

Welcome to Messiah! Whether you're a member, a returning guest, or maybe this is your first time at Messiah, we welcome you to this time of worship. During our time together, we hope that you experience the presence and love of God in a profound and life-changing way! May the music we share stir you, may the prayers we offer comfort you, and may the proclaimed Word of God challenge you to live with a new passion and purpose. Again, we are honored that you have chosen to worship here today. Let's give God all glory and praise.

First-Time guests, we invite you to look through the "Welcome to Messiah" brochure found in the attendance card slot on the pew in front of you. If you have any questions, please talk to an usher. For families with young children, there is a cry room available at the back of the Sanctuary.

Once we enter God's House, we pray that our hearts are changed, and that His perspective becomes ours; that we release the cares of this world, and bask in the beauty of His holiness; that we give Him whatever burdens our heart, and find the Spirit's peace that passes all human understanding; that we learn more about Jesus through His Word, and the joy that comes from a closer walk with the Lord.

"Be thoughtful-be silent-be reverent; for this is the house of the Lord,
Before the service, speak to the Lord;
During the service, let the Lord speak to you;
After the service, speak to one another."

If a song is being sung, words are provided on the screens at the front of the sanctuary. We invite you to sing along, or meditate on the song's message.

O God, You are my God; earnestly I seek You; my soul thirsts for You; my flesh faints for You, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So I have looked upon You in the sanctuary, beholding Your power and glory. Because Your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise You.

Luther's Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

This is a difficult day for your pastor. For you are, in a sense, listening to our Lord speaking to him of His high expectations as His called and ordained servant. It all has to do with addressing his sins with the cutting accusation of God's Law, but with the goal of applying the comforting healing and hope of God's Gospel of forgiveness and strength. Yet, if you listen carefully, you will hear that it's not only about your pastor's frailty or sins, but it is also Christ addressing your sins and need through him. The pastor's calling is, at once, a most difficult one but also the most joyous and fulfilling calling and vocation. Your pastor has the responsibility and obligation not to mislead you into sin but to apply the remedy for it. Preaching and teaching the Word of Christ, and administering that Word of forgiveness of sin and new life through the Sacraments, is not primarily the pastor's work but is indeed the work of Christ Himself. The pastor pours baptismal water, and the believer dies and is raised with Christ. The pastor does no magical incantation, but Christ speaks through him. The bread and wine are Christ's body and blood for you that takes away your sin (and the pastor's!), imparting forgiveness and eternal life. Pray for your pastor, as he prays for you. Forgive your pastor, as he lives by the same forgiveness he declares to you.

P=Pastor **C=Congregation**

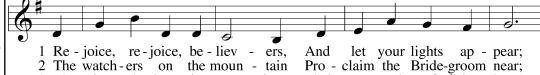
In the Invocation, we "invoke" God's presence by repeating the Name in which we were baptized by the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY October 5th, 2025 8:30am Worship PENTECOST

THE PRELUDE

THE GREETING

THE OPENING HYMN "Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers" (LSB 515)



3 The saints, who here in pa - tience Their cross and suf-f'rings bore, 4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;





and hands up - lift - ed,



We plead,

Up, pray and watch and wres - tle; A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; In tri-umph cast be - fore Him The day of earth's re - demp - tion

At mid - night comes the cry.
The Bride-groom is at hand.
Their di - a - dems of gold.
That sets Your peo - ple free!

O Lord,

see

THE INVOCATION

With hearts

- P: We celebrate today in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen. This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!

In the Confession, we bare our souls before the Lord. admitting our sins and accepting responsibility for the harm they caused in our relationships with God and with each other. (Rom. 3:23: 1 John 1:8-9)

The pastor then speaks God's Word to give the forgiveness Jesus won for us on the cross. (John 20:23)

The Gloria Patri comes from Ephesians 3:21 "Unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen."

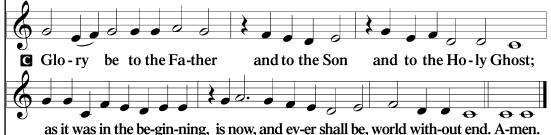
The Kyrie is a Greek word meaning "O Lord." It is a cry to the Lord for help and strength.

THE CONFESSION AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS

- P: When the Lord Jesus warned His disciples, "Temptations to sin are sure to come," the apostles said, "Increase our faith!" Let us confess our own weakness and sin, asking the same of our gracious and merciful God.
- C: O God, Your Law is true and my delight. Yet because we still feebly struggle against sin, we confess our weakness and failure to live according to Your holy will. Our lack of faithfulness toward You causes us to hesitate or even refuse to love and forgive our neighbors. O God, increase our faith! Forgive us and renew our minds and spirit that we may serve You by faithfully serving our neighbor.
- P: Upon this your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you. And in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, "by the power of God, who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of His own purpose and grace, which He gave us in Christ Jesus," I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

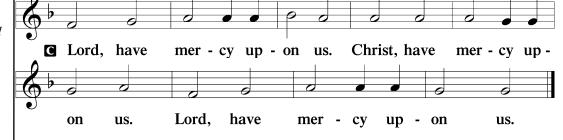
C: Amen.





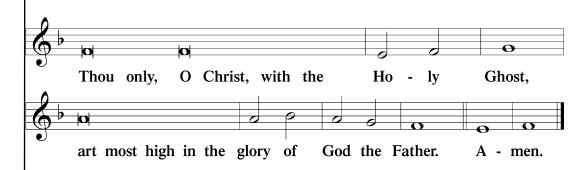
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men





"Gloria in
Excelsis" is
Latin for "Glory
to God in the
highest."
It echoes the
angel's words
in Luke 2:14.
With this Hymn
of Praise we
glorify God for
His incarnation
of His Son,
Jesus Christ.





In the Collect, the pastor and congregation greet each other as the angel greeted Mary at her annunciation. (Luke 1:28)

The phrase also indicates the special relationship between the pastor and the congregation.

We call this prayer a "Collect" because it collects the themes of the lessons and puts them into a prayer.

This Lesson is taken from a book of the Old Testament, and is found on page 785 in the pew Bible.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.



P: Let us pray. Almighty and gracious God, we give You thanks for raising up among us faithful servants for the ministry of Your Word and Sacrament through which You nurture us in Your truth and feed us with the holy food of the body and blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant that all pastors may continue to follow in word and deed the example of Your Son, and that together we may serve You now in the church on earth and evermore praise You in the kingdom of heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Habakkuk 1:1-4

The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw. ² O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? ³ Why do you make me see iniquity, and why do you idly look at wrong? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. ⁴ So the law is paralyzed, and justice never goes forth. For the wicked surround the righteous; so justice goes forth perverted.

The Gradual is found in

pew Bible.

Psalm 62, on page 479 in the

THE GRADUAL

L: ¹For God alone my soul waits in | silence;*

C: from him comes my sal- | vation. L: ²He only is my rock and my salvation, my | fortress;*

C: I shall not be greatly | shaken.

L: ³How long will all of you attack a man to batter him,*

C: like a leaning wall, a | tottering fence?

L: ⁴They only plan to thrust him down from his high position. They take pleasure in | falsehood.*

C: They bless with their mouths, but inwardly | they curse.

L: ⁹Those of low estate are but a breath; those of high estate are

L: ⁵For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence,* C: for my hope is | from him.

L: ⁶He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress;* C: I shall not be shaken.

L: 'On God rests my salvation and my | glory;*

C: my mighty rock, my refuge | is God. L: 8Trust in him at all times, O people;

pour out your heart be- | fore him;* C: God is a refuge | for us.

a de- | lusion;* C: in the balances they go up;

they are together lighter | than a breath.

L: ¹⁰Put no trust in extortion; set no vain hopes on robbery;*

C: if riches increase, set not your | heart on them.

L: ¹¹Once God has spoken; twice have I heard this:* C: that power belongs to God,

¹²and that to you, O Lord, belongs | steadfast love.

L: For you will render to a man*

C: according | to his work.

THE EPISTLE LESSON 2 Timothy 1:3-12 ³ I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience,

as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. ⁴ As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy.

⁵I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well.

The Epistle Lesson is generally from St. Paul's Letters and is found on page 995 in the pew Bible.

⁶ For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, ⁷ for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control. ⁸ Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, ⁹ who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰ and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, ¹¹ for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, ¹² which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that day what has been entrusted

The Gospel Verse may change weekly or the ordinary verse is from John 6:68.

We rise for the Holy Gospel as we would stand for Jesus Himself, since the Gospel is His living Word to us.

The Gospel Lesson is selected according to the season or festival Sunday of the Church Year, and is found on page 876 in the pew Bible.

THE GOSPEL VERSE

to me.



And he said to his disciples, "Temptations to sin are sure to

THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 17:1-10

come, but woe to the one through whom they come! ² It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were cast into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin. ³ Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, ⁴ and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,' you must forgive him." ⁵ The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" ⁶ And the Lord said, "If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. ⁷ "Will any one of you who has a

servant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has

come in from the field, 'Come at once and recline at table'?

⁸ Will he not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink'? ⁹ Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? ¹⁰ So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.'"

We respond to the Word of God with an acclamation of praise, and then by confessing our faith.

The Apostles'
Creed dates
from about 75
AD and was
used in the
instruction of
those to be
baptized. We
are confessing
our personal
faith.

The Children's Time: We welcome children of all ages to come forward for the Children's Time.

A children's song is sung that is based on the theme of the day.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

WE CONFESS OUR FAITH-The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE CHILDREN'S SONG "Jesus Loves the Little Children"

Jesus loves the little children, All the children of the world.

Every color, every race, all are covered by His grace. Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Jesus died for all the children,

All the children of the world.

He took care of every sin, and He rose to live again!

Jesus lives for all the children of the world.

THE CHILDREN'S TIME "Forgive Even When It's Hard"

The Sermon Hymn may coordinate with the Gospel lesson, or with the pastor's sermon topic.

THE SERMON HYMN

"Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens" LSB 589



THE SERMON

"Faith for the Impossible" Luke 17:5

- Forgiveness Feels Impossible
 - -We struggle to forgive, especially repeatedly.
- Rebuke and Release
 - -Love calls us to confront sin and then forgive.
- Tiny Faith, Big God
 - -Even a small faith in Christ can accomplish the impossible.

The Sermon applies God's Word to our lives and helps to equip us to fulfill our baptismal calling to new life in Christ.

After the **Öffering Prayer**, we ask all of those watching the service on the live stream to please fill out an attendance card. If vou have any special prayer requests, you will find a space for this online as well. For those in attendance, there are prayer cards at the welcome desk as you exit the Sanctuary that vou can fill out. Thank you.

We present our gifts to God to symbolize the offering of ourselves to the Lord, saying thank You to God, and showing we trust Him to supply all our needs.

(Rom. 12:1)



THE OFFERING PRAYER AND OFFERING

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"Thank You, Lord Jesus, for Dying for Me"

Thank you, Lord Jesus, for dying for me. It's Your precious blood cleansing all iniquities. It's there on the cross where You bled and died for me. Lord Jesus, I thank You. I'm fully justified in Thee.

Chorus:

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Lord Jesus, I love You,
You're precious to me.
It's here in Your presence,
I've seen Your beauty.
You're matchless, You're priceless,
You're everything to me.
I'll love You forever—
You are the only One for me.



Daily I come to be supplied by Your word.

It's by this supply that I'm richly satisfied.

It's here that I'm strengthened to live the Christian life.

It's nothing I do but Your overflowing grace to me.

Chorus:

Lord Jesus, I love You, You're precious to me. It's here in Your presence, I've seen Your beauty. You're matchless, You're priceless, You're everything to me.

I'll love You forever—You are the only One for me.

Each day as I wake up I come to You, Lord.
Our fellowship sweet must be daily restored.

Voice of offense, keep my conscience so pure
Soften me, Lord, so that You alone may have my heart. **Chorus**

Sorten me, Lord, so that You alone may have my heart. **Choru**s

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THE PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION AND THE CHURCH

- P: Let us pray for people here and around the world—those who call Jesus their Lord and all who do not yet know God's gracious promises. Behold in Your mercy, O Lord, the people You have made, and grant Your special blessing to husband and wife, parent and child.
- C: We pray that in the daily exercise of Your mercy they may manifest to one another the fullness of Your mercy, forgiving each other as You have forgiven them.
- P: Fill Your Holy church with all truth and peace. Where it is in error, reform it; where it is in need, supply it.
- C: Where it is right, strengthen and confirm it; and where it is in conflict, heal its divisions.
- P: Give grace and courage, O Lord, to Your church, that in this day of denial, we may abide joyfully in the truth of Your Word and the goodness of Your design for the home and for the family.
- C: Give us grace that we may both respect Your will and purpose and receive all the benefits of Your design.
- P: Give wisdom to those who govern in this and every place, that guided by the voice of Your Word they may act with integrity to do what is good and wise, benefiting those in their care.

Prayer is one of the marks of the congregation gathered in worship, according to Acts 2:42.

Here the

congregation agrees together on earth that it may be done for them by the Father in heaven, as prayers, supplications, and thanksgivings are offered for all in authority and all sorts of

More prayer requests are found in the Announcement Guide. Please take them with you to use for your prayer time this week.

human need.

The Lord's Prayer is the prayer Jesus taught to His disciples and to us in His Word. (Matthew 6:9-13 and Luke 11:2-4)

Then follows the Aaronic Benediction in which the Lord recognizes us as His people, putting His name on us, and fulfilling all promises in His name. (Num. 6:24-25; Matt. 18:19-20)

We enter to pray and praise and we leave with a renewed commitment to serve and witness!

You are welcome to take this bulletin home and use it for personal devotions this week.

Otherwise, we ask that you return it to an usher table. Thank you!

- C: Deliver us all from violence and fear and grant peace among the nations. Bless those whom we love and enable us to love those whom You have blessed, that we may be drawn closer to each other.
- P: Remembering all that You in Your mercy have accomplished and living in faith and hope in Christ, we pray You to bless us, our homes and families, our lives and our work, that all things we do may please You. With our voices, may we boldly confess You on earth, until that day when we shall close our eyes in death to awaken to everlasting life. We pray all these things through Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whom, with whom, and by whom all honor and glory is Yours, almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; [pause]

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.

Amen

THE BENEDICTION AND SILENT PRAYER

- P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

 The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

 The Lord look upon you with His favor and give you His peace.
- C: Amen.

THE MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE

THE CLOSING HYMN "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" LSB 660-screens



Lutheran women, one and all,
We have heard the Gospel call.
We by faith have seen our Lord,
Crucified and then restored.
We have seen Him pay the price,
For our sins a sacrifice.
Him we Lord and Christ acclaim
and unite to praise His name.

Lutheran women, young and old,
Well we know His challenge bold:
Help to take the Gospel light
To a world in darkest night,
By example in the home,
by inviting those who roam,
By our prayers for sinners lost,
by our gifts for missions' cost.

Lutheran women, coast to coast, in the Lord a mighty host,
Let us all united be in the Holy Trinity,
One in faith, in hope, and love, working for the Lord above,
Till, our earthly labors done, we in heaven shall all be one.

Serving in the Lord's House Today

PREACHER CHILDREN'S TIME	Rev. Matthew A. Lee
LITURGIST	Rev. Jace C. Detrie
ELDER CAPTAIN	Brian Naber, Larry Redding
ALTER TEAM	Team A
USHER TEAM	Team 3
ACOLYTES	Eli Gremmer, Luke Gremmer
ANTHEM	Joseph Schinnerer
ORGANIST	Dorothy Sherrod
PRODUCTION TEAM	Danny Ladishew, Manager/Lights Chuck Tolsma, Sound - Andrew Viens, Media

Our Response to the Lord Last Week

Weekly Worship Attendance	595
Adult Bible Class	231
Sunday School Attendance	71

<u>Church Faith Budget</u>

Given last week \$ 37,986 Given year to date \$ 1,913,498 Given year to date last year \$ 1,818,839

Building Fund

Given last week \$ 340 Given year to date \$ 182,243

In planning for the future, consider including the church in your will.

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- Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary: 8:30 & 11:00 AM (Holy Communion every 2nd & 4th Sundays)
 - ♦ Sunday Contemporary Worship: 11:00 AM (Celebration Hall of the Life Center)
- ♦ Sunday School & Adult Bible Class: 9:45-10:40 AM
 - ♦ Wednesday Worship-7:00 PM (w/Holy Communion)



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With the help of the Holy Spirit, we will share God's light as we:

Gladly enter God's House weekly (Worship) —Psalm 122:1 Listen for God's voice. (Discipleship-Bible Study, Quiet Time, Prayer)— John 10:27 Open my heart and hands to serve God. (Ministry) —1 Samuel 12:24 Wholeheartedly love God and my neighbor. (Evangelism/Fellowship-Outreach) —Luke 10:27

GLOW and **GO!**