

Messiah Weekly Memos

January 13, 2022



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This Week at Messiah

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God's Word for This Coming Sunday

Isaiah 62: 1-5

Psalms 36: 5-10

1 Corinthians 12: 1-11

John 2: 1-11

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For a children's bulletin

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Weekend Service Times

* Masks optional *

Saturdays

There will be **NO** Saturday Services in January

Sundays

8:30 am - in person & online
11 am - in person

9:45 am - Family Service (1/23)
** Masks are Required**

For online services, [CLICK HERE](#)

* An audio recording of the worship service is available through any phone by calling 440-276-4450. You can listen anytime with no charge. Ideal for people without a computer or internet access.

Our 8:30 am Sunday Service is live streamed online. You can watch the service live or at your convenience.
Watch Online [HERE](#)

* Continue scrolling for more information

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December/January Monthly Memo, [CLICK HERE](#)

Pandemic Precautions

We thank God that COVID infection rates have gone down in Cuyahoga County in the weeks after Christmas. They are still high, however. The CDC continues to urge people in our area to wear masks in public gatherings. Let's keep encouraging each other to do the same when we come to church on Sundays. So too with other precautions—social distancing, no handshakes or hugs, wiping down pews at the end of each service.

Shining with Hope as We Gather Commitments

As the New Year dawns, we continue to invite commitments to the Lord's work at Messiah in 2022.

Thanks be to God for the many commitments we've received so far this month. We thank him all the more for the faith and generosity the Holy Spirit continues to nurture at Messiah.

Haven't made a commitment yet? You can do it by clicking [HERE](#). God be praised for you too!

New Pictorial Directory for Messiah

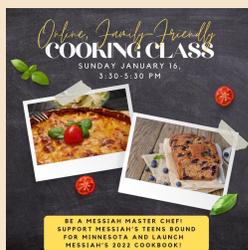
We are beginning to plan for a new Pictorial Directory for Messiah. Our last directory was published in 2014. Before we continue with our plans, we need your help. Please answer this simple question, [HERE](#). We appreciate your response.

In order for these directories to be financially successful, we need to engage an outside company to take the photos and for families to purchase their desired photo packages. Yes, it is possible for some families to submit an electronic photo.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl ministry needs help! There are 3 people actively crocheting, but we are in need of a couple more willing hands! We only have 4 Baptismal blankets and 3 adult Prayer Shawls at the ready.

Interested? Contact Pam Sugrue at 216-513-4997 and she will give you more details. We do have yarn available at the church, so all we need are willing hands!



Family Friend Cooking Class Sun, January 16; 3:30 - 5:30 pm

Calling all Master Chefs and fans! You are invited to launch Messiah's 2022 Cookbook with a family-friendly Cooking Class on Sunday, January 16, from 3:30-5:30 pm.

This free event will be hosted by Messiah's teens and adults bound for the 2022 National Youth Gathering in Minnesota, and several Messiah home chefs!

During the event you will be invited to cook along with the presenters, share recipes and kitchen trivia, learn about the 2022 Gathering and ways to support our teens, and pre-register for a limited edition cookbook! Children 12 and younger may participate with the help of an on-camera adult. Upon registration you will receive a shopping list and the event's Zoom link. To register, email: pastorshelleynb@gmail.com.

Dine-to-Donate at Applebee's

Come get a great meal, support a local business and help the Messiah Youth Group get to the ELCA Youth Gathering! Applebee's will donate 15% of your order back to Messiah's Youth attending the ELCA Gathering.

**Monday, January 31
11 am - close**
20705 Center Ridge Rd
Fairview Park, OH 44126

[CLICK HERE](#) for the Dine-to-Donate flier.

Sunday Morning Education Hour 9:45 - 10:40am, In the Commons

Pr. Burce continues to reflect on some key insights into the Word of God and the Christian faith that he's tumbled to over the past 40+ years.

This week's topics—

Confirmation Zoom Class

**6th & 7th Grade
February 6 @ 6 pm**

The monthly 6th and 7th graders will meet at 6 pm via Zoom. Please sign up for the Zoom class, [HERE](#). The 6th and 7th graders will meet once a month on the 1st Sunday of each month, via Zoom, until it is possible for all to

"Faith, Doctrine, and the Big Bible Fight"

meet in person.

In the Messiah Commons, 9:45 to 10:45 am
Available also via Zoom.

[Click here](#) to join and participate by Zoom.

Meeting ID: 857 0546 1086

Passcode: XRv9sG

8th Grade

January 16 @ 6 pm

The 8th graders will meet once a month on the 3rd Sunday of each month, at 6 pm via Zoom, until it is possible for all to meet in person. Please sign up for the Zoom class [HERE](#).



Epiphany Star Word for 2022

Each year for the past several years, the people of Messiah have been invited to select a "Star Word" to help guide them in the year ahead. This is done in the spirit of the Magi following the Star to visit the Christ child in Bethlehem. For the year of 2022, one word has been prayerfully selected. The "Star Word" for 2022 is FAITH.

"FAITH" stars can be picked up outside the Church office or you can make your own "FAITH" star on your own. The entire congregation is encouraged to place your Star in a visible place - like on a bathroom mirror, on the refrigerator, in your vehicle, or in your purse or wallet. Place the Star somewhere where you will see it often. By following the "FAITH" star this year, the Messiah community will be strengthened and connected in following Christ.

Transition Team Update

The transition team meets this evening to finalize a survey that will be sent to the congregation in the coming weeks. The team is also preparing for focus groups. Look for more information. Team members include Joe Roman, Sharon Ratvasky, Mike Waugh, Mike Allan, and Janelle Stamper.

Offering Envelopes

Your 2022 offering envelopes are available for pick up outside our church offices. Please notify the church office if you do not see your name. Also notify us if you are giving online and prefer to not receive boxed envelopes in the future.

Giving

Thank you for your continued, steadfast donations to Messiah. Your support is greatly appreciated. You may mail checks, give online or text to give.

- **Mail:** Messiah Lutheran Church (21485 Lorain Rd, Fairview Park, OH 44126)
- **Text:** 855-913-1744
- **Online:** [CLICK HERE](#)

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.

Members of our Care Team restock the box throughout each week, at an average cost of \$50 worth of groceries each time. Contributions are always welcome!



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

· Knit hats/gloves or socks

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

Online Giving & Text to Give

Thank you for faithfully giving to Messiah Lutheran Church.
You can make a donation online by visiting messiahfairview.org.

Or, simply text your donation amount to **855-913-1744**
It takes 30 seconds to register and 10 seconds to type a donation.

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