

MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Lutheran Church-
Missouri Synod

1308 Whitley Rd.
Keller, TX 76248

Sunday School &
Adult Bible Class
9:30am

Sunday Worship
8:00am, 10:45am

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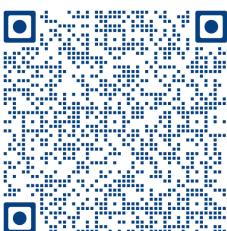
*The one
who hears you
hears Me*

FOR OUR VISITORS....

Welcome! *When the service begins with the procession of the crucifix, you may rise and turn to face the entrance of the sanctuary at the start of the first hymn, turning back to face the altar as the cross processes past you. This gesture of respect is repeated in reverse during the singing of the final hymn.*

We encourage you to follow along with either the printed service, or with the hymnal. The page numbers for the hymnal are posted at the front of the sanctuary and on the next page. We realize it can take a while for newcomers to become familiar with our liturgy, so please feel free to ask someone near you for assistance—he or she would be happy to help.

We love children in our church! But if your little one gets fussy you may use the cry room that is located at the north end of the hallway behind the sanctuary on your right. You are able to see and hear the worship service from there.



Follow the QR code to visit our "**Virtual Guestbook**" and tell us about yourself and your visit with us today. We also have a physical guestbook in the narthex.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated in our services today. In this supper, our Lord Jesus Christ graciously feeds the humble sinner with His true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. Scripture clearly teaches that anyone who eats and drinks the body and blood of Christ without discerning that body and blood receives a judgment rather than a blessing from God (1 Cor. 11:29). Therefore, out of a Christian concern for souls, we require a thorough instruction in the teachings of the Lutheran Church before participating in this Sacrament. Participation at the altar is also a testimony of unity of faith with all others who partake (1 Cor. 10:17). Since unity at the altar presupposes unity in doctrine and confession (Acts 2:42), we kindly request that **only those who are in confessional fellowship** with the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod participate. This includes active members in good standing of all sister Missouri-Synod congregations.

We recognize that **Closed Communion** is a sensitive issue for many and have a brochure to explain it more thoroughly. It is available in the narthex or from an usher. If you have any questions or concerns, you are welcome to speak with our pastor.

We welcome both children and adults who are not communicant members of the Lutheran Church to come to the altar during communion for a pastoral blessing. Please indicate the request for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest.

This morning's liturgy, hymns and bulletin are available in larger print. Please see an usher for a copy.

Divine Service—Setting One—LSB 151

Hymns:
586, 533, 682

Hymns During Distribution:
845, 649, 965

Sermon Title:
"Harvest and Workers"

Scripture:
Luke 10:1-20

Prelude:

"Präludium in C minor" - Anonymous
JESUS IST KOMMEN, GRUND EWIGER FREUDE
("Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure") -
settings by Benjamin M. Culli and J. Wayne Kerr

~Installation of Messiah's New Vicar and Deaconess Intern ~

Patrick Randolph
Grace Randolph

Postlude:

NATIONAL ANTHEM ("God Bless Our Native
Land") -settings by Jan Bender and Sondra K.
Tucker



We welcome all who worship with us this morning in the name Jesus Christ our Savior. This morning we see two faces of God. We see a God who will not be mocked. He beckons us to come to Him, but if we stubbornly refuse to repent and reject Him, we will bear the consequences of our own sins. We also see the infinite Bestower of peace, who patiently and tenderly comforts us as a mother comforts her child. Those who through the Holy Spirit open their heart to Him are filled to overflowing. Let us each examine our own selves and cling to Christ the crucified for our redemption. As we live out our lives in this fallen world, may we be quick to build up each other, so that none of us grow weary of doing good. For the Lord of harvest is coming! Thanks be to God for His gifts of love, joy, and peace.

Serving in God's House Today

Organist: Miguel Ruiz		8:00 a.m.	10:45 a.m.
Altar Guild: Mary Davis Cathy Latham Linnea Johnstone Jessica Loc	Head Elder: Neil Gessling	Luis Munoz	
	Head Usher: Randy Burk	Marty Hobson	
	Acolytes: Caleb Liddle	Madoc Allen Layton Allen	
Counters: Andrew Melesky Veronica Hobson	Crucifer: Joseph Buhler	Matthew Palmer	

The flowers that adorn the altar this morning are given to the glory of God by Steven and Cathy Latham in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

Introit: Psalm 19:2, 4-6; *antiphon:* v. 1



The heavens declare the glo- | ry of God,*
and the sky above proclaims his | handiwork.

**Day to day | pours out speech,*
and night to night reveals | knowledge.**

Their measuring line goes out through all the earth,
and their words to the end | of the world.*

In them he has set a tent | for the sun,
which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his | chamber,*
and, like a strong man, runs its | course with joy.

Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the | end of them,*

and there is nothing hidden | from its heat.

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 heavens declare the glo- | ry of God,*
and the sky above proclaims his | handiwork.

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, You have built Your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus Himself as the cornerstone. Continue to send Your messengers to preserve Your people in true peace that, by the preaching of Your Word, Your Church may be kept free from all harm and danger; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gradual

adapt. From Romans 10:15b, 18b, Isaiah 52:7b, alt.

(sung by the Kantor)

How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news,
who publish peace and bring good news of salvation.

Their voice has gone out to all the earth,
and their words to the ends of the world.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS: July 3—July 16

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| 3: Josh. 8:1-28
Acts 11:1-18 | 7: Judg. 2:6-23
Acts 13:13-41 | 11: Judg. 6:25-40
Acts 15:6-21 | 15: Judg. 15:1-16:3
Gal. 3:23-4:11 |
| 4: Josh. 10:1-25
<i>Josh. 10:28-22:34</i>
Acts 11:19-30 | 8: Judg. 3:7-31
Acts 13:42-52 | 12: Judg. 7:1-23
<i>Judg. 7:24-12:15</i>
Gal. 1:1-24 | 16: Judg. 16:4-30
<i>Judg. 17:1-21:25</i>
Gal. 4:12-31 |
| 5: Josh. 23:1-16
Acts 12:1-25 | 9: Judg. 4:1-24
<i>Judg. 5:1-31</i>
Acts 14:1-18 | 13: Judg. 13:1-25
<i>Ruth 1:1-4:22</i>
Gal 2:1-21 | |
| 6: Josh. 24:1-31
<i>Judg. 1:1-36</i>
Acts 13:1-12 | 10: Judg. 6:1-24
Acts 14:19-15:5 | 14: Judg. 14:1-20
Gal. 3:1-22 | |

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

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| TODAY 07/03 - | 8:00AM - DIVINE SERVICE—STREAMING LIVE |
| - | 9:30AM - ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL—STREAMING LIVE |
| - | - CONFIRMATION 1 |
| - | 10:45AM - DIVINE SERVICE |

MONDAY 07/04 -	- MLCA OFFICE CLOSED—4TH THROUGH THE 15TH
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TUESDAY 07/05 -	-
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WEDNESDAY 07/06 -	-
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THURSDAY 07/07 -	-
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FRIDAY 07/08 -	5:00PM - YOUTH DANCE LESSONS—FELLOWSHIP HALL
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SATURDAY 07/09 -	8:30AM - SWADDLING CLOTHES—MAC BUILDING
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INSTALLATION OF MESSIAH'S NEW VICAR AND DEACONESS INTERN

Today we welcome and install our new vicar and deaconess intern: Patrick and Grace Randolph. Vicar Randolph and Deaconess Randolph, as we will call them (or simply "Vicar" and "Deaconess"), will be here for one year before returning to studies at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne. Since Vicar Randolph is not ordained as a pastor yet, you will notice his official duties are more limited than our last vicar, Pastor McDonald. However, he will still assist with the liturgy and share the preaching and teaching duties. Deaconess Randolph will serve in a variety of capacities, much like our own Deaconess Pamela Buhler. Deaconess Buhler will be departing in September but will help mentor Deaconess Randolph until then. And of course we also welcome young William (10 months old) to our Messiah family!

A SPECIAL NOTE FROM THE MCDONALD FAMILY

Dear Messiah Family,

Thank you so very much for the outpouring of love and support you showed us during our entire year at Messiah, and in our farewell last Sunday. Your thoughtful cards, notes of encouragement, and many gifts are so generous and meaningful for us, and will continue to remind us of that most special time of our lives we had there with you. May the Lord continue to bless you richly as you have so blessed us.

We love you all! ~ The McDonald Family.

VBS—THANK YOU!



Thanks to all of our many **servants, teachers, and workers** who made this year's VBS a success! We helped the children see Jesus in the Old Testament with the stories of Daniel, the 3 Men in the Fiery Furnace, Elijah and Jonah. Games and snacks and fun were also had by all! **Special thanks** to our VBS Director, Vera Sweet for leading the way.

Please keep in your prayers...

In our special prayers this day:

Walker Jordan and **Sarah Tonniges** who will be married Saturday, July 8, 2022.

Marcia Huebel's father, **Hal Ruppert**, is recovering from a broken hip. Steven Latham's father, **George Latham**, is in the hospital with pneumonia and congestive heart failure. Miriam Inglehart's friend, **Jackie Morton**, is very ill following a complicated birth and **Jeffry Blankenship**, father of Thomas Blankenship from Michael's Keys, is in the hospital with an infection.

We continue to pray for our members and loved ones battling cancer: Harold Karner, Larry Hyden, Janie Peter.

...also those with other illnesses and trials: Belkis Gonzales, Susan Copen, Rev. Ernie Bernet, Robert Slattery, Jaana Phillips, Mildred McLaughlin, Melanie Wesley, Ron and Barbara Busse, Jacob Brewer, Dawn Holden, Dr. Laverne Fitch, Bob Lemmon, Bruce Lage, Ada Towers

...and those who are unable to worship with us regularly: Ron Klingbeil, Ellois Fick, LaVina Goedecke, Janet Hazlehurst, Roger & Joanna Isringhaus, Bettye Kohrs.

....all of our college students in and out of state: Caleb Barnes, Hannah Blaschke, Olivia Bolton, Jared Brewer, Zachery Brooke, James & Joseph Buhler, Erin Burk, Chase & Colby Carter, Katie Cashon, David Christensen, Bailey Chryst, Duran Crutchfield, Barrett Gardner, Max Hedman, Bailey Heitmann, Landon Howell, Braeden Kennedy, David Lee, Carrie & Ryan O'Dell, Berndt & Zane Parker, Aidan Richmond, Ethan Schultz, Madeline Stephens, Max & Sarah Tonniges, Emily Torkelson, Jack Ward.

We remember all those serving our country, particularly our members and loved ones in the military: Hannah Pinkston, Hannah Kajer, Nicolas Towers, Tony Bourassa, Tyler Burk, David Cantrell, Cassie Gessling, T. J. Greer, Joseph Kajer, Seth Kirch, Andrew Latham, Matthew Latham, Stephen Simmons, Collin Snyder, Brandon Towers, Carly Towers, Chaplain Paul Weber, Frank Wilde.

We also pray for...

- Our educational ministry, especially our Academy and Sunday School.
- fellow Messiah members, Pastor Chryst, Deaconess Buhler and Messiah's Vicar, Pastor McDonald.
- Vicar-Elect Patrick and Deaconess Intern-Elect Grace Randolph and son William as they make preparations to join us at Messiah.
- The voters, church council, and leaders of Messiah church and school as they deliberate on the work the Lord has given His people to do.
- Our brothers and sisters in Christ around the world being persecuted for their faith.
- The spread of the Gospel around our nation and world and the work of our missionaries and relief workers.
- Rev. Solomon Yadessa and his work with the Multi-Ethnic Ministry of North Texas.
- Mr. Phillip Magness and his work in Africa, and Rev. Charles Ferry in Asia, through the LCMS.
- Our Braille ministry, that the Word will continue to reach blind or visually impaired people around the world, and for more volunteers to make it possible.
- The Swaddling Clothes ministry and those who come seeking assistance.
- The men in our seminaries, as they prepare to serve in the Holy Ministry.

Vicar Welcome Luncheon will be held next **Sunday, July 10th** immediately following the second service. This luncheon will be **potluck style**. Please let us know what you are willing to bring to the potluck at <https://tinyurl.com/ycks9yud>.

Vote The Quarterly Voters Meeting will be held **July 31st** immediately following the late service, in the fellowship hall **at 12pm**. All voting members are encouraged to attend. Regular quarterly business is on the agenda. If you are not sure of your voting status or would like to become a voting member, please contact Bill Brandt at wpbd77@yahoo.com.

 **Olivia Bolton is leading Youth Braille next Sunday, July 10th & July 31st,** immediately following the late service. Bring \$5 for pizza and drinks. Bring your saved egg cartons! For questions, email Barbara Pinera at bpinero1scom@gmail.com.

Community Storehouse of Keller is collecting **easy to fix lunches**, canned fruit and soup, **PB & J**, canned chili and beans, wholesome snacks and **instant oatmeal** and cereal for **July**. Donations can be dropped off in the narthex. Thank you!

Summer Hours for MLCA Office will be **July**: Tues/Wed/Thurs 9am-3pm - **Closed**: July 4-15. **August**: Mon-Fri, 9am-3pm. **School begins**: August 17.

 **Do you love to teach?** MLCA is seeking a **3rd grade teacher** for the 2022-2023 school year. For more information call 817-431-5486 and Submit your resume to school.office@mlcatecas.org.

Don't miss out! Make sure to check out Messiah's "**Look Ahead**" weekly emails to help you keep up to date. There is so much more information that is not provided here each week. Conferences, youth events, letters from the Elders regarding special updates and more! If you are not receiving these emails please contact the church office at churchoffice@messiahkeller.org.

Youth Ballroom Dance Lessons will be this **Friday, July 8th from 5pm-10pm** and will be held in the fellowship hall at Messiah. All youth are invited and welcome to attend. No RSVP needed. For more information contact Mr. Woolsey at markwoolsey-wvs@yahoo.com

Messiah Lutheran Classical Academy is currently accepting new students for the 2022-2023 school year! We offer 2-year-old preschool through 8th grade. Call or email the school office for more information. 817-431-5486 or schooloffice@mlcatecas.org.

 **A LIFE THOUGHT IN THE CHURCH YEAR FOR JULY 3 – Pentecost IV (Proper 9):** Sometimes testifying to the sanctity of life means confronting uncomfortable truths. Jesus speaks with just such courage to three whole cities in this week's Gospel lesson (Luke 10:13-15). And in our Epistle (Galatians 6:1), the Apostle Paul explains the ultimate purpose of warning against sin: to restore and redeem a treasured neighbor with faith and forgiveness even for abortion or assisted suicide.

 **STEWARDS UNDER THE CROSS Proper 9 ~ July 3rd ~ Luke 10:20b:** "But rejoice that your names are written in heaven." No one can snatch us out of the nail-marked hands of Jesus. He has redeemed us and claimed us as His own. As those whose names are written in heaven, we seek to live heavenly lives here on earth. This is the foundation of all our good works, including the good work of faithfully supporting the work of the Church. It's our joy in having been redeemed by the Lord through the activity of the Church that motivates us to support the Church.

 **SACRED MUSIC STATION...** You can listen to the best of the Church's music for the past 2,000 years on Lutheran Public Radio. LPR streams 24/7 at lutheranpublicradio.org, Tuneln, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod and the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

Last Sunday: 8:00am: 98 10:45: 97 (195 Total) Sunday School: 75

Weekly OFFERINGS: \$13,646.85 (including online giving to Gen. Fund)

You may use this QR code for your convenience if you would like to give to Messiah. It will direct you to our Vanco System for electronic giving.

**About the Cover**

Jesus sent His apostles forth with a word, but not just any word. It was His word. They were sent with such authority that when they spoke, it was as if Jesus Himself were speaking. While the apostles were unique in their calling, Jesus still delivers His word of forgiveness through the certain means of preaching and the Sacraments so that when you hear your pastor's absolution of your sins, this is the sure reality in heaven. It is no other word than Jesus' word.

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 66:10–14**

¹⁰Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her;
¹¹that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious abundance.”

¹²For thus says the Lord: “Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse, you shall be carried upon her hip, and bounced upon her knees.

¹³As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

¹⁴You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bones shall flourish like the grass; and the hand of the Lord shall be known to his servants, and he shall show his indignation against his enemies.”

Epistle: Galatians 6:1–10, 14–18

¹Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. ²Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. ³For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. ⁴But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. ⁵For each will have to bear his own load.

⁶One who is taught the word must share all good things with the one who teaches. ⁷Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. ⁸For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. ⁹And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. ¹⁰So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith. . . .

¹⁴But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new

creation. ¹⁶And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

¹⁷From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus.

¹⁸The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

Holy Gospel: Luke 10:1–20

¹After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. ²And he said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. ⁴Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. ⁵Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace be to this house!’ ⁶And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. ⁷And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide; for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. ⁸Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. ⁹Heal the sick in it and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ ¹⁰But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, ¹¹‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.’ ¹²I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

¹³“Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. ¹⁴But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. ¹⁵And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades.

¹⁶“The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me.”

¹⁷The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!” ¹⁸And he said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”