



# ***THE MESSENGER***

## **THE HEART**

A young boy was having heart surgery. The doctor said to him, "Tomorrow morning I am going to open up your heart." The boy said, "You will find Jesus there." The doctor continued, "I am going to cut your heart open to see how much damage has been done." The boy said again, "But when you open my heart, you will find Jesus in there. The Bible says that Jesus lives there." The doctor said, "When I open your heart, I am going to find damaged muscle and low blood supply and weakened vessels. That is all I am going to find there."



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The doctor then left. The next day he did the surgery. He was in his office reading his notes which said, "Damaged aorta, damaged pulmonary vein, and widespread muscle degeneration. No hope for a transplant. No hope for a cure. Death within one year." The doctor said to himself, "Why, Jesus? Why did you do this? Why did you put him here on this earth for such a short time?"

Jesus answered him, "The boy, my lamb, was not meant to be here on this earth for very long. But he will be with Me forever in heaven. There he will feel no pain, and he will be comforted. His parents will join him one day. And they will have perfect peace forever." The doctor was still upset with Jesus. And Jesus said to him again, "I did not put this boy here on earth to lose him. No, I put him here on this earth to find another lost lamb."

The doctor then started crying. He went to the boy's bedside, and the boy opened up his eyes and asked him, "When you opened my heart, did you find Jesus there?" And the doctor said, "Yes, I did. I found Jesus there."

If you look closely, you will be able to find Jesus in many places in your life on this earth. Also, as you share your faith and trust in Jesus with others, they will be able to find Jesus in their lives as well.

## **THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH**

Let someone know that you are praying for them. If you can, ask them, "Can I pray for you?"

# A Word From Pastor Lee



Pastor Matt Lee  
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## “Nothing Can Stop Jesus”

When NASA prepared for Artemis II, everything had to be exact. Physics mattered. Math mattered. Engineering mattered.

If even one calculation was off—just a little—the spacecraft could miss the moon... or never make it home.

That’s the world we live in. A world that is bound by rules. By limits. By what can and cannot be done. We understand that. You can’t walk through walls. You can’t be in two places at once. You can’t undo what has already happened. Or so it seems....

Then comes Easter Sunday: In the **Gospel of John, chapter 20**, the disciples are gathered together, afraid. The doors are shut. Locked. Secured. No one is getting in. And yet—Jesus comes and stands among them. No knocking. No unlocking. No explanation. Just this: “*Peace be with you.*”

Our resurrected Jesus is not bound the way we are. Not by locked doors. Not by fear. Not by death itself. And that changes everything. It’s the same truth we see on the road to Emmaus in **Luke 24:13–35**. The risen Jesus comes alongside two disciples, though they do not recognize Him at first. He walks with them. He speaks with them. He opens the Scriptures to them. And then—at the breaking of the bread—their eyes are opened. And then He is gone.

Appearing. Disappearing. Present. Hidden. Not limited the way we are.

But here is the comfort: The same Jesus who is not bound by space, time, or physical barriers... is also not kept away from you. Not by your past. Not by your doubts. Not by your fears. Not even by death.

We often think of distance in physical terms—miles, walls, locked doors. But the greater distances in our lives are spiritual ones: guilt, shame, grief, and uncertainty.

And we wonder: *Is Jesus far from me?* Easter answers: No.

Nothing separates you from Him and His love. He comes to His disciples in fear. He comes to the Emmaus travelers in confusion. He comes to you in His Word and in His Sacraments.

No locked door can keep Him out. That’s not because the rules of physics don’t matter in our world—they do. But Jesus is risen. He is Lord over creation, not subject to it. And more than that—He chooses to come to you. Right where you are, with the same words He spoke that first Easter evening: “*Peace be with you.*”

In Christ,  
Pastor Lee

# A Word From Pastor



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To my fellow saints,

We are celebrating and basking in the Easter of our Lord Jesus Christ and what I want to say this month might seem like the opposite of celebration, it even might be considered a Debbie downer, but hang in there because what I am about to say is only possible because He Has Risen.

This brings me to our Lord's word to us in 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, which says:

*"But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words."*

When God created the world and all that is in it, including us, creation was perfect, we were perfect. We lived in the presence of God as we were meant to, and we did not have a care in the world. Then we messed it all up with our disobedience and brought sin into the world and ending our immortality because God could not allow us to continue forever in sin. We brought death into creation like rust on metal, and it had to be dealt with. Even though God was just in His judgment He loves us and wants us to be with Him, that is why we were created and so He put His plan of salvation into action. Fast forward till the time of Jesus and His plan was carried out in His son, Jesus. Jesus showed us not only our Father's love in action, He taught us about how our Father sees us, fights for us, how He gives Himself that we may live as we once did.

When Jesus died on that cross, He destroyed the power of death and bought us back from hell itself. His resurrection was the proof of His victory and showed us all what awaits each of us who puts his faith in Him for forgiveness, life and salvation. That is where we find ourselves today. We bask in the victory of Christ! We celebrate with Him and all the Church the holy and certain hope of eternal life with God, His Son, and the Church Triumphant! In short, WE LIVE, and because we live now and forever in the Victory of the Risen Christ, we live here differently. Our way of viewing the world is different, our way of living in the world is different because we live the TRUTH of the Risen Christ. He is ours and we our His now and forever.

Now we come to the Word that I shared. Those words of God hit different not just because they are Truth, but because they are the promise of what we have in the living Christ. God never promised we would never have to walk through the door of death, but that is all that it is, a door to back to where we should have always been. That door exists because of Easter. Jesus lives and now so do we and not just us but all people who put their trust, who turn their heart to Jesus. Even when we die (sleep), we WIN. Easter is the season we live with every day. We are new creations in Christ now and forever because of Easter. Though we are not separated from grief from loss, we grieve in the JOY of EASTER! We know we will reunite; we know that we will live all because of Jesus Victory over the grave. May the warmth of God's love envelope you now and always and remind you of your Easter Victory in Christ.

In God

Pastor Detrie

# News from Music Ministry

## Glorious Days of Worship!

What an incredible year it has been in the Music Ministry!  
Many have given of their time and talents to praise the Lord and lead worship.

New Contemporary service in the Celebration Hall!  
60+ involved in the Christmas Cantata  
New musicians joined choirs/orchestra/bells

Come join in the excitement and praise God with us!

Time to take a break for the summer, but not before offering praise to God and thanks to all who have been part of the Music Ministry this year.  
You are amazing Servants of the Lord!



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### Kingdom Kids



#### Singers:

Xavier Ladishew  
Bobby Corley  
Eleanor Kellerman  
Quinn Smith  
Chloe DuBois  
Oliver Kellerman  
Sebastian Ladishew

Parker Looney  
Caleb DuBois

Isabel Miller  
Luke Miller  
Dean Miller

#### Directors:

Christina Knoernschild  
Melinda Kellerman  
Dorothy Sherrod

### Sanctuary Choir



Paul Adams  
Madeline Bate  
Brenda Bucher, Director  
Christian Cassady  
Kim Cassady  
Steve Corley  
Dave Dalton  
Judy Davis  
Cindy Gragert  
Danny Ladishew

Lori Lessmann  
Monica Plenger

Joette Rider  
Kay Ross  
Dorothy Sherrod, Director  
Joseph Schinnerer  
Stephen Schwartz  
Ruthann Swanson  
Les Swanson  
Renee Viens  
Ginny Wilson  
Suzanne Wilson

### Sanctuary Orchestra

#### Flute

Taylor Cole  
Makayla Terry

#### Clarinet

Isaac Cordona  
Caleb Krause, UTD  
Will Sharkey

#### Alto Sax

Mark Fischer

#### Tenor Sax

Mark Thomson

#### Bassoon

Max Hall

#### Violin

Alicja Usarek-Topper  
Matson Topper

#### Viola

Valerie Nelson, UTD

#### Trumpet

Cameron Abtahi  
Daniel Brayne

#### Horn

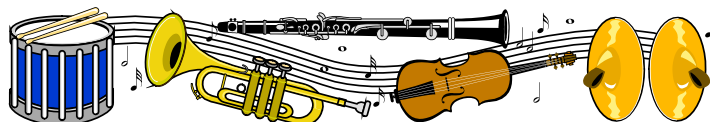
Daniel Taylor

#### Trombone

David Walling

#### Tuba

William Fischer, UTD





## Organists and Pianists



Brenda Bucher  
Teresa Logue  
Susan Waters  
Dorothy Sherrod  
Emily Hendrickson



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<p>Elizabeth Adams Barbara McCoy Patricia Pena Amy Plenger Kathy Boneau Kathy Douglas</p>	<h3>Joyful Ringers</h3>	<p>Cheryl Meyer Brenda Bucher Melinda Kellerman Joseph Schinnerer Danny Ladishew Dorothy Sherrod</p>

<h2>Worship Production Team</h2>		
<p>Susan Redding Larry Redding Steve Corley Max Hall David Sherrod Andrew Viens</p>		<p>Kayden Spieler Grace Glass Cameron Luecke Cy Collins Danny Ladishew Zack Walker</p>

<h2>Praise and Worship Team</h2>		
<p><b>Vocalists</b> Lori Phelps Lor Smith Patty Luecke Suzanne Wilson Ginny Wilson Joseph Schinnerer James Smith Steve Corley</p>		<p><b>Band</b> Mark Thomson, guitar James Smith, guitar Pastor Lee, guitar Duane Dieterich, bass guitar Charles Hayes, drums Rose Babbit, drums Dorothy Sherrod, keys Brenda Bucher, keys</p>

<h2>In Memory</h2>		
<p>We thank God and give Him praise for <b>Johanna Wise</b>, dear friend and gifted cellist who served her Lord and Messiah for many years in our orchestra.</p>		
<p>We thank God and give Him praise for <b>Chuck Tolsma</b>, dear friend and dedicated worship production team member who served his Lord and Messiah for many years.</p>		

# News from Messiah Lambs



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It's May, and Messiah Lambs is winding down another school year. What an incredible year it has been. Our gracious Father has given us the opportunity to love and teach our students and their families. We have learned a lot about the Armor of God this year. If you need a little pick-me-up, watch the Lambs' Chapel services on Messiah's YouTube Channel and see the children break out into praise with their Armor of God song each week.

It is pure joy. This month, we will close out our school year with Teacher Appreciation Week, our 4's -Kindergarten class program, and our end-of-the-year Field Day activities.

As we wrap up this school year, I want to give my heartfelt thanks to the teachers and staff for their tireless devotion to our students and their families. These women are truly blessings from God to the entire Lambs community and me. I would also like to thank a few of our church staff who give their time and talents to help the Lambs run smoothly. Pastor Lee leads us in Chapel every Wednesday and Thursday. Pastor Detrie greets families at the door during drop off a few mornings each week and covers for Pastor Lee in Chapel when needed. Danny Ladishew runs the technology and streaming for our Chapel services and programs. Dorothy Sherrod welcomes our students upstairs for mini "field trips" to teach our students about different types of music. Don Johnson maintains our building and fixes things when they aren't working well. Amy Plenger keeps our accounting in order. What an incredible village!

Many thanks to those of you who directed your Thrivent Choice dollars to Messiah Lambs. This past year, we received \$723 from this program. We appreciate your support.

Messiah Lambs will run camps for Lambs families over various weeks this summer and will return to school for the 2026-2027 school year on August 12th.

## Important Upcoming Dates:

May 4-8: Teacher Appreciation Week

May 14: 4's-K May Melodies Spring Program

May 15: Last Day of School for 2025-2026



I will praise the name of God  
with a song; I will magnify him  
with thanksgiving.  
Psalms 69:30



Karrie Looney

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## Hope's Door Volunteer Opportunity

**Saturday May 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**10 am - 1 pm**

Hope's Door Resale Shop  
2109 W Parker Rd Unit 224  
in Plano

We will be sorting and organizing clothing  
donations.

### JULIETs

*Just Us Ladies Like Eating Together*

JULIETs Dining Out for May (all women  
invited)

Monday, May 11th , 6:00pm  
Manny's Uptown  
7601 Campbell Rd  
Dallas TX 75248

*Calendar*



**NEWS  
LETTER**



## JOIN US AS WE DIVE INTO PSALMS.

**SMALL GROUP MEETING TIMES:  
JOIN ANY GROUP YOU WOULD LIKE.**

**In Person:**

Monday 5/4 at 7pm at Mary Jane's House  
Monday 5/11 & 5/18 at 8:30am Room E237N

**On Zoom:**

Wednesday 5/13 at 5am

Thursday 5/14 7pm

Zoom links will be sent once you register for  
the event.

## LARGE GROUP:

Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup> 10am  
Upstairs Multipurpose Room

## MURDER MYSTERY PARTY

**May 2<sup>nd</sup> 6pm**

Nancy Huett's House

Come join us for a fun night of Who  
Done It?

Bring a snack or drink to share.

Register for all events on Realm or by emailing: [Kingdomwomen@messiahlutheran.com](mailto:Kingdomwomen@messiahlutheran.com)



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... - 2 Timothy 1:6



**SPARK ON TUE**  
6:00-7:30 PM

**BLAZE ON SUNDAY**  
May 3rd  
Dining Out  
Blue Goose  
Plano  
5:00 - 6:30 PM

**IGNITE ON SUNDAY**  
No Ignite  
May 10th  
Happy  
Mother's Day!

**3rd SUNDAY**  
May 17th  
5:00-7:00 PM  
VBS Training  
for youth  
REGISTER NOW!

**SPARK ON SUNDAY**  
May 24th  
Camp Kick Off  
For all going  
to camp!  
5:00 - 7:00 PM

**BLAZE ON WED**  
6:00-7:30 PM

**2026**  
Senior Sunday Brunch  
May 3rd  
9:30 AM in the  
Youth Room

MAY 3RD  
BLAZE ON SUNDAY

Blue goose  
plano  
5:00 - 6:30 pm

**Mother's Day**  
FLOWER FUNDRAISER  
Order your flowers  
April 19, 26, and May 3  
in front of the Lamp Store.  
New this year  
order on Realm  
Pick up in the Life Center  
from the serving area on May 10th.  
SPONSORED BY IGNITE YOUTH MINISTRY

**STAYCATION MISSIONS**

**2nd Annual Staycation Mission**  
FOR ALL YOUTH!  
IN GRADES 5-12 FOR THE  
2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR

- Serve Local
- Serve Messiah
- Lunch and Dinner
- Go Home Each Day
- Friday Lock - IN

Monday Jun 8, 2026 (9:00 am - 6:00 pm)  
Tuesday Jun 9, 2026 (9:00 am - 6:00 pm)  
Wednesday Jun 10, 2026 (9:00 am - 6:00 pm)  
Thursday Jun 11, 2026 (9:00 am - 6:00 pm)  
Friday Jun 12, 2026 (7:00 pm) - Saturday Jun 13, 2026 (7:00 AM)

**CAMP Info**

May 24th - Camp Kick Off, 5-7 PM  
May 25th - 28th - CAMP!  
May 30th - Rehearsal/Brunch, 9:00 AM

**Youth Sign Up!**

📅 Sales Sundays (April 19, 26, May 3)  
Sign up to Sell Flowers  
8:00 - 8:45 AM  
10:30 - 11:00 AM  
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM



📅 Assembly Night  
May 8 • 6:00 - 9:00 PM  
ALL HANDS ON DECK!  
Sign up to Assemble Flowers



📅 Mother's Day Distribution  
May 10 - Need 3-4 youth  
before and after each service.



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# KidMin

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For the Lord is good. His unfailing love continues forever, and His faithfulness continues to each generation. Psalm 100:5

We have A LOT going on in KidMin! This month's memory verse is listed above and it will introduce it on May 3rd during Opening and then it will be reinforced through the lessons each Sunday! We also are SUPER thankful for our Sunday School Teachers and will be showering them with appreciation on the 3rd as well! Don't forget to check out our online newsletter that goes in-depth into ALL that is going on in KidMin. Scan the QR code or find it here: [tinyurl.com/KMMinute](http://tinyurl.com/KMMinute)

**KidMin** WE NEED YOU!  
THIS SUMMER!

Are  
You My  
Summer Sunday?  
School Teacher?

CONTACT AMY OR  
MELINDA



**Summer  
Sunday School  
The BURNING  
Question**

- Start Date: May 31st
- Lessons/Crafts provided
- Subs encouraged for when teachers are out of town

*Thank you Sunday School  
Teachers & Staff*

FOR HELPING KIDMIN TO

**BLOOM!**

WE APPRECIATE ALL THAT YOU DO TO HELP OUR STUDENTS

**GROW!**

**TEACHERS APPRECIATION  
SUNDAY MAY 3RD!!**

## Footprints of Faith First Bibles for First Grade

**Sunday, June 7th**

9:00 Family Breakfast (in Dining Room)

9:45 Bible Exploration

11:00 Bible Presentation (during the Contemporary Service)

**\*\*Bibles due back June 5th\*\***

\*RSVP on REALM\*



Check your email for more info!



# Vacation Bible School



\$10/child (\$30 max per family)  
\*Free if you volunteer all week!\*

Limited Spots Remaining!



June 22nd - 26th  
9am - Noon!

Or visit [tinyurl.com/MLCVBS2026](http://tinyurl.com/MLCVBS2026) to register!

Sign up to Volunteer **HERE**

## Volunteer Training Dates

May 17th - Youth Training (5th-12th graders), 5-7pm

June 7th - 1st Timers - 12:15-1:30pm

June 17th - Returning - 6-7:30pm



Or visit [tinyurl.com/MLCVBSVol](http://tinyurl.com/MLCVBSVol) to register!

Mark your Calendar!

# The VBS Decor Team NEEDS YOUR HELP!

## ADOPT -A -PROP



Are you crafty or want to try something new? Come stop by our new Adoption Center (located right outside the Lamp)! We have 15 different props with varying crafting-levels. Project due back by the 1<sup>st</sup> week of June.



Calling all prayer warriors!  
Check out our daily prayer  
calendar!

[tinyurl.com/  
2026VBSPrayerCal](http://tinyurl.com/2026VBSPrayerCal)



Take a walk on the wild side—  
scan the QR code and help make  
VBS Rainforest Falls flow!



Please start collecting  
those thick plastic  
bottle caps! We need  
300 caps by the 1<sup>st</sup>  
week of June.



# 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.



**SUNDAY, MAY 10<sup>TH</sup> – SUNDAY, JUNE 21<sup>ST</sup>**  
**Mother's Day through Father's Day**

It's called Baby Bottle Boomerang because you distribute empty baby bottles to church congregations and they come back to you full of coins, currency and checks. The Baby Bottle Boomerang is an effective fundraiser for pro-life ministries in use today. It helps meet financial needs and increases awareness in the community about their ministry. Donations collected will be given to the Prestonwood Pregnancy Center.

Prestonwood Pregnancy Center began as a ministry of Prestonwood Baptist Church in 1991. The Pregnancy Center is a separate nonprofit, providing free and confidential guidance, pregnancy tests, early pregnancy sonograms, educational classes and post-abortion support groups. Their friendly and well-trained client advocates meet with clients individually to offer information and support both during and after an unplanned pregnancy.



### **MITZI HAD A GREAT GRAZING TIME!**



I will share our collected amount in the June Messenger and upcoming worship bulletin! In the meantime, I want to extend a THANK YOU to those who supported the NETWORK's Mitzi Milk Fund. I also want to express a THANK YOU to the students of our Messiah Lambs. They have adopted the Network's Mitzi Milk Fund Drive as their Spring service project.



### **ONGOING COLLECTION PROJECTS**

Please note that all collection projects are located in the designated collection area next to the Family Room in the chapel building. Details can be found at <http://www.messiahlutheran.com/ministries/adult/social-ministries-outreach/>

If you would like more information about our Social Ministries & Outreach programs or Lutherans for Life and the opportunities we have to Share God's Light, I can be reached at [dawnmj@fastmail.net](mailto:dawnmj@fastmail.net).

## LWML Messenger article for May 2026

Our next meeting will be May 13 at 11 in the Reception Room. We will have a short business meeting and then hear from our special guest, Pastor Matt Lee.

Please bring your mites, your card fronts, and something to share for lunch.

Our next meeting will not be until next September, but I encourage the whole congregation to remember to bring your mites, your old eyeglasses and sunglasses, card fronts, and items that we collect for Lutheran World Relief. You can always place these items on the LWML table.

Remember all ladies of Messiah are invited to attend, and it is a wonderful way to serve God, our church, and to enjoy the fellowship of our members.

Blessings,  
Mary Jane Tobaben, President



### *A Special Note...*

Thanks for all the prayers for Bob during his recent hospital stay. Thanks to John Douglas, Steve Voss, John Fitzpatrick, and Larry & Judy Plunkett for visiting Bob. Also, a special thanks to Helen Burnett for the wonderful casserole.

Thanks,  
Cheryl Meyer and Bob Sands



# Messiah's Men's Ministry – Saturday May 23rd Celebrating God's Presence This Mother's Day

This day is a significant observance rooted in gratitude and honor for mothers, recognizing their enduring impact on families and society. It emphasizes the spiritual role of mothers, as they play a foundational role in moral and spiritual development. Motherhood is a nurturing role that has God's blessing, plus a lot of sacrificial labor as Mothers play a vital role in the church and society. Very often, mothers are a powerful influence in the handing of faith down to the next generation. Take time to thank God for the women in your life.

## Remembering M- O - T - H - E - R

**M** reminds me of her **M**arvelous love

**O** reminds me I have **O**ne mother

**T** reminds me of her **T**ender care

**H** reminds me of her **H**earth of gold

**E** reminds me of her **E**ndless service

**R** reminds me to **R**emember her...not only on Mother's Day, but every day throughout the year.

As Messiah's Men's Ministry, we continue our focus on being in God's Word daily as well 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 1<sup>st</sup> floor at the church, 8:00AM-9:30AM and we welcome all men to come and join us.

We look forward to growing our relationship with our Lord and where God will lead us all in 2026.

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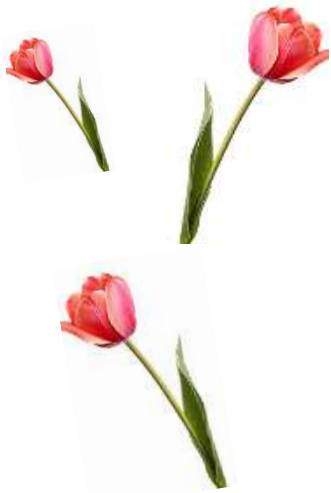


# TRITON COMFORT DOG MINISTRY May 2026



**“The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit” (Psalm 34:18).**

*This Mother’s Day, we thank God for you—the ones who mend hearts, listen without judgment, and reflect God’s comforting, unconditional love to the world. You are cherished.*



God took the **fragrance** of a flower...  
The **majesty** of a tree...  
The **gentleness** of morning dew...  
The **calm** of a quiet sea...  
The **beauty** of the twilight hour...  
The **soul** of a starry night...  
The **laughter** of a rippling brook...  
The **grace** of a bird in flight...  
Then God fashioned from these things...  
A **creation** like no other...  
And when his **masterpiece** was through...  
He called it simply – **Mother.**



I am so grateful for our Messiah mothers who bring their children to church and the pets I get from them! Grandmothers do that too!! We are blessed at Messiah. The month of May not only celebrates Mothers, but also on the 7th is National Day of Prayer. We have so much to be thankful for and also pray for healing for those who are suffering and for our country, as One Nation Under God. God Bless You All.

**M** stands for Magnificent  
**O** stands for Outstanding  
**T** stands for Tender  
**H** stands for Honorable  
**E** stands for Extraordinary  
**R** stands for Remarkable



**Love,  
Triton**



THE HOPE CENTER  
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SAVE THE DATE FOR

# NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2026 12:00PM

Our next Lunch & Learn will be held in conjunction with The Hope Center's National Day of Prayer observance.

- When:** Thursday, May 7, 2026 (75<sup>th</sup> Annual Observance of NDOP)
- Where:** The Hope Center, 2001 W Plano Parkway (right next door)
- Lunch:** 11:00 am – 11:45 am, then again at 1:00 pm – “All American Lunch”
- Cost:** \$1 for each of the following: hot dog, chips, drink, cookie (pay there)
- Time:** Observance is from 12 Noon – 1:00 pm
- Note:** Pastor Kollmann will be giving the prayer for the church.
- Seating:** Members of Messiah will have a section where we can all sit together
- Signup:** Beginning Sunday, April 12

**All Messiah and guests are invited to attend!**  
*Questions? Please contact Joan Konkell @ 214-762-6539*  
*\*Credit Card Payment for Food - No Cash Payments*



# MAY Birthdays

Lanny Surratt	5/1	Jason Herter	5/8	Lauren Smith	5/15	Audrey Hart	5/21
David Findley	5/1	Bob Lehman	5/9	David Miller	5/15	Briana McGary	5/21
Caden Whitesell	5/1	Janice Helfers	5/9	Matthew Steiss	5/15	Richard L. Peters	5/22
Austin Frischmann	5/1	David Scott	5/9	John Bensen	5/15	Karen Southard	5/22
Josh Hamit	5/1	David Kastendick	5/9	Alex Bensen	5/15	Erinne Naber	5/22
Lesley Foor	5/2	Morgan Cohen	5/9	John Koonsman	5/16	Jaxsen Vann	5/22
Amanda Wheaton	5/2	Aida Sorenson	5/9	Grace Ma	5/16	Andrea Cole	5/22
McKenzie Sloas	5/2	Jim Bruns	5/9	Jeffrey Lampton	5/16	Zachary Cole	5/22
Jennifer Cooper	5/3	Anthony Coppolino	5/9	Cory Anderson	5/16	Guadalupe Herigon	5/22
JD Beck	5/3	Linda Halenkamp	5/10	Suzi Checki	5/16	Chuck Thorne	5/23
Carmen Sorenson	5/3	Ruth Murphy	5/10	Dean Miller	5/16	Richard Montgomery	5/23
Owen Paradowski	5/3	Michael Kler	5/10	Dan Ladishew	5/17	Stefani Burris	5/23
Avery Osteros	5/3	Rowen Reichert	5/10	Debra A. Friestad	5/17	Michelle Duchow	5/23
Francis Opoku	5/4	Brandi Mata	5/10	Bob Mortonson	5/17	Jeff Marquett	5/24
Jason Nicholson	5/4	Kris Soelter	5/10	Karter Graham	5/17	Meredith Parks	5/24
George Feichtinger	5/5	Darren Price	5/11	Sarah Herigon	5/17	Aila Roberts	5/24
Aden Luecke	5/5	Alan Wuebbles	5/11	Hannah Edwards	5/17	Bryan Anderson	5/25
Jennifer Bridge	5/5	Adriana Pierce	5/11	Daniel Medina	5/18	Pastor Lee	5/25
Barbara McCoy	5/5	Kinsey Aviles	5/11	Gordy Hanson	5/18	Vikki Zagaruyka	5/25
Nisha Thomas	5/5	Sarah Neal	5/11	Pam Schweinsberg	5/18	Justin Kosharek	5/25
John Nelson	5/5	Brenda Buchwald	5/12	Lisa Guerra	5/18	Linda Chasak	5/25
Spencer Nelson	5/5	Trent Lehman	5/12	Christian Duchow	5/18	Michael Boernke	5/25
Liz Fry	5/5	Cindy Rystrom	5/12	Ella Parks	5/18	Zachary Dieterich	5/25
Kristian Cassady	5/6	Rob George	5/12	Teresa Warren	5/18	Evie Trout	5/25
Garrett Terry	5/6	Erin Nischal	5/12	Lydia Striegel	5/18	Matthew Fulwiler	5/25
Jackson Puchek	5/6	Brian Plunkett	5/12	Dennis Satre	5/18	Doris Embree	5/26
Tristan Luecke	5/6	Lynda Egddall	5/12	Dee Belisle	5/19	Paulette Grindle	5/26
Mila Daubert	5/6	Charlie England	5/12	Roger Kohls	5/19	Cathy Moore	5/26
Jolene Henry	5/6	Cindy Whitney	5/13	Christine Latham	5/19	Brian Fink	5/26
Marilyn Schellhorn	5/6	Kieran Lewis	5/13	Maggie Eichinger	5/19	Nate Kemper	5/26
Jeanne Huber	5/7	Mark Paul	5/13	Marcia Murphy	5/19	Diana Gutknecht	5/26
Becky Butler	5/7	Tatum Frischmann	5/13	Angela Tiegs	5/19	Aaron Miller	5/26
Mark Rachal	5/7	Sue Thornton	5/13	Mark Denman	5/19	Jacqueline Brown	5/26
Will Tobaben	5/7	Lauren Janowski	5/13	Joshua Patterson	5/19	Max Buchwald	5/27
Liz Hazen	5/7	Andrew Southard	5/13	Bethany Fink	5/20	James Sykora	5/27
Amelie Fix	5/7	Renee Viens	5/13	Jim Hickerson	5/20	Bob Sands	5/27
Shari Schmidt	5/8	Andy Brooks	5/14	Bev Pfalzgraff	5/20	Megan Kovach	5/27
Heather Price	5/8	Madeline Lopez	5/14	Valerie Siedelmann	5/20	Kathy Steglich	5/27
Christina Brown	5/8	Michael Hamit	5/14	Cash Dunlap	5/21	Jerry Baedke	5/28
Greg Whittemore	5/8	Raylan England	5/14	Mikaela Staal	5/21	Susan Larsen	5/28
J.T. Tinnin	5/8	Dan Ferree	5/15	Nathan Dennett	5/21	Elizabeth Adams	5/28
Gary Kuntz	5/8	Jennie Moninger	5/15	Adri Lindsey	5/21	Stephanie Roberts	5/29
						Ryan Hoffmann	5/29
						Lexi Soelter	5/29
						Tim Looney	5/30
						Tiffany Luecke	5/30
						Afton Toledo	5/30
						Kevin Graham	5/30
						Eilah Amador	5/30
						Diane L. Gutschlag	5/31
						John Robinson	5/31



# MAY Anniversaries

Don & Kim Johnson	5/1/1987	Naveen & Vivian Nischal	5/8/2000	John & Rachel Brownlee	5/22/1999
Samantha & Konner Kyser	5/1/2020	Martin & Laurel Dickson	5/9/2011	Jay & Brenda Lowry	5/22/1971
Mark & Pam Galster	5/1/2004	Greg & Gwen Kuncaitis	5/11/1985	Robert & Sondra Smith	5/22/1999
Chris & Jamie West	5/2/2009	Jim & Becky Brown	5/12/1984	John & Jennifer Chappelle	5/22/2009
Patrick & Julie Welmer	5/2/2025	Mitchell & Ruth Fix	5/12/2001	Alan & Le Anna Markus	5/23/1959
Hallie & Jackson Adams	5/3/2025	David & Ali Daubert	5/12/2012	Matthew & Sarah McVay	5/23/2015
Mark & Fiona Fischer	5/3/2003	Ken & Pam Walshlager	5/13/1989	Tom & Sue Brady	5/23/1987
David & Mary Walling	5/3/2008	Rex & Liz Beetley	5/14/1977	Greg & Amy Whittemore	5/24/2003
Natalie & Brett Carpenter	5/4/2017	Lori & Donald Mann	5/14/1988	Kyle & Alysia Ehle	5/24/2014
Larry & Amber Payne	5/4/2013	Mark & Kim Hagner	5/16/1998	Andy and Jennifer Larrivee	5/24/2018
Larry & Kathy Bush	5/4/1974	Mike & Stacey McGraw	5/16/2020	Karen & Steve Chambers	5/25/1996
Carl & Elaine Hood	5/4/2001	Patrick & Julie Lenihan	5/17/1997	Greg & Margie Stone	5/25/1974
Ed & Shirley Nelson	5/5/1981	Caleb & Sammie Townes	5/17/2014	Douglas & Gali Johnson	5/25/2025
Colleen & Ryan Seals	5/5/2017	Jill & Wayne Turner	5/18/2003	Kathy Steglich & Terry Smith	5/25/1985
Tim & Sarah Conlin	5/5/2001	James & Grace McKiddy	5/18/2022	Tony & Vanessa Hernandez	5/25/1995
Christopher & Roberta Young	5/5/2015	Chance & McKenna Schlenk	5/18/2024	Mike & Noel Henderson	5/26/1973
Phillip & Amanda Kasper	5/6/2017	Dee & Cindy Belisle	5/19/1980	Eric & Brianne Boernke	5/26/2003
Robert & Danielle Babbitt	5/7/2022	Gia & Daniel Athey	5/19/1990	John & Nancy Gardner	5/27/2000
Steve & Beth Sokolyk	5/7/1988	Rich & Jill Gross	5/19/1995	Kim & Jennifer Smitherman	5/27/1989
Esther & Mick Cervino	5/8/1980	Brian & Analisa Fink	5/19/2001	Jonathan & Grace Marston	5/27/2017
		Joyce Dayton & Michael McGrath	5/20/2016	Michael & Heather Johannsen	5/29/2005
		Cathy & Lance White	5/20/1989	Jeff & Kristin Forester	5/29/2005
		Barbara & Cash McCoy	5/20/1984	Randy & Sarah Huechteman	5/30/1982
		Arthur & Judy Greenlee	5/21/1999	Dan & Margaret Watson	5/30/1992
		Todd & Yvonne Berkland	5/21/2005	Alex & Kaylee Menke	5/30/2020
		Bill & Inger Johnson	5/22/1965	George & Marian Chrisman	5/31/1962



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<b>3</b> 8:30 AM-Worship 9:45 AM-Bible Class/Sunday School 9:45 AM-Praise Team 1 11:00 AM-Worship 11:00 AM-Worship (contemporary) 5:00 PM-IGNITE—Blaze Dining Out	<b>4</b> 9:00 AM-Braille 4:00 PM-Line Dance 5:30 PM-Bezeugen Tract Club 7:00 PM-Scout Groups	<b>5</b> 9:30 AM-Tuesday Morning <b>Women's Bible Class</b> 4:30 PM-Line Dance 6:00 PM-IGNITE SPARK (Youth) 6:00 PM-Scout Groups	<b>6</b> 9:30 AM-Braille 12:00 PM- <b>Men's Bible Study</b> 6:00 PM-IGNITE BLAZE (Youth) 7:00 PM-Praise Team II 7:00 PM-Worship	<b>7</b> 9:30 AM-Thursday Morning <b>Women's Bible Study</b> 9:30 AM-Braille 11:15 AM-Tai Chi Class 12:00 PM-National Day of Prayer & Lunch N Learn 7:00 PM-Scout Group		
<b>10</b> 8:30 AM-Worship 9:45 AM-Bible Class/Sunday School 9:45 AM-Praise Team 1 11:00 AM-Worship 11:00 AM-Worship (contemporary) 	<b>11</b> 4:00 PM-Line Dance 6:00 PM- <b>JULIET's Dining Out Manny's Uptown</b> 7:00 PM-Scout Group	<b>12</b> 9:30 AM-Tuesday Morning <b>Women's Bible Class</b> 4:30 PM-Line Dance 6:00 PM-IGNITE SPARK (Youth) 6:00 PM-Scout Groups	<b>13</b> 9:30 AM-Braille 12:00 PM- <b>Men's Bible Study</b> 1:00 PM-Prayer Shawl 6:00 PM-IGNITE BLAZE (Youth) 7:00 PM-Praise Team II 7:00 PM-Worship	<b>14</b> 9:30 AM-Thursday Morning <b>Women's Bible Study</b> 9:30 AM-Braille 11:15 AM-Tai Chi Class 6:30 PM- <b>Lambs 4's an K</b> May Melodies 7:00 PM-Scout Group		
<b>17</b> 8:30 AM-Worship 9:45 AM-Bible Class/Sunday School 9:45 AM-Praise Team 1 11:00 AM-Worship 11:00 AM-Worship (contemporary) 5:00 PM-JC Meeting 5:00 PM-VBS Training Meeting	<b>18</b> 4:00 PM-Line Dance 7:00 PM-Scout Groups	<b>19</b> 9:30 AM-Tuesday Morning <b>Women's Bible Class</b> 4:30 PM-Line Dance 6:00 PM-IGNITE SPARK (Youth)	<b>20</b> 9:30 AM-Braille 12:00 PM- <b>Men's Bible Study</b> 6:00 PM-IGNITE BLAZE (Youth) 7:00 PM-Praise Team II 7:00 PM-Worship	<b>21</b> 9:30 AM-Thursday Morning <b>Women's Bible Study</b> 9:30 AM-Braille 11:15 AM-Tai Chi Class	<b>22</b> 7:00 PM- <b>PritmeTimer's Rough Rider's Game</b>	<b>23</b> 8:00 AM- <b>Men's Ministry</b>
<b>24</b> 8:30 AM-Worship 9:45 AM-Bible Class/Sunday School 9:45 AM-Praise Team 1 11:00 AM-Worship 11:00 AM-Worship (contemporary) 5:00 PM-IGNITE—Camp Kick Off	<b>25</b> *Church Office Closed* 	<b>26</b> 9:30 AM-Tuesday Morning <b>Women's Bible Class</b> 4:30 PM-Line Dance 6:00 PM-IGNITE SPARK (Youth)	<b>27</b> 12:00 PM- <b>Men's Bible Study</b> 6:00 PM-IGNITE BLAZE (Youth) 7:00 PM-Praise Team II 7:00 PM-Worship	<b>28</b> 11:15 AM-Tai Chi Class 7:00 PM-Scout Group	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>Confirmation Camp Monday, May 25 - Thursday, May 28</b>						
<b>31</b> 8:30 AM-Worship 9:45 AM-Bible Class/Sunday School 9:45 AM-Praise Team 1 11:00 AM-Worship 11:00 AM-Worship (contemporary) 5:00 PM-IGNITE—All Youth 						

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**Weekly Worship Opportunities:  
Sunday-8:30 & 11:00 AM / Sunday School-9:45 AM  
Wednesday, 7 PM  
\* Denotes services with Holy Communion**

### *Worship Opportunities in May*

- 3- Worship Celebration-High School Graduate Recognition -8:30 AM, 11:00 AM (Sanctuary)  
11:00 AM\* (Celebration Hall - Contemporary)
- 6- Wednesday Worship Celebration-7:00 PM\* (Chapel)
- 10- **Mother's Day**-Worship Celebration -8:30 AM\*, 11:00 AM\* (Sanctuary)  
11:00 AM (Celebration Hall - Contemporary)
- 13- Wednesday Worship Celebration-7:00 PM\* (Chapel)
- 17- Worship Celebration - 8:30 AM, 11:00 AM (Sanctuary) -11:00 AM\* (Celebration Hall - Contemporary)
- 20- Wednesday Traditional Worship Celebration-Holy Communion-7:00 PM
- 24- Memorial Day-Worship Celebration -8:30 AM\*, 11:00 AM\* (Sanctuary)  
11:00 AM (Celebration Hall - Contemporary)
- 27- Wednesday Worship Celebration-7:00 PM\* (Chapel)
- 31- Worship Celebration-Confirmation Sunday - 8:30 AM, 11:00 AM (Sanctuary)  
11:00 AM (Celebration Hall - Contemporary)