

**Messiah Lutheran Church**  
**The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod**



**Quinquagesima Sunday**  
**Sola Fide**

**February 11, 2024**

**Divine Service I**

# Messiah Lutheran Church

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**VISITORS WELCOME!** A special welcome to any visitors and guests who are with us today. Please sign the guestbook near the front door and introduce yourself to the pastor after the service. We pray that the hearing and receiving of the Word of God in our midst will be filled with joy and thanksgiving!

**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** are found in the cover of the hymnals. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer. **Please turn off and put away all electronic devices during the service.**

**+SERVING TODAY+**

**Elder:** Mike Henning

**Ushers:** Mark Varvil & Roger Jeschke

**Greeter:** Jim Madison

**Organist:** Monica Scholz

**Altar Guild:** Kim Collina & Kris Kochman

**Altar Flowers:** Provided by Pastor & Lesa Roemke in honor of Pastor's 11<sup>th</sup> installation anniversary and Lena's 16<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**Fellowship:** Louie & Kathy Capriotti



## Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 35:3–7*

<sup>3</sup>Strengthen the weak hands,  
and make firm the feeble knees.  
<sup>4</sup>Say to those who have an anxious heart,  
“Be strong; fear not!  
Behold, your God  
will come with vengeance,  
with the recompense of God.  
He will come and save you.”

<sup>5</sup>Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,  
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;  
<sup>6</sup>then shall the lame man leap like a deer,  
and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.  
For waters break forth in the wilderness,  
and streams in the desert;  
<sup>7</sup>the burning sand shall become a pool,  
and the thirsty ground springs of water;  
in the haunt of jackals, where they lie down,  
the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

## Gradual

*Ps. 77:14–15*



**You are the God who works | wonders;\*  
you have made known your might among the | peoples.  
You with your arm redeemed your | people,\*  
the children of Jacob and | Joseph.**

## Epistle

*1 Corinthians 13:1–13*

<sup>1</sup>If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup>And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. <sup>3</sup>If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant <sup>5</sup>or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; <sup>6</sup>it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. <sup>7</sup>Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

<sup>8</sup>Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for

tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. <sup>9</sup>For we know in part and we prophesy in part, <sup>10</sup>but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. <sup>11</sup>When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. <sup>12</sup>For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

<sup>13</sup>So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

*Stand*

**Alleluia and Verse**

*p156*

**Holy Gospel**

*Luke 18:31–43*

<sup>31</sup>Taking the twelve, [Jesus] said to them, “See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written about the Son of Man by the prophets will be accomplished. <sup>32</sup>For he will be delivered over to the Gentiles and will be mocked and shamefully treated and spit upon. <sup>33</sup>And after flogging him, they will kill him, and on the third day he will rise.”

<sup>34</sup>But they understood none of these things. This saying was hidden from them, and they did not grasp what was said.

<sup>35</sup>As he drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. <sup>36</sup>And hearing a crowd going by, he inquired what this meant. <sup>37</sup>They told him, “Jesus of Nazareth is passing by.” <sup>38</sup>And he cried out, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” <sup>39</sup>And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” <sup>40</sup>And Jesus stopped and commanded him to be brought to him. And when he came near, he asked him, <sup>41</sup>“What do you want me to do for you?” He said, “Lord, let me recover my sight.” <sup>42</sup>And Jesus said to him, “Recover your sight; your faith has made you well.” <sup>43</sup>And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him, glorifying God. And all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

*Sit*

**Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness**

*LSB 849*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Nicene Creed**

*p158*

**Prayer of the Church**

**Offertory**

*p159*

*Sit*

**+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+**

*Stand*

**Preface** *p160*

**Sanctus** *p161*

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Lord's Prayer** *p162*

**The Words of Our Lord**

**Pax Domini** *p163*

**Agnus Dei**

*Sit*

*Distribution*

**Praise the Almighty** *LSB 797*

**Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good** *LSB 819*

**Love in Christ Is Strong and Living** *LSB 706*

**Lord, 'Tis Not That I Did Choose Thee** *LSB 573*

*Stand*

**Nunc Dimittis** *p165*

**Post-Communion Collect** *p166*

**Benediction**

**Alleluia, Song of Gladness**

*LSB 417, choir v. 3*

**+ V D M A +**

**Verbum Domini Manet in Aeternum  
The Word of the Lord endures forever**

**+PRAYER LIST+**

- ✘ Those who serve in our armed forces: Rick Zuehls, Rianon Padro, Exavier Padro, and veterans.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Rylie Snodgrass, Ken Gundlach (uncle of Sarah Billings), John Funk (friend of Steve and Sarah Billings), Kathy Krause (niece of Jane Gundlach), Carl Jagow (cousin of Ted Scholz), George Peter, Betty Nemeth (sister of Mary Jo Jiter), and Judy Dissen.

**+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 11<sup>th</sup>+**

- ✘ **ASH WEDNESDAY:** This Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, Imposition of Ashes with Confession and Absolution will be offered from 6-8:15 am. Divine Services with Imposition of Ashes will be held at 9:00 am and 6:30 pm. There will be no morning Bible study this week.
- ✘ **2023 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** are in your church mailboxes. Please contact Evone Hagerman with any questions.
- ✘ **EASTER FLOWERS:** Please sign-up on the sheet on the bulletin board to provide Easter flowers. Payments are due Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>.

**+CONTRIBUTIONS+**

Lord's Work contributions budget YTD as of 2/9:	\$29,493
Lord's Work contributions received YTD as of 2/9:	\$26,684
Difference:	-2,809
Restricted contributions YTD as of 2/9:	\$1,263
Mortgage Balance as of 1/18:	\$22,816

**ATTENDANCE 2/4: 132**

**BIRTHDAYS**

2/12	Thomas Kochman
	Amy Vallis
2/14	Steve Billings
	Brian Blair
2/17	Don Moe

**BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS**

2/11	Mike Henning
2/12	Sarah Billings
2/13	Mark Varvil
2/15	Stephanie Zuehls
2/17	Nyssa Zuehls

**ANNIVERSARIES**

2/14 Bob & Kim Collina (26 years)

**+FEBRUARY EVENTS AT MESSIAH+**

Wednesday	2/14	6:00-8:15 am	Imposition of Ashes
		9:00 am	Ash Wednesday Divine Service
		6:30 pm	Ash Wednesday Divine Service
Tuesday	2/20	6:00 pm	Parish Planning Committee Mtg
Wednesday	2/21	9:00 am	Lenten Matins
		5:45 pm	Soup Supper Potluck
		6:30 pm	Lenten Vespers
Wednesday	2/28	9:00 am	Lenten Matins
		5:45 pm	Soup Supper Potluck
		6:30 pm	Lenten Vespers