

Announcements

January 7, 2018

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - TODAY, January 7th at 9:30am at the beginning of Adult Bible Study. We will discuss what benefits to offer to an Assistant Pastor. If you have questions please call Paul Yutzy, 970-210-0479.

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER ARTICLES ARE DUE BY Thursday, January 18, 2018 at 9:00am.

CALL COMMITTEE - Two call committees are being organized to call an Assistant Pastor and a teacher. Please call Paul Yutzy, 970-210-0479 or the church office if you desire to serve the Lord on one of these committees.

POINSETTIAS - Please remember to pick up your poinsettia after late service Today. Thank you for sharing your beautiful poinsettia with your fellow Christians!

PLEASE HELP - Sunday, January 7th at 1:00pm please come and help take the Christmas tree and the other decorations down.

MID-MONTH SERVICE - Pastor Redeker will begin the mid-month divine service on Tuesday, January 16th, at 10:30am. This service will include Holy Communion and will be accompanied on the piano by Lonni Karly. The hope is to provide transportation to our shut ins and encourage them to attend. If you miss the weekend service this would also be an opportunity to worship. If you would like to help provide transportation please call the church office, 245-2838.

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

LINE OF CREDIT - 2 Corinthians 9:7 - "Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." Your gifts to repay the Line of Credit totaled \$6,600. Thanks be to God.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT - "*And John preached, saying, 'After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie.'*" (Mark 1:7). John is right: Jesus is immensely greater than any of us, yet behold how He came to serve! That is the upside down, outlandish grace of God: the innocent Jesus takes our sinner's place. This is the greatest act of giving the world has ever known or will know: The Father gives His Son to die in the place of sinners. (from the LCMS Stewardship website). -The Board of Stewardship.

ADOPT A FAMILY - We would love to give the gift of a Christian education to families that cannot afford to send their child(ren) to Messiah. If you can ADOPT a family, in part or whole, please put your love gift in the offering marked scholarship. All donations will be matched.

ALTAR GUILD - It is with great joy and thankful hearts that we can announce the changing of the Altar Guild chair and co-chair. We thank both Laura Ryden and Regina Howell for graciously accepting this blessed way of serving Our Lord. We want to thank each and every one who has volunteered through the years to help with the preparation of both set-up and clean-up of communion. We pray that each of you will continue to serve the Lord in this way! It has been a great privilege to work with each of you and get to know you and love you all. We'll always be a part of the Altar Guild as the Lord wills. Thank you all with God's Peace and our love. Anita Neuberger and Linda Romersberger

URGENT NEED COMMUNION SETUP AND CLEANUP - The Holy Communion sign up sheet is in need of people to help for next year in setting up and cleaning up of communion. **The month of April and May is open and is the most urgent.** Please prayerfully consider helping. We are more than willing to train or help in anyway. If you have any questions please call, Anita Neuberger, 263-4251 or Linda Romersberger, 242-7111.

URGENT NEED FOR GREETERS - January needs a greeter at 8:00am. A grateful thank you to all who greeted in 2017. If you have any questions, please call me at 243-1604. In His Service, Betty Crinklaw

ATTENTION ALL LADIES: January General LWML Guild Meeting, a Soup Luncheon, will be on Saturday, January 13th at 11:00 am. Please plan to attend.

YOUTH GROUP - We will meet Sunday, January 14th in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us from 3:00pm to 4:30pm for fellowship! Call Glacia Peck at 245-2838 if you have questions.

LIFE! HERE WE STAND! DO WE? Saturday, January 20th, is Mesa County Right to Life walk at 12:00 (noon) beginning at the old Courthouse on 6th & Rood. The LCMS has UNCONDITIONALLY supported LIFE, from the

moment of conception through natural death. Will we stand with the LCMS and Pro-Life Christians or remain silent?

RUTH CIRCLE LADIES- Tuesday the 16th is our first circle meeting of the new year hope to see all of you there. We will be meeting at 3:30 pm in the fellowship hall at church. If you have questions please call Helen Bonner at 241-3417.

LYDIA LWML CIRCLE - We will meet on Tuesday, January 16th at 7:00pm. All are welcome.

DORCAS LWML CIRCLE - We will meet Thursday, January 18th, at 1:00pm for Bible Study in the library. Please bring grocery items for Messiah Pantry.

LUNCH BUNCH - January Prayer Partner Lunch Bunch will be **Friday, January 19th**, at 11:30am. Please join us after lunch when the winner in the **PLUNGE, DROWN OUT HUNGER** contest will be announced and the winner will take the plunge.

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY - at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall is led by Pastor Redeker.

MONDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE STUDY - We will meet on Monday mornings at 9:00am. Join us for studying "Proverbs" and fellowship in the Library. 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.

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.

2018 OFFERING ENVELOPES can be picked up in the narthex. If you currently do not have offering envelopes, and would like to have some, or if you have envelopes and do not use them please let the Church office know.

CHURCH LIBRARY - Do you have any lingering doubts about creation/evolution? Check out the 4 books in the church library titled "The New Answers Book" written by Ken Ham, they are full of questions and answers about creation, evolution, and the Bible. There are 4 volumes, all with the same title. These books provide well documented answers to tough questions asked by unbelievers as well as Christians. The books can be found in category #10.

DEAR FELLOW MEMBERS OF MESSIAH - Thank you to everyone for their outstanding response to the 2017 Bakeless Bake Sale. I wanted to notify you of changes we made from the list that was formed and voted. We had reserved \$350.00 for Pastor's stoll to match the new green paraments, and \$80.80 for a new cassock black size 14 for the acolytes. We also had funds left over as we did not have total amount needed for the last item for home projects. Pastor Redeker came to our guild meeting expressing his desire to update acolyte robes and that he already had a stoll (it matches well) so he felt that it was something we did not need at this time. We voted to combine all the funds, \$350.00, \$80.80, and \$325.70 and turn them to the Alter committee to do as Pastor desires. As we form our list for 2018 I thought this information should be shared. Keep 2018 projects coming to Becky in the office. Amount needed and how it will help educate or just fill a need as we continue to support many ways of mission in our Lord's name. Thank you, Messiah Members. Marilyn Yoder

GIVING TREE - Thank you to everyone who gave to the Giving Tree it was a blessing to our families of Messiah Church and School. The gifts and cash donations were very much appreciated.

THANK YOU - A great big "Thank You" for all the prayers, cards, telephone calls, visits, and other special acts of kindness during my recent stay in the hospital. All were much appreciated and certainly expedited my recovery. Love in Christ Jesus, Marilyn Grafe

THANK YOU - The Quilt Ladies were over joyed to receive the sewing machines that were donated. The machines will be lovingly used to make many quilts for our missions. Thank you so much to the donors.

BAKELESS BAKE SALE - Ladies Guild is collecting ideas for the Bakeless Bake Sale projects. If you would like to propose a mission project to be considered, please submit a written proposal in an envelope marked Bakeless Bake Sale and drop them off in the church office. Marilyn Yoder, Chairman

TAKE THE PLUNGE, DROWN OUT HUNGER! Our total count so far is 2,162 items! We've only just begun the challenge! Mr. Hobus is leading the pack with 751 items. Mr. Miller isn't far behind with 743. Pastor Redeker is now lagging behind at 668 items. How about an incentive???

If we can reach 3,000 items...2 men will "Take the Plunge!"

If we can reach 5,000 items...ALL 3 will "Take the Plunge!"

Keep bringing in those items...everything helps!

Canned meat, veggies, fruit, beans, rice, boxed meals, cereal, crackers, soup, peanut butter, toothpaste, shampoo, toilet paper, etc.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS - Thrivent members do not forget to direct your Choice Dollars® to the church general fund or to the school scholarship fund. You have two easy options to direct your Choice Dollars:

Online at www.thrivent.com or by calling 800-847-4836.

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

5:00pm Joyful Praise Service: N/A

8:00am Traditional Service: 80 10:30am 99

Sunday School: Children Teachers

Calendar for the Week

Sunday	8:00am	Divine Service/Communion
	9:30am	Special Congregational Meeting
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study/Sunday School
	10:30am	Divine Service/Communion
	12:15pm	NO 5 th - 8 th Grade Confirmation
	1:00pm	Take Down Christmas Decorations
Monday	-----	NO School
	5:30pm	Board of Finance
	7:00pm	JOY Circle
	7:00pm	Good News Evening Bible Study/Prayer/Bud & Anita Neuberger's home
Tuesday	9:00am	Quilt Ladies/Fellowship Hall
	9:30am	Office Staff Meeting
	10:00am	Winkle/Fellowship Hall
	3:15pm	School Faculty Meeting
	7:00pm	Church Council
Wednesday	8:00am	Weekly Announcement deadline
	8:30am	Chapel
	12:15pm	Brown Bag Bible Study/Matt Powell/John
	7:00pm	Adult Choir
Thursday	-----	
Friday	-----	Pastor Redeker's Day Off
Saturday	11:00am	LWML Ladies Guild/Soup Luncheon/Fellowship Hall
	5:00pm	Joyful Praise/Sanctuary/Communion
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