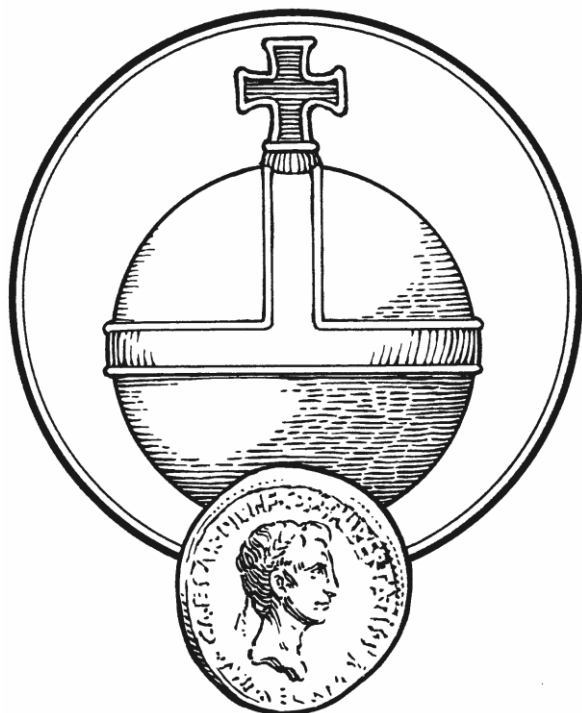


# Messiah Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod



## Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity November 8, 2015 Divine Service I

*Phillip 3:19* “Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things” There is the danger in setting our minds on earthly things, serving mammon, and caring more for our bodily comfort than our spiritual well being. God does not tell us to be faithful and generous in our stewardship of the things of this earth to ruin our fun. Rather, He tells us to give generously to teach us how to make sure the things of the this world do not lay a hold of our hearts.

# Messiah Lutheran Church

Rev. James A. Roemke, Pastor  
2026 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave. Kenosha, WI 53140  
Church Office: 262-551-8182 Pastor's Cell: 262-455-0255  
Website: [www.messiahkenosha.org](http://www.messiahkenosha.org)  
Church Email: [secretary@messiahkenosha.org](mailto:secretary@messiahkenosha.org)  
Pastor's Email: [pastorroemke@yahoo.com](mailto:pastorroemke@yahoo.com)

**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 the hearing and receiving of the Word of God in our midst will be filled with joy and thanksgiving!

**ATTENDANCE REGISTER:** During the offering we ask that you sign the attendance register located at the center aisle of each pew. **Please hand the filled in sheet to the usher as you exit at the end of the service. Let the usher know if you don't have a pad in your pew.**

**HOLY COMMUNION** is celebrated every Sunday and on Feast Days. Visiting communicant members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to commune today. All other visitors are asked to speak with the pastor before coming to the altar. If there is time before the service, introduce yourself to the pastor or an elder. Other visitors are invited to use this time for prayer. If you desire information about attending communion, you are encouraged to visit with the pastor after the service today.

**PRAYERS OF PREPARATION** may be found in the opening cover of the hymnals in each pew. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer.

**+SERVING TODAY+**

**Preacher/Celebrant:** Pr. Roemke

**Elder:** Scott Tobalsky

**Ushers:** Jerry Tobalsky & Scott Tobalsky

**Greeter:** Gail Kulbacki

**Organist:** Evone Hagerman

**Altar Guild:** Tamara Weathersby & Kate Tobalsky

**Flowers:** Today's altar flowers are provided by Scott & Kate Tobalsky in honor of Heidi's, Geri's, and Kate's birthdays.

**Cookies:** Today's cookies and juice are provided by DuWayne and Bonnie Griepentrog.

*Stand*

**Invocation**

*p151*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**+CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION+**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**+SERVICE OF THE WORD+**

**Introit**

*Ps. 85:1, 7, 9, 11; antiphon: Jer. 29:11a, 12*



I know the plans I have for you, de- | clares the LORD,\*  
plans for wholeness and not for | evil.

Then you will call upon me and come and | pray to me,\*  
and I will | hear you.

**LORD, you were favorable | to your land;\***  
**you restored the fortunes of | Jacob.**

Show us your steadfast love, | O LORD,\*  
and grant us your sal- | vation.

**Surely his salvation is near to those who | fear him,\***  
**that glory may dwell | in our land.**

Faithfulness springs up | from the ground,\*  
and righteousness looks down | from the sky.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

I know the plans I have for you, de- | clares the LORD,\*  
plans for wholeness and not for | evil.

Then you will call upon me and come and | pray to me,\*  
and I will | hear you.

**Kyrie**

*p152*

**This Is the Feast**

*p155*

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

**P** O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - - men.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Proverbs 8:11–22*

<sup>11</sup>For wisdom is better than jewels,  
and all that you may desire cannot compare with her.

<sup>12</sup>“I, wisdom, dwell with prudence,  
and I find knowledge and discretion.

<sup>13</sup>The fear of the LORD is hatred of evil.  
Pride and arrogance and the way of evil  
and perverted speech I hate.

<sup>14</sup>I have counsel and sound wisdom;  
I have insight; I have strength.

<sup>15</sup>By me kings reign,  
and rulers decree what is just;

<sup>16</sup>by me princes rule,  
and nobles, all who govern justly.

<sup>17</sup>I love those who love me,  
and those who seek me diligently find me.

<sup>18</sup>Riches and honor are with me,  
enduring wealth and righteousness.

<sup>19</sup>My fruit is better than gold, even fine gold,  
and my yield than choice silver.

<sup>20</sup>I walk in the way of righteousness,  
in the paths of justice,

<sup>21</sup>granting an inheritance to those who love me,  
and filling their treasuries.

<sup>22</sup>“The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work,  
the first of his acts of old.”

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Ps. 44:7–8*



**You have saved us | from our foes\***  
**and have put to shame those who | hate us.**  
**In God we have boasted con- | tinually,\***  
**and we will give thanks to your name for- | ever.**

## Epistle

*Philippians 3:17–21*

<sup>17</sup>Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. <sup>18</sup>For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. <sup>19</sup>Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. <sup>20</sup>But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup>who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse



## Holy Gospel

*Matthew 22:15–22*

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.



**G** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. <sup>16</sup>And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone’s opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. <sup>17</sup>Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?” <sup>18</sup>But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? <sup>19</sup>Show me the coin for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. <sup>20</sup>And Jesus said to them, “Whose likeness and inscription is this?” <sup>21</sup>They said, “Caesar’s.” Then he said to them, “Therefore render to Caesar’s the things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” <sup>22</sup>When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**G** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

***Who Trusts in God a Strong Abode***

*LSB 714*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Nicene Creed**

*p158*

**Prayer of the Church**

*Sit*

**Offering**

*Stand*

**Offertory**

*p159*

**+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+**

**Preface**

*p160*

**Sanctus**

*p161*

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Lord's Prayer**

*p162*

**The Words of Our Lord**

**Pax Domini**

*p163*

## **Agnus Dei**

*Sit*

### **Distribution**

*The Day Is Surely Drawing Near* LSB 508

*What Is the World to Me* LSB 730

*Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious* LSB 548

*Eternal Father, Strong to Save* LSB 717

*Stand*

**Thank the Lord** p164

**Post-Communion Collect** p166

### **Benediction**

*Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us* LSB 711

### **+PRAYER LIST+**

- ✘ Those who serve in our nation's armed forces: DuWayne Griepentrog, Andy Warren, Exor Padro, and for veterans.
- ✘ Shut-ins: Elsie Rintamaki, Lillian Sciortino, Myrtle Meier, Ernie Kapellusch, & Wally and Gloria Pipkorn.
- ✘ For the Scholz family as they mourn the loss of Ted's mother, Grace.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Richard Cleereman, Diane Gundlach, Karin Zuehls (Jeff's aunt), Carol Wagner (friend of the Brothers), Amy, Ron Hulke, Al Bradmon (cousin of Steve Billings), Loretta Hulke, Kyle Darling (friend of the Zuehls), Cindy (friend of Geri Tobalsky), Richard Schneider (Kathleen Judson's father), Maurissa Murakami (Bev Murakami's daughter-in-law), Rose Murakami (Bev's granddaughter), Bob Hogan (Ash Noble's uncle), Leslie Brothers (recovering from a vehicle accident), Marge Pohjola (friend of Kelvin and Vicky Nelson), and Elaine Cottingham.

### **+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 8, 2015+**

- ✘ **POINSETTIAS:** It's time to order poinsettias for the Advent and Christmas seasons. There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall. Please sign up and submit your payment by Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>. See Bonnie Griepentrog with any questions.
- ✘ **KLEENEX:** With colder temperatures quickly approaching, the church is in need of donations of tissues. The next time you are getting some for your house, please consider picking up an extra box and bringing it to church. We could also use bottles of hand sanitizer.

- ✘ **ST. NICHOLAS FEST:** Planning is underway for our second annual St. Nicholas Festival on Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 pm. This year's theme is Germany. If you would like to help out, please speak to Becky Noble.
- ✘ **THANKSGIVING DIVINE SERVICE:** We will have our Thanksgiving Divine Service on Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.
- ✘ **ISSUES, ETC** is a radio talk show produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: The Jesus of Non-Christian Religions, Seventh Day Adventism, The Movie "Spectre," The Vocation of Soldier, 16th Century Reformer Martin Chemnitz and more. You can listen at your convenience at [www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org).

**+CONTRIBUTIONS+**

Budgeted Lord's Work Needed Weekly:	\$3,268
Lord's Work Received 11/1:	\$3,859
Difference Received vs. Needed:	+\$591
Difference Received vs. Needed YTD:	+\$387

**ATTENDANCE** 11/1: 160

Communed: 132

**+NOVEMBER EVENTS AT MESSIAH+**

Tuesday	11/10	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Wednesday	11/11	9:00 am	Women's Bible Study
Thursday	11/19	6:30 pm	Parish Planning Meeting
Saturday	11/21	9:30 am	Lutheran Confessions Study
Wednesday	11/25	6:30 pm	Thanksgiving Divine Service

**BIRTHDAYS**

11/9 Bev Murakami  
 11/10 Jessica Sawtell  
 11/11 Kate Tobalsky

**BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS**

11/11 Evie Hernandez