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**Messiah Office: Closed August 13, reopening August 28.**  
 Pastor John is available (please phone his cell),  
 and the Messiah office phone and email will be checked regularly.

**Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service: August 11, 2024 @ 10:30am**

**Worship Leader:** Pastor John Dut                      **Musician:** Susan Slind  
**Worship Assistants:** Merv Bender, Cheryl Bauer Hyde, George Cramer, Wayne Hyde

*The service will be broadcast live beginning at 10:30am on YouTube and posted there for later viewing.*

**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.



Thank you to Carl **Klarenbach's family** who shared the flower arrangements  
 for last week's Sunday Service from Carl's memorial service on August 3.



**Today – Sunday, August 11**

- **Coffee Time:** before service (9:45am) – a time of fellowship, laughter and visiting.

**Upcoming Events & Ongoing Ministries**

- **Coffee Time:** every Sunday before the Service
- **Stephen Ministry:** contact Pastor John for more information and referrals.
- **Bible Studies, Choir, Confirmation, Men's Group, Messiah Lutheran Women, Senior Homes Worship Services** – will resume in September, schedule coming soon.
- **Baptism – August 18:** Come Celebrate with us the baptism of *Madison*.

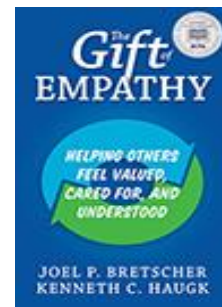


**Worship Assistants are needed for Sunday Worship.  
The sign up sheet is in the Narthex.  
Please have a look and sign up to usher, read or operate PowerPoint.  
Your gift of time and service is greatly appreciated.**



### **INTRODUCING A NEW BOOK STUDY**

This fall we will be starting a new book study alongside the Stephen Ministry group here at Messiah. We invite you to come and join in our journey through reading and discussion of the recently written Stephen Ministry Book: *"The Gift of Empathy: Helping Others Feel Valued, Cared for and Understood"*.



***The Gift of Empathy*** takes an in-depth yet down-to-earth look at empathy, showing readers how to use it in a wide range of situations and relationships. It defines what empathy is and isn't, offers practical insights on how to empathize, and demonstrates unique applications of empathy in various kinds of relationships.

**Empathy is something we all need—and it's something we all can give.**

If you or anyone you know may be interested in this book study, please contact the office at 306-763-7374 / [messiah@sasktel.net](mailto:messiah@sasktel.net) or Pastor John Dut 306-961-0877 / [pastor.mlc@sasktel.net](mailto:pastor.mlc@sasktel.net)

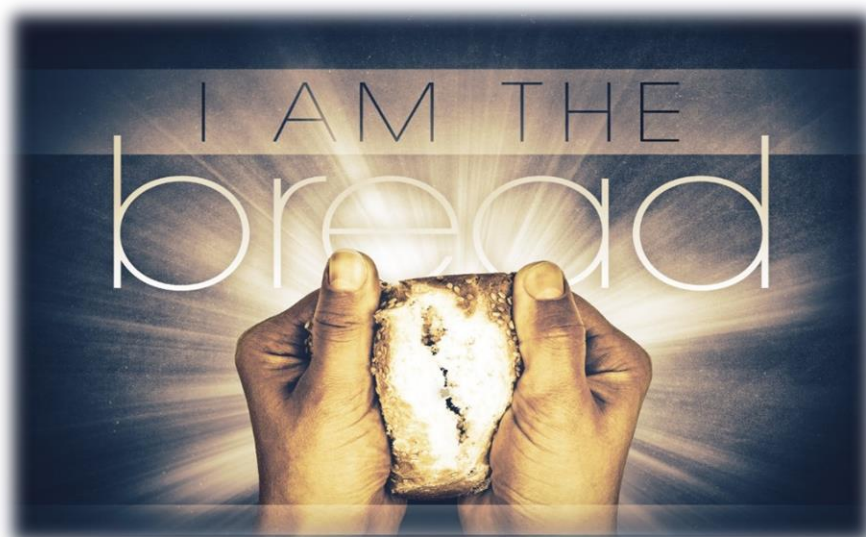
### **Greetings from LuMinHoS,**

The **September Annual LuMinHos Walk-a-thon** is coming up on September 21 @ 10:00am, in Saskatoon, starting at Zion Lutheran Church. You can find the poster on the Messiah bulletin board in the narthex or by clicking on the information below in the underlined text - [poster](#) , [pledge sheet](#) and [route information](#).



The **Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on Sunday, September 8 at 7 pm** at Rock of Ages Church, 130 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon.

Information for both these events can be found on the LuMinHoS website at [luminhos.org/events](http://luminhos.org/events).



## GATHERING & WELCOME

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

**Introduction:** *Jesus says that the bread he gives for the life of the world is his flesh, and whoever eats this bread has eternal life now and will be raised on the last day. In Ephesians Paul tells us what this life Jesus gives us looks like, this life we live as those marked with the seal of the Holy Spirit in baptism. We live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. The whole purpose of life is giving yourself for the other.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

God, our provider, **help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, ✠ the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

### GATHERING HYMN: 'God is so Good' (traditional)

- 1 God is so good, God is so good, God is so good, he's so good to me.
- 2 He cares for me, He cares for me, He cares for me, he's so good to me.
- 3 God answers prayer, God answers prayer, God answers prayer, he's so good to me.
- 4 I praise his name, I praise his name, I praise his name, he's so good to me.

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

### KYRIE (ELWp.203)

- 1 Have mercy on us, Lord, and hear our solemn prayer.  
We come to hear your living Word; it saves us from despair.
- 2 Have mercy on us, Christ, and wash away our sin.  
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin.
- 3 Have mercy on us, Lord; make sin and shame depart.  
Renew us with your saving pow'r; create in us new hearts!

### HYMN OF PRAISE: HFG#367 'Lord, We Praise You'

- 1 Lord, we praise You, Lord, we praise You, Lord, we praise You, We praise You, Lord.
- 2 Lord, we thank You, Lord, we thank You, Lord, we thank You, We thank You, Lord.
- 3 Lord, we love You, Lord, we love You, Lord, we love You, We love You, Lord.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. **Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### WORD

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

### FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:4-8

*First Kings chapter 18 describes the contest between Elijah and the prophets of Baal. The contest proves that the Lord is God, and afterward Elijah orders the killing of the Baal prophets. Angered by the deaths of her prophets, Queen Jezebel threatens to kill Elijah. This reading finds Elijah fleeing, fatigued, and in utter despair.*

<sup>4</sup>[Elijah] went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors."<sup>5</sup>Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat."<sup>6</sup>He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. <sup>7</sup>The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you."<sup>8</sup>He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 34:1-8

<sup>1</sup>I will bless the Lord at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

**<sup>2</sup>I will glory in the Lord; let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

<sup>3</sup>Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; let us exalt God's name together.

**<sup>4</sup>I sought the Lord, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.**

<sup>5</sup>Look upon the Lord and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.

**<sup>6</sup>I called in my affliction, and the Lord heard me and saved me from all my troubles.**

<sup>7</sup>The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear the Lord and delivers them.

**<sup>8</sup>Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!**

### Second Reading: Ephesians 4:25-5:2

*Christians are called to be imitators of God. This does not mean Christians are perfect. Rather, the Spirit is at work in our lives so that our actions and attitudes genuinely reflect the love and forgiveness we have received through Christ and his death.*

<sup>25</sup>So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. <sup>26</sup>Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup>and do not make room for the devil. <sup>28</sup>Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. <sup>29</sup>Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. <sup>30</sup>And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup>Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, <sup>32</sup>and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. <sup>5:1</sup>Therefore

be imitators of God, as beloved children, <sup>2</sup>and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: HFG#361 'Alleluia'**

**Alleluia, alleluia , alleluia, alleluia.**

**Alleluia, alleluia , alleluia, alleluia.**

**GOSPEL: John 6:35, 41-51**

The holy gospel according to John, the 6th Chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to [the crowd,] "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." <sup>41</sup>Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." <sup>42</sup>They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" <sup>43</sup>Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. <sup>44</sup>No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. <sup>45</sup>It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. <sup>46</sup>Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup>Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup>I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup>Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. <sup>50</sup>This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <sup>51</sup>I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

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

**SERMON: Pastor. John Mayer Dut**

**HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW#618 'Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer'**

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**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**

**Pastor:** Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need, saying: Merciful God, **hear our prayer.**

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We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping. **Amen.**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

**PEACE:**

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you. We share a sign of peace.**

**THANKSGIVING****OFFERING HYMN: WOV#732 '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 unto me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

**OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray. Gracious God, knowing that you bring restoration and wholeness to our lives, we surrender all our worries, fears, and burdens at your feet. We offer these gifts with a humble heart that we, too, have the faith to reach out and receive your healing touch. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

**SENDING**

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

**BLESSING & BENEDICTION**

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ✠ be upon you now and forever. (sung) Amen. Amen. Amen.

**SENDING SONG: ELW#452 'Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death'****DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

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