

## News & Announcements

Sunday, February 25, 2024

### This Week at Messiah

Sunday 2/25	8:30 am 9:45 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm	Holy Communion Edu. Hour (Adult Ed) Holy Communion Open Ceramic Studio
Monday 2/26	7:00 pm	Joy Ringers
Wednesday 2/28	9:00 am 5:30 pm 7:00 pm	School Chapel Soup Suppers Lenten Evening Service
Thursday 2/29	6:00 pm 7:00 pm 8:00 pm	Laundry Love—Leo's Laundromat Choir Rehearsal Bible Study Via Zoom
Sunday 3/3	8:30 am 9:45 am 11:00 am	Holy Communion Edu. Hour (Adult Ed, Sunday School, MYGroup) Holy Communion

### Pizza, Family, Friends, & FUN! Friday March 8, 2024 @ 5:30 pm

Open gym activity night sponsored by Messiah Youth Group. Enjoy pizza, family, friends and tons of fun! Families and friends of all ages are welcome to come support our high schoolers bound for the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans!

Come enjoy pizza, a G-rated movie, Open Gym, games, face painting and more!

**When:** Friday, March 8 5:30-8 pm

**What:** Family fun with structured kids' activities, open gym and movie!

**What to bring:** Your whole family, parents will need to accompany their children

**Food:** Concessions complete with pizza, snacks, beverages, and baked goods will be available for sale (All proceeds will fund this trip to New Orleans!)

**Where:** Fellowship Hall, Commons and Gym

### Palm Sunday Bake Sale & Breakfast March 23 & 24, 2024

Enjoy a gourmet Palm Sunday on March 24 with breakfast featuring frittatas, Ohio sausage links, pancakes, and more. While you dine, visit our Spring Bake Sale and Spring Gift Basket raffle. The sale is sponsored by Messiah's Youth Group.

Planning to worship Saturday night? We will be there too with a pre-sale. Plan to pick-up a baked good, treat or raffle ticket(s) for Spring Gift Baskets.

Proceeds benefit our teens headed to New Orleans this July. For questions, reach out to NOLA Trip Coordinator, Pastor Shelley, (513) 635-7594



### Grief Group

Friday, March 8 at 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 Friday, March 8. 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.

### 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



ADULT  
EDUCATION  
PROGRAMS

### Adult Education Hour

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

**2/25—3/17:** "Musings on Mark"  
Chris Neumann

### Meeting ID via Zoom:

893 7113 2137

**Passcode:** 200357



### Open Ceramics Studio Last Day! 12-2 pm

Sunday Open Ceramic Studio open for the last weekend! Mrs. Roman is ready to help finish projects that have been started in previous weeks—**no new clay projects will be started.** Thank you for the wonderful sessions. Come to the art room on Sunday from noon to 2 pm. There will be hot cocoa available, drink it out of your new creation! Come as you can, leave when you must. Children grade 4 and younger must be accompanied by an adult.

**THANK YOU MRS. ROMAN!!!**

Questions about the call process email [messiahfpcall@gmail.com](mailto:messiahfpcall@gmail.com)

## Lutheran Scholarship Granting Organization of Ohio Deadline Extended!

Good news! It's not too late to contribute to the LSGO for 2023. Thank you to the 49 families who have already supported this mission. Recent legislation passed that allows a taxpayer to make the contribution up until the date you file your Ohio Tax return or the return due date.



If you have not already contributed for 2023 and have not yet filed your Ohio taxes, please consider doing so. Donation limits are \$750 for individuals and \$1,500 for married couples filing jointly.

The LSGOO purpose is to raise scholarship dollars for students to attend Lutheran schools throughout Ohio. That LSGOO makes it possible for Ohioans to contribute funds to be allocated to Messiah Lutheran School. Donors qualify to receive a non-refundable tax credit for their donation, which will be applied to their Ohio income tax liability, up to \$750 (or \$1,500 if married filing jointly).

Donation to the LSGOO on behalf of Messiah Lutheran School are accepted year-round. Please visit [www.clhsa.org/LSGO](http://www.clhsa.org/LSGO) for more information and to donate.

### Frequently Asked Question: I do not have school age children. Can I still participate in and benefit from this program?

**Answer:** Yes you can! Donations from any Ohio taxpayer will be beneficial to the donor as long as you owe income tax to the state.

### Can I direct my donation to the school(s) of my choice?

**Answer:** Absolutely! As long as the school(s) are a participant with LSGO of Ohio (Messiah is), you can designate your gift to one or more schools. The funds will be placed into an account for distributions as scholarships to families at the school(s) you select.

### Special Collection of Paper Products for the Fairview Park Hunger Center

**Beginning this weekend, February 24 & 25, we will be collecting paper products** (paper towels & toilet paper) to help stock the shelves of the Fairview Park Hunger Center. Messiah is a generous community and look forward to taking up this special collection of paper towels and toilet paper in support of the local community. Paper Towels and Toilet Paper **donations can be placed in the Church Office area beginning this weekend.**

### Laundry Love!

**Date:** Thursday, Feb. 29

**Time:** 6–8 pm

**Where:** Leo's Laundromat (20210 Lorain Rd.)

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



### Midweek Service & Soup Supper

Wednesdays at 5:30 pm  
February 28—March 20

Join us for the next four Wednesdays during Lent at 5:30 pm to enjoy a relaxing social hour in the Fellowship Hall and a hot supper with a bowl of soup, bread, a beverage, and dessert. Soup Supper precedes the 7 pm Lenten worship service on February 28, March 6, 13, & 20. **Come March 20 as Messiah hosts Family Night during Soup Supper.** Everyone is invited to bring soup, bread, or dessert to share.

### Pick Up Frozen Cabbage Rolls \$13 Per Pack

Hungry for more? There are very limited quantities of frozen 4-packs for sale. If you are interested in reserving yours, please contact the Church Office.

### Meal Train For New Parents

Church members Marielle Collins and Kyle Gooderham welcomed their new baby, Rhone, into their family in November. Their immediate family are all out of state. The Church is setting up a meal train to help them as they juggle new parenthood! They live on Coffinberry in Fairview Park. If you would like to volunteer to help this new family visit [mfp.fyi/MealTrain](http://mfp.fyi/MealTrain) to sign up.

### New Fairview Park Hunger Center Director Visiting Messiah

Sara Jovanovic is the new Director of the Fairview Park Hunger Center, and Sara is joining us for worship this Sunday, February 25 at both worship services at 8:30 & 11 am. The Fairview Park Hunger Center was begun by the Churches of Fairview Park in the 1990's and instrumental in the early days were Dorothy Raum and Pastor Thielo of Messiah. We are delighted Sara is now leading the mission of the Hunger Center and look forward to her visit.

The Fairview Park Hunger center began as a cooperative effort of the Fairview Park Churches to direct community resources to those in need. Fairview Park residents who qualify as well as those specifically referred by one of our local Churches are eligible to receive assistance. The center operates with the support of food and cash donations from local organizations and individuals. Food donations may also be left at the Gemini Center or the Fairview Park Senior Center. Contact the Hunger Center at (216) 780-0722.

**The FPHC is housed at New Hope Church (22960 Lorain Rd, Fairview Park) and their dedicated entry door is in the NW corner of the lot.**

**The Hunger Center hours are: Tuesdays 1-3 pm & 5-7 pm and Fridays 1-3 pm**

### The Little Mermaid Donations Needed

The Messiah Drama Club students are working hard rehearsing for their next production, The Little Mermaid. They are looking for donations to use. Please email Allyson Bolyard at [abolyard@messiahfp.org](mailto:abolyard@messiahfp.org).