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Baptism of Our Lord
(January 9th, 2022)

The Lord's Supper: If you are visiting with us or have not been instructed in the unique Lutheran teaching regarding the Lord's Supper, we kindly ask you to speak to the Pastor before communing. Thank you.

† DIVINE SERVICE SETTING FOUR †

Greeting and announcements

Sharing of God's Peace

Opening Hymn "As with Gladness Men of Old"

LSB 397

- 1 As with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright;
So, most gracious Lord, may we
Evermore be led by Thee.
- 2 As with joyful steps they sped,
Savior, to Thy lowly bed,
There to bend the knee before
Thee, whom heav'n and earth adore;
So may we with willing feet
Ever seek Thy mercy seat.
- 3 As they offered gifts most rare
At Thy cradle, rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy,
Pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to Thee, our heav'nly King.
- 4 Holy Jesus, ev'ry day
Keep us in the narrow way;
And when earthly things are past,
Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide,
Where no clouds Thy glory hide.
- 5 In the heav'nly country bright
Need they no created light;
Thou its light, its joy, its crown,
Thou its sun which goes not down;
There forever may we sing
Alleluias to our King.

Confession and Absolution

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

Invocation

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

Exhortation

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**
P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

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

- C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**
P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore 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 †

Psalm

Psalm 29; antiphon: v. 3

- ¹Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
²**Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.**
³The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders,
the LORD, over many waters.
⁴**The voice of the LORD is powerful;
the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.**
⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

**⁶He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,
and Sirion like a young wild ox.**

**⁷The voice of the LORD
flashes forth flames of fire.**

**⁸The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

**⁹The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth
and strips the forests bare,
and in his temple all cry, "Glory!"**

**¹⁰The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.**

**¹¹May the LORD give strength to his people!
May the LORD bless his people with peace!**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen**

**³The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders,
the LORD, over many waters.**

Kyrie

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**C Lord, have mercy;
Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.**

Gloria in Excelsis

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**C 1 To God on high be glory
And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father;
Your holy name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory,
Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**2 To You, O sole-begotten,
The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior,
You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus;
Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated
At God's right hand on high—**

**3 For You alone are holy;
You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever,
Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit
Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory.
"Amen!" our glad reply.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; 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

Isaiah 43:1-7

¹But now thus says the LORD,
he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:
"Fear not, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.

²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.

³For I am the LORD your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.
I give Egypt as your ransom,
Cush and Seba in exchange for you.

⁴Because you are precious in my eyes,
and honored, and I love you,
I give men in return for you,
peoples in exchange for your life.

⁵Fear not, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,
and from the west I will gather you.

⁶I will say to the north, Give up,
and to the south, Do not withhold;
bring my sons from afar
and my daughters from the end of the earth,
⁷everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Romans 6:1-11

¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound?
²By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that
all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his
death? ⁴We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order
that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too
might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be
united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was
crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so
that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For one who has died has been set
free from sin. ⁸Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also
live with him. ⁹We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die
again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰For the death he died he died
to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must
consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

C These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ,
the Son of God.

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 3:15-22

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the third chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁵As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts
concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, ¹⁶John answered them all,
saying, “I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the

strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

¹⁸So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. ¹⁹But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother’s wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, ²⁰added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison.

²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles’ Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

Children’s Message

Sermon Hymn “To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord”

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1 To Jordan came the Christ, our Lord,
To do His Father’s pleasure;
Baptized by John, the Father’s Word
Was given us to treasure.

This heav'nly washing now shall be
A cleansing from transgression
And by His blood and agony
Release from death's oppression.
A new life now awaits us.

- 5 To His disciples spoke the Lord,
"Go out to ev'ry nation,
And bring to them the living Word
And this My invitation:
Let ev'ryone abandon sin
And come in true contrition
To be baptized and thereby win
Full pardon and remission
And heav'nly bliss inherit."
- 6 But woe to those who cast aside
This grace so freely given;
They shall in sin and shame abide
And to despair be driven.
For born in sin, their works must fail,
Their striving saves them never;
Their pious acts do not avail,
And they are lost forever,
Eternal death their portion.
- 7 All that the mortal eye beholds
Is water as we pour it.
Before the eye of faith unfolds
The pow'r of Jesus' merit.
For here it sees the crimson flood
To all our ills bring healing;
The wonders of His precious blood
The love of God revealing,
Assuring His own pardon.

Sermon

"You Have a Voice"

Psalm 29

Installation of New Officers

Prayer of the Church

Offering

† SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT †

Preface

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P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new 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 adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer

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

Pax Domini

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

Agnus Dei

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- C 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
- 2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Distribution

Distribution Hymn “Song of Thankfulness and Praise”

LSB 394

- 1 Songs of thankfulness and praise,
Jesus, Lord, to Thee we raise,
Manifested by the star
To the sages from afar,
Branch of royal David’s stem
In Thy birth at Bethlehem:
Anthems be to Thee addressed,
God in man made manifest.
- 2 Manifest at Jordan’s stream,
Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;
And at Cana wedding guest
In Thy Godhead manifest;
Manifest in pow’r divine,
Changing water into wine;
Anthems be to Thee addressed,
God in man made manifest.
- 3 Manifest in making whole
Palsied limbs and fainting soul;
Manifest in valiant fight,
Quelling all the devil’s might;
Manifest in gracious will,
Ever bringing good from ill;
Anthems be to Thee addressed,
God in man made manifest.

- 4 Sun and moon shall darkened be,
Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee;
Christ will then like lightning shine,
All will see His glorious sign;
All will then the trumpet hear,
All will see the Judge appear;
Thou by all wilt be confessed,
God in man made manifest.
- 5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord,
Present in Thy holy Word—
Grace to imitate Thee now
And be pure, as pure art Thou;
That we might become like Thee
At Thy great epiphany
And may praise Thee, ever blest,
God in man made manifest.

“Your Table I Approach”

LSB 628

- 1 Your table I approach;
Dear Savior, hear my prayer.
Let not an unrepentant heart
Prove hurtful to me there.
- 2 Lord, I confess my sins
And mourn their wretched bands;
A contrite heart is sure to find
Forgiveness at Your hands.
- 3 Your body and Your blood,
Once slain and shed for me,
Are taken at Your table, Lord,
In blest reality.
- 4 Search not how this takes place,
This wondrous mystery;
God can accomplish vastly more
Than what we think could be.
- 5 O grant, most blessed Lord,
That earth and hell combined
May not about this sacrament
Raise doubt within my mind.

- 6 Oh, may I never fail
To thank You day and night
For Your true body and true blood,
O God, my peace and light.

Nunc Dimittis

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- C 1 O Lord, now let Your servant
Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.

- 2 All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding
Through all eternity.

Post-Communion Collect

- P Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through
this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would
strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love
toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives
and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Benedicamus

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- P Let us bless the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

- 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!

The Baptism of Our Lord



Psalm 29

You Have a Voice

- Are there times when you feel like you simply don't have a voice in matters?
- Are there times when you give in to the voices of temptations? There's regret, shame, and guilt.
- Have you ever been plagued by voices of the past belittling you and making you feel worthless?
- For those suffering from anxiety and depression, you know the voices inside your mind that do you no good.
- What kind of power is in the LORD's voice in Psalm 29?
- What kind of power is in the LORD's voice in Creation?
- What does the word 'unite' mean in the Romans reading?
- How does the Father's voice at Christ's Baptism apply to you?

What voice are you in need of today: The Shepherd's Voice? Christ's Voice of Invitation? Christ's Voice from the cross?

Who do you know that needs to hear the voice of God?

**The Worship Service Sunday Morning
January 9th, 2022**

Preacher	Rev. Michael Redeker	
Organist	David Fenske	
Acolyte	Aaliyah Atencio, Adrianna Atencio	9:00am
Elders	John O'Connor, Peter Chaney	9:00am
Ushers	David Gruner, Ben Fay Luke Fay, Dean Hollatz	9:00am
Videographer	Chris Hayes	9:00am

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Announcements
January 9th, 2022

PLEASE SIGN THE RECORD OF FELLOWSHIP BOOK FOUND IN THE PEW - BE SURE AND PASS IT DOWN SO EVERYONE CAN SIGN IT.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE CLASS/ISAIAH/ZOOM- The time has changed from 11:00am to 9:30am.

INSTALLING NEW OFFICERS- We will be installing new officers today.

WELCOME CHELCY- We are excited to welcome Chelcy Boss to office family. We've asked her to introduce herself- I am so happy and excited to have this opportunity to join Messiah Lutheran Church and School as the New Office Administrator. I grew up in a small town here in Colorado called Nucla. After graduation I moved to Grand Junction, where I attended Mesa State/CMU for Accounting/Business. I have now lived in the Valley for 20 years. I worked at Feather Petroleum Company for a little over 14 years as the Fuel and Pricebook Administrator. I enjoy spending time with my family and watching all the sport activities my Kiddo's are involved in. Any other free I have spent exploring the outdoors hunting, fishing, hiking, and camping. Thank you all for this opportunity to be a part of this family.

MATERNITY LEAVE- The Bonnell's are welcoming a bouncing baby boy! Kasi will be on maternity leave starting Tuesday, January 11th. She will be out 6-8 weeks. Beth Weber and Cheyenne Diaz will be covering for her while she is out. Congratulations Matt and Kasi!

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING- January 16th at 2:30pm to discuss our financial position and pastor vacancy.

PLEASE HELP- Saturday January 15th, at 9:00am, Please come to help take the Christmas tree and other decorations down.

CONNECTING FOR CHRIST WORKSHOP: Messiah is hosting a workshop on *Connecting for Christ*. This is a follow-up on the *Gospel DNA* Bible study from summer, and guides Messiah in ways to reach out to visitors and others. Guest presenters include the Texas District President Rev. Mike Newmann, the Texas District Mission Executive Rev. Dr. Rance Settle, and businessman Stan Stephen. The workshop is **free**. It will take place Saturday, **January 15 from 9am-2:30ish**. All are welcomed and encouraged to attend to foster more ideas.

FAREWELL LUNCH FOR GLACIA PECK- Please join us Sunday January 16th at 11:30am for a Farewell Lunch Potluck to celebrate Glacia. Please bring a dish to share. We will have a basket set up for cards. Let's shower her with LOVE!

LUNCH BUNCH- Friday, January 21st at 11:30 a.m. is Lunch Bunch. You have the option to purchase a Chick-fil-A sack lunch for \$7.00. Pay in the office no later than 3:15 on Wednesday, January 19th.

NEW SERVICE TIME-Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Due to the overall decline in membership and Sunday Service participation, and along with the departure of Pastor Schmidt, the Board of Elders, along with the Church Council with Pastor Redeker's guidance, has decided to change the Sunday worship schedule. The new schedule will be **ONE** service on Sundays starting at 9:00am followed by Bible Study at 10:30. This will better facilitate our smaller membership and take some of the workload off our Pastor. God's Peace and Merry Christmas, **Wade Schultz**-Chairman of the Congregation

GREETERS- There is a new signup sheet for January-April in the Narthex. Help be a welcoming smile to all members and visitors to Messiah. We would like to have two greeters per service. Please sign up for a month at a time. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Narthex next to the Communion Help sign-up sheet. Any questions please contact Beth Weber at weber4342@acsol.net.

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR 2022- If you would like to order flowers for the altar there is a new signup sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex for flowers for 2022.

THE MESSIAH MESSENGER- Deadline for February newsletter is **Monday, January 18th** at 8:00am. Please have your news articles into the church office or e-mailed to chelcyb@messiahlutherangj.org by January 18th. No January newsletter went out.

LIFE SUNDAY- Sunday January 23, 2022. The LCMS has UNCONDITIONALLY SUPPORTED LIFE, from the moment of conception through natural death.

Lutheran Schools Week - Lutheran Schools Week is January 24 - 28. During this week we celebrate with more than 1,800 LCMS preschools, elementary, and high schools the gift of a Lutheran education that teaches faith alone, grace alone, word alone. This year's theme is "In All Things". The associated scripture is Colossians 1:15-20 which says: *"He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities - all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of the cross."*

We will once again be doing a servant project to fund our Scholarship Program. If you would like to donate, please write "scholarship" on the memo line on paper or online check. Thank you!

HANDBELLS- New Handbell ringers are needed to join our handbell group. You can learn to be a good handbell ringer without being an accomplished musician. It is a fun and rewarding activity and a beautiful way to praise our Lord. Call or leave a message for Jan Weich at 970-260-0787 for more information.

Spanish Teacher Needed for Next Year - We are looking for a Spanish teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. They will need to be able to work in the afternoons from 12:30 - 2:45. If you know of anyone, please let Karen Mead know. Thanks!

BLESSING TO GLACIA AS SHE TAKES ON A NEW ROLE- After 13 years of faithful service to God and Messiah, Glacia Peck is leaving her position as office administrator. She has blessed us in so many ways. We cannot thank her enough. Her final day in the office was January 7th. Godspeed Glacia!

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 donation were very much appreciated.

LINENS VOLUNTEERS- Volunteers are needed for linens. We will train. Come and help. Call Carolyn Baker 970-434-1524 if you have any questions.

Recruiting for Messiah Lutheran School - It is word of mouth that brings in new students more than any other marketing tool. Please encourage families both inside and outside of our church to attend our school for an academically challenging Christian education. Watch for our ad in Mesa Mall near Cabela's.

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.

3rd SUNDAY SERVICE- Join us the 3rd Sunday of
The month for our 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)

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- We want to keep our estate plans as simple as possible. An estate plan includes many legal documents: wills, trusts power of attorney, health care

representative, etc. Many of those documents control who is responsible for your affairs in your last days on earth and after the Lord calls you home. Your attorney will present the decisions to be made and create clear direction according to state law to make sure your wishes are followed. In selecting these people, your choice will not just be a business one, or legal one. In addition, you focus on what makes you different, your connection with Jesus. Who are the faith-filled, responsible people in your life you choose? Your Messiah gift planning counselor can get you thinking and praying. Contact Jason Jones at Jason.Jones@lfnd.org or call him directly at (970) 988-0305.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS- Luke 3:21 - “Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened.” We know why the people were baptized, but why was Jesus baptized? He didn’t need repentance or forgiveness. The answer is that He did it for us. The reason God sent His Son into the world is to fulfill all righteousness for us, to do what we could not do. The whole of Jesus’ life, everything He did and said, was one great offering to the Father in our stead to fulfill all righteousness for us. With our righteousness fulfilled in Jesus and given to us in Baptism, our hearts now overflow with thanksgiving and praise.

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.

January Income-

Week of Jan. 1 - 5	\$12,394.60
Weekly need	\$20,411.00
Month to date	\$12,394.60
Monthly need	\$81,642.00

Calendar for the Week

Sunday	9:00am 10:30am	Divine Service/Communion/Facebook Live Adult Bible Study/Sunday School/Facebook Live
Monday	1:30pm 3:15pm 5:30pm	Office Staff Meeting School Staff Meeting Board of Finance
Tuesday	9:00am 4:00pm 5:30pm 7:00pm	Quilt Ladies/Fellowship Hall Jr. High Youth Sr. High Youth Council Meeting
Wednesday	8:00am 8:30am 9:30am 6:00pm	WEEKLY BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINE School Chapel Wednesday Bible Class/Isaiah/Zoom Wednesday night service/Communion
Thursday	3:15pm 6:30pm	PTA Meeting Pastor Redeker's Online Bible Class-Galatians Bible Study
Friday	3:00pm -----	Bill Samuel's Service Pastor Redeker's Day Off
Saturday	9:00am	Connecting for Christ Workshop
Sunday	9:00am 10:30am 11:30am 1:00pm 2:30pm	Divine Service/Communion/Facebook Live Adult Bible Study/Sunday School/Facebook Live Glacia Farewell Potluck 3 rd Sunday Service SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING