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Messiah is a mask-friendly building

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Worship for Sunday, May 15, 2022  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter & Installation of Church Council

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Sunday Worship Services begin at 10:30am in-person and livestreamed/posted on the Messiah YouTube channel. **The wearing of masks is not required but please respect each individual's choice.** Covid vaccinations, social distancing, and hand sanitizing are encouraged. Please do not attend if you aren't feeling well, and make use of Covid testing if necessary.

#### Prayers for Healing and On-Going Health Concerns:

We pray for comfort and healing for all those who are suffering in body, mind or spirit; give them courage and hope in their time of need.



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A warm welcome to Rev. Dr. Marc Jerry, President of Luther College, who will share a Temple Talk as well as deliver the sermon. Thank you for being with us today!

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#### Today & This Week

- **Confirmation** tonight @ 7pm on Zoom.
- **Lectionary Bible Study each Wednesday at 7pm only on Zoom at this time.** All are welcome to join in! Please contact the Messiah office for the link.

#### Looking Ahead:

- **Holy Communion on May 22 and June 5**
- **June 12 @ 11:00am** - Messiah Worship service will be at Kinasao, followed by a Family Fun Day including archery, boat rides, crafts & games. Please plan on coming out to enjoy the outdoors and all the activities. Available for purchase are Cinnamon Buns & Coffee prior to worship. BBQ burgers are available for lunch following the service. **No service will be held at Messiah and there will be no live-stream.**



### **Call for SK Synod Delegates for National Convention 2022**

In light of the changes to the format of the National ELCIC Assembly, a renewed call for delegates (rostered and lay) is being sent out. The National Convention will be online this year on July 15-16. If you are interested in attending; contact Cheryl Bauer Hyde - [cbauerhyde@gmail.com](mailto:cbauerhyde@gmail.com) or 306.961.2967



*Teen CHALLENGE Prairie Hope Women's Ministry Team*

*Teen Challenge will be joining us May 29 @ 10:30am during the Sunday service to share an update about the opening of their new Prairie Hope Ministry Centre. Come out to support and hear what this new ministry brings to the lives of teenagers across Canada.*



### **Lutheran Campus Ministry-Saskatoon "Burgers Without Borders"**

All are invited to a fundraiser BBQ on **Saturday, May 28 starting at 5:00pm** at the **Lutheran Campus Center (corner of College Drive and Wiggins Avenue)**.

Enjoy fellowship, tour the Campus Center and have a burger with sides (maybe even Barney's Baked Pineapple Beans!).

No tickets in advance, but gifts of financial stewardship are welcome. If you can't come, you can still donate to LCM via eTransfer ([luth.chap@usask.ca](mailto:luth.chap@usask.ca)).

... Seeking Applicants for the Board of Directors



LutherCare Communities (LCC) is a faith-based organization celebrating more than 65 years of service to the community. Recruitment is occurring for Board members for LutherCare Communities Corporate Board. To request an application package, contact Melody Lewis, Executive Secretary, by email to [melody.lewis@luthercare.com](mailto:melody.lewis@luthercare.com). If there are questions about the LCC Board of Directors, please contact: Gabe Lafond, CEO, (306) 664-0301, [Gabe.lafond@luthercare.com](mailto:Gabe.lafond@luthercare.com). Thank you for your interest in LutherCare Communities.



## GATHERING

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**TEMPLE TALK:** Rev. Dr. Marc Jerry, Luther College

**GATHERING HYMN:** ELW#529 “Jesus, We are Gathered”

### THE GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

**KYRIE:** ELW, p. 203

**HYMN OF PRAISE:** ELW, p. 204

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray, **O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

### FIRST READING: Acts 11:1-18

*In defense of his earlier baptism of non-Jewish believers, Peter demonstrates to the members of the Jerusalem church that God's intention to love Gentiles as well as Jews is revealed in Jesus' testimony. In this way the mission to the Gentiles is officially authorized. A reading from Acts.*

<sup>1</sup>Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. <sup>2</sup>So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, <sup>3</sup>saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” <sup>4</sup>Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, <sup>5</sup>“I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. <sup>6</sup>As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. <sup>7</sup>I also heard a voice saying to me, ‘Get up, Peter; kill and eat.’ <sup>8</sup>But I replied, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ <sup>9</sup>But a second time the voice answered from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, you must not call profane.’ <sup>10</sup>This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. <sup>11</sup>At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. <sup>12</sup>The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. <sup>13</sup>He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; <sup>14</sup>he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.’ <sup>15</sup>And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup>And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ <sup>17</sup>If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?” <sup>18</sup>When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, “Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.”

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 148**

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise God in the heights.

<sup>2</sup>**Praise the LORD, all you angels; sing praise, all you hosts of heaven.**

<sup>3</sup>Praise the LORD, sun and moon; sing praise, all you shining stars.

<sup>4</sup>**Praise the LORD, heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens.**

<sup>5</sup>Let them praise the name of the LORD, who commanded, and they were created,

<sup>6</sup>**who made them stand fast forever and ever, giving them a law that shall not pass away.**

<sup>7</sup>Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps;

<sup>8</sup>**fire and hail, snow and fog, tempestuous wind, doing God's will;**

<sup>9</sup>mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars;

<sup>10</sup>**wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds;**

<sup>11</sup>sovereigns of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the world;

<sup>12</sup>**young men and maidens, old and young together.**

<sup>13</sup>Let them praise the name of the LORD, whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is over earth and heaven.

<sup>14</sup>**The LORD has raised up strength for the people and praise for all faithful servants, the children of Israel, a people who are near the LORD. Hallelujah!**

**SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-6**

*John's vision shows us that in the resurrection the new age has dawned; God dwells with us already. Yet we wait for the time when the tears that cloud our vision will be wiped away. Then we will see the new heaven, new earth, and new Jerusalem. A reading from Revelation.*

<sup>1</sup>I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; <sup>4</sup>he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." <sup>5</sup>And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." <sup>6</sup>Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW, p. 205****GOSPEL: John 13:31-35**

The Holy Gospel according to John in the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*After washing the disciples' feet, predicting his betrayal, and then revealing his betrayer, Jesus speaks of his glorification on the cross. This deep complicated love of Jesus, even to death on the cross, will be the distinctive mark of Jesus' community.*

<sup>31</sup>When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE****CHILDREN'S SONG: ELW#595 "Jesus Loves Me" vs. 1**

**SERMON: Rev. Dr. Marc Jerry**

**HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW#644 “Although I Speak with Angel’s Tongue”**

### **NICENE CREED**

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **INSTALLATION OF CHURCH COUNCIL**

The following people have been elected by the congregation to positions of leadership. We give thanks for their willingness to serve. In baptism we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God; we rejoice now that these sisters and brothers will lead us in our common life and our mutual mission as a congregation.

We invite them to come forward as their names are read: Randi Arnot, Cheryl Bauer Hyde, Bill Baerwald, Merv Bender, Alfred Kristensen; Ray McCallum, Shannon Pettem, and Jeanette Tomtene.

*A reading from First Corinthians:* There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. (1 Corinthians 12:4-7)

You have been elected to positions of leadership and trust in this congregation. You are to see that the words and deeds of this household of faith bear witness to God, who gathers us into one together with the whole church.

You are to seek to involve all members of this congregation in worship, learning, witness, service, and support, so that the mission of Christ is carried out in this congregation, in the wider church, in this community, and in the whole world.

You are to be faithful in your specific area of serving, that the Spirit who empowers you may be glorified. You are to be examples of faith active in love, fostering peace, harmony, and mutual understanding in this congregation. On behalf of your sisters and brothers in Christ, I ask you:

Will you accept and faithfully carry out the duties of the offices to which you have been elected?

*Response:* I will, and I ask God to help me.

People of God, I ask you: Will you support these, your elected leaders, and will you share in the mutual ministry that Christ has given to all who are baptized? **We will, and we ask God to help us.**

I now declare you installed as council members of this congregation. Almighty God bless you, and direct your days and your deeds in peace, that you may be faithful servants of Christ. **Amen.**

**PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

**OFFERING HYMN: ELW#682 “To God Our Thanks We Give”****OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray, gracious God, **in the abundance of your steadfast love, you call us from death to life, from silence to speech, from idleness to action. With these gifts we offer ourselves to you, and with the Church through all the ages we give thanks for your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**PRAYER**

*God blesses us through prayer.*

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation, praying God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

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In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

**LORD’S PRAYER**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

**SENDING**

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

**BLESSING**

God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and the life-giving Spirit of adoption, bless you now and forever. In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Three-Fold Sung Amen.**

**SENDING SONG: ELW#726 “Light Dawns on a Weary World”****DISMISSAL**

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. Tell what God has done!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**