Upcoming Worship Services

July 12 – KINASAO Sunday @ 11am
No service or broadcast at Messiah
7th Sunday after Pentecost;
worship outline attached

July 19 – 10:30am; in person / live
8th Sunday after Pentecost
Coffee in the Peace Chapel
before the Service

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The July 19 Service is live on YouTube (**MessiahLutheranChurchPrinceAlbert)**; 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.

@ MESSIAH

Note these dates!	**July 12: Kinasao Sunday (no service at Messiah)** **August 22: Vacation Bible School** **September 13: ELCIC Day of Action event**
Caring Ministry & Community Service	**Food Bank: donations collected weekly.** **Community donations: various organizations such as the YWCA, Relative's Lodge, Salvation Army, John Howard Community Closet, Metis Prince Albert** distribute support to those who can use some help. You can drop off blankets, hygiene items, towels, jackets, socks, shoes, underwear, and other gently used clothing. We'll make sure it get delivered to one of these organizations.
New to You	**Check out the table in the closet section of the narthex**. Do you have household items that may be of use or interest to our congregation or their friends/neighbours, bring them to Messiah. If you see something that you or someone you know could use, take it home. This is another way to recycle!
Sunday School, Bible Studies, Coffee & Conversation, Confirmation – resume in September; watch for updates	

STEWARDSHIP AT MESSIAH:

". . .be strong and steady, always enthusiastic about the Lord's work, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever useless." 1 Corinthians 15:58

Worship and Around the Building: Reading, powerpoint, communion assistant, ushering, altar guild – are you willing to help at Messiah worship services? You can sign the assistant list when you are at a worship service or phone/email the Messiah office. There are lots of other needs if you have some time and interest such as property (outside and inside) maintenance; phone Wayne at 306.960.1074. Or helping with the children's area and books. If you have other ideas or suggestions, please talk to Council members: Cheryl Bauer Hyde, David Bragg, Byron Bender, Merv Bender, Wayne Manchur, Linda Moriarty, Joy Weinberger, Pastor John.

Financial: 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 by preauthorized debit **OR** etransfer to messiah@sasktel.net (no password needed). Contact Cheryl at 306.961.2967.

Thank you for your faithful and prayerful support of ministry at Messiah!

STEPHEN MINISTRY: June 12 – 14, 2026. What an incredible 30th anniversary celebration for Stephen Ministry! We recognized and reunited with past and present Stephen Ministers and Leaders over the past 30 years from Zion and Resurrection. Good Shepherd and Messiah Prince Albert have become a huge part of our present core group as well. A HUGE THANK YOU to all those who came out and participated, shared stories, who were fed with food for the soul as well as their bodies.

Friday night we enjoyed a gathering with appetizers and punch and welcomed members we hadn't seen in some time. Lots of catching up was done. Saturday was filled with devotions, music, food, games, food, stories and testimonials and more food! We topped the evening off with a turkey supper banquet and some incredibly powerful and motivational words from our own, Bishop Ali. We unveiled a new banner (Thank you Margaret Fast!) to celebrate our 30 year milestone. Sunday worship was held at Zion, led by and hosted by the Stephen Leaders. A special thanks to Pastor Sean Bell for the timely sermon and for keeping the weekend flowing smoothly. Thanks to Redeemer for the space to celebrate and to Zion for the special worship service. A huge thanks to all who attended and participated. We trust that this ministry continues to be valuable and significant in your congregations for many more years to come!

Worship Service - Sunday, July 12, 2026 (7th Sunday after Pentecost)
Worship Leader: Pastor John Mayer Dut Musician: Susan Slind Reader: Merv Bender

GATHERING & WELCOME

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

Introduction: God's word is like the rain that waters the earth and brings forth vegetation. It is also like the sower who scatters seed indiscriminately. Our lives are like seeds sown in the earth. Even from what appears to be little, dormant, or dead, God promises a harvest. At the Lord's table we are fed with the bread of life, that we may bear fruit in the world.

Gathering Song: ELW#526 "God is Here" (TUNE: What a Friend We Have in Jesus)

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.

Prayer of the Day
Let us pray. **Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

African Song

FIRST READING: Isaiah 55:10-13
10 For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, 11 so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. 12 For you shall go out in joy and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. 13 Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle, and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13
[1 You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; to you shall vows be fulfilled.
2 **To you, the one who answers prayer, to you all flesh shall come.**
3 Our sins are stronger than we are, but you blot out our transgressions.
4 **Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there! They will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, by the holiness of your temple.**
5 Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation, O hope of all the ends of the earth and of the oceans far away.
6 **You make firm the mountains by your power; you are girded about with might.**
7 You still the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, and the clamor of the peoples.
8 **Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous signs; you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.**]

9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous; the river of God is full of water.
You prepare the grain, for so you provide for the earth.
10 **You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.**
11 You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths overflow with plenty.
12 **May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, and the hills be clothed with joy.**
13 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; let them shout for joy and sing.

SECOND READING: Romans 8:1-11
1 Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. 3 For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, 4 so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. 5 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. 6 To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. 7 For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed, it cannot, 8 and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. 9 But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. 10 But if Christ is in you, then the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. 11 If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation: ELW#509 "God's Word is Our Great Heritage"

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23
The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 13th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**
1 That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. 2 Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. 3 And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. 4 And as he sowed, some seeds fell on a path, and the birds came and ate them up. 5 Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. 6 But when the sun rose, they were scorched, and since they had no root, they withered away. 7 Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. 8 Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. 9 If you have ears, hear!" 18 "Hear, then, the parable of the sower. 19 When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. 20 As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, 21 yet such a person has no root but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. 22 As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of this age and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. 23 But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty." The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon: Pastor John

Hymn of the Day: ELW 680 "We Plow the Fields and Scatter" (TUNE: Lead On, O King Eternal**)**

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
Trusting in God's steadfast love for all God has made, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God our gardener, you scatter grace like seed across the world. Continue to cultivate the garden of your church with your abundant Spirit. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God our joy, your bountiful creation reflects your commitment to life despite our actions disregarding its wonder. We look toward Isaiah's vision, when all creation rejoices, and the trees will clap for joy at your salvation. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God our life, you give us the same Spirit by which you raised Christ from the dead. Set our minds on that Spirit whenever fear or condemnation overwhelm throughout the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God our host and table, we pray for children who hunger, for all who toil under the hot sun without refreshment, for the chronically ill who have exhausted their resources, and for local concerns. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God our source, tend to the Kinasao community with your grace throughout this summer season. May those who travel do so safely, and may visitors find refreshment among us. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks that the roots of your goodness run deep throughout history. We remember those saints who have gone before us in faith. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Grateful for your abundant provision and trusting in your goodness, we cast all our cares upon you, through the abundant grace of Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer: (Sung to the Tune: Abide With Me)
Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come, your will be done the same.
On earth as it is in heav'n above, Our Father, bless your children with your love.

Our daily bread provide for us each day. As we forgive, so take our sins away.
In time of trial, saving Lord be near. From every evil, our Deliverer.

Yours is the kingdom, o'er all things You reign. Yours is the power, all things You maintain.
Yours be the glory sounding forth again. Forever and evermore. Amen.

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

THANKSGIVING: Collection of Offering

Offering Hymn: WOV#732 "Create in Me"

Offering Prayer
Let us pray**. Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.**

Blessing
Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ☩ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always. **Amen.**

Sending Song: ELW#547 "Sent Forth By God's Blessing"

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

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