



**Messiah Lutheran Church**

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**January 18, 2026 @ 10:30am: Second Sunday after Epiphany with Holy Communion**

Worship Leader: Pastor John Mayer Dut

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): drop off donation box in the Narthex for blankets, hygiene items, towels, winter jackets, mitts, toques, socks, and underwear.</li> <li>- Salvation Army Ministry donations – Online: <a href="http://SalvationArmy.ca">SalvationArmy.ca</a>; 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 or by the Donation 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 – (Next January 29<sup>th</sup>) @ 10am in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome!</p>
<p><b>Confirmation Classes</b></p>	<p>Contact Pastor John (306.961.0877)</p>

<b>Senior Home Services</b>	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><b>Financial Stewardship at Messiah:</b> 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 <a href="mailto:messiah@sasktel.net">messiah@sasktel.net</a> (no password needed). Contact Cheryl at 306.961.2967.</p>	
<p><b>Thank you for your faithful support of ministry at Messiah</b></p>	

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

	<p>SK Synod congregations and LutherCare Communities have come together to give back to our communities throughout Saskatchewan. A donation sheet is available on the Narthex table at Messiah. Donations can be made by cash or cheque (payable to KINSMEN TELEMIRACLE). Helping Hands are available so that you can record your name to be posted on the bulletin board by the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, check with Lisa in the office or phone / text Cheryl at 306.961.2967. <b>Donations will be accepted until February 8; as they need to be sent in by February 13.</b></p>
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**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**

<https://form.jotform.com/250645994740264>



**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:** *Today's gospel opens with further reflection on Jesus' baptism. He is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world and the one anointed by the Spirit. In the liturgy we come and see Christ revealed among us in word and meal. We go forth to invite others to come and worship the Holy One and to receive the gifts of grace and peace made known among us.*

**GATHERING SONG: ELW#314 'Arise, Your Light Has Come'**

**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.**

**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. **Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Children's Time**

**WORD**

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

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 49:1-7**

*Here the servant, identified as Israel, speaks for herself and describes her honored mission. Called before her birth like Jeremiah and John the Baptist, the servant is not only to restore Israel. The servant's ultimate assignment is to bring news of God's victory to the ends of the earth. God in faithfulness has chosen Israel for this task.*

<sup>1</sup> Listen to me, O coastlands; pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born; while I was in my mother's womb he named me. <sup>2</sup> He made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow; in his quiver he hid me away. <sup>3</sup> And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." <sup>4</sup> But I said, "I have labored in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord and my reward with my God." <sup>5</sup> And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength—<sup>6</sup> he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the

end of the earth.” <sup>7</sup> Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, “Kings shall see and stand up; princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM 40:1-11**

<sup>1</sup> I waited patiently upon the Lord, who stooped to me and heard my cry.

<sup>2</sup> **The Lord lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my footing sure.**

<sup>3</sup> The Lord put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the Lord.

<sup>4</sup> **Happy are they who trust in the Lord! They do not turn to enemies or to those who follow lies.**

<sup>5</sup> Great are the wonders you have done, O Lord my God! In your plans for us, none can be compared with you! Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! But they are more than I can count.

<sup>6</sup> **Sacrifice and offering you do not desire; you have opened my ears: burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required.**

<sup>7</sup> And so I said, “Here I am; I come. In the scroll of the book it is written of me:

<sup>8</sup> **‘I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep within me.’**

<sup>9</sup> I proclaimed righteousness in the great assembly; I have not restrained my lips, O Lord, you know.

<sup>10</sup> **I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth from the great assembly.**

<sup>11</sup> You are the Lord; do not withhold your compassion from me; may your steadfast love and your truth continually keep me safe.

### **SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9**

*Though God’s church in Corinth is a fractious congregation beset with many conflicts, Paul opens this letter by spotlighting the multiple ways God has enriched and sustained its life as part of the divine call into the fellowship of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

<sup>1</sup> Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, <sup>2</sup> To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

<sup>3</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup> I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup> for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind <sup>6</sup> just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you <sup>7</sup> so that you are not lacking in any gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup> He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup> God is faithful, by whom you were called into the partnership of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. 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: John 1:29-42**

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

<sup>29</sup> [John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup> This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ <sup>31</sup> I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” <sup>32</sup> And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup> I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me,

'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>34</sup> And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Chosen One." <sup>35</sup> The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup> and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" <sup>37</sup> The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup> When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" <sup>39</sup> He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. <sup>40</sup> One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. <sup>41</sup> He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). <sup>42</sup> He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter). The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon: Pastor John Mayer Dut**

***"John Baptist saw Jesus. Behold: Here he comes! The Son of God, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world".***

**HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW#696 'Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult'**

### **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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Healing God, you lift up those who are bowed down by trouble, oppression, or illness *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. Bring an end to social injustice and inequities of every kind, so that all people may have abundant life. 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.**

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

### **MEAL & THANKSGIVING**

**OFFERING SONG: ELW#798 'Will You Come and Follow Me' (vs.1,5)**

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray. **Holy God, we offer you these gifts with thanks, so that together we may plant and water the seeds of your new world. May we be your faithful servants as we cultivate your love, knowing that in all we accomplish, it is you who gives the growth. 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. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, 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:** Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! Come to the table; taste and see.

**Music during Communion: Instrumental**

**Prayer after Communion:**

Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## **SENDING**

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

## **BLESSING & BENEDICTION**

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#618 'Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer'**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**DISMISSAL:** Go now, with eyes open to Christ's light, with hearts ready to follow wherever He leads. In a world longing for hope, shine with the love, mercy, and justice of God. **Amen! Thanks be to God!**

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