



## Messiah Lutheran Church

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Messiah Office Summer Hours: *Tuesday – Thursday; 12 noon – 2:00pm*  
The office will be closed from July 29 – August 15.

### Sixth Sunday after Pentecost and Holy Communion @ 10:30am

**Worship Leader:** Pastor John Dut    **Musician:** Susan Slind

**Worship Assistants:** Merv Bender, George Cramer, Cheryl Bauer Hyde, David Bragg, Wayne Hyde, Jean Meyers

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

**Sunday, July 20:** Messiah Worship Service begins at 10:30am; come for coffee in the Peace Chapel before the service. The Men's Group will host a hot dog lunch following the service – free will offering. All are welcome!

**Sunday, July 27:** Messiah Worship Service at 10:30am; coffee in the Peace Chapel before the service.

#### 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.



**Stewardship at Messiah:** 'Share Our Gifts' sheets are available in the Narthex. Please complete the survey and return it to the black tray on the table in the Narthex. It includes some of our planning sessions ideas which is an opportunity to identify projects or activities that might be of interest. And, please consider volunteering as a weekly worship assistant – sign up sheet is in the Sanctuary entry or contact the Messiah Office ([messiah@sasktel.net](mailto:messiah@sasktel.net) or 306.763.7374).

**Financial expenses continue throughout the summer.** If you are away and not regularly attending Sunday Services, offerings can be dropped off at the Messiah office (phone 306.763.7374) OR donate electronically weekly/monthly (preauthorized deposit) OR etransfer to [messiah@sasktel.net](mailto:messiah@sasktel.net) (no password needed). Contact Cheryl at 306.961.2967 to discuss options.

*Thank you for all your faithful support of ministry at Messiah.*





On Sunday morning, the 2025 ELCIC National Convention concluded with a closing worship service. Delegates, visitors, and special guests gathered to rejoice, pray and sing all together, one final time before departing home.

Bishop-elect **Rev. Dr. Larry Kochendorfer** concluded the gathering with a resounding reminder of hope, and why we rejoice ... “May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may have hope for the power of the Holy Spirit”.

Sask Synod Delegates will be preparing a report to be distributed to all congregations; stay tuned or go to <https://elcic.ca/national-convention/> for more information.

### **ALL YOUTH: CLAY (August 21 – 24, 2025)**

*Treaty 6 land and the home of the Métis, in Saskatoon; Registration (\$450) is limited.*

*To register and for more information, please visit: [www.claygathering.ca](http://www.claygathering.ca).*

***Call for Volunteers:*** *CLAY Organizers are also looking for all sorts of volunteers! People to help during the event, to help keep the event running smoothly and safe for all participants. If you have first aid training, we can use you! IF you enjoy being around young people, we need you! If you want to be part of a truly awesome event, let us know! If you have any questions at all or would like to sign up to volunteer, please contact Deacon Gretchen Peterson at [gpeterson@elcic.ca](mailto:gpeterson@elcic.ca)*

#### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE July 10, 2025**

To: Saskatchewan Lutheran Congregations

From: Lutheran Ministry in Hospitals of Saskatoon

Saskatchewan Health Authorities (SHA) have changed their practice of recording patient religious preferences.



Unless a patient declares their religious preference as Lutheran when admitted to hospital, our Hospital Chaplain, Pastor Richard Engel, will not know. Lutheran patients must clearly ask for the Lutheran Chaplain to visit them.

Families may let Pastor Engel know directly by phone or text at 306 229 1663 or email [chaplain@luminhos.org](mailto:chaplain@luminhos.org).

## **GATHERING & WELCOME**

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

**Introduction:** *Perhaps the church, at its best, is "all ears." God urges the faithful, again and again, to "listen up!" to heed the word that gives life. So, it was with Abraham and Sarah, Mary and Martha, and the early church at Colossae. So, it is today as we join the assembly to hear the word of God, the word of life.*

### **GATHERING SONGS: Blessed Assurance (ELW#638)**

**Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!**

**Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.**

**This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.**

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### **Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus (Public Doman)**

**'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, and to take him at his word;**

**just to rest upon his promise, and to know, "Thus saith the Lord."**

**Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!**

**Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!**

### **O How I Love Jesus (TFF#250)**

**O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, because he first loved me!**

**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 / HYMN OF PRAISE: Father, I Adore You (W&P#37)**

**Father, I adore you, Lay my life before you, How I love you.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray. **Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

#### **WORD**

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

### **PSALM 15: 1-5**

<sup>1</sup> Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? Who may abide upon your holy hill?

<sup>2</sup> **Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right, who speak the truth from their heart.**

<sup>3</sup> they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends; they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.

<sup>4</sup> **In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who fear the lord. They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word.**

<sup>5</sup> They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes against the innocent. Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

**READING: Genesis 18:1-10a**

*The Lord visits Abraham and Sarah to tell them that the long-awaited promise of the birth of a child will be fulfilled for them in their old age.*

<sup>1</sup> The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup> He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. <sup>3</sup> He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. <sup>4</sup> Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. <sup>5</sup> Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." <sup>6</sup> And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." <sup>7</sup> Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. <sup>8</sup> Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. <sup>9</sup> They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." <sup>10a</sup> Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (spoken)

**Alleluia. Blessed are those who hold the word fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patient endurance. Alleluia.**

**GOSPEL: Luke 10:38-42**

The holy gospel according to Luke, the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>38</sup> Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. <sup>39</sup> She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. <sup>40</sup> But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." <sup>41</sup> But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; <sup>42</sup> there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her." The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON: Pastor John Mayer Dut****HYMN OF THE DAY: Wonderful Words of Life (Public Domain)**

1 **Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life; let me more of their beauty see,  
wonderful words of life; words of life and beauty, teach me faith and duty.**

Refrain: **Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.**

**Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.**

2 **Christ, the blessed one, gives to all wonderful words of life; sinner, list to the loving call,  
wonderful words of life; all so freely given, wooing us to heaven.**

Refrain: **Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.**

**Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.**

3 **Sweetly echo the gospel call, wonderful words of life; offer pardon and peace to all,  
wonderful words of life; Jesus, only Savior, sanctify forever.**

Refrain: **Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.**

**Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.**

**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**

In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world, God of grace, **Hear our prayer.**

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Speak your word of comfort to any who suffer pain, illness, grief, depression, or despair (*especially*) **Larissa / Taylor & family, Pastor Dan, Bill, Len, Dick, Treasa, Diana, Leon, Sheila, Wayne, Glen, Pearl, Stanley, Michelle, Trudy, Rose, Barb, Rose, Pastor Ron, Sheila, Sharon, Ray, Knute, Jean, Audrey,** and all those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts. Bring honor to any who experience slander and evil intent or are discredited by others. God of grace, **Hear our prayer.**

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Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

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

**MEAL & THANKSGIVING**

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

**OFFERING HYMN: 'God Is So Good' (TFF#275)**

God is so good, God is so good, God is so good, He's so good to me.

**OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray: **Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

Holy, living, and loving God, we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth. We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood, for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery, and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer. We give you thanks for Jesus who, living among us, healed the sick, fed the hungry, and with a love stronger than death, gave his life for others.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his life-giving death and glorious resurrection, we await your promised life for all this dying world. Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup: carry us in your arms from death to life, that we may live as your chosen ones, clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen.**

**LORD'S PRAYER:**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

**Invitation to Communion:** The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

**COMMUNION MUSIC:** Instrumental

**Prayer after Communion:** Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

**SENDING**

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

**BLESSING & BENEDICTION**

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit ✝️ bless you and give you peace. (*sung*) **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SENDING SONG:** Tell Me the Story of Jesus (Public Domain)

**Tell me the story of Jesus, write on my heart ev'ry word; tell me the story most precious, sweetest that ever was heard.**

**Tell how the angels in chorus sang as they welcomed his birth, "Glory to God in the highest! Peace and good tidings to earth."**

**Tell me the story of Jesus, write on my heart ev'ry word; tell me the story most precious, sweetest that ever was heard.**

**There's Something About That Name** (CCLI#14064 Gloria Gaither, William J. Gaither)

**Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, There's just something about that name**

**Master, Savior, Jesus, Like the fragrance after the rain**

**Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, Let all heaven and earth proclaim**

**Kings and kingdoms will all pass away,**

**But there's something about that name, But there's something about that name.**

**DISMISSAL:**

**Go in peace. Live by the Spirit. Thanks be to God!**