



February 23 & 24, 2019



Messiah Lutheran Church

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Worship Saturday: 5:30pm Sunday: 9:00am & 11:15am

Sunday School: 10:15am

Sunday Fellowship: 10:15am

Church Office Hours Monday - Friday 9:00am - 3:00pm

Erik Allen, Pastor -- Hope Moran, Director of Ministries -- David Webb, Director of Music --
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WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

Welcome to Messiah Lutheran Church. Whoever you are, wherever you are from, whatever the color of your skin, whomever you love or marry, whatever your feelings about religion or spirituality, you are welcome here! At Messiah, we have open communion for everyone who believes in our crucified and risen Savior, Jesus. We encourage you to visit our webpage at www.messiahelca.com for more information on Messiah Lutheran's beliefs. For visitors with small children, there are activity bags in the back of the church and a nursery is available. For those needing amplified sound, please see an usher. Please fill out a guest information card found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. For every completed guest card, Messiah will purchase five chicks from ELCA Good Gifts in your name.

UPCOMING EVENTS

• DR. APRIL JOHNSON

Thank you to Dr. April Johnson for joining us today in worship and Sunday School.

• HEALTHCARE MINISTRY

This week the Healthcare Ministry group will be visiting Wellbrooke of Avon at 2:00pm on Tuesday, February 26th. On Wednesday, February 27th they will visit Brownsburg Meadows North at 2:00pm. Contact Mike Madigan by phone at 715-340-1316 to volunteer.

• WOMEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Evening Bible Study will begin a five-session study beginning February 26th. The study will be on *Everybody, Always* a video study by bestselling author Bob Goff who shares simple and practical steps to love everybody, always, the way Jesus did - including the "creepy people" who are difficult to love. The study is on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 8:00pm.

• MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

Come join us on Tuesday, March 5th from 5:00pm-6:30pm as we celebrate "Shrove Tuesday." Vote for your favorite pancake recipe made and served by the Messiah Staff. The winners will get the coveted "Golden Spatula."

• ASH WEDNESDAY

Good Samaritans will join Messiah on Wednesday, March 6th at 7:00pm for Ash Wednesday. There will be a children's program during the first part of worship time for PreK to 6th grade. The children will be softly introduced into the season of Lent through prayer stations focusing on forgiveness, healing, prayer, and the Last Supper. When it's time to receive the ashes, children will join with their families for the remainder of the service, and are welcome to approach the altar to also receive ashes. If you would be interested in volunteering with the prayer stations contact Hope Moran by phone at 317-910-6080 or by email at hope.moran@messiahelca.com.

• FABULOUS FLAMINGO FUNDRAISER

A confused flock of migrating flamingos has mistakenly made the Brownsburg area its cold-weather season home. They are part of a fundraising effort to support Messiah's high school youth. All you have to do is pay to have the flock roost on your friend's front lawn, as long as they live within a ten mile radius of our church. So, be on the lookout for these befuddled birds as they wing their way from front lawn to front lawn from March 18 – April 12. Questions? Contact Hope Moran (317) 910-6080.

• LENT

During the season of Lent, members of Messiah will engage in a study of the Sacrament of Holy Communion during the Sunday School hour. Both adult and children's classes will explore the importance of holy communion and members will extend their understanding of this gift of grace. At the end of the Lenten season, anyone who does not already partake in communion will be offered the opportunity to receive their First Communion on Palm Sunday. Parents, if you have a child who is interested in receiving their First Communion, please see Pastor for more details.

WORSHIP SERVICE VOLUNTEERS THIS WEEK

Saturday 5:30pm service: *Lector* Sam Fultz *Greeter* Mike Ford

Sunday 9:00am service: *Welcome Center* Marilyn Banks *Greeter* Bill Banks *Lector* Annika Eggen *Ushers* Dave & Vickie Greene *Acolyte* Finn Carey *Communion Assistants* Gene Schwartzkopf, Joe Kempf *Deacon* Anna Ritchotte *Care Ministry* Dottie McIntyre

**THIS WEEK @ MESSIAH PRAYER IS HELD IN THE SANCTUARY
AT 10:00 AM DURING THE WEEK.**

Sunday, February 24

Family Promise

- Traditional Worship - 9:00am
- Fellowship/Sunday School- 10:15am
- GRACE Contemporary Worship -11:15am

Monday, February 25

- Sew Good Quilters - 10:00am
- Men's Bible Study - 7:00pm
- Esther Circle - 7:00pm
- Healthcare Bingo - 7:00pm

Tuesday, February 26

- HC Min Worship at Wellbrooke of Avon - 2:00pm
- Hand Bells - 7:15pm
- Women's evening Bible study - 8:00pm

Wednesday, February 27

- Women's Bible Study - 9:30am
- HC Min Worship at B'burg Meadows North - 2:00pm
- WELCA Board - 6:30pm
- Adult Choir - 7:00pm

Thursday, February 28

- Friendship Bible Study & Friendship Parent Bible Study - 7:00pm

Friday, March 1

- AA - 8:00pm

Saturday, March 2

- VDC Reunion Group - 7:30am
- Property Work Day - 9:00am
- Food Pantry - 10:00am
- Worship - 5:30pm

During the flu season please be mindful of using the hand sanitizer that is in the pocket of the pews. If there is not any sanitizer in your pew or the bottle is empty, please let an usher know and they will get you some.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP
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(* Please stand as you are able.)

GATHERING

Prelude
Announcements
Temple Talk
Confession & Forgiveness
*Gathering Hymn ELW 641
*Greeting
*Hymn of Praise p. 167-168
*Prayer of the Day

WORD

First Reading Genesis 45:3-11,15
Psalm Psalm 37:1-6
Second Reading 1 Cor. 15:35-38,42-50
*Gospel Acclamation p. 171
*Gospel Luke 6:27-38
Children's Hymn ELW 595 v.1
Children's Sermon
Children's Hymn ELW 595 v.2
Sermon
*Hymn of the Day ELW 631
*Apostles' Creed
*Prayers of Intercession ELW 785 *Refrain*
Only
*The Peace

MEAL

Offering
Special Music by *The Adult Choir*
*Offertory Hymn ELW 884
*Offering Prayer
*Words of Institution
*Lord's Prayer
*Invitation to Communion
Distribution of Communion
Lamb of God ELW p.174
Communion Hymns ELW 708, 471, 461
*Post Communion Blessing
*Post Communion Prayer

SENDING

*The Blessing
*Sending Hymn ELW 604
*Dismissal
*Postlude

Inspiring Worship All Week

*This daily devotion is written to help you prepare for worship the following weekend –
March 2 & 3, 2019, written by Julie Oehme.*

Key Verse: Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen, listen to him!” Luke 9:35

Readings ***Sunday readings in bold**

Monday: **Exodus 34:29-35**

Tuesday: **Psalm 99**

Wednesday: Psalm 145

Thursday: Exodus 34:29-35

Friday: Matthew 27:50-51

Saturday: **Luke 9:28-36**

Apply: In the Gospel reading, Peter, James, and John saw the unveiled glory of God in the Transfigurations of Christ. God proclaims again Jesus’ identity as His Son. Elijah and Moses discuss with Jesus about what He is going to accomplish in Jerusalem. The disciples didn’t seem to comprehend this. It was enough for them to experience the Glory of God. There was no need to build three dwelling places, there was only a need to see and experience what God was doing. Likewise, we aren’t able to summon God into our lives by just the right prayer or just the right spiritual strategies. We are being transformed into His image by His action in our lives.

Prayer: Lord, lift the veil of this world’s distractions so that we may be aware of Your Glory, Your Spirit, and Your action in our days. May we abide in Your presence and serve in Your will. Amen.

LENTEN MEALS

March 13 - Various soup choices will be provided by the Fellowship Board.

March 20 - Pork sandwiches and pasta are being provided by the Stewardship and Property Boards.

March 27 - A potato bar sponsored by the Spiritual and Social Ministry Boards.

April 3 - Chicken Casserole sponsored by the Worship and Music Board.

April 10 - A lasagna dinner is sponsored by the Christian Education Board.

MISSION OF THE MONTH: ELCA Fund for Leaders

This fund is a seminary scholarship program supporting students of tremendous promise who are attending ELCA seminaries. Place donations in your offering envelope and mark that it goes to the Mission of the Month.

Attendance for the weekend of February 16th & 17th was 186, and the **offering** was \$8409.

Altar flowers and sponsoring the altar candle are a great way to honor a special occasion or in remembrance of a loved one. Sign up on the poster in the gathering area.

Send prayer requests to the church office at 317.852.2988 or prays@messiahelca.com

