



Messiah Lutheran Church

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Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost @ 10:30am – August 24, 2025

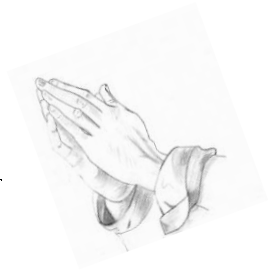
Worship Leader: Pastor John Mayer Dut

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

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, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their time of need.



Upcoming @ Messiah

- **Sunday, August 31:** Hot Dog Lunch following the service.
- **Sunday, September 14:** Lori James, Director of Mission & Spiritual Care, and Laura Hunter, Chief People Officer, LutherCare Communities, will participate in the service; followed by potluck lunch.
- Sunday School, Confirmation Classes, Bible Studies: details to be announced.



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.

Around the Community, the Saskatchewan Synod & beyond ...

Employment Opportunity  LUTHERAN theological seminary SASKATOON	Employment Opportunity: Administration & Advancement Officer - Are you a friendly, detail-oriented professional with a background in finance or donor relations? Do you enjoy the collaborative spirit of non-profit work? Are you looking for a flexible, values-based workplace where your contributions truly matter? Application deadline August 25; go to Lutheran Theological Seminary website for information.
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.
 LuMinHoS Lutheran Ministry in Hospitals of Saskatoon	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.
Morris & Betty Anderson Memorial Service Saturday, September 20	All are invited to join the Anderson family (Susan, Stephen, Philip) to honour their Mom and Dad with a memorial service and reception at Christ Lutheran Church, 4825 Dewdney Avenue, Regina; Saturday, September 20 @ 2pm.

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

Introduction: *Remember the sabbath day. Call the sabbath a delight. This is the Lord's Day, and the Lord will do for us what the Lord does: feed us, forgive us, help and heal us. Rejoice at all the wonderful things God is doing.*

GATHERING SONG: ELW#720 'We Are Called'

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. **O God, mighty and immortal, you know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

WORD

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

PSALM 103:1-8

¹ Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

² **Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits**

³ who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases;

⁴ **who redeems your life from the grave and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;**

⁵ who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

⁶ **O Lord, you provide vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.**

⁷ You made known your ways to Moses and your works to the children of Israel.

⁸ **Lord, you are full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

Reading: Isaiah 58:9b-14

God promises those who have returned from exile that where justice and mercy prevail, the ruins will be rebuilt and light will rise in the darkness. It is a day for new beginnings.

^{9b} If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰ if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹ The Lord will guide you continually and satisfy your needs in parched places and make your bones strong, and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water whose waters never fail. ¹² Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. ¹³ If you refrain from trampling the Sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the Sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests or pursuing

your own affairs; ¹⁴ then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW#172 'Halle, Halle, Hallelujah'

GOSPEL: Luke 13:10-17

The holy gospel according to Luke, the 13th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹⁰ Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. ¹¹ And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." ¹³ When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴ But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day." ¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? ¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?" ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him. The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON: Pastor John Mayer Dut

HYMN OF THE DAY: OSB#108 'I've Got Peace Like a River'

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

Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God, for God is near. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

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You satisfy your people with good things. In your steadfast love, receive the cries of all who are bent over under the weight of addiction, isolation, and mental or physical illness (*especially*) **Daryl, Larissa, Taylor & family, Pastor Dan, 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 our hearts. Manifest your healing presence in their midst. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

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Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom and companion. **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.

BLESSING & 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#661 'I Love to Tell the Story'

DISMISSAL:

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

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