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The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
(September 27, 2020)

† **DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE** †

Greeting & Announcements

Opening Hymn	““As Surely as I Live,” God Said”	LSB 614 vv. 1-4
1	“As surely as I live,” God said, “I would not see the sinner dead. I want him turned from error’s ways, Repentant, living endless days.”	
2	And so our Lord gave this command: “Go forth and preach in ev’ry land; Bestow on all My pard’ning grace Who will repent and mend their ways.	
3	“All those whose sins you thus remit I truly pardon and acquit, And those whose sins you will retain Condemned and guilty shall remain.	
4	“What you will bind, that bound shall be; What you will loose, that shall be free; To My dear Church the keys are giv’n To open, close the gates of heav’n.”	

Confession and Absolution p 184

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation p 184

P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Exhortation p 184

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our
sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus
Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

- C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

† SERVICE OF THE WORD †

Introit

Ps. 147:1-5; antiphon: Ps. 147:6



The LORD lifts up the | humble;*
 he casts the wicked | to the ground.
 Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises | to our God;*
 for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is | fitting.
 The LORD builds up Je- | rusalem;*
 he gathers the outcasts of | Israel.
 He heals the broken- | hearted*
 and binds | up their wounds.
 He determines the number | of the stars;*
 he gives to all of | them their names.
 Great is our Lord, and abun- | dant in power;*
 his understanding is beyond | measure.
 Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
 and to the Holy | Spirit;
 as it was in the be- | ginning,*
 is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
 The LORD lifts up the | humble;*
 he casts the wicked | to the ground.

Kyrie

- C** Lord, have mercy upon us.
 Christ, have mercy upon us.
 Lord, have mercy upon us.

P Glory be to God on high,
 C and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.
 We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee.
 we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
 O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.
 O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
 Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon
 us.
 For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.
 C And with thy spirit.
 P Let us pray.
 Almighty God, You exalted Your Son to the place of all honor and
 authority. Enlighten our minds by Your Holy Spirit that, confessing Jesus as
 Lord, we may be led into all truth; through the same Jesus Christ, our
 Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and
 forever.
 C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

¹The word of the LORD came to me: ²“What do you mean by repeating this
 proverb concerning the land of Israel, ‘The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and
 the children’s teeth are set on edge’? ³As I live, declares the Lord GOD, this
 proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. ⁴Behold, all souls are mine; the
 soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is mine: the soul who sins shall
 die.

²⁵“Yet you say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ Hear now, O house of Israel:
 Is my way not just? Is it not your ways that are not just? ²⁶When a righteous
 person turns away from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it;
 for the injustice that he has done he shall die. ²⁷Again, when a wicked person
 turns away from the wickedness he has committed and does what is just and
 right, he shall save his life. ²⁸Because he considered and turned away from all
 the transgressions that he had committed, he shall surely live; he shall not die.
²⁹Yet the house of Israel says, ‘The way of the Lord is not just.’ O house of
 Israel, are my ways not just? Is it not your ways that are not just?

³⁰“Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, declares the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions, lest iniquity be your ruin. ³¹Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? ³²For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Lord GOD; so turn, and live.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Philippians 2:1-18

¹So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, ²complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. ⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

¹²Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, ¹³for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

¹⁴Do all things without grumbling or questioning, ¹⁵that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, ¹⁶holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. ¹⁷Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all.

¹⁸Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:23-32

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

²³ When [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came up to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?"

²⁴ Jesus answered them, "I also will ask you one question, and if you tell me the answer, then I also will tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵The baptism of John, from where did it come? From heaven or from man?" And they discussed it among themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' ²⁶But if we say, 'From man,' we are afraid of the crowd, for they all hold that John was a prophet." ²⁷So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.

²⁸"What do you think? A man had two sons. And he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' ²⁹And he answered, 'I will not,' but afterward he changed his mind and went. ³⁰And he went to the other son and said the same. And he answered, 'I go, sir,' but did not go. ³¹Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you. ³²For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. And even when you saw it, you did not afterward change your minds and believe him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

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C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary

and was made man;
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
 He suffered and was buried.
 And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
 and ascended into heaven
 and sits at the right hand of the Father.
 And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the
 dead,
 whose kingdom will have no end.
 And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the Lord and giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
 who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and
 glorified,
 who spoke by the prophets.
 And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
 and I look for the resurrection of the dead
 and the life † of the world to come. Amen.

Children's Message

"Amazing Grace"

Cal Diedrich

Sermon Hymn

"As Surely as I Live," God Said"

LSB 614 vv. 5-8

- 5 The words which absolution give
 Are His who died that we might live;
 The minister whom Christ has sent
 Is but His humble instrument.
- 6 When ministers lay on their hands,
 Absolved by Christ the sinner stands;
 He who by grace the Word believes
 The purchase of His blood receives.
- 7 All praise to You, O Christ, shall be
 For absolution full and free,
 In which You show Your richest grace;
 From false indulgence guard our race.

STAND 8

Praise God the Father and the Son
 And Holy Spirit, Three in One,
 As was, is now, and so shall be
 World without end, eternally!

Sermon

“It Comes From the Heart”

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

Offering

Offertory

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C Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

† SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT †

Preface

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P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up unto the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

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C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Lord's Prayer

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C Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass

against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever.
Amen.

The Words of Our Lord p 197

Pax Domini p 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei p 198

C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Distribution

Distribution Hymns "Crown Him with Many Crowns" LSB 525

1 Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless king
Through all eternity.

2 Crown Him the virgin's Son,
The God incarnate born,
Whose arm those crimson trophies won
Which now His brow adorn:
Fruit of the mystic rose,
Yet of that rose the stem,
The root whence mercy ever flows,
The babe of Bethlehem.

3 Crown Him the Lord of love.
Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified.
No angels in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bend their wond'ring eyes
At mysteries so bright.

4 Crown Him the Lord of life,
Who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save.
His glories now we sing,
Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die.

5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n,
Enthroned in worlds above,
Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n
The wondrous name of Love.
Crown Him with many crowns
As thrones before Him fall;
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns,
For He is king of all.

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

LSB 641

ref You satisfy the hungry heart
With gift of finest wheat.
Come give to us, O saving Lord,
The bread of life to eat.

1 As when the shepherd calls his sheep,
They know and heed his voice;
So when You call Your fam'ly, Lord,
We follow and rejoice. Refrain.

2 With joyful lips we sing to You
Our praise and gratitude
That You should count us worthy, Lord,
To share this heav'nly food. Refrain.

- 3 Is not the cup we bless and share
 The blood of Christ outpoured?
 Do not one cup, one loaf, declare
 Our oneness in the Lord? Refrain.
- 4 The myst'ry of Your presence, Lord,
 No mortal tongue can tell:
 Whom all the world cannot contain
 Comes in our hearts to dwell. Refrain.
- 5 You give Yourself to us, O Lord;
 Then selfless let us be,
 To serve each other in Your name
 In truth and charity. Refrain.

Communion Blessing

Nunc Dimittis

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- C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,
 for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared
 before the face of all people,
 a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.
 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without
 end. Amen.

Thanksgiving

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- P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
 C and His mercy endureth forever.

Salutation and Benedicamus

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- P The Lord be with you.
 C And with thy spirit.
 P Bless we the Lord.
 C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

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- P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.
 C Amen.

- 1
God's own child, I gladly say it:
I am baptized into Christ!
He, because I could not pay it,
Gave my full redemption price.
Do I need earth's treasures many?
I have one worth more than any
That brought me salvation free
Lasting to eternity!
- 2
Sin, disturb my soul no longer:
I am baptized into Christ!
I have comfort even stronger:
Jesus' cleansing sacrifice.
Should a guilty conscience seize me
Since my Baptism did release me
In a dear forgiving flood,
Sprinkling me with Jesus' blood?
- 3
Satan, hear this proclamation:
I am baptized into Christ!
Drop your ugly accusation,
I am not so soon enticed.
Now that to the font I've traveled,
All your might has come unraveled,
And, against your tyranny,
God, my Lord, unites with me!
- 4
Death, you cannot end my gladness:
I am baptized into Christ!
When I die, I leave all sadness
To inherit paradise!
Though I lie in dust and ashes
Faith's assurance brightly flashes:
Baptism has the strength divine
To make life immortal mine.
- 5
There is nothing worth comparing
To this lifelong comfort sure!
Open-eyed my grave is staring:
Even there I'll sleep secure.
Though my flesh awaits its raising,
Still my soul continues praising:
I am baptized into Christ;
I'm a child of paradise!

17th Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 21: September 27, 2020



It Comes From the Heart

“It’s not my fault!” I’ve said it. You’ve said it. No one likes to get blamed or punished when we’re in the right. But what about when we’re in the wrong? Are we as quick to admit it?

The people during Ezekiel’s day thought that God was punishing them because of the sins of their ancestors—and it wasn’t their fault! God needed to straighten them out.

- What is it about sinful natures that are quick to point out someone else’s sins, but not so quick to point it out when it’s our fault?
- The bigger the consequence of being at fault, the more we are prone to try to escape it. Why?
- People want to bring God’s definition of fairness DOWN to our level and definition. But God does NOT allow Himself to be examined or understood in that way. Why is this a *good* thing for us?
- Some of the ancient people viewed their position in such a way that there was no escaping the sins of their ancestors. “God’s going to get us anyway, so why bother trying.” This leads to the sin of despair. It’s a matter of the heart. Why is this thought wrong?
- Ezekiel 18 is the great chapter of *individual accountability* before God. Some of the people didn’t fully understand that God was going to judge *each one of them individually!* Again, this is a matter of the heart.
- Where do we see God’s heart? And, why is this important?

**The Worship Service Sunday Morning
September 27, 2020**

Preacher	Rev. Michael Redeker	
Liturgist	Rev. Joshua Schmidt	
Elders	Stephen Hildebrand, Boyd Arnold Duane Lofton, Matt Bonnell	8:00am 10:30am
Organist	Marilyn Smith	
Acolyte	“GG” Ammon, Addie Ritterbush Aaron Schultz, Ryan Schultz	8:00am 10:30am
Ushers	Doug Haynes, Ben Fay John Bruner, Dan Schield	8:00am 10:30am
Cantor	Sam Buchman	
Videographer	Glacia Peck	
Harmonica	Cal Diedrich	

These next few months are going to be tough for everyone.

But, we will get through it together by the grace of God.

**If you or someone you know is in Spiritual,
Physical, or any other need:**

We are here for you.

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Pastor Schmidt: (314) 261-3180

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Announcements
September 27, 2020

NOMINATING COMMITTEE- The annual election of congregational chairmen and board members, will be held at the November congregational meeting. We need two members of the congregation to serve on the nominating committee. If you would like to serve your Lord on the nominating committee, please contact Paul Yutzy at 210-0479 or the church office.

SR. HIGH EVENTS - Grades 9-12th are invited to help us **MAKE BREAKFAST BURRITOS** on Friday, October 2nd at 4:00pm. This is one of our *biggest* fundraisers to provide for the National Youth Gathering as well as other Youth Group Events. Then, later in October, we will have our **FALL LOCK-IN** on October 30th at 6PM to October 31st at 11AM. *We also need a volunteer to help coordinate food for our Sr. High Youth Group!!!* Contact Pastor Schmidt if interested.

LIFE CHAIN - Please join us for the Life Chain on Sunday, October 4th at 2:00pm here at Messiah Lutheran Church. The Life Chain is an annual event where people across the country stand in silent prayer and draw attention to the sanctity of life. We will also be rallying for Proposition 115 that would end late term abortion in Colorado. Sponsored by Mesa County Right to Life, Lutherans for Life, and Knights of Columbus.

"KIDS TALK" - Children up to Fourth Grade are invited to "Kids Talk" at our 10:30AM service, we will have a kid's

time with sermon video available in the library. This is **ONLY** during the sermon; kids will be invited out and back in. If they want to stay to hear Pastor, that's great!! But we're hoping this will especially help the extra squirmy ones reengage after sitting for so long.

THE LUKE2PROJECT is a fun and easy way to share the good news about Jesus in your everyday life. By wearing the LUKE2 shirts around, many conversations will start.

Read LUKE2 and become familiar enough with the story to say in your own words. The shirts and sweatshirts are available for order. Contact Arliss Bridgett (970-270-3517 or arlissbridgett@hotmail.com for ordering information) We hope everyone will wear the LUKE2 gear throughout Advent and at events. We are planning an event at the mall on Black Friday to help accomplish the goal of changing Black Friday into Brite Friday. We hope to have as many people as possible participate.

BATTLE READY MODULE 4: 7th-12th Graders and their families are welcome to join in the next Battle-Ready Module!!! These sessions continue on Sundays until **October 11th** at 9:30AM during the Sunday School hour!!! We are studying the 4th Petition of the Lord's Prayer; the Office of the Keys; and the 2nd Article of the Creed. A tangible assignment for this course will be to visit a courtroom or a jail as well as participating in private confession/absolution with a pastor.

“SECRET WEAPON” - Starting October 7th at 7PM: Join us for an 8-week study, as we read and discuss *A Gentle Answer: Our “Secret Weapon” in an Age of Us Against Them* by Scott Sauls. Among other things, we will study:

- how to turn away wrath by increasing our love for Christ (our example for responding gently to hostility),
- how to renew and soften our hearts, and
- give up the mentality of “us against them.”

This study dramatically contrasts with our culture’s continual anger, outrage, and attacks on those who think or believe differently than we do. You will be expected to obtain a hard-copy (ISBN 978-1-4002-1655-0) or e-version (ISBN 978-1-4002-1656-7) of the book before the Bible Study begins. You will also be expected to read, and highlight/take notes on/otherwise remember important points from one chapter per week in preparation for our group discussion. The study will be led by Kathy Reed, a professor at CMU, and held in person and online.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY IS BACK! - Wednesday at 11am-12 noon. Pastor Redeker and Pastor Schmidt are combining their Wednesday Bible studies into ONE Bible study. They will take turns each week teaching the class. This year we will go through the prophet Isaiah. We look forward to getting everyone back together again!!

MORNING MEN'S GROUP - Get the guys back together, bring your coffee and a donut, as we start up a *new* Morning Men's Group in the Fellowship Hall. We

will meet Thursday mornings from 6:30-7:15AM. In a Pastor Meyer-like fashion, join Pastor Schmidt as we read through Genesis verse-by-verse just discussing whatever may come to mind. If you're man enough, we'll see you there!!!

A NONGEOGRAPHICAL BIBLE STUDY!!!!
- Men's Network is breaking barriers and going online... aaand, *it's not just for men anymore!!!* Anyone may join in 6:30pm Thursdays. Pastor Redeker will lead you and others through-out the nation in the Word of God. Contact him for the Zoom link at: pastorr@messiahlutherangj.org

"HOW DO DINOSAURS FIT INTO THE BIBLE?" You are invited Thursday, **October 8th**, for the final session of "How Do Dinosaurs Fit Into the Bible" at 6:00-8:00PM!!! If you missed the class during Sunday School, don't worry, Scott will cover *everything in one night!!* Many Christians lose their faith when it is put to the test. And, one of the immediate trials that our youth face--even in Jr. and Sr. High--is that of the history of the dinosaur. Come find out how dinosaurs fit in our own Christian worldview with our Worldview teacher, Mr. Scott Mauser!!!

THANK YOU - I'd like to thank Pastor Redeker, Mary, and family, Pastor Schmidt and the wonderful staff and friends at Messiah for your prayers, cards, food, flowers, gifts and the love shown to me in the recent loss of my son Dan. Your support and kindness is overwhelming and I thank and praise God for each and every one of you! In Christ, Marilyn Smith

NAVAJO MISSIONS PROJECT - We need **DONATIONS** and **VOLUNTEERS** to help with the Navajo Missions Project. We are planning to send them Christmas costumes. This is our wish list: 12 twin, queen, or king size pillow cases, 6 flat white sheets twin or full size, 3 spools of thread of each color white, light blue, and beige, 3 tubes of E 6000 clear glue, 5 rolls of white duct tape, 5 packages of large gems with flat backs, 5 packages of white garland, 4 packages of ¼ inch elastic, lots of ½ inch cord. We need to make enough costumes for 20 children ages 3-16. Donations can be dropped off at the church office. **We will have workdays on October 3rd and 10th, starting at 9:00am.** Plan to bring a snack and a drink for yourself. Financial assistance will also be needed to ship the costumes to the Navajo Nation. If you have questions please contact Lynn Jolley, 970-234-2323 or Lois MacDonald, 970-245-4749. Thank you for your prayers and assistance with this Missions Project.

WE ARE BLESSED!!! God has truly blessed us in so many ways. He has given us passionate volunteers; selfless janitors; amazing teachers; unity in our church and school; a new gym floor; and the list could go on forever... beginning and ending with the divine love and sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross. In October we will be celebrating the new driveway *and* playground God has provided for us (through estate/legacy giving as well as fundraising). Join us for this celebration outside and online at **10:30AM October 18th to dedicate**

the driveway and during chapel Wednesday, October 21st, to dedicate the playground with the kids!!

JOIN THE QUILT LADIES - We welcome anyone who is interested in joining our quilting group. We are not only making quilts, we are also having fun and making friends and learning from each other. No sewing experience is needed. We meet every Tuesday at 9:00am to sew and assemble quilts. More hands are especially needed for tying quilts, please come, and join us!

QUILT LADIES - We have just sent off 45 quilts to the Orphan Grain Train. Thank you to Bill and Betsy Brodak for delivering the quilts to Orphan Grain Train. A special thank you to Carolyn Baker who has made several quilt deliveries to Orphan Grain Train for us.

GIFT PLANNING - If there is just one thing that you can give to your family, what would that one thing be? Hopefully, your heart quickly settles on inheritance in God's house, anchored by being children of the Heavenly Father through His Son Jesus. Your end of (earthly) life planning enables you to focus your attention on what really matters in your family relationships. You may want to write that down in a family blessing or Christian preamble to your will. Your Messiah Gift Planning Counselor can help. Contact Jason Jones at Jason.Jones@lfnd.org or call him directly at (970) 988-0305.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT - "But if we say, 'From man,' we are afraid of the crowd ..." (Matthew 21:26). Foolish Pharisees! They fear men more than they fear God, and so they miss out on the great blessing of knowing Jesus and His love. All our sins are like this: we fear something more than we fear God. And how foolish that is! Just think of the blessings we miss out on whenever we place our fear or trust in something other than God. (from the LCMS Stewardship website) -The Board of Stewardship

MESSIAH'S RADIO MINISTRY-Pastor Redeker's sermons can be heard on Sunday mornings at 8:30am -9:00am on 1100AM/KNZZ radio station. If you would like to be a sponsor for this ministry contact the church office, 970-245-2838.

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

ONLINE GIVING - Click online giving on the front page of our website www.messiahlutherangj.org to set up reoccurring offering or a onetime donation.

HOLY COMMUNION SET UP AND CLEAN UP FOR WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICES OF 2020 -need volunteers. Our thanks to those who have previously given generously of their

2020 Yard Sale Disbursements

Total Sales	\$10,828.00
Square Fees	-\$30.00
Lunches and Supplies	-\$295.00
Advertising	-\$52.00
A-Frame Signs	-\$360.00
Movie Camera Project for Online Service	-\$406.00
School	-\$1,000.00
Preschool	-\$200.00
Youth	-\$500.00
Campus	
Ministries	-\$500.00
Nursery Roll	-\$300.00
Luke 2 Project	-\$500.00
Playground	
Fencing	-\$4,300.00
Security Camera System	-\$1,000.00
COVID cleaning handheld	
Pur*One	-\$875.00
tablets for a Year	-\$425.00
Fine tuning on A-Frame Signs	-\$85.00
	<u>\$0.00</u>

time in service to our Lord. Contact Laura Ryden, 970-260-6766 for more information.

September Income:

Week of Sept. 14-Sept. 20	\$ 9,204.88
Weekly need	20,386.00
Month to date	63,518.44
Monthly need	88,342.00

Calendar for the Week

Sunday	8:00am	Divine Service/Communion/Facebook Live
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study
	9:30am	Battle Ready Module 4/7 th - 12 th Families
	10:30am	Divine Service/Communion/Kids Talk
Monday	9:00am	Office Staff Meeting
	3:15pm	School Faculty Meeting
Tuesday	9:00am	Quilt Ladies/Fellowship Hall
	5:30pm	Senior Youth/Youth Room
	6:00pm	Board of Evangelism
Wednesday	8:00am	Weekly Bulletin Announcement deadline
	8:30am	School Chapel
	11:00am	Wednesday Bible Class/Isaiah
	4:30pm	Campus Ministry/Four Winds
	6:00pm	Church/Communion
Thursday	6:30am	Men's Morning Bible Study/Fellowship Hall
	6:30pm	Online Bible Study
Friday	-----	Pastor Redeker's Day Off
	-----	Pastor Schmidt's Day Off
	4:00pm	Sr. Youth Making Breakfast Burritos
Saturday	9:00am	Navajo Mission Project/Fellowship Hall
Sunday	8:00am	Divine Service/Communion/Facebook Live
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study
	9:30am	Battle Ready Module 4/7 th - 12 th
	10:30am	Divine Service/Communion/Kids Talk
	2:00pm	Life Chain

Please remember to let the office know of any changes of individuals that you have placed on the Prayer List.

**CELEBRATE LWML SUNDAY AND MESA COUNTY LIFE CHAIN
OCTOBER 4 BEGINNING AT 2:00PM AT MESSIAH!**

NEW!! Baby Onesie makes a thoughtful gift for the newbies in our congregation or an appreciated gift for New Moms at Birthright and Pregnancy Center.



Sizes 6-month, 12 month, 18 month \$10 #LWML10062MM

Order one for a family member and/or donate one/both for a new Mom at Birthright and Pregnancy Center. Place orders at: www.lwml.org/store or by phone at 800-325-3040. Contact Beth Weber for more information, 970-361-0794. <https://s3.amazonaws.com/media.cph.org/images/product/xxl/lwml10062m.jpg>



\$2 Burrito or 12 for \$20

All proceeds go to Messiah's youth group trip to the National Youth Gathering, in Houston, July 2022

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

Burritos will be ready for pick up after services or Sunday, October 4th.
They will also be available after school Monday October 5th.

NAME: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

PICK UP TIME _____

_____ Sausage Burrito

_____ Sausage Burrito with bacon

_____ No Meat Burrito

_____ Total order

_____ Total amount due