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Messiah Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday; 11am – 2pm

**January 11, 2026 @ 10:30am: Baptism of our Lord**

**Worship Leader:** Chery Bauer Hyde    **Musician:** Colleen Bowen  
**Sermon:** Pastor Peter Lisinski, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Toronto  
**Worship Assistants:** Merv Bender, Louise Fornal, Wayne Hyde, Garth Ulrich

**Coffee in the Peace Chapel (9:45am); Sunday School during the Service**  
*The service is broadcast live at 10:30am and posted on the Messiah YouTube channel.*

**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**

<p><b>Caring Ministry &amp; Community Service</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Food Bank donations are collected each Sunday</li> <li>- Relative's Lodge (formerly Stepping Stones Shelter) donations: drop off box in the Narthex for blankets, hygiene items, towels, winter jackets, mitts, toques, socks, and underwear.</li> <li>- Salvation Army Ministry donations – Online: SalvationArmy.ca; choose “Donate to a specific location”; Prince Albert Community Services; QR Code: available on The Salvation Army Prince Albert's Facebook page ; Phone: 1-800-725-2769; Prince Albert Community Services</li> <li>- Adult boots and shoes (any condition - larger sizes especially) for Victoria Hospital – put in Relative's Lodge box; Gord Hein will pick up.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bible Studies</b>        In the Peace Chapel or via Zoom</p>	<p><b>Weekly on Wednesday at 7pm</b> – Zoom ID: 885 6495 2469 &amp; Passcode: 518446  <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88564952469?pwd=yAY3S5UwbKXH7MLDyTJxTLN0lpkcrZ.1">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88564952469?pwd=yAY3S5UwbKXH7MLDyTJxTLN0lpkcrZ.1</a>  <b>Monthly on third Tuesday at 7pm</b> – Zoom ID: 859 1940 4343; Passcode: 210248;  <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85919404343?pwd=t0A2kA5mg58xSGnD5lQpzOSeNfuNjR.1">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85919404343?pwd=t0A2kA5mg58xSGnD5lQpzOSeNfuNjR.1</a></p>
<p><b>Coffee &amp; Conversation</b></p>	<p>An informal gathering on the first and third Thursdays – <b>(next January 15)</b>  <b>@ 10am in the Fellowship Hall.</b> All are welcome!</p>
<p><b>Confirmation Classes</b></p>	<p>Contact Pastor John (306.961.0877)</p>
<p><b>Senior Home Services</b></p>	<p>Monthly: <b>Mont St. Joseph Home</b> (first Wednesday); <b>Points West Living</b> (first Thursday); <b>Good Shepherd Villas</b> (second Tuesday). <b>Pineview Terrance</b> (fourth Wednesday)</p>

**Financial Stewardship at Messiah:** If you are away or not regularly attending Sunday Services, offerings can be brought to the Messiah office (phone 306.763.7374) OR donate electronically weekly/monthly (preauthorized deposit) OR e-transfer to [messiah@sasktel.net](mailto:messiah@sasktel.net) (no password needed). Contact Cheryl at 306.961.2967.

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

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



In this 2025 Christmas message to the church, ELCIC National Bishop Larry Kochendorfer reflects on Luke 2:1: "In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered."

Set against a world of power and decree, we are invited to listen closely to the Christmas gospel and to ask urgent, faithful questions in the midst of worship, family gatherings, loss and mourning, concern for creation, and the realities facing the world: Who saves and who gives peace? Who claims our ultimate loyalty? Who is it who is good news of great joy? And who brings peace built on justice, equality, and the recognition of every human life as sacred? Watch the video on the ELCIC youtube page or read it on the ELCIC website –

[A Christmas Message from ELCIC National Bishop Larry Kochendorfer - Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada](#)

## **SK SYNOD Camp 'BUTT FREEZE'**

### **Winter Youth Retreat**

**Youth ages 12-17** - offline weekend with snow & grace.

Located at **Dallas Valley Ranch Camp** (Feb 27 – Mar 1)

Fee: \$185.00/ student

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## **Kinasao Activities to consider**



Feb 1: [Daily Campsite Reservations Open](#)

Feb 6-8: [Fill Your Freezer Retreat](#)

Feb 20-22: [Marriage Retreat](#)

Feb 28: [Family Ski Event](#)

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

**Introduction:** *In the waters of the Jordan, Jesus is revealed as the beloved Son of God. Through this great epiphany, Jesus fulfills all righteousness and becomes the servant of God who will bring forth justice and be a light to the nations. In the waters of baptism we too are washed by the Word, anointed by the Spirit, and named God's beloved children. Our baptismal mission is to proclaim good news to all who are oppressed or in need of God's healing.*

**GATHERING SONG: ELW#726 'Light Dawns on a Weary World'**

**GREETING**

The love of God poured into our hearts, the saving grace of Jesus Christ, and the abundant life of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love. Amen. Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

**Eternal God our creator, in you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God **✝** forgives you all your sins. **Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray. **O God our Father, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**Children's Time**

**WORD**

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

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 42:1-9**

*God's servant is endowed with God's spirit in order to bring justice to the nations. The servant will not exercise authority boisterously or with violence, nor will weariness ever prevent the fulfilling of the servant's task. God's old promises have been fulfilled; the servant's new assignment is to bring light to the nations.*

<sup>1</sup> Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. <sup>2</sup> He will not cry out or lift up his voice or make it heard in the street; <sup>3</sup> a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. <sup>4</sup> He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth, and the coastlands wait for his teaching. <sup>5</sup> Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread

out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: <sup>6</sup> I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness; I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, <sup>7</sup> to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. <sup>8</sup> I am the Lord; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. <sup>9</sup> See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

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

## PSALM 29

<sup>1</sup> Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

<sup>2</sup> **Ascribe to the Lord the glory due God's name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**

<sup>3</sup> The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

<sup>4</sup> **The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.**

<sup>5</sup> The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

<sup>6</sup> **the Lord makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

<sup>7</sup> The voice of the Lord bursts forth in lightning flashes.

<sup>8</sup> **The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

<sup>9</sup> The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare. And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, "Glory!"

<sup>10</sup> **The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forevermore.**

<sup>11</sup> O Lord, give strength to your people; give them, O Lord, the blessings of peace.

## SECOND READING: Acts 10:34-43

*Peter crosses the sharp religious boundary separating Jews from Gentiles and proclaims the good news of God's inclusive forgiveness in Jesus' name to Cornelius, a Roman centurion. As a result of Peter's preaching, Cornelius and his family become the first Gentiles to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.*

<sup>34</sup> Peter began to speak to [Cornelius and his household]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup> but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup> You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup> That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup> We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, <sup>40</sup> but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup> not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup> He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup> All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

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

## 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: Matthew 3:13-17

The holy gospel according to John, the 1<sup>st</sup> Chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup> Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. <sup>14</sup> John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" <sup>15</sup> But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. <sup>16</sup> And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God's

Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. <sup>17</sup> And a voice from the heavens said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon: Pastor Peter Lisinski** (video)

**HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW#304 'Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized'**

### **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**

As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

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Compassionate God, you care for all in distress. Provide safety and support for those seeking asylum or in need of shelter. Be near to the dying, and comfort all who are grieving or ill (*especially*) **Savannah, Lyla, Ken, Annette & Dennis, Daryl, Larissa/Taylor & family, Len, Dick, Treasa, Diana, Leon, Sheila, Wayne, Pearl, Stanley, Michelle, Trudy, Rose, Barb, Rose, Sheila, Sharon, Jean, Audrey,** and all those we name aloud or in our hearts. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

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Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior. **Amen.**

### **Lord's Prayer** (ELWp.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.**

### **PEACE**

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

## **THANKSGIVING**

**OFFERING SONG: ELW#302 'As with Gladness Men of Old'** (vs.1-3)

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray. **God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **SENDING**

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

## **BLESSING**

May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise ✝ bless you now and forever. (sung) **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

**SENDING SONG: ELW#866 'We Are Marching in the Light'**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy. **Thanks be to God.**

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