

Announcements November 28th, 2021

THE ALTAR FLOWERS WERE GIVEN TODAY To the glory of God in honor of Gary Anderson's 80th birthday!

FAREWELL LUNCH FOR PASTOR SCHMIDT- Please join us **TODAY** at 1:00pm for a Farewell Lunch Potluck to celebrate Pastor Schmidt. Please bring a side dish to share. We will have an umbrella set up for cards and money donations. Let's shower him with LOVE!

HELP NEEDED- Jr. High Youth could use your help! With the catechism covered in our Battle-Ready Program, Jr. High Youth Group meets weekly focused on building fellowship between church kids, school kids, and their friends. Bridging this divide is something that will serve the youth well in retaining relationships and growing together as they anticipate entering their High School years. If you think you could lead this group in Pastor Schmidt's absence, please contact the office.

NEW SCIENCE CURRICULUM- Our school has been blessed with an entire new science curriculum, and 2 new microscopes. We are still in need of items to provide hands on labs, experiments and more. If you would like to donate or purchase some of these amazing items, there is a wish list in the school office.

2021 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.

MEMORIAL SERVICE- Pastor Daeke's Memorial Service will be December 3rd at 10:00AM. Please keep our sister church in Paonia in your prayers through their transition.

PARADE OF LIGHTS- Looking for volunteers!! Parade of Lights is coming up Saturday, December 4th! The theme this year is candy canes. If you can help, make the float, get it set up and/or be in the parade, please let Amelia or the office know.

CHRISTMAS WREATH AND GARLAND- Many hands are needed to help prepare the [Christmas wreaths and garland](#) for the sanctuary. Lynn Jolley has agreed to coordinate the fluffing of the greenery and wreaths. If she does not get help, we will not be putting the wreaths and garland up. We will be fluffing on December 3rd. Please call Lynn Jolley to volunteer 970-234-2323.

WREATH HANGING AND TREE DECORATING- Decorate the church day is coming! Saturday, December 4th, beginning at 9:00am. Please join us as we enjoy our time together preparing for the Advent and Christmas seasons. No experience is needed, and we welcome our veteran decorators to join us once again. Thank you to all that help get our building ready for this great season of our Lord.

LUKE2 PROJECT- Please join us in the LUKE2 project. There is information about this at LUKE2project.org. In short: 1. Wear the shirt. 2. Silently remind all who see it the

REASON for the season. 3. If someone asks and doesn't have a church home invite them (we have invitations printed and available in the narthex) or you can use our church cards. What is BRITE Friday? LUKE2 goal: Change black Friday into BRITE Friday by 2023. The founder of LUKE2 has a short video out and he uses the analogy of wearing the LUKE2 shirts with wearing your favorite team shirt, we are rooting for our team! There are offering envelopes also to make donations. If you have any questions, you can also call Arliss Bridgett 970-270-3517

ADVENT SERVICES will be held on December 1st, December 8th, and December 15th at 7:00pm.

SOUP SUPPERS-During Advent Season we hold a Soup Supper meal prior to the service at 7pm. This is a wonderful time of fellowship and always good food. The meal generally consists of 3 types of soup, salad, rolls, dessert, and drinks. We serve from 5:15pm to 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall on the following Wednesdays: Dec. 1, Dec. 8, and Dec. 15. Special thanks to Mike Messenger, Messiah's Chief Cook, for heading up these suppers.

LWML LADIES VESPERS SERVICE will be Thursday, December 9th at 7pm.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE will be at 4:00pm.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE will be at 7:00pm.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE at 10:00am.

****SUNDAY DEC. 26TH** There will only be one service. Bible study will be at 9:00am and Church service will be at 10:00am.

NO NEW YEAR'S EVE EVENING SERVICE

AMAZON.SMILE - Are you shopping for Christmas on Amazon? A portion of your sales will be donated to our church and school. Log into Amazon. Smile, select Messiah Lutheran Church and School of Grand Junction and do your shopping.

GIVING TREE- Once again this year we will have a giving tree with items to donate to needy families at Christmas time. The tree will be in the Narthex. Please prayerfully consider helping needy families to better enjoy their Christmas. All you need to do is select an item on the tree, purchase the gift, wrap it, and bring it back to church. If you know of a family in need, please let one of the Pastors or Glacia know so that we can see they get on the tree. Thank you! Questions contact the church office 245-2838.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR AND LUNCH- It's coming back this year on December 11th from 9-3. Oh, we can't forget the Cookie Walk from 9-11 (or until the cookies are gone). If you are interested in being a vendor, registration forms are available in the office. Need more information? Contact Lois MacDonald (aka Nana Lois) at 970-245-4749 or 970-201-7338. The craft show is a fundraiser for school scholarships. The

cookie walk and lunch go to our youth going to the National Youth Gathering in Houston in July 2022.

NEW SERVICE- There's always SOMETHING new at Messiah!! Join us the 3rd Sunday of The month for our BRAND-NEW service in the gym:

Noon-1PM- FREE lunch with Fellowship and Discussion

1PM-2PM- Worship together in the Gym (a Service of the Word—No Communion)

2PM-3PM- After time to study and open gym.

YES YOU CAN- As we begin to get back into the "normal" routine, please check out the "YES, I CAN" bulletin board in the Narthex. "Yes You Can" be a Greeter! "Yes You Can" set-up for Communion! "Yes You Can" be an Usher! And once again, "YES You Can" provide altar flowers! Please consider serving your church by saying "Yes I Can"! Should you have questions, please contact Beth Weber, 970-361-0794. You can email prayer requests to <Beth Weber> weber4342@acsol.net.

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE- FOOD PANTRY - Thank you all so much for your overwhelming response to our food pantry request. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

THE PREGNANCY CENTER- The Pregnancy Center is now comfortably settled into their new location at 2478 Patterson Road. Their current baby needs are: baby hats and socks, winter sleepers size 12-month boys and girls, baby towel and washcloth sets, baby lotions, shampoos, and stuffed animals. And, of course, there is always the ongoing need for disposable diapers, wipes, safety items such as electrical plug covers, corner covers, cabinet locks, baby bathtubs, car window sunscreens, thermometers, baby bottles, teething rings, and pacifiers etc. The Center is always very appreciative of your donations.

USHERS-There is a sign-up sheet for 10:30 Service Ushers posted on the bulletin board in the narthex. Your help is greatly appreciated. If you are able and wish to help, please contact me, Matt Meyer, at 402-750-9705. You can also chat with me before or after 10:30 Service. I would enjoy meeting you if we haven't been introduced! Thank you and God bless.

GREETERS- Thank you to all of you who have signed up to be greeters and to all future greeters. There are still Sundays available. Help be a welcoming smile to all members and visitors to Messiah. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Narthex next to the Communion Help sign-up sheet.

BULLETIN BOARDS- Our church bulletin boards outside of the sanctuary and across from Ms. Mead's office have been and will continue to be updated. If you have something that you would like to put on any of the bulletin boards, please contact the church office or Beth Weber 970-361-0794.

UNDERSTANDING OUR BELIEF— Every Tuesday, at 6:00PM, Mr. Scott Mauser is hosting a class on apologetics, discussing how to share what we believe in truth, love,

gentleness, and respect. These classes are over at the Alpha and Omega Institute 1011 N 10th St, Grand Junction, CO 81501. Hope you can make it!

COMMUNION VOLUNTEERS needed for 2022! Please consider serving our Lord and your church by volunteering to help with communion. Sign up in the narthex on the bulletin board. If you need to be trained or have questions, please contact Laura Ryden at (970) 260-6766

PRAYER REQUESTS- *"But when you pray, go to into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you," (Matt. 6:6).* Prayer requests for you, family with permission, or by a pastor, may be sent to Beth Weber at weber4342@acsol.net.

GIFT PLANNING- In a complex world, each of us need trusty advisers to lead us to proper decisions and actions. Some of the longest relationships adults may have may very well be with their financial planners who see them through opening their first investment account, planning for college, and implementing a retirement strategy. It is important to communicate your estate gifting plans to your financial planner so they can help you manage those gifts toward your goals until the Lord calls you home. Your Messiah Gift Planning counselor can help you communicate those goals. Contact Jason Jones at Jason.Jones@lfnd.org or call him directly at (970) 988-0305.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS- Isaiah 51:6b - "... for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment ..." The things of this earth - the things that hold our attention, that cause us worry, and that tempt us away from the Lord - are all passing away. They will vanish like a garment. They are not for us to worry over. Rather, they are to be used for the Lord's purposes. The things of this world are not the ends, in and of themselves, but only the means to be used wisely by the children of the Kingdom that has no end.

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

MESSIAH'S RADIO MINISTRY- Sunday mornings at 8:30am -9:00am on 1100AM/KNZZ radio station. It is followed by The Lutheran Hour at 9:00am. If you would like to be a sponsor for our radio ministry, contact the church office, 970-245-2838.

November Income-

Week of Nov. 19-24	\$17,908.52
Weekly need	\$19,174.63
Month to date	\$108,250.11
Monthly need	\$83,090.08

Calendar for the Week

Sunday	8:00am	Divine Service/Communion/Facebook Live
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study/Sunday School/Facebook Live
	10:30am	Divine Service/Communion
	1:00pm	FAREWELL LUNCH FOR PASTOR SCHMIDT
Monday	1:30pm	Office Staff Meeting
	3:15pm	School Staff Meeting
Tuesday	9:00am	Quilt Ladies/Fellowship Hall
	5:30pm	Sr. High Youth Group
Wednesday	8:00am	WEEKLY BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINE
	8:30am	School Chapel
	11:00am	Wednesday Bible Class/Isaiah/Zoom
	5:15pm	Advent Soup Supper
	7:00pm	Advent Service
Thursday	6:30pm	Pastor Redeker's Online Bible Class-Galatians Bible Study
Friday	-----	Fluffing Christmas Wreath And Garland
	-----	Pastor Redeker's Day Off
Saturday	9:00am	Wreath Hanging and Tree Decorating
	5:00pm	Parade of Lights
Sunday	9:00am	Adult Bible Study/Sunday School/Facebook Live
	10:00am	Unity Sunday/Divine Service/Communion/Facebook Live/
	11:30am	Church Potluck