



MESSIAH LUTHERAN



August 3rd, 2025
11:00am Worship

Welcome in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

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.

There is a lot of "wisdom" floating around our world on how to become wealthy. Some of the celebrities of our modern age are people like Jeff Bezos, Warren Buffett, Bill Gates, and Elon Musk. They are people who seem to have a super abundance of everything. Many of us spend at least one-third of our lives working to accumulate enough wealth to hopefully retire in comfort and security. Yet, as Jesus reminds us, our focus is misplaced when we mistakenly believe that our investments, our retirement funds, and our possessions are actually our own—that we earned them all by ourselves. As we gather, we come together today to worship the King of all creation who generously gives us everything that we have for this world and the next.

EIGHTH SUNDAY

August 3rd, 2025 **AFTER**

PENTECOST

11:00am Worship

THE PRESERVICE PRAISE "Living Hope"

THE GREETING

THE OPENING SONG "You are Holy"

You are holy (You are holy), You are mighty (You are mighty),
You are worthy (You are worthy)
Worthy of praise (worthy of praise.)
I will follow, (I will follow), I will listen (I will listen)
I will love You (I will love You) all of my days (all of my days).

You are Lord of lords, You are King of kings,
You are mighty God, Lord of everything.
You're Emmanuel, You're the great I AM,
You're the Prince of Peace who is the Lamb.
You're the Living God, You're my saving grace.
You will reign forever; You are Ancient of Days.
You are Alpha, Omega, Beginning and End.
You're my Savior, Messiah, Redeemer and Friend.
You're my Prince of Peace, and I will live my life for You.

(repeat all)

You're my Prince of Peace, and I will live my life for You.



*P=Pastor
C=Congregation*

*We "invoke"
God's presence
by repeating the
name in which we
were baptized by
the Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit.*

*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 INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

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!

P: The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein, for He has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.

C: He gives to the beasts their food, and to the young ravens that cry.

P: Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?

C: It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil; for He gives to His beloved sleep.

P: Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.

C: The First Commandment reminds us, "You shall have no other gods before Me."

P: Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.

C: On account of these the wrath of God is coming.

THE CONFESSION AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS

P: Let us now confess our sin to God, our merciful Father.

C: Almighty God, You are the giver of everything we have. Yet, we are guilty of coveting the possessions, experiences, and social standing of others. We sin by valuing these things above You. For Jesus' sake, forgive our sins. Renew us in Your knowledge and conform us to Your image by the power of the Holy Spirit.

P: "For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you by His poverty might become rich" (2 Corinthians 8:9). We receive the riches of God's forgiveness because of Jesus. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

*We give thanks
and rejoice that
we have been
forgiven!*

*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.*

THE SONG OF PRAISE "Blessèd Be Your Name"

Blessèd be Your name in the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow—Blessèd be Your name.
Blessèd be Your name, when I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness—Blessèd be Your name.
Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord still I will say—

Chorus:

Blessèd be the name of the Lord.
Blessèd be Your name.
Blessèd be the name of the Lord.
Blessèd be Your glorious name.

Blessèd be Your name when the sun's shining down on me.
When the world's all as it should be—Blessèd be Your name.
Blessèd be Your name on the road marked with suffering.
Though there's pain in the offering—Blessèd be Your name.
Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord still I will say— **Chorus twice**

You give and take away. You give and take away.
My heart will choose to say—Lord, blessèd be Your name.
Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord still I will say—**Chorus twice**
You give and take away. You give and take away.
My heart will choose to say—Lord blessèd be Your name.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. O God, You are the giver of all that we have, including all that we are. We praise and thank You for blessing us with family, friends, opportunities, jobs, and possessions. Guide us to be good stewards of all You generously give to us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The First Lesson
is taken from a
book of the Old
Testament.
It coordinates
with the Gospel
lesson, and is
found on page
554 in the pew
Bible.

A pattern of
Scripture
readings for each
week of the year
comes from the
Old Testament.
Jesus also kept
this practice.

The Gradual is
taken from Psalm
100 on page 500
in the pew Bible.

THE FIRST LESSON Ecclesiastes 2:18-26

¹⁸ I hated all my toil in which I toil under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to the man who will come after me, ¹⁹ and who knows whether he will be wise or a fool? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰ So I turned about and gave my heart up to despair over all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹ because sometimes a person who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave everything to be enjoyed by someone who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²² What has a man from all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the sun? ²³ For all his days are full of sorrow, and his work is a vexation. Even in the night his heart does not rest. This also is vanity. ²⁴ There is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. This also, I saw, is from the hand of God, ²⁵ for apart from him who can eat or who can have enjoyment? ²⁶ For to the one who pleases him God has given wisdom and knowledge and joy, but to the sinner he has given the business of gathering and collecting, only to give to one who pleases God. This also is vanity and a striving after wind.

THE GRADUAL

P: ¹Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

C: ²Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

P: ³Know that the LORD, he is God!

C: It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

P: ⁴Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

C: Give thanks to him; bless his name!

P: ⁵For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,

C: and his faithfulness to all generations.

The Epistle Lesson is from St. Paul's Letters, and is found on page 984 in the pew Bible.

THE EPISTLE LESSON Colossians 3:1-11

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³ For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. ⁵ Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷ In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸ But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. ¹¹ Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

The Gospel Song 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 SONG "Word of God, Speak"

I'm finding myself at a loss for words,
and the funny thing is it's okay.
The last thing I need is to be heard,
but to hear what You would say.

Chorus: Word of God speak; would You pour down like rain
Washing my eyes to see Your majesty,
To be still and know that You're in this place?
Please let me stay and rest in Your holiness.
Word of God, speak.

I'm finding myself in the midst of You,
beyond the music, beyond the noise.
All that I need is to be with You
and in the quiet hear Your voice. **Chorus**

I'm finding myself at a loss for words,
and the funny thing is it's okay...

The Gospel Lesson is selected according to the season or festival Sunday of the Church Year, and is found on page 871 in the pew Bible.

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 HOLY GOSPEL Luke 12:13-21

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus], "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." ¹⁴ But he said to him, "Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?"

¹⁵ And he said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." ¹⁶ And he told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man produced plentifully, ¹⁷ and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' ¹⁸ And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹ And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.'" ²⁰ But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹ So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."

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 Time: We invite 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.

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 loves the little children, all the children of the world.
Every one is so unique from their head down to their feet.
Jesus loves the little children of the world.

THE CHILDREN'S TIME "Rich Toward God"

THE SERMON HYMN

"All Depends on Our Possessing" LSB 732

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



1 All de - pends on our pos - sess - ing God's a - bun - dant
2 He who to this day has fed me And to man - y
3 Man - y spend their lives in fret - ting O - ver tri - fles
4 When with sor - row I am strick - en, Hope a - new my
5 Well He knows what best to grant me; All the long - ing

grace and bless - ing, Though all earth - ly wealth de - part.
joys has led me Is and ev - er shall be mine.
and in get - ting Things that have no sol - id ground.
heart will quick - en; All my long - ing shall be stilled.
hopes that haunt me, Joy and sor - row, have their day.

They who trust with faith un - shak - en By their God are
He who ev - er gent - ly schools me, He who dai - ly
I shall strive to win a trea - sure That will bring me
To His lov - ing - kind - ness ten - der Soul and bod - y
I shall doubt His wis - dom nev - er; As God wills, so

not for - sak - en And will keep a daunt - less heart.
guides and rules me Will re - main my help di - vine.
last - ing plea - sure And that now is sel - dom found.
I sur - ren - der, For on God a - lone I build.
be it ev - er; I com - mit to Him my way.

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

THE SERMON "Everything is Not Awesome" Luke 12:13-21

1. Jesus gives peace that possessions can't provide.
2. Jesus gives purpose that planning can't guarantee.
3. Jesus gives treasure that death can't touch.

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S TEACHING

"All Depends..." LSB 732, verse 6

If my days on earth He lengthen, God my weary soul will strengthen;
All my trust in Him I place.
Earthly wealth is not abiding, like a stream away is gliding;
Safe I anchor in His grace.

**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.
(Romans 12:1)

**After the
Offering Prayer,**
we ask all of
those watching
the service on the
live stream,
please fill out an
attendance card.
If you have any
special prayer
requests, you will
find a space for
this online as
well.

THE OFFERING PRAYER

THE ANTHEM "Gratitude"

Send some rain, would You send some rain?
'Cause the earth is dry and needs to drink again,
And the sun is high, and we are sinking in the shade.
Would You send a cloud, thunder long and loud?
Let the sky grow black and send some mercy down?
Surely You can see that we are thirsty and afraid-
But maybe not, not today.
Maybe You'll provide in other ways, and if that's the case...
We'll give thanks to You with gratitude
For lessons learned in how to thirst for You.
How to bless the very sun that warms our face,
If You never send us rain.

Daily bread give us daily bread.
Bless our bodies, keep our children fed.
Fill our cups then fill them up again tonight.
Wrap us up and warm us through,
Tucked away beneath our sturdy roofs.
Let us slumber safe from danger's view this time.
Or maybe not, not today, maybe You'll provide in other ways
And if that's the case...

We'll give thanks to You with gratitude.
A lesson learned to hunger after You,
That a starry sky offer a better view if no roof is overhead
And if we never taste that bread.

Oh, the differences that often are between
Everything we want and what we really need.

So grant us peace, Jesus grant us peace.
Move our hearts to hear a single beat
Between alibis and enemies tonight.
Or maybe not, not today, peace might be another world away.
And if that's the case...

We'll give thanks to You with gratitude
For lessons learned in how to trust in You
That we are blessed beyond what we could ever dream
In abundance or in need.

And if You never grant us peace...
But Jesus would You please...

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

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

THE PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION AND OF THE CHURCH

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Lord of Glory, You created this world and everything in it, and You continue to rule over it. We praise and thank You for being our Good Shepherd who daily and richly provides for us.

C: Thank You for laying down Your life for us and taking it back up again.

P: Almighty God, we praise and thank You for all the blessings You generously give us. We thank you for our families, friends, opportunities, vocations, and possessions.

C: Lead us to be good stewards of all that You place into our hands. Guard our hearts against selfishness, arrogance, and pride.

P: Gracious God, You promised Abram that You would bless him to be a blessing. We, too, are truly blessed as we freely receive the riches of Your kingdom.

C: We praise and thank You for the riches of Your Word and the forgiveness we graciously receive at Your Table. Empower us by Your love to care for the widow, the orphan, the poor, and the needy.

- P: We lift up in prayer all those affected by the disastrous flooding in Texas and our nation. Our hearts are heavy, as we grieve with and for those who have lost precious loved ones. Surround them with Your mercy, uphold them with Your promises, and draw them near to Your cross.
- C: Grant hope to those who are overwhelmed, and strength to all who labor in recovery, as they minister in Your name. Use us to show this grieving community the hope of the resurrection, and the assurance that nothing can separate us from the love of God. Open our minds and hearts to Your wisdom and show us what You would have us to do.**
- P: Merciful God, we thank You for all those faithful people whose words and actions have guided us in the past. We remember those who now rejoice in Your eternal presence.
- C: By the working of Your Holy Spirit, direct us to walk Your servant way throughout our lives until that day when we share in the everlasting feast in Your eternal kingdom.**
- P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C: Amen.**



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)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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.
(Numbers 6:24-
25; Matt. 18:19-
20)

THE BENEDICTION

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 SILENT PRAYER

*Blessed are You, O Lord of heaven and earth. We bless You now
for sending Your Son, Jesus Christ, the bread of life, to give us
assurance of Your fatherly care so that we may live without fear.*

*Through lives that are directed by Your Holy Spirit, grant that
we embody the good confession of our faith in Christ as our
Lord and Savior as we await the promised eternal life in Your
heavenly kingdom, where saints and angels gather
around Your throne in glory everlasting.*

Amen.

THE MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE



*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.
Thank you!*

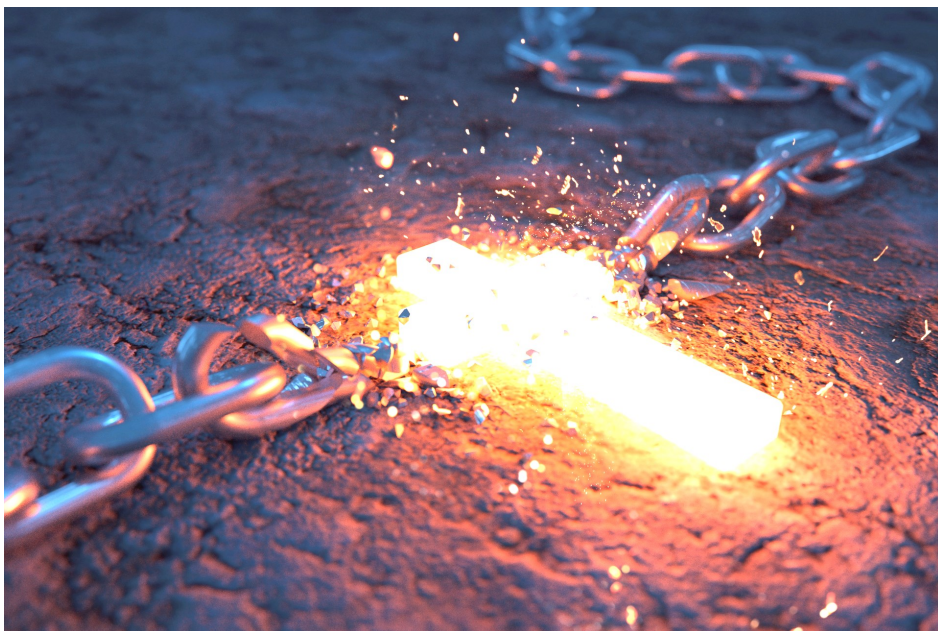
THE CLOSING HYMN

"Who You Say I Am"

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me?
I was lost but He brought me in-
Oh His love for me! Oh His love for me!
Who the Son sets free, oh is free indeed.
I'm a child of God-Yes I am!

Free at last-He has ransomed me. His grace runs deep.
While I was a slave to sin Jesus died for me;
Yes He died for me!
Who the Son sets free, oh is free indeed.
I'm a child of God-Yes I am!
In my Father's house there's a place for me
I'm a child of God- Yes I am!

THE POSTSERVICE PRAISE



Serving in the Lord's House Today

PREACHER/CHILDREN'S TIME	Rev. Matthew A. Lee
LITURGIST	Rev. Dr. Victor J. Kollmann
ELDER CAPTAIN	John Robinson, Ed Nelson
ALTAR TEAM	Team B
USHER TEAM	Team 3
ACOLYTES	Garrett Schuster, Addyson Smith
ANTHEM	Norma Miller
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Our Response to the Lord Last Week

Weekly Worship Attendance	516
Adult Bible Class	178
Sunday School Attendance	62

Church Faith Budget

Given last week	\$ 29,850
Given year to date	\$ 1,439,999
Given year to date last year	\$ 1,416,432



Building Fund

Given last week	\$ 215
Given year to date	\$ 170,640

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

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Services available on our Website/YouTube

♦ Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary: 8:30 & 11:00 AM
(Holy Communion every 2nd & 4th Sundays)

♦ Sunday School & Adult Bible Class: 9:45-10:40 AM

♦ Wednesday Worship-7:00 PM
(Holy Communion every Wednesday)



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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!