

# Messiah Lutheran Church

## Christ Lutheran Academy

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**Last Sunday of the Church Year– November 25, 2012**

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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 Lou & Kathy Capriotti in honor of their anniversary.

**VACANCY:** Pastor Spahn has 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:** Sunday School students will be studying the story of David and Jonathan today. Just as David's and Jonathan's brotherly love for each other reflected the love of God within their hearts, so, too, our love for others is the reflection of God's love given to us through Christ. *Parents could ask, "How did David and Jonathan demonstrate their love and care for each other? How does God demonstrate His love and care for us?"*

**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!

**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.

**CHURCH USE:** Please remember to clean up and put everything away after you have used the church for an event. Also, please do not leave items on the secretary's desk. If the secretary needs to do something with an item that is left on the desk, please leave a note with the item. Thank you!

**CARICATURE PORTRAITS:** A talented young artist from Pentecost Lutheran Church is working his way to the National Youth Gathering in San Antonio, Texas, July of 2013. Ian Barclay is using his God-given talent in a unique way. For a small fee, \$50.00 for 2 hours or \$90.00 for 4 hours, Ian will attend your party or event, bringing all the supplies necessary to draw caricature portraits for your guests. 8 ½ x 11 sized paper is used for a black and white unframed drawing. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to add a unique twist to your next party or gathering, and support a youth in his journey to the NYG. Please contact Ian directly to make arrangements, 262-995-3451. Special pricing is available for larger, all day events or individual requests.

**KALEA MEETING:** Please note that the KALEA meeting will be held at Lamb of God on November 29th at 7:00 p.m.

**CATECHESIS CLASS:** There will be no Wednesday evening catechesis class at Lamb of God on Dec. 26th or Jan. 2nd.

+ DIVINE SERVICE I+

### THE PREPARATION

Opening Hymn.....646  
Confession & Absolution.....151

### THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

Introit.....Insert  
Kyrie (*Lord, have mercy*).....152  
This is the Feast.....155  
Collect.....Insert  
Old Testament..... Insert  
*This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

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

**Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia.....156  
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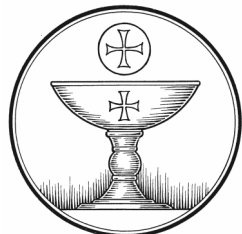
*Please Remain Standing for Final Hymn  
Announcements*

**In Our Prayers**

- For all the children and Christ Lutheran Academy Staff: Debi Tauschek (Headmaster), Karen Moe, Ruth Mallman, Stephanie Zuehls, Liesl Christensen, & 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), and Parker & Camden Blair.
- For Messiah as we call a new pastor.

Christ's Servants Today

Elder: Don Moe  
 Ushers: Keith & Jacob Kentala  
 Greeter: Mary Rusch  
 Altar Guild: Doris Colombe & Kathy Capriotti  
 Organist: Lori Trapp  
 Cookies: The Pipkorns



**INCOME**

Average Budget Income needed in a week \$3,255  
 Budget Income received 11/18 \$4058  
 Budget Income received to needed \$803

Attendance 11/18: 90      Communed: 76

**This Week's Events for Messiah**

Tuesday, Nov. 27th      Choir Practice      7:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday, Nov. 28th      CLA Divine Service      8:15 a.m.  
    Women's Bible Study      9:00 a.m.  
 Thursday, Nov. 29th      CLA Vespers      2:30 p.m.  
    Parish Planning      7:00 p.m.

**Future Events for Messiah**

Sunday, Dec. 2nd      **INFORMATION MEETING**      10:15 a.m.  
 Tuesday, Dec. 4th      Choir Practice      7:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday, Dec. 5th      CLA Divine Service      8:15 a.m.  
    Women's Bible Study      9:00 a.m.  
 Thursday, Dec. 6th      CLA Vespers      2:30 p.m.  
 Saturday, Dec. 8th      Hanging of the Greens      9:00 a.m.  
 Sunday, Dec. 9th      **VOTER'S MEETING**      10:15 a.m.  
 Sunday, Dec. 16th      Children's Christmas Program      4:30 p.m.

**Wedding Anniversaries**

No anniversaries this week

**Baptism Anniversaries**

11/25      Natalie Stephans  
 11/29      Artyom Varvil  
                  Sergei Varvil  
 11/30      Sandi Hamburger  
 12/1      Bruce Eisenbraun  
                  Vickie Bruneau

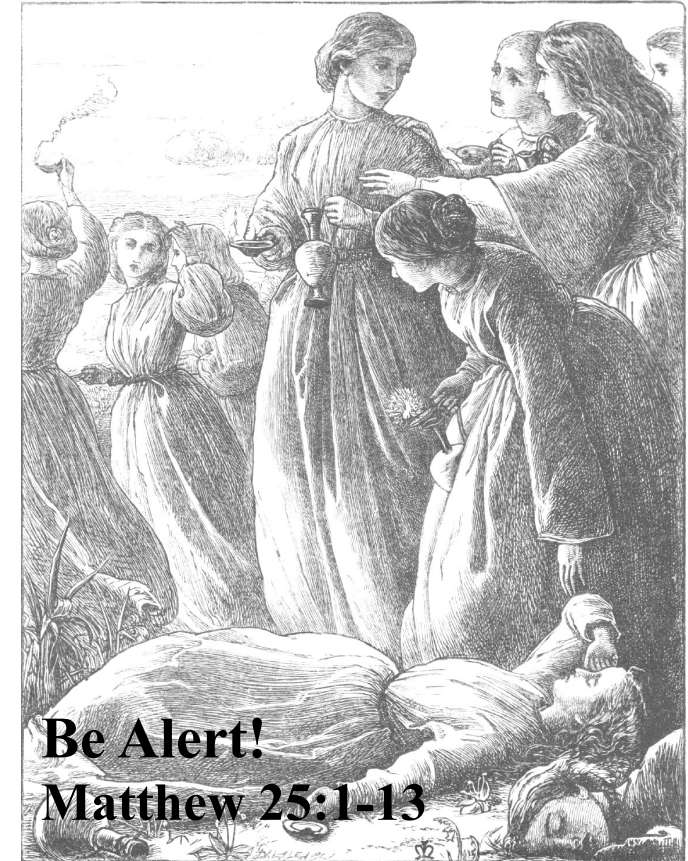
**Pray for our members**

11/25      John A. Hernandez  
 11/26      Amy Walther  
 11/27      Kevin Brothers  
 11/28      Becky Noble  
 11/29      Mark Snodgrass  
 11/30      Olivia Del Frate  
 12/1      Thomas Kochman

**Birthdays**

11/25      Stephanie Zuehls  
 11/27      Bruce Eisenbraun  
                  Paula Koch  
 11/28      Denise Jacobs  
 11/30      Kaiden Heitkamp  
 12/1      Betty Hrupka

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**Be Alert!**  
**Matthew 25:1-13**

*By Faith We Are Prepared for Christ's Return*

*"The day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night" (1 Thess. 5:1-11). The arrival of the bridegroom will be sudden and unexpected. Therefore you are to be watchful and ready like the five wise virgins. "For you know neither the day nor the hour" when the Son of Man is to return. (Matt. 25:1-13). The lamps are the Word of Christ. The oil in the lamps is the Holy Spirit, who works through the Word to create and sustain the flame of faith in Christ. The foolish are those who do not give proper attention to the working of the Holy Spirit in baptism, preaching, and the supper, and so their faith does not endure. The wise, however, are those who diligently attend to these gifts of the Spirit, and who therefore have an abundance of oil. The flame of faith endures to the end. By God's grace they are received into the eternal wedding feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, the new heavens and the new earth created by the Lord for the joy of His people (Is. 65:17-25).*