

Messiah Lutheran Church
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Messiah Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday (11am – 2pm)

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Worship Service – April 26, 2026 @ 10:30am – Fourth Sunday of Easter

Worship Leader: Pastor John Mayer Dut

**Come for coffee before the Worship Service in the Peace Chapel
 Sunday School during the Service**

The Service is Live on YouTube ([MessiahLutheranChurchPrinceAlbert](#)) @ 10:30am; posted for later viewing

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.



Born April 13, 2026;
Epen Kon Tong Chour Malek,
 daughter of
 Nynkuer John Mayer Dut and Kong Tong Chor Malek,
 granddaughter of Pastor John and Alieza.

*But Jesus called them
 to him, saying, "Let the
 children come to me,
 and do not hinder them,
 for to such belongs the
 kingdom of God.
 Luke 18:16 ESV*

UPCOMING @ MESSIAH

Caring Ministry & Community Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Food Bank donations are collected each Sunday - 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. - 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
Bible Studies (Peace Chapel or via Zoom)	<p align="center">Weekly on Wednesday at 7pm – Zoom ID: 885 6495 2469 & Passcode: 518446 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88564952469?pwd=yAY3S5UwbKXH7MLDyTJxTLN0lpkcrZ.1 Monthly on third Tuesday at 7pm – Zoom ID: 859 1940 4343; Passcode: 210248; https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85919404343?pwd=t0A2kA5mg58xSGnD5lQpzOSenFuNjR.1</p>
Coffee & Conversation	<p align="center">An informal gathering on the first and third Thursdays @ 10am in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome!</p>
<p align="center">Confirmation Classes: Contact Pastor John (306.961.0877)</p>	

Senior Home Services

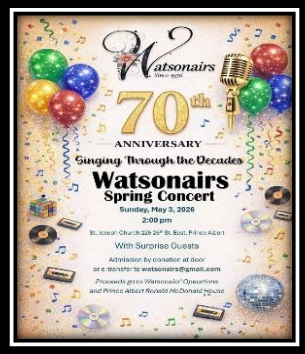
Monthly: **Mont St. Joseph Home** (first Wednesday); **Points West Living** (first Thursday); **Good Shepherd Villas** (second Tuesday). **Pineview Terrance** (fourth Wednesday)

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



Kinasao Annual General Meeting – Sunday, April 26 @ 3pm

Redeemer Lutheran Church, 812 Preston Avenue South, Saskatoon
 A potluck supper will follow the meeting, please bring a dish to share!
 A list of registered members is included in the Annual Report on the website - Kinasao.ca. Information about upcoming events and camps can be found on the website including: Prayer Retreat May 1 – 3; Volunteer Work Bee May 16; Tour-de-Kinasao May 23; and Celebration Weekend June 19 – 21.



Watsonairs' 70th Anniversary Spring Concert

'Singing Through The Decades' - Sunday, May 3 @ 2pm
 St. Joseph Church, 225 – 25 Street East
 Admission by donation at the door or e-transfer to watsonairs@gmail.com
 Proceeds to the Watsonairs operations and Prince Albert Ronald McDonald House



Worship and Music Symposium, Christ Lutheran Church, Regina, May 7 to 9. Featuring a great group of presenters: Rev. Dr. Larry Kochendorfer, National Bishop ELCIC; Dr. Joy Berg; Rev. Kristian Wold; Ben Johnston-Urey; Neil Cockburn, and Rev. Dennis Henrickson. Free Community Events: Hymn Fest on May 7, and a Mysterium service on May 8. **For more information and/or to register, go to: <https://clcregina.ca/Symposium.htm>**

ELCIC Day of Action



This year marks 40 years in the life of our church! This milestone invites us to remember our story, also to reflect on who we are today and how God is calling us forward as a church *Living out God's grace and unconditional love*. One of the key moments to celebrate this milestone is the ELCIC Day of Action **on Sunday, May 31**. We are invited to join with congregations across the ELCIC in stepping beyond our church walls and engaging in acts of service in our community. ***If you have any ideas about what we can do at Messiah, please talk to a Messiah Council member.***



Parkland Restorative Justice Inc., a small faith-based non-profit organization that delivers programs with the SK Penitentiary. Putting on a fundraising event called **Nigerian Night!**

Featuring **Authentic Nigerian cuisine** prepared by Sarah Dada, owner of Tee Tasty African Cuisine.

- Tickets: \$30 per person - **APRIL 30th, 2026 @ 6:30pm**
- Dessert auction to follow Located: St Joseph's Parish

Please see poster for details:
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GATHERING & WELCOME
The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Introduction: *Today is sometimes called “Good Shepherd Sunday.” Jesus is called the “gate” of the sheep in today’s gospel. The risen Christ opens the way to abundant life. He anoints our heads with oil and guides us beside the still waters of our baptism. Each Sunday he spreads a feast before us amid the world’s violence and war. We go forth to be signs of the resurrection and extend God’s tender care to all creation.*

Gathering Song: OSB#14 ‘Bind Us Together’

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb! **Amen.**

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Merciful God, you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you. **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow.

Blessed are you. **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you. **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever. **Amen.**

Song of Praise: OSB#183 ‘Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us’

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. **O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, 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 Message

WORD

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

First Reading: Acts 2:42-47

Today’s reading is a description of life in the community following Peter’s sermon on the day of Pentecost, when the Spirit was poured out on God’s people. The new community is sustained in worship and fellowship, shares what they have, and ensures that everyone has enough.

⁴² [The baptized] devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³ Awe came upon everyone because many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵ they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ Day by day, as they spent

much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23: 1-6

¹ The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

² **The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.**

³ You restore my soul, O Lord, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

⁴ **Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

⁶ **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:19-25

Doing the right things does not guarantee that one will not experience difficulties, hardships, rejection, or even suffering. Here Christ is presented as the model for our path of endurance and loyalty to God, particularly amid adversity.

¹⁹ It is a commendable thing if, being aware of God, a person endures pain while suffering unjustly. ²⁰ If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do good and suffer for it, this is a commendable thing before God. ²¹ For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. ²² "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." ²³ When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. ²⁴ He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, having died to sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵ For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

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Gospel Song: OSB#184 'Shepherd of Love'

Gospel: John 10:1-10

The holy gospel according to St. John, the 10th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] ¹ "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. ² The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³ The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴ When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵ They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." ⁶ Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. ⁷ So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸ All who came before me are thieves and bandits, but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹ I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture. ¹⁰ The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon: Pastor John Mayer Dut

Hymn of the Day: OSB#238 'Through It All'

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

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Great Physician, walk with those who are grieving, and anoint those who are ill or injured (*especially*) **Ken, Daryl, Larissa/Taylor & family, Dick, Treasa, Diana, Leon, Sheila, Wayne, Pearl, Stanley, Rose, Rose, Sheila, Sharon, Jean, Audrey,** and all those we name aloud or in our heart. Restore them to health of body, mind, and spirit. Merciful God, **Receive our prayer.**

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God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER:

Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to pray: **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 Song: LBW#488 'Breathe on me, Breath of God'

Offering Prayer

Let us pray. **Lord, we bring these gifts to You, not as payment, but as a joyful response to Your abundant grace. Just as You know each of us by name, receive these offerings as signs of our love and trust. Use them to bring comfort to the lost, hope to the weary, and the good news of Your salvation to all who hunger for Your voice. Amen.**

SENDING

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

BLESSINGS & BENEDICTION

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ✝ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Song: HFG#682 'A Song of Peace'

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dismissal: Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia! **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

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