

# Messiah Lutheran Church

## Christ Lutheran Academy

The Rev. Thomas K. Spahn, Vacancy Pastor

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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. 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.



**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 the Kentala family in honor of Kaitlin's birthday.

**VACANCY:** Pastor Spahn is our new vacancy pastor. He will have office hours on most Thursdays. However, he will not be at church this Thursday, 10/11. For an emergency please contact an elder or call directly to Pastor's cell phone: 847-224-9524.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Today in Sunday School students studied Deborah, one of the Old Testament judges. Through Deborah, Barak, and Jael, God brought about victory for His people and freed them from cruel oppression; through Christ's death on the cross, God brought our victory and freed us from sin, death, and the devil. *Parents could ask, "How did God use Deborah to help His people? How does God help His people today?"*

**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!

**LADIES OF MESSIAH:** We'd like to invite you to come together Tuesday mornings at Lamb Of God at 9 am for a women's discussion group. We recently began working with the DVD-based bible study titled "Your Strong Suit" by Donna Pyle. More information about this series can be found at <http://www.lwml.org/> or <http://www.artesianministries.org/>. Please call Kristie Fowler at (262)857-3286 or email at [snkfowler@yahoo.com](mailto:snkfowler@yahoo.com) for more information. We'd love to see you there!

**MIDWEEK CATECHESIS:** Parents, would you like your child to participate in Midweek 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 Wednesday, 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 do need to know how many children to expect, as well as information about any allergies. There is no cost to you; the children are most welcome to come and learn more about the catechism. 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.

**LWML MITES:** LWML mites for missions will be collected today. Look for the mite box in the fellowship hall.

**APPLE HOLLER SPECIAL:** Apple Holler has a program to help donate money to the church. Whenever you eat at Apple Holler, they will send 10% of the bill back to the church! You just need to bring in your most recent church bulletin. This offer is valid Sunday through Saturday, for all meals.

+ DIVINE SERVICE I+

### THE PREPARATION

Opening Hymn.....795  
Confession & Absolution.....151

### THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

Introit.....Insert  
Kyrie (*Lord, have mercy*).....152  
Gloria in Excelsis.....154  
Collect.....Insert  
Old Testament.....Insert  
*This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

Gradual.....Insert  
Holy Epistle.....Insert  
*This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia.....156  
Holy Gospel.....Insert  
Sermon Hymn.....535  
Sermon  
Nicene Creed.....158  
Prayer of the Church.....159  
Offering.....159  
"Pilgrim's Hymn".....Choir  
Offertory.....159

### SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface to the prayers.....160  
The Lord's Prayer.....162  
Words of Institution.....162  
Agnus Dei (Lamb of God).....163  
Dist.Hymns.....623, 735, 641  
Nunc Dimittis.....165  
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Benediction.....166  
Final Hymn.....706

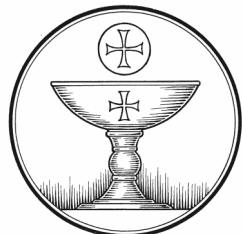
*Please Remain Standing for Final Hymn  
Announcements*

**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, and Richard Lowe (friend of Debi Tauschek).
- For Messiah as we call a new pastor.

Christ’s Servants Today

Elder: Bob Trapp  
 Ushers:  
 Greeter: Mary Rusch  
 Altar Guild: Marilyn & Diana Dissen  
 Organist: Monica Scholz  
 Cookies: Scott & Kate Tobalsky



**INCOME**

Average Budget Income needed in a week	\$3,255
Budget Income received 9/30	\$2,410
Budget Income received to needed	-\$815
Received to Budget YTD 2012 (Deficit)	\$

Attendance 9/30: 104          Communed: 75

**This Week’s Events for Messiah**

Wednesday, Oct. 10th	CLA Divine Service	8:15 a.m.
	Women’s Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
Thursday, Oct. 11th	CLA Vespers	2:30 p.m.

**Future 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.

**Wedding Anniversaries**

10/8	Tom & Heidi Tobalsky
10/10	Jerry & Kris Kochman
10/12	Jeff & Stephanie Zuehls
10/13	Sam & Louise Braya

**Baptism Anniversaries**

10/9	Jacob Tobalsky
10/11	Vincent Hernandez
10/13	Ryan Busse

**Pray for our members**

10/7	Michelle Knoll
10/8	Luke Bertz
10/9	Jessica Sawtell
10/10	Kaiden Heitkamp
10/11	Kate Tobalsky
10/12	Richard Cleereman
10/13	Deleen Nehls

**Birthdays**

10/7	David Corey
10/9	Brandon Bertz
	Lou Capriotti
10/12	Pat Tauschek

**Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity  
October 7, 2012**



*In Life and Death, Christ Fulfills the Law of God*

The Pharisees ask a Law question. Jesus asks a Gospel question. The Pharisees seek to test Jesus in His own words. Jesus seeks to “test” them in the saving reality of who He is as the Messiah (Matt. 22:34–46). The Law requires you to “fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul” and to “love the sojourner” (Deut. 10:12–21). Failure to keep the Law perfectly brings judgment. On the other hand, the Gospel brings the grace of God given by Jesus Christ, that you may be blameless in the day of His return (1 Cor. 1:1–9). Jesus is David’s Son yet David’s Lord, true God and true man. He is Love incarnate who fulfilled all the demands of God’s Law on our behalf, that we might be saved from the Law’s condemnation and sanctified in the Gospel’s forgiveness. Thereby we see that “God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord” (1 Cor. 1:9).