

Messiah Lutheran Church

Christ Lutheran Academy

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The Ascension of Our Lord – May 9, 2013

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.

EMERGENCY NUMBER: In case of an emergency, please contact Pastor Roemke on his cell phone: 262-455-0255. This is his permanent cell phone number.

Offertory-New Testament Cantic

Refrain

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.

Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.

Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.

Refrain

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -

lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He

lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to

sin and a - live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.

Refrain

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This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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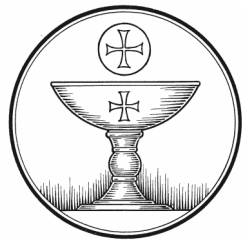
ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.
- Expectant Mothers: Heidi Tobalsky
- 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, Fred Dissen (Bill Dissen's brother), Alison Daughtery (granddaughter of George & Lois Metallo), Parker & Camden Blair, and John Mills.

Christ's Servants Today

Elder:
Altar Guild: Doris Colombe &
Carol Hernandez
Organist: Monica Scholz



FAMILY WEEKEND CELEBRATION: Family weekend at Camp LuWiSoMo is August 9-11 and we are hoping to get families and individuals from Messiah to come camp this year! There are all different lodging options from the retreat center to cabins to campsites. Learn more at <http://luwisomo.org>. If you're interested, please talk to Ashley or Becky Noble or Allison Stephans - lodging is filling up so don't delay!

STUDY GROUP: Our Lutheran Confession of the Holy Christian Faith is vitally important in a world groping for answers in a sea of unbelief and darkness. It will be help the third Saturday of the month, starting May 18th at 9:30 a.m. at Messiah. We are looking for people willing to bring in some baked goods for the group. We are also looking for volunteers who are able to babysit during this time (any high schoolers in need of volunteer hours?). Please talk with Pastor if you are able to help or are interested in attending.

PASTOR VISITS: I want to visit you! Now that the business of Lent and Easter is over, I would very much like to visit with each of you in your homes. Nothing elaborate, just a time to meet you and get to know you more personally. Please give me a call to set something up.

WINKLE AT MESSIAH: Messiah is hosting a winkle on Monday, May 20th. We need help from people who are willing to bake items for a continental breakfast and clean up afterwards. Please talk to Pastor if you are able to help. Thank you!

SWD NOAH'S ARK DAY: The South Wisconsin District is hosting a day at Noah's Ark on Friday, June 19th. There is a reduced rate and a all-you-can-eat lunch included. Registration forms are by the mailboxes if you are interested.

VIDEO RECORDING SERMONS: Please talk to Pastor if you are able to help set up video recording sermons to post on our website. Thank you!

MOTHER'S DAY: Roses will be sold on Mother's Day (Sunday) in the fellowship hall. Please come prepared to buy a flower or 2 for a mom in your life! Proceeds go to Right for Life.

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Jesus Is Ascended, but Not Absent

On the fortieth day after His resurrection, our Lord ascended to the right hand of the Father. But although Jesus is hidden from your eyes, He is not absent from you. For He now fills all things in heaven and on earth. He continues *"to do and to teach"* (Acts 1:1), preaching repentance and forgiveness of sins through those sent in His name (Mark 16:14-20; Luke 24:44-53), giving you His true body and blood in the Supper. Jesus is your great Elijah who pours out on you a double portion of His Spirit in the Word and the Sacraments (2 Kings 2:5-15). He is Lord over all things for the sake of the Church. He whom heaven cannot contain has raised your human nature to share fully in the glory of God. You who believe and are baptized into Christ's body are already sitting in the heavenly places; for you are in Him who is at the Father's right hand. When He comes again in the clouds on the Last Day, you also will appear with Him in glory.