

Announcements  
October 8, 2017

**CHURCH COUNCIL** - Minutes from the church council meeting are available in the narthex.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** - Given by Chuck and Ruth Magner, 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**THE MESSIAH MESSENGER** - Deadline for November newsletter is **Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>** at 8:00am. Please have your news articles into the church office or emailed to [glaciap@messiahlutherangj.org](mailto:glaciap@messiahlutherangj.org) by October 18<sup>th</sup>.

**QUILTS FOR MISSION** - Help is needed to tie quilts. Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am to 3:30pm, lunch will be provided. We will be working all day to get the quilts ready to send to the Orphan Grain Train. No experience is necessary, we will teach you. Many hands make light the work. Please come and join us!

**500<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION** - Messiah will have **ONE** service on Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am. We will worship altogether in celebration of the truth of the Gospel, that we are saved by grace through faith.

**100 TICKETS NEED TO BE RESERVED** - St. Paul Lutheran Church is organizing a screening of a new film about Martin Luther, "A Return to Grace: Luther's Life and Legacy" on Monday, October 23 at 7:30pm in Grand Junction at the Regal Canyon View Stadium 14. This screening will only happen if 100 tickets are reserved by October 15. You can find more information and purchase your tickets at [www.stpaulgj.org](http://www.stpaulgj.org).

**PASTOR APPRECIATION** - Did you know that October is Pastor Appreciation Month? We have been blessed to have a wonderful servant serving us here at Messiah. Our pastor gives so much of himself to us every day. His door is always open to us during our good and bad times. Please take the time to let this servant of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ know how much you appreciate him.

**GREETERS URGENTLY NEEDED** - for the month of November and December at the 8:00am and 10:30am service. Families, couples, women and men are encouraged to volunteer. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex. A huge thank you to all who have greeted this year. If you have any questions, please call me at 243-1604. In His Service, Betty Crinklaw

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT** - *"Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits."* (Matthew 21:43). The Pharisees were not bearing fruit. Though they were faithful to the letter of the Law in keeping the Sabbath, tithing, and all the rest, they neglected the heart of God's will. The grace of God belongs at the center. Our giving and all our other good works flow forth from receiving God's grace and living in that grace on a daily basis. (from the LCMS Stewardship website). -The Board of Stewardship.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

We had sufficient funds to pay our employees, but not payroll taxes. Payroll taxes were paid on October 2nd from Sunday the 1st's offering. As of September 30th, we had \$5,612.82 in past due bills, \$2,294.31 due on the 30th of September and \$3,868.24 due by October 6th, giving us a total of unpaid bills to date of \$11,775.36. Monthly General Fund Contributions averaged \$7,250 less that was budgeted and School Income averaged \$5,740 less while School Tuition was \$484 more than budgeted. Our budgeted weekly expenses are \$19,000 and our weekly income for July and August averaged \$15,100. We have not yet reconciled the September income & expenses.

I will update the weekly income to include September's income as soon as possible.

Respectfully Submitted, Jack Messenger

**LONG-TERM FINANCIAL STABILITY-*Planning Today For the Future***: A few years ago, Messiah was blessed to have the foresight and means to establish an endowment. This endowment can play an important role in the future ministry needs to reach the lost and build up the Body of Christ today and for the next generation after you and I have been called home to glory. Information regarding this is included in October's newsletter. Please look for the letter in the newsletter and prayerful consider this opportunity. God Bless.  
Pastor Redeker

**YOUR HELP IS URGENTLY NEEDED!!!** Please prayerfully consider giving of your time and talents to our Lord, and His flock here at Messiah, by volunteering to be a member of one of the Boards that comprise the Church/School Council. No experience is required. Three-year terms are preferable, to allow for smooth transitions and board continuity. Each Board meets once per month, and the Council meetings are also once per month, on the second Tuesday. We need the following positions this year: **4** members for Board of Parochial Education (including Chairman), **6** members for Board of Elders, **2** members for Board of Finance, **1** member for Board of Christian Education, **1 (or more)** members for Board of Stewardship (including Chairman), **1 (or more)** members for Board of Evangelism, **3** members for Board of Trustees, and **1** Chairman of the Congregation. Please contact Matt Powell (current Chairman) to volunteer to serve, or with any questions that you may have. Call 270-3637 or email [mattpowell720@yahoo.com](mailto:mattpowell720@yahoo.com). Thank you and may God richly bless your service.

**Your help is also needed** to find a delegate to accompany Pastor Redeker at the Circuit Forum and District Conventions. Each congregation gets 2 delegates, with one being Pastor, and the other a lay representative from general membership. Please call or email Matt Powell at the above contact information, if you are interested. Thank You.

### **Bible Studies and Spiritual Growth Activities**

**YOUTH GROUP** - Join us TODAY, October 8th, 5:00pm at Studts Pumpkin Patch. The cost for each student is \$5.00. Youth Group is for grades 5<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>. Questions call Glacia - 245-2838.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** - A big Thank You to Mr. Agajanian for volunteering his time to teach the 7th/8th Grade Class of Sunday School. Due to lack of participation, that class is no longer available. Sunday School classes currently are for children Nursery-6th Grade. We will be learning about Martin Luther and The Reformation during the October Sundays in Opening Sessions.

**Sunday, October 29th, Reformation Sunday, there will be no Sunday School.** Please join us at the one Divine Service at 9:00am.

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM** - The children have begun learning Christmas carols that are part of this year's Sunday School Christmas program. "The 12 Symbols of Christmas" will be presented on Sunday, December 17, 2017 at 4:00pm. If you wish to have your child participate and have a speaking part in the program they must begin attending Sunday School today. Sunday School is from 9:30am to 10:15am. Opening is held in the Music Room. If you have questions please contact Kathy Hollatz, 245-6845 or Lonni Karly 433-1403.

**SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY** - at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Redeker will teach a 5-week study of Martin Luther's decision to abandon the Catholic Church by nailing the 95 Thesis on the church's door.

**ORDINARY LUTHERANS** - We will meet on Sunday evenings 5:00pm at 2920 Elm Avenue #3. We study the confessions and reformation. Please call John Moseman Jr. for more information 970-424-0092.

**"A LIFE IN CHRIST"** - Pastor teaches "*A Life in Christ: An Introduction to What Christians Believe*" on Mondays, at 6:30pm. This class is for anyone high school aged and above who is interested in learning more about the basics of Christian teaching. Call the office at 245-2838 and let Becky know that you are interested so that we can have enough material ready. If you know anyone who is not Lutheran and would like to learn more about what Lutheran Christians believe, please invite them to attend.

**MONDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE STUDY** - We will meet on Monday mornings at 9:00am. Join us for studying "Proverbs" and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall. If you have questions please call Marsha Brodak, 970-243-7647.

**MONDAY NIGHT GOOD NEWS BIBLE STUDY** - We meet on Monday evenings, 7:00pm to 8:00pm, at Bud and Anita Neuberger's home, 2818 ½ Village Park Drive. We will be studying Job. If you need more information call Anita at 263-4251.

**WEDNESDAY BROWN BAG BIBLE STUDY** - Bring your lunch and join us on Wednesdays at 12:15pm to study God's Word in the book of John.

**JOY LWML CIRCLE** - We will meet Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies of the

congregation are invited to join us for Bible Study.

**RUTH LWML CIRCLE** - We meet on Tuesday afternoons at 3:30pm, our next meeting will be October 17<sup>th</sup>. Please join us for Bible study and fellowship. If you have questions please call Helen Bonner at 241-3417.

**DORCAS LWML CIRCLE** - We will meet on Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00pm for Bible Study and fellowship in the library. Please bring your grocery items for Messiah's food pantry.

**MESSIAH'S RADIO MINISTRY** - Pastor Redeker's sermons can be heard on Sunday mornings at 8:30am - 9:00am on 1100AM/KNZZ radio station. This is an outreach to our shut-ins and other listeners.

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR** - Listen to The Lutheran Hour message each Sunday morning at 9:00am on 1100AM/KNZZ radio station.

**'OUR 500 YEAR REFORMATION OCTOBER FALL FESTIVAL'** will begin on Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm under the canopies on the west playground (weather permitting) where we will be serving dinner of steamed in beer and grilled Johnsonville brats, bierocks, sauerkraut, hot dogs for the kids and ask that attendees bring a German dish to add to the festivities. After supper, we will have a special visit by Martin Luther and the official nailing of the 95 Thesis on the Catholic Church door. **Remember this week only there will be no Sat. night service and only one church service at 9 a.m. on Oct. 29th.**

#### **MUSIC AT MESSIAH:**

**KINGDOM KIDS CHOIR.** Is for ALL CHILDREN in grades 1 through 5, regardless of where they attend school. We meet every Wednesday from 3:15 to 4:00 pm in the Music Room.

**ADULT CHOIR.** This group is open to anyone, high school student and beyond, who love to sing and praise the Lord!! We meet every Wednesday from 7:00pm to 8:15pm/8:30pm in the Music Room.

**JOYFUL PRAISE.** Do you enjoy singing contemporary Christian Music? Do you play an instrument and would like to play for fun? We rehearse on Saturdays at 3:00 pm, followed by Joyful Praise service at 5:00 pm.

**QUESTIONS???** Please call Lonni Karly, 970-433-1403.

**SANCTUARY WOOD POLISHING:** It is time for Murphy's Oil and furniture polish! We will be dusting and cleaning in the Sanctuary Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at 9AM. Please come join us for a couple of hours of light exercise and good fellowship.

**TRUNK OR TREAT!** We need 10 church members and 10 school parents to decorate their vehicles for the Trunk or Treat Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> beginning at 4:30pm in the East parking lot next to 12<sup>th</sup> Street. The theme is Bible Stories. The treats will be provided to hand out to the children. Please call the church office if you will decorate your vehicle and participate in the TRUNK OR TREAT!

**CANDY, CANDY AND MORE CANDY!** Lots of candy is needed to make treat bags that will be filled with candy, book marks, and Messiah School brochure. The bags will be given away at the TRUNK OR TREAT, Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm. Please bring a bag of candy to the church office.

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR STARTS TODAY!!** This year the Book Fair runs from TODAY, October 8 through Sunday, October 15 and will be open before and after school (7:15-7:50am, 3:00-3:30pm). You can also attend the Book Fair on the two Sundays (8th/15th) after both services (8:00am/10:30am). All Scholastic dollars earned will go towards expanding classroom libraries. **ALSO, VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO HELP RUN THE BOOK FAIR!** You can go online at [www.scholastic.com/bf/messiahlutherangj](http://www.scholastic.com/bf/messiahlutherangj) to sign up or you can text/call Sylvia Knight at (714) 360-3811. See you at the Book Fair!!!

**FUN NIGHT** - It's about time to have a Fun Night! Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite pizza, homemade or store bought and dessert. Come and eat and play cribbage, Apples to Apples or your favorite game.

**CALLING ALL CRAFTERS!!** We will be hosting our fourth annual Craft Fair Saturday December 9th. The cost of a booth is \$60 and the money will go to our school scholarship program. We will take care of advertising for the event. Youth Group will hold their Annual Cookie walk and will serve lunch during the Fair. If you are interested in having a booth or in helping plan, setup, or clean up please contact Glacia Peck 245-2838. We are asking that this be a true craft fair and that all booths have homemade items. Last year we raised \$2,400 for the school scholarship fund and the youth raised \$645 toward their trip to the National Youth Gathering and over \$600 from their yummy bread bowl lunch!! Thank you for all your support and I hope you can join us for this day of FUN! Registration forms are available in the office.

**THRIVENT FINANCIAL POLICYHOLDER** - We need sponsors for Advent Soup Suppers. A sponsor, applies as an Action Team sponsor and once you are approved will be sent a \$250.00 credit card to pay for start-up expenses. If you would like to be a sponsor or have questions please call the church office.

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:**

5:00pm Joyful Praise Service: 51  
 8:00am Traditional Service: 87 10:30am Traditional Service: 102  
 Sunday School: Children 7 Teachers 5

**Calendar for the Week**

Sunday	8:00am	Divine Service/Communion
	9:30am	Scholastic Book Fair
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study/Sunday School
	10:30am	Divine Service/Communion
	12:00pm	Scholastic Book Fair
	<b>12:15pm</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation</b>
	5:00pm	Youth Group/Studts Pumpkin Patch
	5:00pm	Ordinary Lutheran Bible Study/2920 Elm #3/ John Moseman
Monday	7:15am	Scholastic Book Fair
	9:00am	Morning Ladies Bible Study/Proverbs/Fellowship
	5:30pm	Board of Finance
	6:30pm	"A Life in Christ"/Pastor Redeker/Library
	7:00pm	Joy Circle/Fellowship Hall
	7:00pm	Good News Evening Bible Study/Bud & Anita Neuberger's Home
	7:00pm	Scholastic Book Fair
Tuesday	9:00am	All Day Quilt Tying/Fellowship Hall
	9:30am	Office Staff Meeting
	3:15pm	School Faculty Meeting
	5:00pm	Volleyball Game
	7:00pm	Church Council
	7:15am	Scholastic Book Fair
Wednesday	8:00am	Weekly Announcement deadline
	8:30am	Chapel
	12:15pm	Brown Bag Bible Study/Matt Powell/ John
	3:15pm	Kingdom Kids Choir (1 <sup>st</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup> grade)
	5:00pm	Volleyball Game Away
	7:00pm	Adult Choir
	7:15am	Scholastic Book Fair
Thursday	3:15pm	Volleyball Practice
	7:00pm	LWML Guild Executive Board Meeting
	7:15am	Scholastic Book Fair
Friday	-----	Pastor Redeker's Day Off
	11:00am	School Early Dismissal
	9:00am	Sanctuary Wood Polishing
Saturday	5:00pm	Joyful Praise/Sanctuary
	8:00am	Divine Service/Communion
Sunday	9:30am	Scholastic Book Fair
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study/Sunday School Kickoff
	10:30am	Divine Service/Communion
	12:00pm	Scholastic Book Fair
	12:15pm	5 <sup>th</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation
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