

MESSIAH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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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10:30 am livestream on Facebook

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October 2, 2022

17th Sunday after Pentecost

Flowers: To the Glory of God & In Honor of...

- * Ron & Ruth Hill's 65th Anniversary with love from their family

To the Glory of God & In Loving Memory of...

- * Jill Dykema from Madalyn & Lois

Radio: To the Glory of God...

- * from Messiah Lutheran

Livestream: To the Glory of God...

- * from Messiah Lutheran

Siblings in Christ,

What a joy it has been to be together in worship as we start the school year! The sound of children in the sanctuary and in the Sunday school rooms is a delight to be heard.

It is hard to believe that a little over a year ago I stepped out on paternity leave, and Anna and I welcomed Theo into our lives and into this wild and wonderful world. Time has moved swiftly and parenthood is a beautiful, albeit sometimes crazy, gift. I am grateful that he, and we, have all of you as our church family. As his nap times shift, we look forward to more opportunities to be in worship together.

Marking time has been interesting during a pandemic, yet it seems that this fall marks a shift. Since the start of the pandemic we have navigated changes at a remarkable speed and we've not had the luxury of looking further ahead than a few weeks or months. While the pandemic continues, we are living with it in different ways, especially given the release of bivalent boosters and vaccines for the youngest children. As such, our Council gathered in August and September for short retreats, to discern and begin to look ahead. One of the things that was clear from those gatherings was that we need to find ways to listen and discern as a congregation, not just as a Council.

Our Council decided that offering a survey, and opportunities to gather and talk about the survey questions, would be a place to start. We discussed survey questions, and a small team honed the questions and assembled the survey. It is now available online (<https://bit.ly/MLCMQTSurvey>) and in the church office. The questions on the survey will also be used to guide conversations, and listening sessions, within small groups. Council members will

facilitate gatherings on October 9th & 16th at 12:00 pm & 3:00 pm, and also on Monday, October 17th at 7:00 pm. You can sign up for a group/time on the Welcome Table outside the church office or by calling the church office. Our goal is to have everyone participate. Whether you're a lifelong member or just a recent participant in our community, we want to hear from you! If you'd rather fill out the survey and not attend a conversation, that's fine. We want to offer multiple ways to receive input and are delighted to have you participate in whatever manner works best for you.

I'm delighted that we're beginning to look further ahead and to dream about what is next for our Messiah community. I hope that you'll see in the questions our desire to embrace what works well for our community and lean into who we are – all 141 years of tradition and transformation.

One of the things that I think about now, as a parent, is what type of church will exist when Theo is an adult. I do not know the answer to that question, but I do know that it will come about through the work and faith of people like you. Together, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we are the church. I look forward to the conversations and responses from this survey and to what lies ahead, and I know our Council does too.

Thank you for participating in this process. If you have questions or want to chat about these questions one-on-one over coffee, please don't hesitate to reach out.

In Christ,

Pr. Andrew

October Community Meal – October 5

Messiah's October Community Meal will be served at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, October 5th. It will be prepared by Ralph & Pam Christensen. They'll be making meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans & dessert! Sounds delicious, doesn't it? Please join us for food & fellowship on Wednesday, October 5th! We are in need of one more clean up volunteer. Please contact the office if you are interested in helping with clean up.

Reformed and Always Reforming

Sunday October 30, 9:45am – 10:15am, Atrium

What was the Reformation and what does it mean for us today? This Reformation Sunday, October 30, join Pr. Andrew for a talk about the Protestant Reformation and its continuing legacy. He'll present between worship services, 9:45-10:15am in the Atrium.

Messiah Calendar

Monday, October 3

10:00 am OWLs Walk
12:00 pm Days for Girls
5:00 pm LCM Board Mtg
7:00 pm AA
7:00 pm Bell Choir

Tuesday, October 4

10:30 am Pericope
11:00 am Staff Meeting
12:00 pm QiGong (zoom)
7:00 pm Male Chorus

Wednesday, October 5

10:00 am Playgroup
5:00 pm Senior Choir
6:00 pm Community Meal

Thursday, October 6

9:00 am Quilting
10:30 am Koinonia Bible Study
4:00 pm Asylum Task Force
5:00 pm Building & Grounds
5:30 pm MOPS

Friday, October 7

9:00 am Men's Bible Study

Saturday, October 8

10:00 am Confirmation Retreat
5:00 pm Worship

Sunday, October 9

8:00 am Senior Choir Rehearsal
8:30 am Worship-Traditional
10:30 am Worship-Contemporary
12:00 pm Congregational Survey
3:00 pm Congregational Survey

Workshop for Church Musicians

Saturday, October 15, 2022, 9:30 am - 4:00 pm

After multiple years of postponing, we are thrilled to be offering a workshop opportunity for church musicians of all abilities – professional, volunteer, student or sage!

Dr. Wayne Wold will be leading workshops that cover a range of topics including: new anthems for 1, 2, 3 and 4 part choirs; pastoral care for choirs and directors; leading congregational song from the keyboard; and what's new in hymns & songs. Dr. Wold is an active composer, performer, and clinician and you can learn more about him here: <http://www.waynelwold.com/> We are delighted to have him with us for this opportunity!

The cost (including lunch) is \$25 per person, \$10 for students, and is kept low by generous sponsors (including John-Paul Buzard Pipe Organ Builders – the folks who helped repair our organ!)

For information, and to register, please go to <https://bit.ly/WfCM2022>

If you know of people who may be interested, please pass this information along! Opportunities like this are few and far between in the UP and we appreciate your assistance in getting word out.

Funeral Workshop in November

In the month of November, we are devoting two Saturdays to accompanying you through planning for the end of life. Whether you are 28 or 82 there is never a bad time to consider how you want to be remembered and celebrated. We will cover a variety of topics from music during your service, estate management and the 5 wishes to the logistics of hospice care and a living will. We hope that this will give you not only piece of mind but offer a time to learn how to talk about this difficult topic with your loved ones.

Join us on Saturday, November 5th and Saturday, November 12th from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm for these conversations. Coffee and snacks will be provided. Please sign up in the church office. A five-dollar donation is requested to offset the cost of materials.

For more information, please contact pastor Molly at 906.225.1119 or at molly@messiahlutheranmqt.org

Food Donations

Many thanks to all who have donated non-perishable foods to Messiah during Covid. Please continue to donate! There is a table by the rear canopy door where your donations may be placed. Donations not given to Messiah recipients are taken to Salvation Army.

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: October 2-5, 9-12, 16-19, 23-26, 30-31
Pr. Molly Eversoll: October 1, 6-8, 13-15, 20-22, 27-29

Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for articles to be included in our November newsletter is Monday, October 24, 2022.

Messiah's Newsletter

October 2, 2022
Volume 104, Issue 10

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

Messiah's Birthdays

October 2022

Thursday 1	Cheryl Anderegg, Linda Savage, Pat Vacilek
Friday 2	Shane Parks, Paul Wainio
Saturday 3	Sarah Zeller
Sunday 4	Janelle Carroll, Joan Tasson
Monday 5	Patty Ryan, Esme Ulland-Joy
Tuesday 6	Al Edgar, Candace LeDuc
Wednesday 7	Karen Bergh, Lois Raikko
Thursday 8	David Echelbarger, Jackie Greising, Milt Soderberg, Sydney Voskuhl
Friday 9	Carol Ontto, Craig Teed
Saturday 10	Julie Mingay
Sunday 11	Tanya Jennings
Monday 12	Phyllis Maki
Tuesday 13	Jen Elsenbroek, Erynn Messana, Tom Moyle, Brianna Weir
Wednesday 14	Glenn Beckman, Jason Peterson, Steve Schinella
Thursday 15	Caleb Beerman
Friday 16	No birthdays
Saturday 17	No birthdays
Sunday 18	No birthdays
Monday 19	Jaime Aho, Philip Andersen
Tuesday 20	Maija Maki-Warne, Diana Peterson
Wednesday 21	Debra Abraham, Cecelia Fuller, Cindy Kotila, Todd Leigh, Joe MacPhee, Cheryl Mayer, Joan Myefski, Ron Tervo
Thursday 22	Bob Groleau, Sandy MacPhee
Friday 23	Anna Wild
Saturday 24	Linda Winslow
Sunday 25	Aubrey Muscoe
Monday 26	Reid Kloet

Tuesday 27 Jamie Beauchaine, Jim Lahti

Wednesday 28 Marsha Lucas

Thursday 29 Jacob Larson, Andrew Peterson, Jon Ruuska, Mya Skaw

Friday 30 Michelle Sellers

Saturday 31 Karen Kimar-Johnson

Confirmation

Confirmation Families, please mark your calendars for the following dates:

☉ October 8th (held at Messiah, those being confirmed on the 30th should be in attendance)

☉ December 3rd (held at Immanuel in Negaunee)

☉ February 25th (held at Prince of Peace in Harvey)

☉ Early Summer (We will be organizing either a retreat or a mission trip)

All confirmation retreats throughout the next year will be held from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm with lunch & snacks provided. We are continuing to try out this new format of retreat-style confirmation along with students from the Lutheran churches in the Marquette-Harvey-Negaunee area. If transportation ever becomes an issue, please let Pastor Molly or Pastor Andrew know and we will gladly pick your child up. If you or someone you know would like more information, please contact Pastor Molly.

Confirmation is open to kids who have completed 5th grade through high-school (any high-schooler can join in). For your student to be confirmed they need to have regularly attended confirmation for three years.

Confirmation Sunday

Students will be confirmed on Sunday, October 30th at the 10:30 am service. If your student is eligible to be confirmed, they should have received a letter from Pastor Molly with details.

If you have any questions about confirmation, please contact Pastor Molly molly@messiahlutheranmqt.org

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/messiahlutheranmqt

Facebook - www.facebook.com/messiahlutheranmqt

When you are 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.

Stewardship: Grace in Action

In the story of the Prodigal Son, God could have stopped after saying, “Welcome home” – but God didn’t stop there. Tables of food, a robe, a ring, music, celebration, delight, and a loving rebuke for anybody who thought it was all a little too much, who thought it was all a little “extra.”

We could stop at “sharing enough.” We could think about groceries for ourselves, healthcare for ourselves, college for our children, car payments for our cars, that new pair of shoes for our feet. Or – we could get carried away. We could give extravagantly. We could think about groceries, healthcare, college, transportation, and clothing for ourselves and for our neighbors. We could open our hearts with generosity until everyone hungry is fed, everyone who needs a house has shelter, and everyone who ever needed to be loved back to life had a party thrown in her honor – for what was dead and is alive again, and what was lost is now found!

This Stewardship season, we give thanks for your prayerful consideration of a pledge of support for our congregation and the incredible ministry that we do together. Indeed, our pledges are promises about what we will do, and spend, and achieve together. You should have received a letter and pledge form in the mail, and the form can also be found on our website. We ask that you please return the form by October 23rd, or do so during worship that day. If you need a form or have questions, please do not hesitate to contact the church office.

Upcoming Events

- October 2 CROP Walk, Mqt Hope Connection Center, 927 W. Fair Ave. Registration starts at 1:30 pm, Walk starts at 2:00 pm
- October 5 Community Meal at 6:00 pm - Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans and dessert!
- October 8 Confirmation class - 10:00 am - 3:00 pm at Messiah
- October 9 Congregational Survey 12:00 & 3:00 pm
- October 16 Congregational Survey 12:00 & 3:00 pm
- October 17 Congregational Survey 7:00 pm
- October 17 Augsburg Confession Class at 7:00 pm
- October 23 Stewardship Sunday! Bring your pledge sheet with you to turn in during worship.
- October 24 LWR transport truck at Messiah from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm to load up boxes of quilts, baby care kits, personal care kits & school kits
- October 24 Augsburg Confession Class at 7:00 pm
- October 30 Confirmation Sunday on Reformation Sunday
- November 1 Grief Group starts - 6:00 pm on Tuesdays
- November 6 All Saints Sunday

Lectionary Readings - October 2022

Oct. 2 17th Sunday after Pentecost

Reading Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4
Gospel Luke 17:5-10

Oct. 9 18th Sunday after Pentecost

Reading 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c
Gospel Luke 17:11-19

Oct. 16 19th Sunday after Pentecost

Reading Genesis 32:22-31
Gospel Luke 18:1-8

Oct. 23 20th Sunday after Pentecost

Reading Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22
Gospel Luke 18:9-14

Oct. 30 Reformation Sunday

Reading Isaiah 1:10-18
Gospel Luke 19:1-10

Grief Group at Messiah

Dear Messiah, Grief is a tough road to walk. It is even tougher to walk it alone. Our first grief group was helpful to several people. That is why we will be offering another session. The holidays often amplify our losses. We will be meeting on *Tuesday evenings at 6:00 pm from November 1st - December 13th*. You are free to come to as many groups as you want, even if it is only one.

The book, “A Time to Mourn and a Time to Dance” by Jennifer Ohman-Rodriguez is available in the church office for a suggested donation of \$15. The book is not required, but may be helpful.

Our group will meet in room 202. Feel free to call Jen Elsenbroek with any questions (906)202-2657 or email her at jenelsenbroek@messiahlutheranmqt.org. Shalom, Jen Elsenbroek

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Asylum Update

Thank you for your prayers and support for our asylum-seeking family. Due to unforeseen circumstances with their attorney (who was traveling out of the country and was unable to get back due to Hurricane Ian) their asylum hearing in September has been postponed. We do not yet know when it will be, but likely not for several months. We will keep you posted. Please continue to keep all of them in your prayers.

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!

Calling All Men

We are seeking input from all men. Are you interested in a Bible Study that focuses on issues that men face daily, in their lives? If so, when is the best time for you? The Men's Bible Study will have a planning meeting at 9:00 am on Friday, October 7th to consider your input for our structure and meeting time. If you cannot attend this meeting, please let your interest be known at the church office or contact one of the current members: Herb Grenke (906-249-9180), Dave Blomquist (906-396-0259), Grant Soltwisch (906-225-0375) or Paul Marin (906-345-9237).

Subscribe to Messiah's ENewsletter

Messiah publishes an electronic newsletter every Wednesday which is sent to subscribers via email. Receiving the ENews is a good way to stay abreast of church news and activities. If you are interested in subscribing, contact Jen at Messiah's office. And, you can access the ENews through Messiah's website.

Banner Change in Sanctuary

The banner has been changed in the sanctuary and the newly hung banner is 'fishing for people'. This banner and the other matching paraments were hand made by the creative hands of Cindy Kotila. Thank you, Cindy for sharing your talents with us!

Sunday School

Thank you to everyone who agreed to help teach Sunday School for the coming year. This year's program will be taught by a wonderful group of teachers who will rotate monthly. The curriculum for this year will be Spark, which follows along with the lessons we hear each Sunday in worship and offers a great opportunity for parents and guardians to discuss what each other learned in worship and Sunday School.

Sunday School registration is open on Messiah's website. The google form can be found there or, if you would like a hard copy, please stop by the church office. While we appreciate your registration for the year, children are welcome to come at any time regardless of registration.

Sunday School is open to children ages 3-years-old through 5 th grade and takes place during the 10:30 worship service.

Messiah's Global Mission Team

The Messiah Global Mission Team is preparing to invite members of our companion congregation, Azania Front Cathedral, for a visit. We are planning for a visit in the fall of 2024. For this to happen, we will need help from many of you. Please think now about how you might help.

We will need help with the following:

- PRAYERS
- Housing for the weeks they are here (or some part of their visit)
- Hosts to be with them as they visit places in Marquette
- Drivers or someone to plan for local transportation
- Folks to invite them (small groups of them) for dinner
- Volunteers to take guests to events
- Others to share favorite sites and activities with guests
- Planners for a congregation/community "meet the visitors" evening/meal
- Itinerary coordinator
- PRAYERS

Please consider what you can do. We know this visit is being planned for two years from now, but we want to begin a list of people who are interested in becoming involved. Then let the team or office know.

Thank you, Judy Quirk, Team Chair

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.

Class on the Augsburg Confession

October 17 & 24 at 7:00 pm, room 202

Ever wondered about the origins of Lutheranism? Sometimes called the “Lutheran Declaration of Independence,” the Augsburg Confession is one of the cornerstones of Lutheran doctrine and history. Join Pr. Andrew on Monday evenings (October 17th & 24th at 7:00 pm in room 202), for a dive into the confession’s role in the life of the church – both in 1530 and today. Whether you’re new to Lutheranism or have been a life-long Lutheran, come learn what caused Lutheran electors and princes to make such a bold confession in front of Holy Roman Emperor Charles V at the risk of their titles, land and lives.

Fortune Lake News

Growing with God: Fall Retreat for grades 3-6 (October 14-15, 2022) – Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp is excited to welcome folks back to our annual Youth Retreat. Our theme, “Growing with God” will invite time in Bible Study and worship to learn about the growth that comes when we trust God fully.

Participants will enjoy activities that join the beautiful autumn nature with the theme as well as camp favorites such as games, songs, campfire, Gaga ball, time spent with new and old friends, and more. Our goal is that everyone will come away with a sense of growth in their faith. For more information or to register, go to www.fortunelake.org.

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.

***October** - Hand Sanitizer & 4 or 6 roll pkg of Toilet Paper

***November** - Toothbrushes (child/adult), toothpaste, denture cleaner, dental floss

QiGong/Tai Chi – Tuesdays and/or Thursdays

Zoom QiGong Exercises for fall prevention, core strength and joint health, Tuesdays, 12:00 – 1:00 pm, Thursdays 1:30-2:00 pm –Diana Magnuson 906-362-9386 / magnusondiana@gmail.com

Save the Date for LWR InGathering!

We will have a semi-truck in the parking lot on Monday, October 24th from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm for loading boxes. This truck will then transport all boxes (quilts/kits) to the LWR distribution center in St. Paul. Please see the LWR website for more information or email office@messiahlutheranmqt.org if you have questions regarding this local InGathering.

UP Wild Church

Wilderness Walk: Jasper Knob Iron Range

Sunday, October 23 / 3:00 pm / Ishpeming

Walking the Iron Range in Ishpeming leads up to a steep ascent to see the view at Jasper Knob. Despite the word “range”, the iron ranges are not mountain chains, but outcrops of Precambrian sedimentary formations containing high percentages of iron. Dependent on good weather. Intermediate to advanced hikers. For directions and more info: <https://upwild.org/events/> Lanni 906-251-0065

Nature Prayer Service

Sunday, October 30 / 4:00 pm / Presque Isle Bandshell

A Special Halloween entry into a new season. Our Nature Prayer Service is our time to gather outside in community. What to expect: Welcome to our Bioregion, Passing the Peace, Wilderness Reflection, Wander & Ponder, Sharing Circle, Shared Prayers & Incense, Closing Poem. Community time to mingle with tea & snacks. Introverts welcome. Meeting at Presque Isle Bandshell.

Office Vacancy

The Personnel Committee invites applications for the part-time Administrative Assistant position. The position will be 20 hours per week. Preference will be given to current members of the Messiah family. Interested candidates should plan to submit an application letter & resume to the church office by Monday, October 31st .

All Saints Day

November 5th & 6th (all worship services)

On All Saints Sunday and at the service Saturday evening, we will remember with reverence and affection those who have died, especially those who died during this past year. All are invited to come to share with us in giving thanks for loved ones who now rest in God’s eternal light. There will be time in the service for anyone wishing to do so to light a candle in memory of a loved one.

In Our Prayers

Please remember the following people in your prayers at this time: Helen & Duane & their property in FL; Sandy & Ron & their property in FL; Hillary & family; Glenda, Romel & Fernando; Emily Coyne; family & friends of Dick Toyra upon his passing; family & friends of Kristina Asta upon her passing; Mike Cooper; Carol Ontto; Billy S.; Carl Kallio; Linnea Mensching; Kurt Mensching & Grace Gronowski; Becky Johnson; Jim & Janice Maierle; Dave Van Kley; Lu Swanson; Sarah & Safari; Scott Johnson; Leesa; Jesse Wright; Pat Elvis; Marshall Lovan; Bromley; Peter; Alli & Johan Elsenbroek; John; Sandy Grenke; Susan & David Shaver; Ken Smith; Chuck; Daniel, Marcos & Gladis; Shawn; Mae Desonia; Lisa Douros; Marjorie Vidlund; Tina & her roommate; Matthew & Ernest Williamson; Jim Shirtz; Wayne Hanmer; Judy Donckers; Karen Johnson; 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!

Passages

In Celebration of:

- * the baptism of Mya Lois Skaw on Sunday 8/21/22 at our 10:30 am worship. Welcome to our church family Mya! Her parents are Brent & Rachel Skaw and her big brother is Bode.
- * the baptism of Jari Aiden Braund on Sunday 9/25/22 at 1:00 pm at Clark Lambros Beach. He is the son of Jeremy & Alesia Braund and he has seven older siblings to help care for him. Welcome to our church family Jari!
- * Terri Bocklund becoming a new member of Messiah! She was received into membership in August 2022. Welcome Terri!
- * Cheryl Anderegg becoming a new member of Messiah! Cheryl was also received into membership in August 2022. Welcome Cheryl!

In Sympathy to:

- * Doug Morton and family upon the passing of his wife, Arlynn on August 20, 2022. May she rest in peace.
- * Grace Chien & family, to include Tom & Jeanne Wagner, upon the passing of Grace's husband & Jeanne's father, I-Chung Chien who passed away on August 25, 2022. May he rest in peace.
- *the family & friends of Kristina Asta who passed away on September 7, 2022. May she rest in peace.
- *the family & friends of Richard Toyra who passed away on September 16, 2022. May he rest in peace.

From Jen Elsenbroek

Dear Messiah Family, *"I thank God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you..." (Philippians 1:3,4)*

Being a Deacon Candidate has been a beautiful journey. To be a Deacon Candidate in your home church is both unique and special. I have enjoyed getting to know many of you on a different level. While part of my internship is, shall we say, learning the ropes of worship and learning how to deliver a message; my true calling is to Pastoral Care. I consider it a privilege to offer a grief group and to visit people in their homes.

Offering fellowship to young caregivers and their children through a playgroup is another small part of my internship. I was a stay at home Mom of two boys and I remember the isolation I used to feel. After praying about it, God laid it on my heart to offer a playgroup. I actually started it last year, although it was tricky with Covid. This year we started right with the school year. We meet on Wednesday mornings from 10-11:30 am. I have enjoyed every minute of it. I have also been called, as a Deacon, to lead playgroup in a way that promotes team building and gives the group some ownership. I have led the group in such a way that they can do it on their own too! The group is thriving.

I am looking forward to preaching at Messiah a few more times and will be starting another grief group on Tuesday, November 1st at 6:00pm. It will go for seven weeks.

In other news, I have been hired as a part time Chaplain for Great Lakes Recovery Centers which will allow me to build an even stronger bridge between Messiah & GLRC! I am so grateful!

Thanks be to God for this path that I am on.

Shalom, Jen Elsenbroek

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 contact the office & share what you would like written for your sponsorship. you can reach us by phone at 225-1119 or email at 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.

Devotions Link

www.prayfaithfully.org is an on-line devotional reading service maintained by the Northern Great Lakes Synod and written by various pastors and laypersons.

October 2022 Worship Volunteers

Saturday October 1 - 5:00 pm

Assisting Minister 1 Chris Kotila
Communion Asst. 1 Karen Kimar-Johnson

Sunday October 2 - 8:30 am

Assisting Minister 1 Mary Lou Blomquist
Reader 1 Fred Maynard
Ushers 2 Sam Elder, Bruce Robertson
Communion Assts. 3 Beth Krznarich, Terry Langenberg, *one needed*
Greeters 2 Darlene Martin, Helen Steinhoff

Sunday October 2 - 10:30 am

Assisting Minister 1 Nancy Raisanen
Reader 1 Maddy Dettloff
Ushers 2 Jill Luoma, Jean Reynolds
Communion Assts. 3 Mike Hill, Liz Beyne, *one needed*
Greeters 2 Penny Streeter, *one needed*
Projection Technician 1 Lesley Williams

Saturday October 8 - 5:00 pm

Assisting Minister 1 Karen Kimar-Johnson
Communion Asst. 1 *one needed*

Sunday October 9 - 8:30 am

Assisting Minister 1 *one needed*
Reader 1 Larry Pagel
Ushers 2 Ray Jarvis, Cathy Seblonka
Communion Assts. 3 Beth Krznarich, *two needed*
Greeters 2 Penny Streeter, Sherry Labbe

Sunday October 9 - 10:30 am

Assisting Minister 1 Ruth Robb
Reader 1 Mark Paulsen
Ushers 2 Dave & Nancy Skoog
Communion Assts. 3 *three needed*
Greeters 2 *two needed*
Projection Technician 1 Inga Banitt

Saturday October 15- 5:00 pm

Assisting Minister 1 Chris Kotila
Communion Asst. 1 Peggy Letvenow

Sunday October 16 - 8:30 am

Assisting Minister 1 Larry Pagel
Reader 1 Chris Harkness
Ushers 2 Linda Berry, Bruce Robertson
Communion Assts. 3 Beth Krznarich, Jen Bleckiner, *one needed*
Greeters 2 Barb Avery, Ruth Koehler

Sunday October 16 - 10:30 am

Assisting Minister 1 Molly Luty
Reader 1 *one needed*
Ushers 2 *two needed*
Communion Assts. 3 *three needed*
Greeters 2 *two needed*
Projection Technician 1 *one needed*

Saturday October 22 - 5:00 pm

Assisting Minister 1 *one needed*
Communion Asst. 1 *one needed*

Sunday October 23 - 8:30 am

Assisting Minister 1 Kathy Maynard
Reader 1 Darley Kempainen
Ushers 2 Al & Gail Edgar
Communion Assts. 3 *three needed*
Greeters 2 Joan Tasson, Jan Vickstrom

Sunday October 23 - 10:30 am

Assisting Minister 1 Jen Elsenbroek
Reader 1 *one needed*
Ushers 2 *two needed*
Communion Assts. 3 *three needed*
Greeters 2 *two needed*
Projection Technician 1 *one needed*

Saturday October 29 - 5:00 pm

Assisting Minister 1 Chris Kotila
Communion Asst. 1 *one needed*

Sunday October 30 - 8:30 am

Assisting Minister 1 Dave Blomquist
Reader 1 Brenda Blett
Ushers 2 Mike Coyne, Ray Jarvis
Communion Assts. 3 Beth Krznarich, *two needed*
Greeters 2 Barb Avery, Ruth Koehler

Sunday October 30 - 10:30 am

Assisting Minister 1 Mike Hill
Reader 1 *one needed*
Ushers 2 *three needed*
Communion Assts. 3 Mike Hill
Greeters 2 *two needed*
Projection Technician 1 *one needed*

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
 OrganistKathy Strazzinski
 PianistsKathy Strazzinski
Lynne Lancy

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