connect with others and to study scripture together.

During Bible Study, we study one of the scripture passages for the upcoming weekend. Meet on **December 7 & 14, and January 11, 18, & 25.**

Meeting ID: 818 2419 9752 **Passcode:** 851330

WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP

Doughnuts are available on the first Sunday of each month and coffee is available each week in the Fellowship Hall during the Education Hour.

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT EDUCATION

In-between worship services on Sundays at 9:45am the Education and Enrichment Committee hosts Adult Education Hour. Join in-person or via zoom as each week offers different topics and speakers. Topics in December and January include:

- 12/3: Chrismon Make-It and Take-It—Janice Snyder
- 12/10: "How to read Revelation (and how not to)" - Ron Coulter
- 12/17: Christmas Music Comparisons—Jared Waugaman
- 1/7 & 1/14: How to read Revelation (and how not to) - Ron Coulter
- 1/28: Stories Behind Hymns—Deb Zudell—Dickey



**ADULT
EDUCATION
PROGRAMS**

Join via Zoom at mfp.fyi/AdultEduHour

Meeting ID: 893 7113 2137 **Password:** 200357

CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE

Saints of Messiah,

At the time of writing this (November) we are heading into the interview stage of our call process. **We reiterate that we cannot comment on any candidates or the nitty gritty details of the process we are currently in.** We will continue to interview into December/January. We promise to keep you updated at the end of the month, in real time. If you find yourself struggling with the length of this process I encourage you to look to *John 12:26: "But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you."* The committee came across this verse during a devotion entitled "Is This The Right Decision?" and it relied on three key points: *Knowledge* is wisdom that comes from acquiring truth, *Insight* is wisdom that comes from living out the truth we acquire, *Discernment* is wisdom that comes from the Holy Spirit's reminders of that knowledge and insight. May you rely on the fact that we as a Call Committee are being guided by the Holy Spirit as we navigate this lengthy process. Our continued prayers are requested, thank you for lifting us up thus far.

In Christ,

Allison K. Younger—Waugaman

On behalf of the Call Committee

MEET THE NEW MEMBERS OF CHURCH COUNCIL

Jerry Biacsi—My wife and I joined Messiah roughly 20 years ago and have brought up our two children Anna (15) and Matthew (13) in the church. Currently, a Finance Director at the Cleveland Clinic. Outside of spending time with family, enjoy the outdoors, biking, kayaking, and walking our dogs.

Amy Hunger—A 2002 Miami University (Ohio) graduate and lives with her husband Mark, dog Rosie and cats Maxwell and Samuel. Grew up in Elyria and currently lives in Cleveland. For the last 15 years has worked at NCS in Highland Heights, Ohio and is currently working there as a Secured Services Lead.

Tom Ratvasky—Member at Messiah Lutheran Church for about 40 years and a graduate of Messiah Lutheran School and Lutheran West. Married to Sharon and father to Emily, Sophie, and Sam. A NASA engineer specializing in aircraft icing and aviation safety. Favorite things to do are watching good movies/shows, breaking bread with family and friends, and lending a helping hand when able.

Martha Ressler—Member of Messiah for over 30 years. My husband and children both attended Messiah School as well. Have served on both Church Council and School Board in the past. Teach Kindergarten at St. Thomas Lutheran School in Rocky River.

Robert Trapp—Member of Messiah for over 35 years. Currently, serving on the Board of Deacons for now over 20 years. Previously, served on two Messiah School Principal Search Committees, Pastoral Call Committee, and co-taught Confirmation and Sunday School classes for seven years. Work experience includes public high school administrator (22 years), public school teacher (10 years), County Board of Developmental Disabilities Administrator (9 years), Ohio High School Athletic Association Track and Cross-Country Official (18 years). Married for 43 years with two wonderful adult children and 2 wonderful grandchildren. Hobbies include weight training, general fitness, RV travel, Track and Cross-Country Officiating, and sports.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.—John 15: 16—17

For over 90 years, Messiah has been blessed with God's Great Generosity to share our faith in Christ Jesus with one another. Pastors, staff members, lay leaders, educators, musicians, worshipers and volunteers have all shared their time and talents in **our mission of Drawing into Christ, Building up in Christ, Sending out for Christ.** Today, we go and bear the fruit that will be given and returned tenfold through God's Great Generosity for the saving grace of Jesus Christ's life, death and resurrection. 90 years from now, Messiah members and our community will look on us for that generosity and give thanks for our faith and our time and talents to this continuing ministry.

You can return or mail in your pledge cards to Messiah's Church Office. Fill out your pledge online by visiting mfp.fyi/2023Giving. Call the office with any questions.

LUTHERAN SCHOLARSHIP GRANTING ORGANIZATIONS OF OHIO

This month we are kicking off the 2023/24 appeal for donations to the Lutheran Scholarship Granting Organization of Ohio (LGSOO).

The purpose of the LGSOO is to raise scholarship dollars for students to attend Lutheran schools throughout Ohio. Donors can designate Messiah Lutheran School to receive 100% of the gift or split it between other participating schools in the group. Scholarships are prioritized for students of low-income households and are granted at the beginning of each school year.

Last year was the first time this opportunity was available to Ohio taxpayers. We would like to thank the 43 people that gave a total of \$31,875 to the 2022/23 LGSOO for the benefit of Messiah Lutheran School.

Donations to the LGSOO are a triple win:

A **WIN** for Students and Families by making private Lutheran education a reality through an additional stream of scholarship dollars.

A **WIN** for Lutheran schools by allowing them to offer more tuition assistance to families who want to provide their children quality Christian education.

A **WIN** for you as an Ohio taxpayer because you receive an Ohio income tax credit for your donation dollar-for-dollar up to \$750 per person or \$1,500 if married filing jointly.

Our goal is to raise \$50,000 between now and December 31, 2023 (the deadline for the 2023 Tax Credit). Please prayerfully consider donating by check using an envelope on the table outside of our Church office or online at CLHSA.org/LSGODonate. Any questions can be directed to either Jay Machado (jaymachado@gmail.com) or Helen Casselberry (hcasselberry@messiahfp.org)

WAYS TO GIVE

YOU CAN HELP OUR NEIGHBORS FIGHT FOOD INSECURITY

Our Little Free Pantry is part of Messiah's Laundry Love PLUS efforts to fight food insecurity in Fairview Park.

BEST WINTER GIFTS FOR MESSIAH'S LITTLE FREE PANTRY INCLUDE:

- Mac & Cheese that is already prepared
- Tuna, canned meat, spam
- Canned foods with pop-tops (soups, stew, chili, pasta, vegetables)
- Cake mix & frosting
- Small bags of sugar and flour
- Cartons of broth (chicken, beef, vegetable)
- Small bottles of cooking oil
- Soft baked breakfast bars and/or cereal
- Hot chocolate packets
- Peanut butter/jelly
- Holiday cookies
- Teabags or coffee
- Dishwashing detergent
- Feminine hygiene products



Donations can be left in the shopping carts in the area by the church elevator during business/worship hours. Thank you in advance for your generosity! For more information, contact Janice Snyder at jsnyder@messiahfp.org

GIVE THE GIFT OF WARMTH TO OUR LAUNDRY LOVE GUESTS

Laundry Love Messiah is looking for donations of new or gently worn hats, gloves, and scarves in both children's and adult sizes to give to our guests at Leo's Laundromat and The Wash House.

Many of our guests take the bus or walk to the laundromat in all weather. At our Fairview Park event, we serve a few toddlers, plus several elementary school kids who attend with their parents. Our adult attendance at Leo's averages 50-70 people. Our Care Team is seeking 20 scarves, 30 hats, and 10-20 pairs of gloves/mittens for the Fairview Park site. Men's gloves are especially welcome. Lots of our guests take the bus & walk to the store in all weather.

Our new Wash House Pop-up event serves mostly blue-collar adults who work during the week and do their laundry on Saturdays. We would love to have a selection of cold-weather items to share with our new friends as well.

Please leave any donations on the pew in the hall outside the Messiah School Admission's office on the lower level by the Preschool room.

Thank you heaps & loads,
Janice Snyder, Laundry Love Care Team Leader



SHROVE FEST—SAVE THE DATE

Save The Date

February 13 2024

Shrove Fest



Save The Date for the big day! **ShroveFest 2024 is happening on February 13.** Look out for more information including how to volunteer in the weekly online memos!

A successful ShroveFest requires lots of volunteers and the work begins before the big event. Join us on **January 21 beginning at noon for Cabbage Roll Making** down in the Fellowship Hall. On this day we will have people in the kitchen preparing the stuffed cabbage rolls, and then a group outside smoking the pork. **ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME.** If you have never rolled a cabbage before or been around a smoker, never fear! There are hands on deck to teach you, and to have fun

while doing it. Join us again on **February 11 from 12—3pm.** We will be **preparing the strudel** in the afternoon for the Tuesday's event. **ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME.** If you have never picked up a strudel pan, never fear!

Any questions direct them to Allison K. Younger—Waugaman
440-525-3350 or email allisonkyounger@gmail.com

Shrove Fest

Cabbage Roll Making January 21st

Strudel Making February 11th

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EMPLOYER MATCHING GIFTS

Contributed \$15,000 to Messiah in 2023

Many companies offer matching gift programs to educational institutions and non-profit charitable organizations. Messiah Lutheran Church and School qualifies as one of these organizations. We have been blessed to receive matching gifts over the years from the Benevity Impact Fund, Google, Key Bank, Lubrizol, PNC, Progressive Insurance, Schwab Charitable Fund, The Sherwin Williams Foundation, Thrivent Financial and more. Check with your Human Resources Department if this benefit is available to you. Don't miss out. This is the easiest matching gift program available. Questions? Contact Darlene Waugh, 440-331-2405.

ARE YOU A THRIVENT MEMBER?

Direct Your 2023 Thrivent Choice Dollars to
Messiah Church & School

If you are a Thrivent member you may have Choice Dollars to direct to Messiah Church & School. Choice Dollars are free to members and provide an opportunity to give back to a charitable organization. It's a gift that costs you absolutely nothing. Messiah is registered as one of the many charities in this program. Log into your Thrivent account or call **(800) 847-4836**. This is free money for Messiah Church & School and is likely already sitting in your account waiting to be donated. If you need additional help, call Darlene Waugh at 440-331-2405.

ANOTHER WAY TO GIVE TO MESSIAH AT YEAR-END

- Do you own an IRA investment?
- Are you age 72 or older?
- Do you need to make a distribution this year?
- Do you know you can make a required minimum tax-free donation to Messiah from your IRA?

As you think about your year-end donations, please consider directing your IRA distribution to Messiah Lutheran Church and School as another way of giving. Contact your investment officer to discuss this possibility. Thank you.

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* **Give Online** at messiahfairview.org; look for the "Donation" tab.

* **Text Donations** to 855-913-1744 with the amount you would like to contribute (make sure to include the \$ before the amount)

* **Mail:** Send a check via mail to
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JANUARY 2024

| Sun. | Mon. | Tues. | Wed. | Thurs. | Fri. | Sat. |
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| Messiah School—Christmas Break | | | | | | |
| New Year's Eve 10a Holy Communion | New Year's Day Church Office Closed | | | 7p Choir Rehearsal | | |
| 7 8:30a Holy Communion 9:45a Education Hour (Adult Ed) 11a Holy Communion | 8 7p Church Council Meeting | 9 | 10 9a School Chapel 10a Bible Study 7p Pints With Pastor | 11 7p Choir Rehearsal 8p Bible Study—Via Zoom | 12 10a Grief Group | 13 12p Laundry Love—The Wash House & Café 5:30p Saturday Evening Worship In The Commons |
| 14 8:30a Holy Communion 9:45a Education Hour (Adult Ed.) 11a Holy Communion | 15 MLK Day Church & School Offices Closed | 16 | 17 9a School Chapel 10a Bible Study 6p Family Night | 18 7p Choir Rehearsal 8p Bible Study—Via Zoom | 19 | 20 |
| 21 8:30a Holy Communion 9:45a Education Hour (Adult Ed, Sunday School, MYGroup) 11a Holy Communion 12p Cabbage Roll Making 1p Messiah School Open House | 22 7p Joy Ringers 7p Trustees Meeting | 23 | 24 9a School Chapel 10a Bible Study | 25 6p Laundry Love—Leo's 7p Choir Rehearsal 8p Bible Study—Via Zoom | 26 | 27 5:30p Saturday Evening Worship In The Commons |
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