

Announcements

September 2, 2018

CHURCH OFFICE - the church office will be closed Monday, September 3rd, for Labor Day.

TEACHER NOMINATIONS: With the beginning of a new school year, we have been given the opportunity to nominate outstanding staff members here at Messiah for awards they will be receiving at a conference in October. It would be remarkable to have Messiah represented as winners of each award. The categories are "Lutheran Early Childhood Director of the Year;" "Lutheran Educator of the Year;" and "Lutheran Administrator of the Year." If you would like to nominate someone please fill out the form supplied in the narthex and return it by Tuesday, September 4th.

THE NEWLY RE-FORMED MESSIAH MEN'S MINISTRY GROUP meets on the first and third Thursdays of each month at 7:00 pm in the multipurpose room. **Join us on Thursday, September 6th for our first meeting.** We will be starting with some materials provided by Lutheran Hour Ministries and then enjoying discussion and fellowship. This group is a wonderful opportunity to share time and talents amongst the congregation and the community. Please call Matt Powell at 270-3637, or Pastor Redeker at the church office, with any questions.

GUEST PRESENTER, Sue Hart, DCE, a ministry consultant with Bethesda Lutheran Communities will conduct Bible Study on Sunday, September 9th. Sue will also have a 90-minute workshop after 10:30am service Sunday, September 9th. There will be a potluck before the workshop begins. Please register with Shelly Lewis, 970-216-5414 or Linda Peterson, 970-243-6467 or the church office if planning to attend the workshop.

MID-MONTH SERVICE - The Mid-Month Service will be Tuesday, September 11th, at 10:30 am. If you miss the Divine Service the previous or following weekends, or if you work Sundays, please consider joining us.

NEW MEMBER CLASS - With the new season, there will be a **New Member Class!!!** Wednesday nights at 7:00PM from September 12th through November 14th, Pastor Redeker and I will be leading an adult instruction class. Whether you want to just brush up on your knowledge, grow in your relationship with God, or become a new member; grab a friend and attend this long-awaited study. (Both members and nonmembers are welcome.)

DAD'S NIGHT OUT (WITH THE KIDS) - FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14th, 6:00PM. All dads from school and/or congregation are invited to come and bring their kids for a fun evening of playing cornhole/bags, snacks & drinks. Get to know other dads, form a team and enjoy the fellowship. Are you a single mom? No problem! We will have some awesome dads and grandpas who would love to adopt your kids for the evening. Please call the church office and tell us how many are coming. Looking forward to seeing you all there!

SENIOR YOUTH - Next required National Youth Gathering meeting is Wednesday, September 5th at 6:30pm. *Senior High* youth group (9th-12th grade) will meet Thursdays from 5-7PM in the Youth (Multipurpose) Room!!! We will have games, dinner, and a Bible Study. *Junior High* youth group (5th-8th grade) will meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 3PM in the Youth Room. **Starting in September, both youth groups will meet together on the last Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm for Taco Tuesday!!!!**

24TH ANNUAL ADULT GATHERING - September 24-25th, the Rocky Mountain District is hosting their 24th Annual Adult Gathering!!! Hear one of my role models, Rev. Dr. Dale Meyer, the President of the St. Louis seminary who wisely taught me to "always go for the joke!!!" You'll also be able to have fellowship with other Lutherans from the surrounding area and enjoy your time in Lakewood at Bethlehem Lutheran. There are a few other keynote speakers as well with a theme flowing from the book of Ephesians (4:11-13): Equipping God's People for Ministry in Christ. Ask me about registering by mail by September 17th. --Pastor Schmidt

BERKELEY HIGH SCHOOL TRIP - Don't miss our Berkeley Debrief Sunday!!! A few of the High School students will be discussing their mission trip and spiritual growth with us on September 16th during the 9:30AM Bible Study. Senior High will also continue meeting at 9:30AM the other Sundays as Pastor Schmidt will begin to walk through the Bible with them starting on September 23rd.

LWML GUILD MEETING - will be Thursday, September 13th, at 7:00pm. Ladies of Messiah are invited to attend for fellowship and the Word. Circle meetings will also begin in September.

CALLING ALL SISTERS IN CHRIST - Join us, LWML Fall Rally on Saturday, September 15th, 8:30am at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 652 East 5th St., Rifle, Colorado. There will be a registration fee of \$5.00. Fellowship and fun, a delicious lunch, and an uplifting Bible Study! Gifts of the Heart will be collected and go to the Emmanuel Lutheran Preschool. Items needed: pom-poms, paper plates, stickers, coffee filters, and many other items, see the list on the bulletin board. If you would like to carpool please call Marsha Brodak, 970-243-7647 or Helen Bonner, 970-241-3417.

GREETER COORDINATOR - We're looking for smiling faces to greet people on Sunday mornings!!! Some days it's tough enough to make it to church (constantly fighting our own sin and flesh) and seeing a happy and welcoming face can make all the difference!!! Thank you, Betty Crinklaw, for being that face, please contact the office on a weekday if you can help out!!

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT - "Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people' " (Deuteronomy 4:6). There is no wiser, more fulfilling life than a life lived according to the Word of God. We should be encouraged by this when the world tempts us to think that the Word of God is harmful to us. Our Father loves us; so all His Word is meant to bless us. (from the LCMS Stewardship website) -The Board of Stewardship

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY class to be held on Thursdays, 6:00 - 8:00 pm Sept. 20 -Nov. 15, 2018; there will be a 20 min preview at 6:00 pm on Thurs., Sept. 13th in the Fellowship Hall. Cost (for printed materials) is \$109/ family unit. To sign up, go to the Messiah website [<http://www.messiahlutherangj.org>] and click on the "Enroll Now" button to go to the Financial Peace University the registration page. Anyone who has not been through the class before needs to click on the "I need to purchase materials" box to complete their registration & pay. If you're interested in learning more about the group, contact Stacy Krizman (208-2345), Harold Larsen (314-5610), or the church office (245-2838). (Board of Stewardship)

TREASURER'S REPORT - Eph. 3: 20-21 "Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think. . . to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen." God delights in exceeding expectations and in pouring out mercies in abundance. This truth stands in contrast to our fears about lacking what we need for "this body and life." We have an abundantly blessing God who has proven His love for us on the cross. How could we not trust Him? How could we not respond to His love with generosity and a desire to imitate Him in blessing others? (LCMS Stewardship Ministry - Resources)

As of August 15, we were almost current with our bills, the only outstanding accounts were for payroll liabilities (taxes, etc.) in the amount of \$997.51. However, we must remember that we had five (5) Sundays in July, and school registration the beginning of August, which provided an influx of revenue that will not be sustained with our current level of giving. As of July 31st, we had paid \$10,035.28 less in expense than was budgeted. This was because we had not paid several bills (District Support, Mortgage, Gas & Electric, etc). Other than the District Support, these were made current after school registration. Please remember that our work plan indicates that we will have monthly expenses of \$7,899.53 more than our monthly income. Prayfully consider what we can do to reconcile that short fall, and please continue to pray that we would have the financial ability to carry out the missions that God has chosen for us here at Messiah.

MESSIAH CHURCH FAMILY, We have welcomed back 111 students and their families for another year of learning and growing! We are excited to see familiar faces as well as MANY new ones! Just a reminder that our students and staff need your constant prayer and support. We would love for EACH FAMILY that attends Messiah to partner with us again this year and join us in our efforts of training up these children in the way that they should go, according to the Lord.

Are you able to help us and be a Prayer Partner this year? Make sure you look to see all the children's faces on the Narthex wall. Take one, or two, and remember to sign your name next to theirs on their class list! Please refrain from taking more than two, so that all of our member's families have the opportunity to pray for someone in our school.

Keep in mind, your only “job/responsibility/commitment” is to pray for whomever you choose. However, we want to build relationships through this program. If you are a Prayer Partner, you WILL BE invited to come eat lunch with the children once a month, usually the 2nd Friday @11:30am, at our “Prayer Partner Lunch Bunch.” Our first LUNCH BUNCH will be September 14th, in the Fellowship Hall. The children LOVE getting to know you!!! All you need to do is bring your own lunch, or order Hot Lunch, come and sit with your Prayer Partner and chat with them. What wonderful examples you can be to our children! We thank you for supporting all of us and our students. May God bless you each richly as you prayerfully consider joining us as a Prayer Partner this school year! Tessa Miller on behalf of The Messiah Church and School Staff

MOSES - The Sight and Sound Theatres in Branson, MO and Lancaster County, PA have released their stage production, Moses, in movie theaters on September 13 and 15. Evening shows, 6:30, Sat. Matinee 12:55. Grand Junction Regal Theater will be showing it. Go to MosesEvent.com to purchase tickets.

NEED: YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS! We emailed the newsletter for August. If you did not receive the newsletter we need your email. Please do not assume that we have your email. **If you do not give us an email you will not get a newsletter.** We will make sure that our shut-ins receive them.

GREETERS NEEDED - Greeters are needed for the month of October through December. 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.

WOMEN'S RETREAT - Mark your calendars for October 19 - 20. Deb Burma will be our speaker. Deb has a passion for sharing Christ's redeeming love in a creative, engaging style, touching the hearts of women, meeting them in the moments of their everyday lives, and engaging them in God's Word.

MONDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE STUDY - We will resume our study of John on September 17th at 9:00am in the Library. All ladies of all ages are invited to come and feed on God's Word and enjoy fellowship. If you need more information call Marsha Brodak at 970-243-7647.

MONDAY NIGHT GOOD NEWS BIBLE STUDY - We will resume our study of Abraham on September 10th at 7:00pm. If you need more information call Anita at 263-4251.

WEDNESDAY BROWN BAG BIBLE STUDY - Brown Bag Lunch has been such a treat this summer as we walked through the Gospel of John together!! With a new season beginning, Matt Powell will be back to lead the class Wednesdays from 12:15-1PM starting September 19th. Grab lunch and meet him down in the Fellowship Hall where we will begin discussing the book of Acts together!!! That same day, September 19th, I will also be starting a Pastor-Led lecture from 11AM-Noon on Wednesdays also covering the book of Acts!!!! ---Pastor Josh Schmidt

MAVERICKS OF MESSIAH - We meet on Thursday evenings, at 7:00pm at the Beet Room in the Four Winds Coffee Shop.

FRIDAY MORNING GOOD NEWS BIBLE STUDY - We will meet on Friday mornings at 9:30am at the home of Virginia Saunders, 1203-B Club Court. If you need more information call Virginia at 970-245-8218.

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.

CHURCH CALENDAR - “Pastor Redeker and I would love to share our schedules with you whenever you would like to plan a meeting. It is also important that our congregation is able to organize as they utilize the different rooms and facilities in our wonderful church and school. To make this possible, please contact the office when scheduling times and places for meetings (on week days) as we build up the body of Christ together.”

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

5:00pm Joyful Praise Service: 26 8:00am Traditional Service: 86
10:30am 131

Calendar for the Week

Sunday	8:00am	Divine Service/Communion
	9:30am	Adult Bible Class/Fellowship Hall Children's Ministry
	10:30am	Divine Service/Communion
Monday	-----	Pastor Schmidt's Day Off
	9:00am	NO Monday Morning Ladies Bible Study/Library
	7:00pm	NO Good News Evening Bible Study
Tuesday	9:00am	Quilt Ladies/Fellowship Hall
	9:30am	Office Staff Meeting
	3:15pm	School Faculty Meeting
	3:15pm	Volleyball Practice
	5:30pm	Board of Evangelism
	7:00pm	Board of Elders
Wednesday	8:00am	Weekly Bulletin Announcement deadline
	8:30am	Chapel
	12:15pm	Brown Bag Bible Study/Pastor Schmidt/1 John
	3:15pm	Volleyball Practice
	4:00pm	5/6 Confirmation Class/Pastor Schmidt
	5:00pm	7/8 Confirmation Class/Pastor Schmidt
	6:00pm	PTL Meeting/Fellowship Hall
	6:30pm	National Youth Gathering Meeting
Thursday	11:00am	Board of Stewardship
	3:15pm	Volleyball Practice
	5:00pm	Senior Youth/Youth Room
	7:00pm	Men's Network
	7:00pm	Mavericks of Messiah/Four Winds
Friday	-----	Pastor Redeker's Day Off
	9:30am	Good News Bible Study/Virginia Saunder's Home
Saturday	5:00pm	Joyful Praise/Communion/Sanctuary
Sunday	8:00am	Divine Service/Communion
	9:30am	Sue Hart, DCE Bethesda/Fellowship Hall Children's Ministry
	10:30am	Divine Service/Communion
	12:30pm	Potluck & Bethesda Workshop/Fellowship Hall
	3:00pm	Junior Youth/Youth Room