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Messiah Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday; 11am – 3pm

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service: October 6, 2024 @ 10:30am

Worship Leader: Pastor John Dut

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.



Today – October 6

- **Coffee Time:** before service (9:45am) – all are welcome!
- **Sunday School:** following the Children’s Message during the Worship Service.
- **Confirmation Class:** following the Worship Service (12pm) – see details on the next page.

Thanksgiving Sunday, October 13 - What are you thankful for?

Bring a personal item to the Worship Service to represent something for which you are grateful – big or small. It can be placed on a display table prior to the service; no explanation necessary. Then bring a little something to share for potluck lunch after the Worship Service (some people are bringing turkey, ham, potatoes and stuffing).



NOTE: If you would like to contribute to the Thanksgiving service display, please drop off flowers, larger items such as pumpkins, squash, etc., at the Messiah Office by Friday, October 11. These items can be picked up after the Worship Service.

CARE PACKAGES !!!

*Something new we want to make happen at Messiah is to reach out to our students who are attending post-secondary school or living away from home for high school at LCBI. **We are going to create care packages to deliver to our young people** and let them know we are thinking about them and remembering them in prayer.*

*Please let **David Bragg (braggkawika@gmail.com- phone/text 306-314-3738)** know if you have any post-high school or LCBI students in your family that we can reach out to. David is also accepting things like gift cards, greeting cards, treats, baking, Archie comics, etc. and will put the packages together. Thanks for your help!*



Upcoming Events & Ongoing Ministries

- **Bible Studies** (in person and via zoom link):
 - **Weekly every Wednesday** at 7pm; Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81210935530?pwd=2nOpzSp1qa5QoIMPfayw00WEackRhu.1>
 - **Monthly study: third Tuesday of each month** at 7pm (October 15 this month); Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89488293373?pwd=QWiSsgJf1obb5f5CTHGTMyNW5rNNFq.1>
- **Confirmation Classes:** first and third Sundays of each month following the worship service at 12pm. Contact Pastor John if additional details are needed, and the zoom link. **First Week:**
 - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88199699157?pwd=mxkuMBYdINhlyluCyqQIAhStlaNfcw.1>
- **Senior Homes Worship Services:** Mont St. Joseph Home (first Wednesday of the month); Points West Living (first Thursday of the month); Good Shepherd Villas (second Tuesday of the month)
- **Stephen Ministry:** contact Pastor John for more information and referrals.

Ordination of Rev. Dr. Ali Tote as Bishop of the SK Synod:

Saturday, October 12 at 2pm (Zion Lutheran Church, Saskatoon). All are welcome!

Please pray for Bishop Ali and all who minister among us, for wisdom, strength, and a spirit of unity.

Stewardship at Messiah: Many people are needed to support the Messiah ministry!!!

1. On a weekly basis, Sunday Worship Assistants are needed. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex to assist with ushering, reading, communion, and powerpoint.
2. Sunday School (May needs help) and bible study leaders are another area where you can share your gifts and talents.
3. Property Maintenance: Wayne is a team of one with the assistance of Pastor John for garbage/recycling oversight. Can you help with some of the building needs?
4. Financially: your contributions are vital to the ministry. Please prayerfully consider your giving. Donations can be set up electronically (talk to Cheryl), by etransfer to messiah@sasktel.net (no password needed), and by cheque/cash (talk to Harvey if you would like offering envelopes).
5. There are other ways of engaging in the Messiah Ministry – the Stephen Ministry program, dropping off donations to the Food Bank and Stepping Stones (blankets, clothing, etc.), visiting people in-person or on the phone.

If you want to know more about ways to be involved at Messiah, please talk to any member of Council (Byron, Cheryl, Corrine, Dave, Joy, Merv, Pastor John)

Lutheran Anglican Women's Retreat Saturday, October 26, 2024 (9:30am-4pm)

Redeemer Lutheran Church 812 Preston Avenue South, Saskatoon

Threads of Our Lives, Threads of our Faith

"For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb" Psalm 139:13

This gathering is by women for women, our speaker is **Fran Schmidt:** sister, daughter, aunt, singer, writer, speaker, Lutheran Pastor, Anglican Rector, and Spiritual Director.

Registration is \$30; bring your own lunch. Offering will go to Haven Family Connections (formerly crisis nursery).

Posters and registration forms are posted on the Messiah bulletin boards;

or contact **Bev Otsuka**, (306) 227-9102; email bevotsuka@gmail.com.

Hymn Sing: October 27 @ 7:00 pm - Faith Lutheran Church, 2801 Preston Avenue

You are invited to Come sing many of your old favorite hymns as a congregation! What better time than Reformation Sunday, and what better way to honor the legacy of Luther and other reformers who brought back congregational singing into the worship service. The offering will go to support the ministry of LuMinHoS.



GATHERING & WELCOME

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

Introduction: *Today's gospel combines a saying that makes many of us uncomfortable with a story we find comforting. Jesus' saying on divorce is another of his rejections of human legislation in favor of the original intent of God's law. Jesus' rebuke of the disciples who are fending off the children should challenge us as well. What does it mean to receive the kingdom of God as a child does?*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.184)

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family; for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word; that you nourish our souls with your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way, Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

HYMN OF PRAISE (ELW#482 'I Come with Joy')

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. **Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

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

FIRST READING: Genesis 2:18-24

Genesis 2 stresses that people are not meant to live in isolation but in relationship. Out of love for humanity, God creates them male and female, to provide companionship for each other and to become with each other "one flesh." The Hebrew words used here are ish (man) and ishshah (woman).

¹⁸The Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." ¹⁹So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. ²¹So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man

he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken." ²⁴Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

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

PSALM 8: 1-9

¹O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

²**you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.**

³When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

⁴**what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them?**

⁵Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.

⁶**You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:**

⁷all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,

⁸**the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**

⁹O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

¹Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. ³He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. ^{2:5}Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. ⁶But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? ⁷You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, ⁸subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them,⁹but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, ¹²saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELWp.188)

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

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Mark 10:2-16

The holy gospel according to Mark, the 10th Chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²Some Pharisees came, and to test [Jesus] they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" ³He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" ⁴They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." ⁵But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' ⁷'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." ¹⁰Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery." ¹³People

were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." ¹⁶And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them. The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon: Pastor John Mayer Dut

HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW#818 'O Master, Let Me Walk with You'

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

Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation, saying:
God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

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Restoring Lord, grant healing and wholeness to those who are sick and suffering (*especially*): **George, Betty, Ed, Pearl, Stanley, Michelle, Trudy, Rose, Sarah, Barb, Leslie, Rose, Bill, Pastor Ron, Sheila, Morris, Sharon, Myrtle, Ray, Knute, Jean, Audrey, Agnes,** and all those we name in the silence of our hearts.

Work through medical professionals to diagnose, ease pain, and give life to all who seek their wisdom and experience. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

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Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever. **Amen.**

PEACE

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

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING SONG: ELW#674 'Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ'

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. **Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

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

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the

church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn: (ELWp.190) **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory, full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord's Prayer (ELW p.191)

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.

Invitation to Communion: Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

Music During Communion: Instrumental

Prayer after Communion: Let us pray. **Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SENDING

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

BLESSING & BENEDICTION

God all mighty, God most merciful ✠ bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

(sung) **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

SENDING SONG: ELW#671 'Shine, Jesus, Shine'

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow Jesus. **Thanks be to God.**

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