

MESSIAH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

# MESSENGER

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## Worship Services

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am

(with Nursery)

Sunday 10:30 am

(with Nursery)

8:30 am broadcast on 101.9 fm & livestream on facebook at  
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Member of the Northern Great Lakes Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America



# May 29, 2022

## Seventh Sunday of Easter

**Flowers:** To the Glory of God...

\* from Bill Maki

**Radio:** To the Glory of God...

\* from Barb Bergstrom

**Livestream:** To the Glory of God...

\* from Messiah

### From Pr. Molly

Beloved Messiah Members,

June celebrates Pride month, and I am truly grateful as your pastor to be a part of this community, one that seeks to welcome and include all people, especially our LGBTQIA+ siblings in Christ. When the decision in 2009 happened for the ELCA to be a church that supported LGBTQIA+ pastors, I remember the conversations we had at my home congregation in Iowa. There were a lot of people who were torn on the matter and struggling. At times the conversations got quite heated. I am sure that happened here at Messiah as well and, while it was before my time, I am sure that the decision to become a welcoming congregation was one that took prayerful consideration and thoughtful leadership by Pastors Dave and Amanda. In 2009, I remember asking my mom about an older couple who, at our church meetings after the ELCA's decision, had emotionally and passionately argued for the acceptance of gay people within our congregation and as pastors. I remember being surprised by their passionate reaction. My mom told me that they had a son who was gay. They had a close relationship with someone who was a member of the LGBTQIA+ community. For them the decision was personal, it hit close to home.

Their reaction was connected to what I have seen and know matters most: relationship. We grow to love and accept one another through our relationships and through knowing people fully. They no longer become "other" or "separate", they become beloved siblings, neighbors, children, friends. To me that is the most faithful response and the one that most fully follows Jesus. Jesus never denied love to anyone. When he meets people who are different, on the outside, and on the margins, he eats with them, he hears their stories,

he heals them, and he loves them. Doing this brings them back into community and into relationships that were once broken or separate.

I am grateful that Messiah is a welcoming community because it means that when people come to me who are LGBTQIA+ and ask if they would be welcomed here, I get to give them a resounding and unequivocal yes! And that is an exceptional feeling, to not turn anyone away but to say that they get to belong here. It is something that is unfortunately rare in the religious community, but goodness am I thankful that it is not the case here! And with that, I am thankful for you and this community who have made that answer possible. I hope you can celebrate Pride this month and rejoice as an LGBTQIA+ child of God and with our LGBTQIA+ siblings that you and they have a place and a community where they can belong in Christ.

*Yours in Christ,*

*Pr. Molly*

### Romel's Story

My experience here in Marquette: I give thanks to God for having brought me here and also for having met you. We are so grateful to the church and the many wonderful people here. I hope to be able to stay here and I don't want to lose the friendships I have made. I also want to be able to help in whatever way I can. I was happy to go once to volunteer to help clean up garbage from the side of a highway.

In one year I have done many great things, such as attend church and meet many people. I have been involved in many other activities. Some of my favorites were: playing sled hockey, going to the fair, riding a bicycle and swimming in Lake Superior. I am very grateful to the pastors and I also ask God to bless you very much. I am also very grateful because you are helping my brother and my uncle. The truth is that God is great and has brought good people to our lives. If God had not put you in our lives, I don't know where we would be today. You are wonderful people. May God bless you very much.

### Your Prayer Requests

At every Saturday & Sunday worship service, we ask people to fill out a welcome card that is found in the bulletin. The card asks people to put their prayer requests on the back, and these requests are prayed for every Tuesday afternoon at Messiah's staff meeting. If you wish to have your name or a loved one's name read during worship, please call the office or let the pastors, Jen, or Julia know. We will need to get permission before we include anyone's name in the worship prayers.

# Messiah Calendar

## Monday, May 30

*Messiah's office closed for Memorial Day*  
7:00 pm AA

## Tuesday, May 31

12:00 pm QiGong (zoom)  
1:30 pm Staff Meeting

## Wednesday, June 1

6:00 pm Community Meal  
7:00 pm The Book of Job

## Thursday, June 2

9:00 am Quilting  
10:00 am Playgroup  
10:30 am Koinonia Bible Study  
4:00 pm Asylum Task Force

## Friday, June 3

11:00 am Little Brothers Friends of the Elderly Brunch  
3:00 pm Sail On Singers

## Saturday, June 4

5:00 pm Worship

## Sunday, June 5

8:00 am Senior Choir Rehearsal  
8:30 am Worship-Traditional  
10:30 am Worship-Contemporary

## Suppers For Six

Suppers for Six is a fun, yet relaxing, and easy way to get to know other folks who attend our Messiah. It is an opportunity to meet new people, form new friendships, and get to know each other better.

Three couples (or a combination of couples and singles) are grouped together for a three-month period. Over the course of three months, these six people will gather at least once a month to share a meal together. The groups can choose to meet in a home, in a restaurant, or for a picnic.

If interested, a sign-up sheet is available on the Welcome Table outside the church office (or contact the church office). Once folks have signed up, groups will be formed and everyone in the group will be notified and given a list of the group members and contact information (and who will be hosting first, second, and third). The meals are meant to be potluck with everyone bringing something to share or for groups that prefer not to cook, you can meet at an agreed upon restaurant. The group can be as creative or simple as they choose in the meals they enjoy.

What about kids? Parents are welcome to sign up (please do!), and it is up to the individual group to determine if children will be a part of the meal or not. Ideas for dealing with the kids include: children can play or watch TV quietly in another room after the meal so the adults can talk, a teen child of someone in the group might be willing to baby sit young children at the parent's home, or parents of young children may need to find their own baby sitter.

We will collect names through Sunday, June 5th. If you would like to sign up after the deadline, please contact the office.

## In The Hospital

Please inform the church office when you are hospitalized. Pr. Molly Eversoll & Pr. Andrew Plocher would like to visit you when you are there. If you are unable to notify Messiah, please ask a family member to do so.

### On Call

Pr. Andrew Plocher: June 1, 5-15, 19-22, 26-29  
Pr. Molly Eversoll: June 2-4, 16-18, 23-25, 30

### Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for articles to be included in our July newsletter is Monday June 27, 2022.

### Messiah's Newsletter

May 29, 2022  
Volume 104, Issue 6

Articles for  
Weekly Announcements  
are due by 6:00 pm  
every Wednesday

## 10:30 am Worship at Lambros Beach, June 19

Join us on June 19th for 10:30 am worship at Clark Lambros beach! We'll sing a few hymns, Theo (Pr. Andrew and Anna's son) will be baptized, and we'll get to enjoy worshipping together on the shore of Lake Superior. We'll be out there rain or shine, so dress accordingly, and please bring your own chairs or blankets to sit on.

Also, please note that there will **not** be a 10:30 service in the sanctuary – just this one at the beach. Hope to see you there!

# Messiah's Birthdays

June 2022

- Wednesday 1 Ron Brow, Augie Gentz  
Thursday 2 Sandy Lindberg  
Friday 3 Gayle Mack  
Saturday 4 No birthdays  
Sunday 5 No birthdays  
Monday 6 Rick Beyers, Joan Gauthier, Lois Kampe, Sally McQueen  
Tuesday 7 Barb Orhanen  
Wednesday 8 John Gustafson, John Kiltinen, Judy Quirk  
Thursday 9 James Hewitt, Jon Hewitt  
Friday 10 Mary Beals, Karen Goins, Rulon Jewett  
Saturday 11 Pauline Kiltinen, Bruce Lindberg, Frank Summersett  
Sunday 12 Shanna Bennett, Eleanor Gustafson, Phil Hoover, Maggie Lindholm, Lillian Tuimala  
Monday 13 No birthdays  
Tuesday 14 Karen Johnson  
Wednesday 15 No birthdays  
Thursday 16 Jenni Blondeau, Jean Reynolds, June Swanson  
Friday 17 Grace Gronowski  
Saturday 18 Meghan MacPhee, Mylee Muscoe, Jane Phillips  
Sunday 19 Courtney McGovern, Joel Tervo, Jan Vickstrom  
Monday 20 Carol Bell, Gabe Gentz, Amber Hewitt, Taylor McGovern  
Tuesday 21 Grace Chien, Lars Gentz  
Wednesday 22 Carol Masuga  
Thursday 23 Marjorie Andersen  
Friday 24 Ellen Cosner, Cayton Evans, Effie Jussila, Elden Wilder  
Saturday 25 Don Dreisbach, Jon Magnuson, Logan Peterson  
Sunday 26 Eliisa Gladwell-Herman  
Monday 27 Stephen Luty, Benjamin Taylor

Tuesday 28 Jessica Boehlke, Grayson Wash

Wednesday 29 Finn Bennett, Jaime Olson

Thursday 30 Jason Elsenbroek, Melissa Hill, Chuck Suckow

## World Hunger Update

This year's Synod Assembly brought in \$27,500 last weekend. Messiah contributed \$7,130 of that amount. These gifts are especially important because of the war in Ukraine and COVID which created special challenges in the global food system. We all feel it's effects in terms of distribution, rising costs and shortages of items we eat and use.

We recognize that we have a globalized, interconnected food system in our world. War in Ukraine impacts wheat and maize production in both Ukraine and Russia - this part of the world is known as the "Bread basket of Europe". Growing numbers of refugees present major food issues.

Philosopher Jacques Deireda said, "When we eat, we never eat alone". We enjoy the fruits of God's creation because of neighbors all over the world. The work of ELCA World Hunger seeks to assist those who farm and harvest those fruits. Approximately \$8 million was spent in 2021 on sustainable food related programs in 67 countries around the world. The work is not done, the needs continue.

Contributions to ELCA World Hunger and ELCA Disaster Relief are important ways to help.

- - - *Mary Lou Blomquist*

## Virtual Worship

Messiah's 8:30 am worship is broadcast on the radio at Sunny 101.9 FM. The two Sunday morning services (8:30 & 10:30 am) can be found online at the following sites: *Vimeo* - [vimeo.com/messiahlutheranmq](https://vimeo.com/messiahlutheranmq)

*Facebook* - [www.facebook.com/messiahlutheranmq](https://www.facebook.com/messiahlutheranmq)

## Devotions Link

[www.prayfaithfully.org](http://www.prayfaithfully.org) is an on-line devotional reading service maintained by the Northern Great Lakes Synod and written by various pastors and laypersons.

## In Our Prayers

Please remember the following people in your prayers at this time: Arlene Rajala; Greg & Kelly Bartlett upon the passing of Kelly's father, Leonard Blue; Bromley; Peter; Helen Steinhoff's niece & Darlene Martin's cousin, Carla, who passed away at 57 years of age; Diane; Kristina Asta; Larry; Alli & Johan Elsenbroek; Jack VanAlstine; John; Jeff Bruning; Mike Cooper; Bob; Les Scheuren; Sandy Grenke; Leah Rodda; Brenda Blett; John Collins; Linda & Dan; Claire; David Shaver; Ken Smith; Chuck; Daniel & Marcos; Mary Leslie; Shawn; Mae Desonia; Lisa Douros; Ann Lahti; Marjorie Vidlund; Chris Heiskanen; Jamie Baril; Tina & her roommate; Matthew Williamson; Jim Shirtz; Wayne Hanmer; Judy Donckers; Karen Johnson; Michael Orhanen; Sierra; Charlene Avery

*You may call the church office if you would like a person listed in the prayers. Please obtain permission from the person to list his/her name. In order to keep the list up to date and manageable in size, we will remove names from time to time. We also appreciate updates as to how people listed are progressing. Thank you!*

## Vacation Bible School

Parents, mark your calendars for the week of June 27th (M-Th 9:00 am - 12:00 pm). Vacation Bible School will be happening this year in-person at Messiah and we are excited to welcome camp staffers from Fortune Lake who will be running it along with volunteers from Messiah. This year's theme is Boundless, God Beyond Measure. Your child will learn all about God and Jesus' extravagant and boundless love that comes into our world and our lives.

Registration forms for VBS can be found on the welcome table outside of the church office. We can also email them to you if you contact either Pr. Molly or the church office (molly@messiahlutheranmqt.org or office@messiahlutheranmqt.org)

We are looking for those interested in:

- \* **volunteering as adult helpers (in need of three adults / day; M-Th)**
- \* **several households who would be willing to house the staffers from Fortune Lake camp during the week**

If you are able to do so or interested in knowing more, please contact the church office.

## Novel Written by Liam Ulland-Joy

Liam Ulland-Joy's first science fiction novel, Forsaken City, will be released this summer! To celebrate, we are having a book launch party on Tuesday, August 16th, 6:00-8:00 pm at the Presque Isle Pavilion (light refreshments will be served). To read more about Liam's first book or to order, please go to <https://author-liam-ulland-joy.square.site/> or email [ironspiretrilogy@gmail.com](mailto:ironspiretrilogy@gmail.com). Hope to see you there!

## Lectionary Readings - June 2022

### June 5 Pentecost

Reading Acts 2:1-21  
Gospel John 14:8-17

### June 12 The Holy Trinity/First Sunday after Pentecost

Reading Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31  
Gospel John 16:12-15

### June 19 Second Sunday after Pentecost

Reading Isaiah 65:1-9  
Gospel Luke 8:26-39

### June 26 Third Sunday after Pentecost

Reading 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21  
Gospel Luke 9:51-62

## Radio Broadcast, Flowers & Livestream Sponsorship

We are in need of sponsors for upcoming radio broadcasts, flowers & livestreaming. If this is something you would like to support, please let the office know what you would like written for your sponsorship. you can reach us by phone at 225-1119 or email at [office@messiahlutheranmqt.org](mailto:office@messiahlutheranmqt.org). The cost of the Radio Broadcast or Livestream sponsorship is \$110. The cost of flower sponsorship is \$20.

Keep in mind, you can sponsor any of these three in Memory or in Honor of a loved one.

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## Saturday Evening Worship

A big thank you to those of you who came to the conversation on April 30th and who filled out the survey form about our Saturday evening worship service. Thank you for sharing your experience and your passionate feedback. It is clear that this service is dearly loved, and not just because of the time, although nearly all of you who replied love the Saturday 5pm time. There is a love of the community, the liturgy, and the intimacy of a smaller group. The surveys were split evenly between preferring atrium worship or being back in the sanctuary, and we'll be looking at how best to balance that in worship planning. Also, it was clear that a return of music (in some form) is also desired by the majority of respondents, and we'll be looking to bring back a little bit of music (singing a hymn together) in the coming weeks. As we continue to live into the changes to this service, know that we deeply appreciate your feedback. Please do not hesitate to reach out to either of us and share your thoughts going forward. – Pr. Andrew and Pr. Molly

## Passages

### In Celebration of:

\* the graduation of Eric Banitt from the University of Michigan School of Music, Theater, and Dance with a BFA in Jazz Studies and the Artist and Scholar Program. Eric is the son of Jon & Inga Banitt.

### In Sympathy to:

\* Lisa Coombs-Gerou & family upon the passing of her husband Tom, on May 17th.

\* Dave Lundquist & family upon the passing of his wife, Carol, on May 22nd at home. Funeral arrangements will be made soon.

## Subscribe to Messiah's ENewsletter

Messiah publishes an electronic newsletter every Wednesday which is sent to subscribers via email and is also posted on Messiah's website [www.messiahlutheranmq.org](http://www.messiahlutheranmq.org). Receiving the ENews is a good way to stay abreast of church news and activities. If you are interested in subscribing, contact Jen at [jen@messiahlutheranmq.org](mailto:jen@messiahlutheranmq.org). And if you would rather not subscribe, you can access the ENews through Messiah's website. Click on "News" at the top of the homepage, then click on "ENewsletter." Then you'll be able to click on links for the most recent E-newsletters.

## 2022 Pride Fest

After two very long years, we will be having a celebration Pride Fest. This is the 7th U.P. Pride Festival. It will be held in Mattson Lower Harbor Park on June 11th from 1:00 - 11:00 pm. There will be entertainment throughout the day, vendor tables, and other informational tables. Come and support our LGBTQ+ community.

## Financial Secretary Corner

### How we're handling the "Other" category on assigned giving envelopes.

The top of the envelope shows three categories with lines for a dollar amount

### **General fund, Property fund & Other**

During 2020-21 we were adding those "other" donations to Live-streaming because it was a new expense added to our budget during Covid. The cost of LiveStream services can still be supported, or sponsored for \$110 just like our Radio Broadcast. For 2022, donations to our "Other" category are being directed to the General fund (if a fund is not specified). However, you can specify any fund /cause when you donate to "Other". So go ahead and write in the name of any fund that's important to you or call/email me if you would like to discuss further.

Is it just me or does our construction/road repair season move faster than Winter? The end of June means another set of six-months of your awesome giving to compile for Giving Statements. They will be sent out mid-July and even though you may want to set them aside, please review for anything we may need to address.

*Nancy Hoover, Financial Secretary, Messiah.NancyH@gmail.com*

## OWLS (Older, Wiser Lutherans)

Please join the OWLS on Mondays at 10:00 am to walk at Mattson (Lower Harbor) Park. We meet near the ice cream store adjacent to the parking lot. If the weather turns nasty, the Dome is usually open for walking, too, and we can walk there. Take along your coffee or tea and a snack for yourself, and we can sit and visit at the picnic tables after walking. Any walking speed or distance is just fine. There is always someone to walk along with you, and you are welcome to bring along a friend. If you have any questions, feel free to call or text Louise at 906-250-3990. All are welcome, and we hope to see you soon!

## The New Free Store Donations

The New Free Store is an inter-faith, non-profit group supporting people in the greater Marquette area who express a need for free clothing, linen, hygiene & cleaning supplies. Over 850 families are now registered to shop for free & that number continues to grow. When doing your weekly shopping, please remember the items noted below in the coming months. Thank you for your support! Feel free to leave these items in **The New Free Store** 'drop-box' in Messiah's narthex.

\***June** - Hand Sanitizer & Male/Female Razors

\***July** - Deodorant - Male or Female

## Fortune Lake

### Volunteers wanted

Fortune Lake camp is looking for volunteers to help prepare their facilities for the quickly approaching summer. All people, skill sets, and abilities are welcome. They need outdoor spaces raked, buildings deep-cleaned and wood moved and split. They are not scheduling a formal work day; rather they are asking you to come at the time that works best for you. Call or e-mail the camp office at 906 214-2267 or [officemanager@fortunelake.org](mailto:officemanager@fortunelake.org). Let them know when you'd like to be there, what you'd like to do (they can suggest some things if you're not sure) and how many people you'll be bringing. They would be happy to provide any necessary tools and a meal too. Many hands make light work!

### Musical tickets on sale now

We've been waiting over three years for this opportunity, and it's finally here! Tickets are now on sale for our "One Wonderful Day" original musical and the catered meal to follow. The one-time performance is set to take place at the historic Crystal Theatre in downtown Crystal Falls on Saturday, August 6 at 3:00 pm CT. A meal will follow beginning at 5:30 pm CT at Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp. Tickets are required for each event. Show tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for children 12 and under. Meal tickets are \$15 per person. Once purchased, tickets can be picked up from the Fortune Lake Camp office or from the will call desk on the day of the event. To purchase tickets, go to [www.fortunelake.org](http://www.fortunelake.org).

### Victory Camp (June 12-17, 2022)

Victory Camp is an active program for adults with developmental disabilities. Activities to look forward to will include worship, Bible study, pontoon boat rides, shallow water swimming, arts & crafts, campfires, and games with lots of fun and laughter. Staff members provide energy, supervise and lead activities, all while encouraging participation. Come have the experience of a lifetime while meeting new friends and renewing old friendships. Many Victory campers attend year after year, and their experience remains a highlight of the summer. For more information or to register, go to [www.fortunelake.org](http://www.fortunelake.org).

### Intergenerational Week (June 19-24, 2022)

This year we're combining our previous intergenerational programs – including Family Camp, Grandparent Camp, and Women & Kids Week – into one fantastic all-inclusive program. Our intergenerational camps build an excitement for God, create meaningful faith practices you can continue at home, and invite you to play together in God's amazing creation. You have time to both relax and create memories as a family. Our intergenerational camp is all inclusive with meals, lodging and quality Christ-centered activities for all ages led by energetic summer staff. Intergenerational campers will enjoy

worship at the campfire, beach time, hikes, arts & crafts, outdoor games, fishing, boat rides, river tubing, s'mores, and stargazing. For more information or to register, go to [www.fortunelake.org](http://www.fortunelake.org).

### Intergenerational Half-Week (June 19-22, 2022)

Due to multiple requests for a shorter intergenerational experience at camp, we have decided to offer a three -night option. This all- inclusive program is perfect for people for small children, those who have not attended camp before, or those with extra busy summer schedules. For more information or to register, go to [www.fortunelake.org](http://www.fortunelake.org).

### Leaders-in-Training (LIT – June 19-24, 2022)

This three-week program is a combination of leadership training, ministry education, and camp activities. It is specifically for high school campers who have completed grades 10-12 and are interested in learning what it is to serve on camp staff. An application/interview process is required. For more information or to apply, go to [www.fortunelake.org](http://www.fortunelake.org).

### High School Week (June 26-July 1, 2022)

High School campers (completed grades 9-12) will chose one of two programs: High School Week Old School or Senior High Night Owls. These programs will run concurrently so campers can choose their favorite and still meet all the other high schoolers. Both programs will have their own unique elements, and they will gather and mix regularly. A highlight will be the unique worship services which will be created and led by the campers. In both programs, relationships are real and lasting. You'll likely make life-long friends at Fortune Lake. Bible studies are authentic and in-depth. God's word and creation are explored and experienced. Lives are enriched and memories are made. For more information or to register, go to [www.fortunelake.org](http://www.fortunelake.org).

### Fortune Lake camp scholarships @ Messiah

Anyone who is interested in or needs financial assistance to attend camp this summer, please call or e-mail Pastor Andrew at [andrew@messiahlutheran-mqt.org](mailto:andrew@messiahlutheran-mqt.org).

## Community Meal - June 1st

Please plan to come to our June 1st community meal. This meal will consist of summer BBQ/picnic type food with hotdogs, bratwurst, chips, baked beans, potato salad & dessert! The meal will be promptly served at 6:00 pm in Magnuson Hall.

## June Events for UP Wild!

### THRIFT STORE TOUR & HIKE

*Saturday, June 11th / 10:30 am*

U.P. Wild is collaborating with Silver Creek Church & Thrift Store to see how people's donations of unwanted items become another person's treasures! We will get a tour of the backroom and also see how clothes & items are sorted while learning how to REUSE as a part of our faith life. Geared towards kids but all ages of curiosity are welcome. Small hike and time in the playground afterwards. Free. Meeting at 219 Silver Creek Rd, MQT.

### NATURE PRAYER SERVICE w/ U.P. WILD

*Sunday, June 26th / 4:00 pm @ Presque Isle Gazebo*

Our Nature Prayer Service is our time to gather outside in community. What to expect: Welcome to our Bioregion, Passing the bowl: quotes to keep, Wilderness Reflection, Wander & Ponder, Sharing Circle, Shared instrument song, Shared Prayers & Incense, Closing Poem. Community time to mingle with tea & snacks. Introvers welcome. Bring a folding chair and your own mug.

## Medication Help Available

If you have questions &/or concerns regarding your medications, you can contact retired pharmacist, Barb Salmela. Call the office to get Barb's phone number. All inquiries are confidential. She can help find discounts for medication, ways to possibly obtain them for free, or suggest less expensive alternatives. Also, if you need assistance signing up for Medicare, please call Barb for an appointment. She would be happy to help you through this process.

## Worship From Home

If you are ever worshipping with us from home/online, know that you can find a PDF copy of both the 8:30 & 10:30 am bulletins on our website. If you would like to have one mailed to you, please call the church office.

## Zoom QiGong

Zoom QiGong for Health & Wellness, Balance & Fall Prevention. Tuesdays, 12:00 – 1:00 pm –Diana Magnuson 906-362-9386/ magnusondiana@gmail.com

## Marquette Area MOPS (mothers of pre-schoolers)

Are you an expectant mom? Do you have an infant, toddler, preschooler, or any combination of them? You need Mom Friends!!! We gather at Messiah monthly on Thursday evenings, during the academic year, September-May. We found a way to connect monthly even during the 2020-21 & 2021-22 MOPS season with the leadership of two coordinators, Sarah Janda and Olivia Holtan. They prepared fun icebreakers, kept our group linked together, provided themes that included relevant discussion questions, and some thought provoking videos during very trying Covid times.

Yes, we just wrapped up our sixth MOPS season yet moms and kids will continue to connect through our MOPS Facebook page and/or emails to plan their own play date or a moms-night-out during the Summer. Contact us if you're thinking of joining MOPS, and please watch for our open house in August when we'll be announcing our new leadership team and meeting dates for the 2022-23 MOPS season.

*Nancy Hoover, MOPS Mentor & Financial Coordinator*

## Men's Bible Study

Please join us each Monday at 9:00 am in Room #103 at Messiah for our Men's Bible Study. Everyone who attends is here to support one another & make new/lifelong friendships. We hope you will consider joining us & we look forward to meeting you! *(we will not be meeting on Memorial Day)*

## ELCA Young Adult Ministry

ELCA Young Adult Ministry is proud to announce that they are starting quarterly Young Adult Synod Network meetings in May! The group is super excited to gather everyone for updates, feedback, brainstorming, networking, and general fellowship with each other. Their first meeting was on May 25th.

You can also check out their website for more information:  
<https://sites.google.com/view/elcayoungadults>

# June 2022 Worship Volunteers

## Saturday June 4 - 5:00 pm

Assisting Minister  
Usher Chris Kotila

## Sunday June 5 - 8:30 am

Assisting Minister  
Reader Mary Lou Blomquist  
Ushers Sam Elder, Bruce Robertson  
Communion Assistants Dave Blomquist, Al Edgar  
Greeters Darlene Martin, Helen Steinhoff

## Sunday June 5 - 10:30 am

Assisting Minister  
Reader  
Ushers  
Communion Assistants  
Greeters  
Projection Technician

## Saturday June 11 - 5:00 pm

Assisting Minister Karen Kimar-Johnson  
Usher Chris Kotila

## Sunday June 12 - 8:30 am

Assisting Minister  
Reader Larry Pagel  
Ushers Cathy Seblonka, Barb Avery  
Communion Assistants Al & Gail Edgar  
Greeters Penny Streeter, Sherry Labbe

## Sunday June 12 - 10:30 am

Assisting Minister  
Reader  
Ushers  
Communion Assistants  
Greeters  
Projection Technician

## Saturday June 18- 5:00 pm

Assisting Minister Chris Kotila  
Ushers Ron Tervo

## Sunday June 19 - 8:30 am

Assisting Minister  
Reader Brenda Blett  
Ushers Linda Berry, Ray Jarvis  
Communion Assistants Beth Krznarich, Kathy Maynard  
Greeters

## Sunday June 19 - 10:30 am

Assisting Minister  
Reader  
Ushers  
Communion Assistants  
Greeters  
Projection Technician

## Saturday June 25 - 5:00 pm

Assisting Minister Chris Kotila  
Usher

## Sunday June 26 - 8:30 am

Assisting Minister  
Reader Jen Bleckiner  
Ushers Mike & Emily Coyne  
Communion Assistants Ray Jarvis, Grant Soltwisch  
Greeters Joan Tasson, Jan Vickstrom

## Sunday June 26 - 10:30 am

Assisting Minister  
Reader  
Ushers  
Communion Assistants  
Greeters  
Projection Technician

**Messiah's Church Staff:****Pastoral Staff:**

Senior Pastor.....Andrew Plocher  
 Associate Pastor.....Molly Eversoll

**Support Staff:**

Parish Administrator.....Jennifer Dodge  
 Custodian.....Kevin McGrath  
 Parish Accountant.....Mike Hill  
 Financial Secretary.....Nancy Hoover

**Music Staff:**

Music Director.....Dave Dagenais  
 Bell Choir Director.....Judy Quirk  
 Organist .....Kathy Strazzinski  
 Pianists .....Kathy Strazzinski  
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