

Messiah Lutheran Church

Christ Lutheran Academy

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VISITORS WELCOME! – A special welcome to any visitors and guests who are with us today. Please introduce yourself to the pastor after the service, and we pray that you will hear and receive the Word of God with joy in our midst.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: During the offering we ask that you sign the friendship register located at the center aisle of each pew. <u>Please hand the filled in sheet to the usher as you exit. Let the usher know if you don't have a pad in your pew.</u>



OUR COMMUNION PRACTICE: In the fullness of time, the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth. Until the end of time, His grace is still given to us as He promised it in the Lord's Supper. As we receive His gift today, we would ask *guests* who desire to commune to speak with the pastor *before* the service. In joyful obedience to the teaching of Scripture, we practice closed communion.

PRAYER FOR RIGHT RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION: O Lord,

our God, in the name of whose only-begotten Son we have been called to be Christians and have been blest with Baptism for the remission of sins, make us, we pray, ready to receive the most holy body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of all our sins and to give thanks with grateful hearts to you, O Father, to your Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FLOWERS: The flowers on the altar are provided by Jerry and Kris Kochman in honor of their anniversary. (Last week's weeks flowers were provided by the Rusch family in memory of Vinita Matthaidess. I apologize for the typo.)

VACANCY: Pastor Spahn is our new vacancy pastor. He will have office hours on most Thursdays. For an emergency please contact an elder or call directly to Pastor's cell phone: 847-224-9524.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Gideon's amazing victory over the enemies of God's people recorded in Judges 6–7 was the subject of today's Sunday School lesson. Christ, the light of the world, overcomes the darkness of sin, death, and the devil, even as God overcame Israel's enemy while the light streamed from the lamps of Gideon's men. *Discuss with your children, "What do you think was the most amazing part of Gideon's victory? Why is it important that Jesus won the victory over sin and death?"*

CHURCH RECORDS: Please take a look at the church records that are in the fellowship hall and feel free to add and/or revise as needed. I know there are families missing from our records. When you have time, please look for past friends and family that are no longer members here to help complete the church records. Thank you!

MIDWEEK CATECHESIS: Parents, would you like your child to participate in Catechism classes at Lamb of God this year? Classes will be held on Wednesdays from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. at Lamb of God, 8411 Old Green Bay Road, beginning on Wed., October 31. Please contact the church office at 697-1701, or call Christa Hegland at 657-4322 to register your children. Classes are available weekly for Grades 1 - 12, and for Pre-School and Kindergarten on the first Wednesday of the month. We need to know how many children to expect, as well as allergy information. There is no cost to you. If you have any questions, please use the phone numbers listed above to leave a message, and we will answer you as quickly as possible.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: The annual Sausage Dinner hosted by Christ Lutheran Academy has been scheduled for Friday, October 26th. The event will be held from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at Messiah. Donation requests and volunteer opportunities are posted in the fellowship hall. Dust off your lederhosen and Halloween costumes and come join the fun!

LWML RETREAT: LWML is hosting the 25th Annual LWML Young Women's Retreat Feb. 1 & 2, 2013. Please see the bulletin board in front of the secretary's office for more information.

ARE YOU A FAN OF C.S. LEWIS' NARNIA BOOKS? If so, Spotlight Youth Theater has just the musical for you! "Narnia: The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe" will be presented on November 2nd through November 4th at Reuther High School. Show times and ticket prices can be found on the poster advertisement on the CLA announcement bulletin board. Hope to see you there!

CONGRATULATIONS: Congratulations to Ted and Monica Scholz as they became grandparents on Saturday, Oct. 6th to Makenzie Hart! Congratulations to Ted and Katie as well!

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Benediction.....

In Our Prayers

- For all the children and Christ Lutheran Academy Staff: Debi Tauschek (Headmaster), Karen Moe, Ruth Mallman, Stephanie Zuehls, Kris Grenyo, & Christa Hegland.
- Exor Padro, Joshua Jacobs, Ted & Katie Hart, Allen Weber, and Lynn Christensen, our members and family members who serve in the armed forces.
- Shut-Ins: Elsie Rintamaki, Arby Tobalsky, Marlene Jeschke, Lillian Sciortino, and Crystal Stoll.
- For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including Dennis Metallo, Joe Kayon, Mary Louise Trapp (mother of Bob Trapp), Richard Cleereman, John Hrupka, George Metallo, Peter Campagna, Fred Dissen (Bill Dissen's brother), Alison Daughtery (granddaughter of George & Lois Metallo), Parker & Camden Blair, Kathy Shafer, Richard Lowe (friend of Debi Tauschek) and Makenzie Hart.
- For Messiah as we call a new pastor.

Christ's Servants Today

Elder: Don Moe
Ushers: Mark Varvil
Greeter: Diane Eisenbraun
Altar Guild: Marilyn & Diana Dissen
Organist: Evone Hagerman
Cookies: The Varvil Family



INCOME

Average Budget Income needed in a week	\$3,255
Budget Income received 10/7	\$2,460
Budget Income received to needed	-\$795
Received to Budget YTD 2012 (Deficit)	\$

Attendance 10/7: 95 Communed: 77

This Week's Events for Messiah

Wednesday, Oct. 17th	CLA Divine Service	8:15 a.m.
•	Women's Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
Thursday, Oct. 18th	CLA Vespers	2:30 p.m.
·	Parish Planning	6:00 p.m.
	Spiritual Life	7:15 p.m.

Future Events for Messiah

Wednesday, Oct. 24th	CLA Divine Service	8:15 a.m.
	Women's Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
Thursday, Oct. 25th	CLA Vespers	2:30 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 26th	CLA Sausage Dinner	5:30 p.m.

Wedding Anniversaries

Baptism Anniversaries

10/14	Don & Cheryl Moe	10/15	Tom Tobalsky
	George & Kathy Rabey	10/16	Ella Stahl
	Keith & Diane Kentala	10/19	Tim Capriotti
10/18	Nick & Cara Russo-Bichsel	10/20	Todd Walther
10/19	Randall & Paula Koch		

Pray for our members

10/14	Karen Nichols	10
10/15	David Corey	10
10/16	Lauri Trapp	10
10/17	Garrett Koch	10
10/18	Yessenia Heitkamp	
10/19	Bryce Braya-Weyrauch	
10/20	Monica Scholz	

Birthdays

Mike Snodgrass
Jason Stephans
Chuck Brothers
Evie Hernandez

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity October 14, 2012



Jesus' Incarnation Secures for Us Life, Forgiveness, and Healing

The Lord does not require us to ascend to Him; in mercy He descends to us (Gen. 28:10 –17). The ladder in Jacob's dream was not for climbing; it was the means by which the Lord came to bless Jacob. This event finds its fulfillment in Christ who descended from His throne to save and bless us. By His incarnation He is the eternal bridge between heaven and earth. "The Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins" (Matt. 9:1–8). The Lord was present in the flesh to absolve the paralytic. Jesus also healed and restored this man's body. "For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation" (Small Catechism). The Lord still has power on earth to forgive sins. In holy absolution He raises up the new man (Eph. 4:22–28) and bestows the healing medicine which will bring about our resurrection on the Last Day. Thus we say with Jacob, "This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven!" (Gen. 28:17)