



**Messiah Lutheran Church**  
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<b>Messiah Office: Tuesday – Friday from 11am to 3pm</b>	

**Worship for Sunday, January 14, 2024 @ 10:30am**  
**Second Sunday after Epiphany**

**Worship Leader:** Pastor John Mayer Dut

Sunday Worship Services are **at 10:30am**, in-person and livestreamed,  
 on the Messiah YouTube channel (posted for later viewing).

**Wearing of masks is not required but Messiah is a mask-friendly environment.**

**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.



**Today – January 14**

- **Coffee Time: before** service – a time of fellowship, laughter and visiting.
- **No Choir Practice** this week but will resume **January 21 @ 9:15am**
- **10:30am: Sunday Service**
- **10:45am: Sunday School** during the service in the Fellowship Hall following the Children’s Message
- **Potluck lunch: following service** - All are invited to bring a lunch item and to join in a meal of fellowship. Help with cleanup is always appreciated.

Monthly  
**Potluck**



**Coming Up**

- ❖ **Messiah Council meeting** – Tuesday, January 16 @ 7pm
- ❖ **Lectionary Study** – Wednesday, January 17 (weekly until the end of May) @ 7pm
- ❖ **Topical ‘Names of God’ Bible Study** – Tuesday, January 23 (monthly – note: will return to 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in February)
- ❖ **Messiah Lutheran Women ‘Women of the Bible’ Study** – Tuesday, February 6 (monthly)

❖ **SASKATCHEWAN SYNOD YOUTH GATHERING:**

February 9-11 (Kinasao Upcoming - next page)

## On Going Ministries

- **9:15am Sunday: Messiah Choir** practise; contact – May 306-960-4140 or Colleen 306-763-7389.
- **9:45am & following Sunday Service: Coffee Time:** a time of fellowship, laughter and visiting.
- **10:45am: Sunday School during service** in the Fellowship Hall following the Children’s Message.
- **Confirmation:** Following the Worship Service at 12:00pm, 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month.  
In person in Peace Chapel or **Zoom link for first Sunday:**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87171916901?pwd=dIU5eWxpNkRGL0M4RHFMaDVoUEx4Zz09>  
**Zoom link for the third Sunday:**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84918291990?pwd=c2dOTUwvQTllOTUwY2xsNVBrSUh1UT09>
- **Men’s Ministry:** Last Saturday of the month. Contact Merv (306-960-8346)
- **Women’s Ministry:** Monthly gatherings; dates & times to be announced. Contact Linda M. (306-941-9982)
- **Bible Studies:**  
Women’s Bible Study – First Tuesday of each month (Peace Chapel) @ 7pm  
 Theme is: **“Women of the Bible”**. Contact Corrine for more information at 306-960-2407.  
Topical Bible Study – Third Tuesday of each month @ 7pm Studying the **“Names of God”**; in person (Peace Chapel) and on **Zoom link:**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88128785945?pwd=REFIbzdkaVdMUjduS1lqODItckU4Zz09>  
Lectionary Bible Study – Every Wednesday @ 7pm led by Pastor John; in person (Peace Chapel) and on **Zoom link:**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81198671375?pwd=cVJtTVcyaIVDTzhMMUhNRGIiTIRadz09>
- **Senior Worship Services** (contact Pastor John)  
**Points West Living, Prince Albert:** First Thursday of each month @ 4pm  
**Good Shepherd Villas:** Second Tuesday of each month @ 3pm

The 2024 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (January 18 – 25) is on the theme "You shall love the Lord your God ... and your neighbour as yourself" based on Luke 10:25-37. This year's theme was prepared by an ecumenical team in Burkina Faso. **Events: Thursday, January 18 at 11am**, Prayer service and lunch at Queen's House (register <http://www.queenshouse.org/programs>) and the **De Margerie Lectures on Christian Reconciliation and Unity:** two different public lectures featuring guest speaker Rev. Dr. Karen Petersen Finch: **January 24 (7pm) at Campion College, Regina**, and **January 25 (7pm) at St. Thomas More College, Saskatoon** – attend in-person or view the live stream at: [www.youtube.com/@schmeisercentre](http://www.youtube.com/@schmeisercentre). The Series includes an in-person-only workshops (no registration required; 10am – 12pm) entitled **“The Eucharist - Where is Jesus?”** Saskatoon, January 26, Holy Spirit Parish; and Regina, January 27, Christ the King Parish.



## Kinasao Lutheran Bible Camp – Upcoming in 2024



**SK Synod  
Youth  
Gathering  
February 9 - 11**

**Go to  
Kinasao.ca**

**Marriage Retreat  
March 15 – 17**

**Contact June or  
Bruce –  
306-981-2712  
306-981-2770 or**



**June.anonson@usask.ca**

## GATHERING

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

### Introduction

All the baptized have a calling in God's world. God calls not just pastors and deacons but also the youngest child, like Samuel. The story of the calling of Nathanael plays with the idea of place. Nathanael initially dismisses Jesus because he comes from Nazareth. But where we come from isn't important; it's where—or rather whom—we come to. Jesus refers to Jacob, who had a vision in a place he called “the house of God, and . . . the gate of heaven” (Gen. 28:17). Jesus says he himself is the place where Nathanael will meet God.

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, creator of darkness and light, word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

God, our rock and refuge, **we pour out our hearts before you. We have known you but have not always loved you. We have wounded one another and sinned against you. We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us. Remember your covenant. Renew your creation. Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all. Amen.**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters. God has spoken: The time of grace is now. In Jesus, the reign of God has come near. By the authority of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are God's beloved. **Amen.**

### GATHERING SONG: ELW#520 'Dearest Jesus, at Your Word'

#### GREETING (ELW p. 213)

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. 213)

Kyrie eleison: **Lord, have mercy.**

Christe eleison: **Christ, have mercy.**

Kyrie eleison: **Lord, have mercy.**

#### CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 213)

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.**

**1 Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.**

**2 Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.**

**3 For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth, and peace to God's people on earth.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray. **Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

#### **WORD**

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

#### **FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 3:1-10 [11-20]**

<sup>1</sup>Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. <sup>2</sup>At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; <sup>3</sup>the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. <sup>4</sup>Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" <sup>5</sup>and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. <sup>6</sup>The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." <sup>7</sup>Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. <sup>8</sup>The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. <sup>9</sup>Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. <sup>10</sup>Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

#### **PSALM: Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18**

<sup>1</sup>LORD, you have searched me out; O LORD, you have known me.  
<sup>2</sup>**You know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.**  
<sup>3</sup>You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways.  
<sup>4</sup>**Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O LORD, know it altogether.**  
<sup>5</sup>You encompass me, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.  
<sup>6</sup>**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it.**  
<sup>13</sup>For you yourself created my inmost parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.  
<sup>14</sup>**I will thank you because I am marvelously made; your works are wonderful, and I know it well.**  
<sup>15</sup>My body was not hidden from you, while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.  
<sup>16</sup>**Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; my days were fashioned before they came to be.**  
<sup>17</sup>How deep I find your thoughts, O God! How great is the sum of them!  
<sup>18</sup>**If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.**

#### **SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20**

<sup>12</sup>"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. <sup>13</sup>"Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy

both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. <sup>14</sup>And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. <sup>15</sup>Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! <sup>16</sup>Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." <sup>17</sup>But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. <sup>18</sup>Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. <sup>19</sup>Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? <sup>20</sup>For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 216)**

**Alleluia, Lord, to whom shall we go? Alleluia. You have the words of eternal life.**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

#### **GOSPEL: John 1:43-51**

The holy gospel according to John, the first chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>43</sup>The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." <sup>44</sup>Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup>Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." <sup>46</sup>Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." <sup>47</sup>When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" <sup>48</sup>Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." <sup>49</sup>Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" <sup>50</sup>Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." <sup>51</sup>And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man." The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

#### **SERMON: PASTOR JOHN MAYER DUT**

**HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW#574 'Here I Am, Lord'**

#### **APOSTLES' CREED (ELW p. 217)**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

#### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation, saying God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

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Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

## PEACE

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

## THANKSGIVING

### OFFERING HYMN: ELW#186 'Create in Me a Clean Heart'

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

### OFFERING PRAYER (ELW p. 220)

Let us pray. O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever. Amen.

### LORD'S PRAYER (ELW p. 221)

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us. **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.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace. (sung) **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

### SENDING SONG: ELW#676 'Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak'

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you. **Thanks be to God.**