



THE MESSENGER

THE GREAT COMMISSION

Humanity's greatest need today is the same as it has been throughout history: To have a special relationship with Jesus. So, what is most needed by us Christians is to share the Great News about Jesus with those around us. That is why Jesus said to His disciples years ago, "You are My witnesses." Jesus is the answer to the deepest needs we have as human beings.

Every human being has been stung by sin. But thank God that there is an antidote to sin: Jesus. The Bible says, "The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord." When anyone asks what they need to do to be saved from sin and death, the Apostle Paul gives us the answer. "Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved."



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Believing in Jesus is more than an intellectual statement. And being saved is more than just a matter of going to heaven someday. Believing in Jesus and being saved are about having this special personal relationship with Jesus.

When we share the Good News of Jesus with others, we are leading them into having this special personal relationship with Jesus. The Great Commission that Jesus gives to us is to go into all the world and share the Good News of Jesus with every person.

Are you a Christian? It is because somewhere in your life someone carried out the Great Commission and told you about Jesus. Are you a Christian? Then the Great Commission is your commission. You are to tell the people around you about Jesus.

Share with someone the Great News about Jesus today!

OUR NEW LIFE CENTER

We are now going through the "punch list" of items that need to be done for our Life Center to be complete. These changes should be done sometime in August. After that, we will have a great dedication of this Life Center to our God. Thank you again for all of your special gifts that are making this Life Center a reality to help us to lead more people to Jesus and to heaven.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Remember that success is knowing you made the effort to do your best!

A Word From Pastor Lee

“Where Was God in the Flood?”

A Personal Reflection from Pastor Lee



Before Bible class one day, one of our members came up to me with a heavy heart. She told me someone had asked her, “How can God allow such a tragic and horrible thing to happen in Central Texas on July 4?” Maybe you’ve heard someone ask that before. Maybe you’ve asked it yourself.

It’s a question that gets especially loud when the waters rise—when people lose homes, loved ones, or the lives they once knew. These recent floods in Central Texas have left scars: on the land, on families, and on hearts. And when we see that kind of suffering, we often want to say, “Lord, why?” If you’ve ever asked that question, you’re not alone. It’s as old as the book of Job. And truth be told, there’s no simple answer that makes all the pain make sense. But God doesn’t leave us without a word. And He doesn’t leave us alone.

Scripture tells us the world wasn’t created for death and destruction. God called His creation *very good*. But when sin entered the world, so did suffering. As Paul writes in Romans 8, creation itself is groaning, longing to be set free from its bondage to decay. Floods and tragedies aren’t signs that God is absent—they’re signs that we’re still living in a world that’s broken and waiting for Christ to return.

C.S. Lewis, in *The Problem of Pain*, wrote something that has always stuck with me: “If God were good, He would wish to make His creatures perfectly happy... and if God were almighty, He would be able to do what He wished. But the creatures are not happy.” Lewis wrestled deeply with the fact that God *is* good and *is* almighty, and yet suffering still happens. His conclusion? The problem of pain doesn’t point to God’s absence. It points to our need for a deeper hope.

Lewis also said, “God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our conscience, but shouts in our pain.” Not because God wants us to hurt—but because sometimes pain is what finally breaks through our noise and opens us to hear His voice.

So, where is God in the flood? He’s not far off, watching from a distance. He’s near to the brokenhearted. He’s in the hands of neighbors offering shelter and food. He’s with every volunteer, every prayer, every quiet act of love. And most of all, He’s with us in Jesus—God made flesh, who didn’t run from suffering but entered it. Who wept, who bled, who died. For us.

The cross tells us something no flood ever can: that God is not indifferent to suffering. He bore it. And the empty tomb tells us something else: suffering doesn’t get the last word. Not for Jesus. Not for you.

There are still days when I don’t understand why some things happen the way they do. But I do know this: we have a Savior who has gone into the deepest waters for us. And He will bring us safely home. Until then, we hold on to His promises. “Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Not tragedy. Not even floodwaters.

In His mercy,
Pastor Lee

A Word From Pastor Detrie

To my fellow Saints in Christ,
Something that I do from time to time is to read through the Psalms, I do this as part of my personal devotional walk with our Lord Jesus. For whatever the reason may be, the Psalms have always seemed to ground me and bring me back to center as I do my best to fight the fight as Paul puts it. I have always said that one could read the same verse over and over and the Holy Spirit will teach you or reveal to you a new insight every single time. Well, I have no idea how many times I have read the Psalms in my life but every time I read them it feels as though I have just read them for the first time. I learn something completely different every time and that is simply awesome. So, I thought I would share some insights into the Psalm that I am currently reading and rereading for this week, and the Psalm that I am reading is Psalm 32.



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Psalm 32 says: *"Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,' and you forgave the iniquity of my sin. Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found; surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him. You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance. I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you. Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding, which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay near you. Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD. Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!"*

This Psalm teaches us about the power of forgiveness. The reality for everyone is that we are all sinners before God and each one of us deserves His wrath for the sin we commit every day. We cannot help ourselves; our nature is to disobey God and live for ourselves, this is sin. It does not matter the sin, it could be big or small, no matter what it is it deserves punishment. The difference comes when a person realizes this and does something about it. What we do is to turn to God in humility and admit that we disobeyed, that we sinned and ask for forgiveness. God who has revealed Himself in Christ Jesus, His Son, then will forgive us for the sin and the iniquity (guilt) to comes along with it. The Psalm tells us that God then covers our sin and no longer sees it. It's gone! So, when the time comes and we stand before Him and He checks the sin tally sheet, its empty, there is no sin listed because the robe of Christ righteousness has covered it and made us clean and holy before our Father in heaven. The power of forgiveness is that it not only saves us from the wrath that we deserve it frees us from the guilt that we live with because of the sin that we committed. Think about it this way, when you did something wrong as a child, you might have slipped it past your parents, but you felt guilty, nonetheless. With forgiveness comes the release of that guilt. When we admit to God that we fell short in our disobedience, He frees us from all of it, how amazing is that.

This is why as Lutherans we refer to ourselves as Saints and Sinners at the same time, because we are. This side of heaven we will never shed ourselves from our sinful nature but in Christ we have overcome our nature and taken on His. With Christ, we are truly free to live life in peace, the true peace that only comes from Him. Our daily confession to Him in prayer is liberating, because we get to live our life without fear and when we stand before our Father we stand in confidence of Christ righteousness knowing that there is nothing held against us, all our Father sees is His child who trusts in Him. Let this Psalm serve as that great reminder of our Father's love in Christ Jesus our Lord who was poured out for our forgiveness, life and salvation as you find your shelter in the power of forgiveness that He extends and offers freely.

In God, Pastor Detrie

FROM YOUR CORNER OF ENGAGE

THE ENGAGEMENT MINISTRY OF MESSIAH

YOUR PLACE.YOUR IMPACT.

SERVICE SPOTLIGHT STAR

Dorothy Rigg



There are hearts that Lead not from platforms, but from Prayer and Presence...

This month, we honor one such woman whose labor of love is woven into the very fabric of our church family. Dorothy Rigg, though she never seeks recognition, her work echoes the heartbeat of Heaven.

🌻 From her leading the Sunshine Guild—where simple, joy-filled arrangements of homegrown plants bring light into the darkest moments, to Coordinating the PrimeTimers Monthly “Dining Out” Dinners...

To 📅 Weekly:

- Stuffing inserts into 600 bulletins
- Preparing the Sunday Coffee station
- To Coffee station clean-up & break-down

She reminds us that some of God's mightiest work happens in the smallest acts of unseen service.

Even more silently transformative is how she lifts others in seasons of deep transition.

- ❤️ Whether she's comforting a grieving widow,
- 🏠 Orchestrating a friend's life-stage move,
- 🍽️ Delivering meals to church members or
- ✝️ Delivering Easter lilies with grace & care;

Dorothy's presence offers something words can't: the comfort of Christ.

With wisdom shaped by her own journey through loss, including the passing of her beloved husband John, she now walks tenderly alongside those who are newly grieving—sharing not answers, but understanding.

Her life echoes the words of Mother Teresa: “When all else fails, use words.” But the truth is, her life rarely needs them. She is His hands and feet, faithfully serving Messiah and His people with joy.

While no words can fully capture the breadth of her service, Dorothy's life reflects the deeper truth—that real ministry is often quiet, deeply personal, and quietly rooted in love that sustains others with grace.

GRACE AT WORK



Successful!

Carter Blood Drive
on 7/13

THANKS to **ALL** who
Gave the GIFT of LIFE!

11 Donors
1 Donation Blood Bag
(per Donor)
=
**POTENTIAL to SAVE
33 Lives**



ACCOMPLISHED

Kindness DONUT Drop

on 7/15

OUTREACH PURPOSE:

A gift *without* an agenda!

DELIVERED:

Over 150 "Kindness bags" to the
Construction Crew across the street.

Kindness Bag Contents:

- Glazed Cake Donut
- SPF Chapstick
- 12oz Water
- Electrolyte Hydration Packet

Bag Tag Message: as seen in photos



**BEYOND GRATEFUL, FOR ALL THE HANDS & HEARTS THAT MADE
THESE EVENTS A SUCCESS!** ♥ ♥

IN HIS SERVICE,
NATALIE

DONUT forget...
¡Rosquilla lo olvidas!
YOU Matter!
¡Tú importas!
Your friends
Tus amigos
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JANE BAEDKE



HELEN, BOB,
CHERYL, KENLEY,

PASTORS
KOLLMANN & LEE



DANNY

PASTOR DETRIE
KATHY DOUGLAS, KATHY MARDIS,
AMY MYERS & DON JOHNSON

He saved them from the hand
of the foe; from the hand of
the enemy he redeemed them.
Ps 106:10



Karrie Looney

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Small Group/Large Group Bible Study

We will be going through chapter 6 on
Esther and Rahab.

Small groups will meet:

Monday August 4th at 7pm at Mary
Jane's house.

Thursday August 14th 6pm at Church
Room E237 N

Large Group:

Saturday August 16th at 10 am in the
Upstairs Multipurpose room.

JULIETs

Just Us Ladies Into Eating Together

JULIETs Dining Out for July.
(all women invited)

Monday, July 11th, 6:00pm
Little Rome Restaurant & Pizza
2707 W 15th St Unit B
Plano 75075

Calendar **NEWS
LETTER**



<https://tinyurl.com/hw2mjrma>



<https://tinyurl.com/3u3b89y7>

Register for all events on Realm or by emailing: Kingdomwomen@messiahlutheran.com

Hope's Door Volunteer Opportunity

Saturday August 9th 10m - 1pm

We have the opportunity to serve at Hope's Door
Resale shop. We will be sorting clothes and other
tasks around the store that need to be done.

Register on Realm or by emailing:

kingdomwomen@messiahlutheran.com

Messiah Vendor Fair

September 6th 1-3pm

Do you sell something or know someone who
does? Use this QR code or email
kingdomwomen@messiahlutheran.com to
register.

Like to shop - save the date we already have a
bunch of really great vendors lined up.



Baby Shower

August 16th 1-3:30pm

Kingdom women is throwing a baby shower for all
new and expectant moms. If you are a new or
expectant mom register for this event today. If you
know a new or expectant mom invite them to come
to this sweet event designed to celebrate them.

Register today on Realm or by emailing
Kingdomwomen@messiahlutheran.com

Prime Timers Lunch and Learn: Mission Trip & Travel Tips

Date: Tues, Aug 19 at 11:30

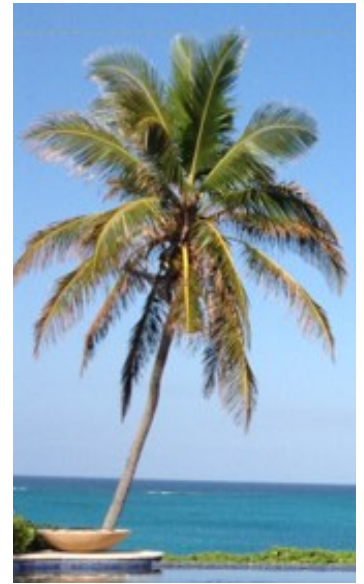
Location: Dining Hall (in the new building)

Join us as we hear from Jim Tobaben on his recent mission trip adventures and from Karen Chambers on travel tips for our own adventures!

Boxed lunches by McAllister's. Cost \$15 each. **Sun, Aug 17** is the Last Day to Sign-up / Refund deadline / Payment due date. Sign-up and pay by check or cash in marked container at Prime Timers Table or electronically via Realm. Sign-up sheets also available in Bible Classes (payment separately).

Presenters: Jim Tobaben & Karen Chambers

Please contact Karen with any questions @ kl.chambers@verizon.net



Here are a few thoughts as you are enjoying your summer:

- Please bring your items for the Lutheran World Relief kits that we put together in the fall. It is not too early to start shopping! We need nail clippers, bars of soap, sturdy combs, dark colored, light-weight bath towels, nail clippers, and toothbrushes. There is a basket on the table for donations.
- We are still taking the fronts (without writing) on greeting cards to the Denton State School. Please put them on the LWML table by The Lamp Gift Shop.
- The collection of Mites is very important for the LWML. Please place your change, or dollars, in the Mite box on the LWML table. We send these to help with the mission goals of the LWML. This is for you men, also!

Save the date:

Loading the trucks for Lutheran World Relief is on **Saturday, November 8**, from 9 to 3. We need your help—especially men and youth!

The Bake and Craft Sale will be on

Sunday, December 7.

Thanks to everyone who is supporting LWML in these missions.





Engage, Equip, Enjoy, and Share!

"Our purpose is to **ENGAGE** our community's youth in a relationship with God, **EQUIP** them to grow in their faith, and to **ENJOY** and **SHARE** God's love."

Contact Jodi Sorenson for information on youth events. YouthMin@messiahlutheran.com 214-649-4720 mobile

Sunday School : 5th and 6th grade meet in the **Old Youth Room** for opening at 9:45 AM and then go to their class in the education building.
All confirmed youth will meet in the **New Youth Room** for Sunday morning Bible Study. Announcements will be made during closing, 10:40 AM.

August

NEW YOUTH ROOM

July 27th—JAM on Sunday, 5:00 –7:00 PM

Dinner provided

August 3rd—Youth Board Meeting 12:00-1:00PM

JC Information Meeting, 5:00 PM—6:30 PM

August 5th—JAM 6:00 -7:30 PM, 5th—7th Grade

August 6th—IGNITE 6:00 - 7:30 PM, Confirmed Youth

August 10th—MYM, 5:00 –7:00 PM

Bring your own dinner

August 17th—Confirmation Meeting for youth and parents, 5:00—6:00 PM

August 24th—JAM on Sunday

Dinner provided

August 31st—Youth Bake Sale

Youth Gathering Revisited, 5:00—7:00 PM for participants

All proceeds will benefit to FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN



Middle School is a time when kids are starting to gain independence, explore their faith, and interact with the world around them. Get ready for a fun

weekend of exploring the story of David and Goliath! Many of our students know the story but may not have thought about how it applies to their lives. David's confidence came from God and knowing his identity as a child of God. His character and confidence came from having his inner armor. Students will spend time in God's word and in discussion with each other; there will be opportunities to play, serve, and build relationships too!

Registration opens August 1st and closes September 14th.

Sign up and pay by August 22nd \$75, after August 22 the cost is \$110.

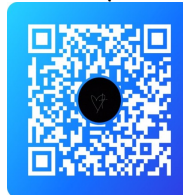


YOUNG ADULTS
College and Career



@MLC_YOUNGADULTS

GroupMe



Sunday Morning Bible Study at 9:45 AM, room E247N

August 17th- SatT Mangia Bistro, 508 14th St, Plano, TX 75074 at 12 :00 PM

Reach out to Ginny Wilson 214-728-4901 or Joseph Schinnerer 682-667-8806



Youth and Families, keep connected with what is going on with youth ministry at Messiah! Currently we have 2 social media profiles, Instagram and a Facebook group, both are private accounts for youth and parents only. We use the Realm for mails and event registrations. By default, parents will receive copies of all emails sent to students.



@MYM_PLANO

More Youth News...



On August 31st the youth will host a bake sale. This summer, during their Stay-cation Mission, the youth were so impacted by their visits to Feed My Starving Children, they wanted to do more. FMSC estimates 6,200 children die each day from the causes related to undernutrition. Our young people have made a commitment to help more by attending more food packing events at the Richardson location and raising some money to supply the ingredients.



FMSC meals are developed by food science and nutrition professionals to supplement nutritional needs and reduce problems with malnutrition. Nutrition allows children to grow, thrive and develop to their full potential.

Some exciting changes are happening in Youth Ministry. We will be rolling out these new programs, events, and ideas over the next several months. Our exciting August news is...midweek bible study is back for our Confirmed Youth! It's called IGNITE! These youth will be meeting on Wednesdays 6:00—7:30 PM. Those youth not yet confirmed, JAM 5th—7th grade, will move their midweek to Tuesdays 6:00—7:30 PM. We are excited for an opportunity for our youth to meet together to recharge in God's Word and encourage each other in fellowship.



Let's Grow Together



IGNITE

is our Confirmed Youth, typically 8th—12th grade. They meet each Sunday morning for Bible Study class in the new youth room at 9:45 AM with important announcements shared at 10:40 AM. On Wednesdays, they meet 6:00—7:30 PM in the youth room for a midweek study and a time for fellowship.

JAM is our youth yet to be Confirmed, typically 5th—7th grade. They meet each Sunday for Bible Study and Confirmation Class in the education building. They start in the old youth room at 9:45 AM for announcements, then head to their classrooms. On Tuesdays, they meet 6:00—7:30 PM in the youth room for a midweek study and a time for fellowship.

SUNDAY evening

On Sunday evenings, we have a variety of activities for our youth! All Sunday activities are in the Youth Room, 5:00-7:00 PM

- 1st Sundays are for IGNITE youth.
- 2nd Sundays are for all youth.
- 3rd Sundays are reserved for meetings for camp, mission trips and other big events.
- 4th Sundays are for JAM Youth.
- 5th Sundays are for Adult Leaders of our Youth to gather.

With the growth in youth ministry, we will need more help! What do youth volunteers look like? YOU! People of all ages and seasons in life are important to the growth and sustainability of youth ministry. What do youth volunteers do? They help by welcoming youth to events

as door monitors. They teach, helping them engage in the Word of God. They mentor young people by being their friend. Some volunteers do big tasks like helping with big events. Some volunteers help by working in the background. All volunteers help with their present, serving hearts. Please reach out to Jodi, 214-649-4720 by phone or email youthmin@messiahlutheran.com. We have a team praying for you! Are you hearing Him knock on your heart's door?



Sing Out My Soul



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Each Sunday we come together as a congregation to celebrate the love of Christ in worship with songs of praise! We join our voices together, using music as a way to share the song in our hearts—the song of joy to Christ, our Savior, and offering to our Lord of our love for Him. We hear voices around us of the young and old, strongly and boldly singing praise to God. We also hear instruments of all types lifted in response to our Lord's grace and mercy. What a wonderful celebration of praise when all of these combine together in worship!

Have you been blessed with a singing voice or the ability to play an instrument! Do you yearn for the opportunity to express your heart's song through music to our Lord? Whether you are a young child, youth or adult, there are groups that you can join with fellow members, who also feel the calling of Christ to serve Him through music. There are many ways to serve, so prayerfully consider adding your talents to our music ministry this year. You'll be so blessed! All groups meet once a week, starting soon!

Children's Choir— K-4th grade —Wednesdays from 6:00-6:50 PM-E201S



- Use songs and instruments to praise the Lord.
- Develop music skills.
- Opportunity for children to serve in worship.
- Directed by Dorothy Sherrod, Christina Knoernschild and Melinda Kellerman



Sanctuary Choir-Youth-Adults—Tuesdays from 7:05-8:30 PM-Sanctuary Balcony

- Prepares music in various styles, including classical, gospel and contemporary.
- Sings once a month in both services.
- Presents special cantatas during Advent and Lent.
- Directed by Brenda Bucher & Dorothy Sherrod



Joyful Ringers (Hand bells)-Youth/Adults—Tuesdays from 6:00-7:00 PM-Sanctuary Balcony

- Prepares music for worship services.
- Includes experienced and beginning ringers.
- Plays monthly in worship.
- Directed by Dorothy Sherrod

Praise Teams-Youth/Adults—Sunday mornings 9:45am-balcony






- Provide worship leadership for the 11:00 Contemporary blended service.
*Soon to move to leading the Contemporary service in the Celebration Hall.
- Include singers and instrumentalists on piano, guitar, bass, drums and keyboard.
- Directed by Dorothy Sherrod



Sanctuary Orchestra-Youth/Adults—Wednesdays 7:00-8:15 PM-E201S

- Composed of brass, woodwind, string and percussion instrumentalists.
- Prepare music for worship services.
- Work with the Sanctuary Choir on the Cantatas for Advent and Lent.
- Open to youth and adults who have played for at least 2 years.
- Directed by David Walling and Dorothy Sherrod.

Questions? Contact Dorothy Sherrod –972-398-7507
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TUESDAYS		WEDNESDAYS	
	Joyful Ringers 6:00-7:00 pm Sanctuary Balcony Starts September 2nd		Children's Choir 6:00-6:50 pm
			Choir Room-E201S Starts September 3rd
	Sanctuary Choir 7:05-8:30 pm Sanctuary Balcony Starts September 2nd		Sanctuary Orchestra 7:00-8:15 pm Choir room-E201S Starts October 1st
SUNDAYS			
	Praise Team 9:45 am Sanctuary Balcony Meets year round	<i>In Our Music, God is Glorified</i>	



In June, Messiah Lutheran provided me the opportunity to participate in the Adult Choir Camp at Interlochen Center for the Arts in Michigan. During this one-week program, choral techniques along with a diverse selection of choral repertoire were mastered under the direction of an amazing conductor, Dr. Amanda Quist. Over 100 singers participated in this choir, and we presented a concert on June 28. *Thank You, Messiah for your generosity.* Also, thank you to fellow members Brenda and Alan Bucher, who hosted me during the camp. Brenda and I sang in the choir together, learning many things that we will be sharing throughout the year. Alan shuttled us to and from camp and cooked delicious meals for us. What an incredible experience! I look forward to returning next year. *In His Service, Dorothy*

News from Messiah Lambs



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Our hallways and classrooms have been empty and quiet. It's time to start decorating the bulletin boards, adding name tags to the cubbies, and cleaning all of the toys to get them ready for our friends. Messiah Lambs students return to school on August 13th. We are prepared for over 130 smiling students and around 25 teachers to come through our doors.

This year, our theme will be the Armor of God from Ephesians 6:10-20. The armor of God is a gift that God gives each one of us to protect us from the evil of this world. It includes the belt of truth, the breastplate of righteousness, the shoes of peace, the shield of faith, the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit. Do you remember to put each of these items on every morning as you arm yourself against satan and his ways? We will be learning how to ask God for His divine protection as we arm ourselves with each piece.

There is a lot to do each year to get ready for a new school year. Our school was blessed by two groups who helped us out with some of this work. Messiah's Youth cleaned all our tables and chairs during their June Staycation, and Messiah's Scout Troop 198 got our playground ready by raking and adding the rubber chips to get us to the regulation depth. Thank you to all who helped serve Messiah Lambs. We appreciate your help!

This month, we ask you to join us in praying for all families as they send their children back to all schools. Pray for the safety of these children, their teachers, and all community helpers who work to make sure the children are safe, that the buildings are clean and ready, that the children are well fed, and those who ensure safe transportation.

Important Upcoming Dates

August 11: Parent Meeting 6:30 pm

August 12: Meet the Teacher 9 am- 11 am

August 13: First day of school

August 17: Lambs' staff commissioning (1st service)

Sept 1: No School (Labor Day)



KidMin

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**Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful
or proud or rude. It does not demand its own way.**

1 Corinthians 13:4-5

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HAPPY AUGUST!! It's the final days of summer and then we are **BACK TO SCHOOL!** This month's memory verse is listed above and was introduced at the July 27th Opening. It will be reinforced through the lessons each Sunday in August! We have 4 more Sundays left in our Summer Sunday School program until we **MOVE UP** to our **NEW** classes on Rally Day (Aug 31st!) Check out **ALL** the details below!

As we enter the month of August, please prayerfully consider volunteering as an Opening Leader/Assistant, Teacher/Assistant, or a Substitute! Also don't forget to check out our online newsletter for even **MORE** KidMin stuff. Scan the QR code above or find it here: tinyurl.com/KMMinute

AUG 10TH

**BACKPACK
BLESSING
DURING
CHILDREN'S
TIME**

AUG 17TH

**TEACHER
TRAINING**

**9:30AM - DINING
ROOM**

RSVP HERE:

tinyurl.com/25TeachTraining



AUG 24TH

**Family Faith
Walks**

**KINDERGARTEN
FOOTPRINTS**

RSVP HERE:

[tinyurl.com/
kinder
footprints25](http://tinyurl.com/kinderfootprints25)



AUG 31ST

**Come celebrate the NEW Sunday
School Year as we MOVE UP and
celebrate the goodness of GOD!**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL
RALLY DAY**

Messiah Serves: Social Ministries and Outreach

Touching Lives Through Christ

Mrs. Dawn Johnson - Social Ministry and Outreach Coordinator

The mission of our Outreach Ministries is to be Jesus' hands to our church, city, national, and international community. We do this through weekly opportunities for hands-on service such as those listed below and also through contributions to community charities such as Network of Community Ministries and the Assistance Center of Collin County, wonderful organizations who are equipped to deal with the long-term needs of struggling individuals.



TWO OPPORTUNITIES to SUPPORT our Friends at

Good Samaritans of Garland!

Sunday, July 20th through Sunday, August 3rd!

We have changed up our annual school supply drive. This year we are supporting Good Samaritans of Garland families who have children attending Randolph Caldwell elementary. ****Important to note the items below are listed specifically for this particular elementary school.**

**DONATIONS CAN BE DROPPED OFF IN THE
COLLECTION AREA NEXT TO THE FAMILY ROOM
Randolph Caldwell ELEMENTARY Student School**

Supplies ~

- (4) Facial Tissue Boxes
- (6) Large Glue Sticks
- (2) Crayons- 24 Count
- (2) Black Expo dry erase markers with eraser
- (1) Package of Highlighters
- (1) Pack Washable Markers - 8 count each
- (24) **#2** Pencils
- (1) Map Colored Pencils
- (1) packet – Graph Paper
- (4 each) Folders w/pockets ~
(red, blue, yellow, orange)
- (1) Post-it Super Sticky Notes Cube, 3x3 in - 1
Cube
- (1) Clorox wipes or sanitizing wipes
- (1) Ziploc sandwich-size baggies
- (1) 12oz. bottles of hand sanitizer
- (1) Ruler
- (1) Package of white or manila construction
paper
- (2) Packs Pink Big Erasers ~ 4 count

Student Week-End Bags ~

- Individual, shelf stable milk (details on the
Social Ministries table)
- Individual cereal cups
- Canned Ravioli, Spaghetti-Os, Spaghetti and
Meatballs with Pop Tops
- Canned Soups (chicken noodle, chicken and
stars, chicken and rice) with Pop Tops
- Peanut Butter or Cheese Cracker Packs
- Macaroni and Cheese Cups
- Individual Peanut Butter Squeeze Pouches



MITZI HAD A GREAT GRAZING TIME AT MESSIAH!

I want to extend a THANK YOU to those who supported the NETWORK's Mitzi Milk Fund that we hosted throughout the month of April. ***We will be able to donate \$510 To the NETWORK*** for fresh milk given to families with children.



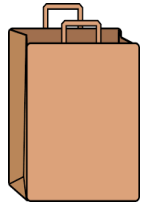
NETWORK is based in Richardson, Texas and has a service area encompassing fourteen zip codes in Dallas County, with over 70% of those served coming from Lake Highlands of the Dallas area in addition to Garland. NETWORK is a non-denominational, community-based organization with currently three divisions: Emergency Services, providing food, shelter, clothing and utility services to children, adults, and seniors; the Adolescent and Children's Clinic, meeting the acute care and dental needs of uninsured children; and Senior's Net, dedicated to providing those 60+ with the right resources to live independently in their own homes.



Our Fall Service Projects Are Just Around the Corner...

Fall Harvest/Thanksgiving Boxes for Meals on Wheels - Every year Social Ministries and Outreach participates in a service project benefiting local Meals on Wheels clients. Mid-October through early November, we will shop for food to fill Fall Harvest/Thanksgiving boxes, which will be distributed to local Meals on Wheels clients just before Thanksgiving. This is a wonderful and touching service project we do each year that I encourage you to participate in.

Thanksgiving Bags to support Good Samaritans of Garland, Inc. - In addition to our Thanksgiving boxes for the Meals on Wheels clients in our neighborhoods, we also have an opportunity to help local families in need! Good Samaritans of Garland continues to experience growth in the number of families needing food assistance.



ON GOING PROJECT

Please note the grocery carts for donated food items going to The Network are back in our donation area next to the Family Room across from the Sanctuary. I'm excited to have our newly renovated collection area!

Questions about any of our collection projects you can contact me at dawnmj@fastmail.net or 972-948-8966. Details regarding our ongoing collections can be found at <http://www.messiahlutheran.com/ministries/adult/social-ministries-outreach/>



TRITON COMFORT DOG MINISTRY

August 2025

What's fun about summer? VBS!!



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Messiah's Men's Ministry – August 23rd



As summer comes to an end, we look toward the season of fall and the start of school. Let's step into this school year confident that God equips every learner, inspires every educator and sustains every family. May these next months be filled with curiosity, creativity and His calm assurance. We can't wait to watch how God works through all of us.

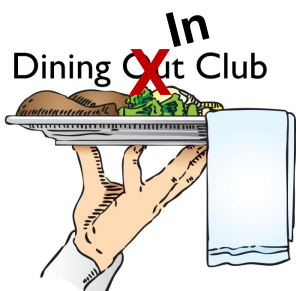
"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it." – Proverbs 22:6

Messiah's Men's Ministry continues their daily devotional reading from Martin Luther, "Through Faith Alone". We continue to stress and encourage one another to be in God's Word daily! (2 Timothy 3:16-17). We will also be emphasizing daily prayer time where we can spend time 1 X1 with our Lord.

Tim Napier and Chris DuBois will be leading us in study topics on "being a Godly man in today's times and discussing defending our faith on all occasions." We will continue our sharing during each discussion. We continue to meet in the large classroom on the 1st floor of the church, 8:00AM-9:30AM. We welcome all men to come and join us.

We look forward to where God will lead us all in 2025.

Contact Tim Napier @ reaper308@me.com or Jerry Baedke @ jbaedke@pptconsultingtx.com for more info.



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Thursday, August 7

at 6:30 p.m.

First 100 people

Messiah Lutheran Church

West Building Dining Hall

This is a potluck event so please see the sign-up sheets at the Guest Information desk to sign up for a main dish, salad, veggie dish, dessert or drinks. This event is hosted by Dorothy Rigg and all are welcome!



AUGUST

Birthdays and Anniversaries

William Miller 8/1
 Fiona Ternan 8/1
 Emmitt Dunlop 8/1
 Jon Hanson 8/1
 Alan Markus 8/2
 David Schroeder 8/2
 Michael McGregor 8/2
 Nathaniel Barnes 8/2
 Charles James 8/2
 Cody Amundson 8/2
 Karen Anselme 8/2
 Betty Swanson 8/3
 Kaylee Shipp 8/3
 Allen Fry 8/3
 Nathanael Mojica 8/3
 Matthew Smetzer 8/3
 Duane Clark 8/4
 Marlis Semans 8/4
 Tyler Luker 8/4
 Timarie Luker 8/4
 Ken Kler 8/4
 Jessica Reichert 8/4
 Marie Tinnin 8/4
 Josh Gunter 8/4
 Ashlynn Gomez 8/4
 Somer Moreno 8/4
 Wei Wei Jeang 8/5
 Courtney Keeler 8/5
 Dan Koeneman 8/5
 Juan Gonzales 8/6
 Florine Liefer 8/6
 Joshua Turner 8/6
 Brianne Boerneke 8/6
 Josh Willard 8/6
 Joseph Schinnerer 8/6
 Jennifer Heaser 8/7
 Amanda DuBois 8/7
 Lydia Paradowski 8/7
 Kyle LeDoux 8/7
 Linda Jennings 8/7
 Jim Kesterson 8/8
 Sam Roberts 8/8
 Jacque Harland 8/8
 Stella Kitaluta 8/8
 Larry Bryant 8/9
 Gabriel West 8/9
 Chad Dalton 8/9
 Gia Athey 8/10
 Marie Taylor 8/10
 Tom Hollcroft 8/11
 Susan Strieter 8/11

Kim Rojas 8/11
 Mae Bjorkman 8/11
 Diana Bruning 8/11
 Keith Schuster 8/11
 Atreus Mata 8/11
 Alexis Chester 8/12
 Zoe Clark 8/12
 Luke Gremmer 8/12
 Stacey Hall 8/12
 Robert Corley 8/12
 Dan Wheaton 8/12
 Jennifer Greenwald 8/12
 Luke Adams 8/12
 Wes Greenhaw 8/13
 Robin Salewski 8/13
 Mackenzie Gibson 8/14
 Mel Huse 8/14
 Judy Plunkett 8/14
 Tim Conlin 8/14
 Lynn Lohmeyer 8/14
 Samantha Cole 8/14
 Trey Meazell 8/14
 Amy Conner 8/14
 Hades Schaefer 8/14
 Kelvin Kohls 8/15
 Susan Andrews 8/15
 Cole Ellis 8/15
 Jenny Jarcik 8/15
 Shannon Schmidt 8/15
 Kimberly Page 8/15
 Marion Collins 8/16
 Debera Good 8/16
 Nancy Arnold 8/16
 Martha Dunlap 8/16
 Andrew Farrington 8/16
 David Lamb 8/16
 Olivia Cavin 8/16
 Bryce Leigh 8/16
 Ben Coleman 8/16
 Gwindolyn Reichert 8/17
 Steve Corley 8/17
 Elizabeth Most 8/17

Rylie Anderlik 8/18
 Duane Dieterich 8/18
 Lincoln Dunlop 8/18
 Haley Lampton 8/18
 Karen Bosse 8/19
 Heather Bahr 8/19
 Hailey Charanza 8/19
 Sarah McVay 8/19
 Eva Dunlop 8/19
 Gene Sharp 8/19
 Luke Miller 8/19
 Susan Burnett 8/20
 Bill Swan 8/20
 Lloyd Hoffman 8/20
 Huxton Woelfel 8/20
 Odie Ernest 8/20
 Noah Bailes 8/20
 Emma Edwards 8/20
 Carol Olsin 8/21
 Ashlin Smith 8/21
 Aubrey Bosse 8/21
 Tim Mojica 8/21
 Cassidy Tennyson 8/21
 Adam McGary 8/22
 Keri Westbrook 8/22
 Kambri Babbitt 8/22
 Savannah Bailey 8/22
 Pastor Detrie 8/22
 Debra Spears 8/23
 Shannon Hofner 8/23
 Steven Eichinger 8/23
 Robert Smith 8/23
 David Lindquist 8/23
 Shanna Siedelmann 8/23
 Erika Ripke 8/23
 Andrea Sommerfeld 8/23
 Mike Murphy 8/24
 Kathy Murphy 8/24
 Mark Thomson 8/24
 Paula Bogan 8/24
 Sharon Naber 8/24
 Jeff Logue 8/24

Brock Pfister 8/24
 Stephanie Hart Allard 8/24
 Mia Smith 8/24
 Patrick Welmer 8/24
 Renee Darko 8/24
 Betty Lou Amundson 8/25
 Peggy Schutza 8/25
 Averie Scruggs 8/25
 Daniel Toledo 8/25
 Cheryl Piehl 8/25
 Michael Sims 8/25
 Ashley Nelson 8/26
 Lilly Beber 8/26
 Maddie Guerra 8/26
 Avery Sloas 8/26
 Christine Fick 8/27
 Art Arnold 8/27
 Malarie Hall 8/27
 John Nation 8/27
 Lynae Amador 8/27
 Cindy Hayes 8/28
 Jane Koonsman 8/28
 Margaret Fulmer 8/28
 Ken Hoekendorf 8/28
 Malcolm Roberts 8/28
 Benjamin Myers 8/28
 Ginny Wilson 8/28
 Meredith Smart 8/28
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 Cooper Lane 8/29
 Jason Heine 8/29
 Paisley Smith 8/29
 Roger Mensching 8/29
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 Julie George 8/29
 Stephanie Whitney 8/29
 Cy Collins 8/30
 Jerry Shreve 8/30
 Keith Pace 8/30
 Ajoa Opoku 8/30
 Christopher Dotson 8/30
 Megan Parr 8/30
 Wyatt Schuster 8/30
 Colin Lenihan 8/30
 Hudson Sloas 8/30
 Traci Dorrell 8/31
 Diana L. Sizemore 8/31
 Paul Monroe 8/31
 Prashanth Chinta 8/31
 Mitchell Fix 8/31
 Amy Scott 8/31

Ted & Pamela Hammond 8/1/1992
 Bill & Karin Dunn 8/2/2009
 Dan & Amanda Wheaton 8/2/2014
 Jim & Victoria Otte 8/5/1978
 Mack & Kelli Paradowski 8/5/2000
 Peter & Mary Theriault 8/5/1967
 Kris & Jenny Holben 8/6/1994
 David & Stephanie Roberts 8/6/1994
 Steve & Leslie Bledsoe 8/7/1976
 Scott & Ashley Anderlik 8/8/2015
 Jason & Chelsea Nicholson 8/9/2003
 Frederick & Ann Strieter 8/10/1957
 Gary & Lesley Lamb 8/10/1968
 Mark & Cathie Thomson 8/11/1984
 Bill & Mary Pletch 8/11/2006
 Morgan & Kristen Puchek 8/11/2012
 Mike & Renee Viens 8/11/2001

Pastor Detrie & Jana Detrie 8/11/2007
 Dan & Connie Nottoli 8/12/1989
 David & Kristy Unger 8/12/2000
 Matt & Paige Koeneman 8/12/2017
 Dave & Sandra Murcott 8/14/2010
 Andrew & Jessica Woolley 8/14/2022
 John & Patricia Sweitzer 8/15/1970
 Brock & Alyssa Pfister 8/15/2014
 Tyler & Jessica Smith 8/15/2009
 Dick & Paula Bogan 8/17/1974
 Graham & Tiffany Luecke 8/17/2012
 Walker & Mindy England 8/17/2012
 Gerald & Patty Luecke 8/18/1979
 Jim & Carolyn Martinez 8/18/1978
 Ed & Connie Gray 8/18/1984
 Bill Dickson & Brenda Mears 8/19/1977
 Richard & Nancy Montgomery 8/19/1972

Mike & Katherine Wolfe 8/20/1983
 Larry & Ken Lynn Trimpe 8/21/1960
 Dale & Michele Haugen 8/21/2004
 Thomas & Rachel Ternan 8/22/2015
 Jeff & Brenda Buchwald 8/23/1980
 Roy & Marcia Rohloff 8/23/1972
 David & Patricia Koslan 8/26/1969
 Den & Ann Hiser 8/27/1961
 Richard & Donna Lamson 8/27/1960
 Brandon & Bianca Kovach 8/28/1999
 Chris & Laura McCallan 8/28/2010
 John & Jane Koonsman 8/29/1952
 Gary & Shirley Weiss 8/29/1965
 Rob & Diann Lovgren 8/29/1970
 Glenn & Mary Cudly 8/30/1969
 Josh & Linda Roberge 8/31/2002
 Darryl & Ashley Nelson 8/31/1996



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**Weekly Worship Opportunities:
Sunday-8:30 & 11:00 AM / Sunday School-9:45 AM
Wednesday, 7 PM**

Worship Opportunities in August

- 3- Worship Celebration
- 6- Wednesday Traditional Worship Celebration-Holy Communion-7:00 PM
- 10- Worship Celebration-Holy Communion
- 13- Wednesday Traditional Worship Celebration-Holy Communion-7:00 PM
- 17- Worship Celebration
- 20- Wednesday Traditional Worship Celebration-Holy Communion-7:00 PM
- 24- Worship Celebration-Holy Communion
- 27- Wednesday Traditional Worship Celebration-Holy Communion-7:00 PM
- 31- Worship Celebration-Rally Day