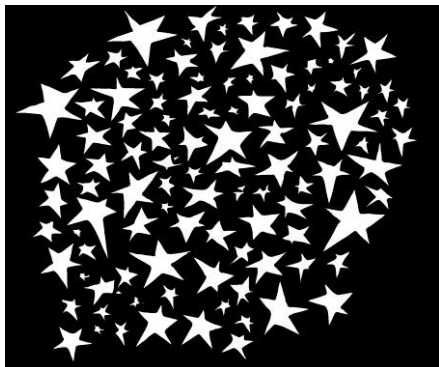




Messiah Lutheran Church

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Messiah Office:

The office will be closed, and reopens August 19.

The office phone and email will be checked on a daily basis.

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost @ 10:30am

Worship Leader: Pastor John Mayer Dut **Musician:** Colleen Bowen

Worship Assistants: Merv Bender, Craig Finnestad, Jean Meyers

The service is broadcast live at 10:30am and posted on the Messiah YouTube channel.

Sunday, August 10: Coffee in the Peace Chapel (9:45am) before the Worship Service

Prayers for Healing and On-Going Health Concerns:

We pray for comfort and healing for all those who are suffering in body, mind of 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 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 (no password needed). Contact Cheryl at 306.961.2967 to discuss options.

Thanks for your faithful support of ministry at Messiah.

Upcoming in and around the Community, the Synod & beyond

Zion Lutheran Church 504 Windsor Street, Weyburn 100 years of Faith 1925-2025	All are invited!!! Saturday, August 16 - Sunday, August 17. All activities will be held at the church. For further information or clarification, please call the Zion office - 306-842-2222 or email mrs.zion@sasktel.net
Lutheran Campus Ministry	Save The Date! The Lutheran Campus Ministry Fundraiser supper is set for Saturday, September 27; reception at 5 pm & supper at 6:00pm at Smiley's Buffet in Saskatoon. Come to hear how the ministry of post-Secondary students is evolving and growing. Enjoy a great meal at Smiley's, fellowship, entertainment, and the opportunity to offer your prayers, stewardship, and support. Tickets will be available at the end of August.
	Due to SaskHealth Authority (SHA) changes, patients must clearly ask for the Lutheran Chaplain to visit them. Families can provide information to the LuMinHoS Chaplain/volunteers by phoning 306 229 1663 or email chaplain@luminhos.org.
	2025 Annual General Meeting: Sunday, September 14. Location TBD.
	Annual LuMinHoS Walk-a-thon – Saturday, September 20, starting at 10am. The walk begins at, Zion Lutheran Church, Saskatoon, and takes 35 – 55 minutes. Pledge sheets are to be delivered to Zion Lutheran Church by 10am, September 20. Posters are on the Messiah notice boards, and pledge sheets are available on the table in the Narthex.
<i>Light Up Prince Albert 2025:</i> The festival runs from 1 - 11pm each day at Prince Albert Exhibition Grounds; August 14, 15 and 16. It includes inspirational messages, worship bands, a children's festival with bouncy castles and free movies, even a wild boar roast	 There's something for everyone and <i>the entire event is free</i>. Visit their website for more information - www.lightupprincealbert.ca.

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

Introduction: *Jesus says, "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." It is God's promise from the beginning to Abraham, to the early church, and to the "little flock" of which we are a part in today's assembly. Faith, God's baptismal gift, trusts the promises of God. Have no fear.*

GATHERING SONG: ELW#800 'Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart'

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: ELW#512 'Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil'

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. **Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

WORD

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

PSALM 33:12-22

¹² Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! Happy the people chosen to be God's heritage!

¹³ **The Lord looks down from heaven, and sees all humankind.**

¹⁴ God sits firmly enthroned and watches all who dwell on the earth.

¹⁵ **God fashions all their hearts and observes all their deeds.**

¹⁶ A king is not saved by the size of the army, nor are warriors rescued by their great strength.

¹⁷ **The horse gives vain hope for victory; despite its great strength it cannot save.**

¹⁸ Truly, your eye is upon those who fear you, O Lord, upon those who wait for your steadfast love,

¹⁹ **to deliver their lives from death, and to keep them alive in time of famine.**

²⁰ Our innermost being waits for you, O Lord, our helper and our shield.

²¹ **Surely, our heart rejoices in you, for in your holy name we put our trust.**

²² Let your lovingkindness, O Lord, be upon us, even as we place our hope in you.

READING: Genesis 15:1-6

God promises childless and aging Abram that a child of his own will be his heir and that his descendants will number as many as the stars. Abram trusts God's promise, and through this faith he is considered righteous.

¹ After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ² But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³ And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴ But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man

shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.”⁵ He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.”⁶ And he believed the Lord, and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.
Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (spoken)

Alleluia. Keep awake and be ready, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 12:32-40

The holy gospel according to Luke, the 12th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:]³² “Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom.³³ Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys.³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.³⁵ “Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit;³⁶ be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks.³⁷ Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them.³⁸ If he comes during the middle of the night or near dawn and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.³⁹ “But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into.⁴⁰ You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”

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

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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Let your lovingkindness be on those in need (*especially*). **Larissa / Taylor & family, Pastor Dan, Stirling, 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. Assure all who are afraid or experiencing great uncertainty that your promises are sure. God of grace, **Hear our prayer.**

...

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

PEACE

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

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING HYMN: ELW#692 'We Are an Offering'

OFFERING PRAYER

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

SENDING

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

BLESSINGS & BENEDICTION

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING SONG: ELW#537 'On Our Way Rejoicing'

DISMISSAL:

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