



THE MESSENGER

MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD (LCMS)

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From the Desk of Pastor Mankin

Greetings in Christ Jesus,

Over the past several months, I have received a few questions and comments about my preaching. While I have not had any negative feedback so far, people have noticed a change in my style. The elders have also noticed this and I have explained to them the difference. They asked me to write an article explaining the change so that everyone in the congregation may be on the same page.

There are many different forms for sermon structure, the most common in Lutheran circles is the deductive form. We are taught the first sermon form at the seminary. To sum it up in a few thoughts, it goes like this. First, you begin with an introduction, unusually an illustration, and then you state your theme of the sermon. Then you have several points that support your theme and that are broken down into smaller segments. The conclusion ties it back together and sums up the theme and points. All of this is, of course, done in the context of the Scripture readings and a proper application and distinction of Law and Gospel.

This is a fine sermon form, very practical and didactic. In fact, most of our systematical theology books are laid out this way. This has been my default sermon type, for the past several years. This was also Pastor Lassman's preferred sermon form. However, there are many other wonderful sermon forms out there as well and recently, I have been using some of the forms that I learned back at the seminary to add variety to the sermons. I have done this primarily because I am now alone every Sunday. Instead of having two distinct preachers every other week as we have had the past 5 years, now I am all you got! As such, variety seemed in order for the benefit of the congregation.

The sermon forms I have been most drawn to are the homiletical plot and the narrative inclusion. The homiletical plot is familiar because it is the one often used by Jesus in his teachings. The order is like this: you upset the equilibrium by asking questions about one's preconceptions. Then you use illustration or arguments to guide the listener to a resolution to the question. Followed by your answer to the question, which leads to an anticipation of the consequences of the answer. I find it to be a lot of fun and very engaging.

The narrative inclusion is where you help the hearer to realize that they are part of the big story of salvation. You place your hearer in the text so that they might realize they are truly part of God's master plan. I find this sermon form really helpful with the Old Testament texts.

There are many other sermon forms and styles out there, and I have been using and adapting them as I think appropriate. I hope that the variety has enriched your faith and time at Messiah. And I look forward to many more years of sharing the good news of Jesus with you all.

In HIM,
– Pastor Mankin

FROM THE OFFICE

THE NEXT MESSENGER DEADLINE IS:

September 18th, 2017

Please ensure your announcements/articles arrive at the church office by the date above if you would like them in the next Messenger. The Messenger deadline is the 3rd Monday of the month unless there is a holiday. Please place all messages and articles in the office mailbox located in the choir room or email them to office@messiahseattle.org.

LABOR DAY: The Office will be closed on Monday, September 4th in observance of the holiday.

RADIOING FOR BACKUP: The Office is still looking for an individual to act as backup support in producing our Sunday bulletins in the event Rachel is out-of-town. Are you reliably available for 4 hours on Fridays? Are you minimally comfortable with MS Word and Excel? Then contact the Office! We'd love to hear from you.

WE NEED CHILDREN'S MESSAGE VOLUNTEERS: We're looking for a handful of volunteers to add into our rotation for the last half of 2017. **Only available one service? No problem!** Contact the office with your interest and availability today!

LATE SERVICE USHERS NEEDED: We're looking for one or two volunteers to add into our rotation for the late service. Looking for a way to better serve? Contact the office today!

TEMPORARY SUPERINTENDENT NEEDED: Have you been prayerfully considering how you might be better able to serve the church body? Consider volunteering to be Messiah's interim Sunday School Superintendent. Our acting Superintendent, Lisa Mankin, is expecting her second-born this November, so Messiah is looking for a volunteer to step up and take on some of the Superintendent responsibilities until Rachel Ferguson returns to the position in January 2018. Are you available to help with the planning of Sunday School events and materials? Express your interest to the office today!

MINISTRIES OF MESSIAH

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE (LWML) NEWS – Margie Longan

Messiah Ladies' Guild is a member of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML). LWML is an official auxiliary of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. We, Messiah Ladies' Guild members, meet September through May on the second Wednesday of the month at noon. All ladies of Messiah are cordially invited to attend.

Ladies' Guild

The first luncheon meeting of the 2017-2018 year will be Wednesday, September 13th, at noon in the

Fellowship Hall. Please bring your favorite salad to share and your "mites for missions" money. The members will be looking forward to your joining them for lunch!

Project Day

Quilts for Lutheran World Relief are made on the the fourth Wednesday every month from September through May. There are many steps involved in the completion of each quilt: cutting squares; making a pattern of material squares for the quilt top; sewing the squares together; assembling the quilt top, batting and bottom; tying the quilt. The first quilting day will be Wednesday September 27th from 9:30 am to 1:00 pm. Please be sure to bring your own sack lunch! All Messiah ladies are welcome to join in. Questions? Call Margaret Leary at 425-640-7036. Lutheran World Relief fall pickup date is November 3rd-4th!

Thank You, Seminar Lunch Donors

Messiah Ladies' Guild would like to thank all the members who so graciously contributed funds to defray the cost of lunches provided for the June seminars. Your donations were much appreciated. Thank you.

Lutheran Women's Missionary League

The annual LWML Zone Fall Rally will be at Messiah on October 14th, from 9:30 – 12:30 pm and will be hosted by Messiah Ladies' Guild. Registration costs \$4.00, which includes coffee time and lunch. At 10:00 am, the Rally begins with devotions and a presentation by Rev. Jeffries and his wife, Rhonda, who traveled to Africa to give a retreat to some of the LCMS missionaries there. Lunch begins at 11:30 am and it will be followed by the mission gathering of warm hats, gloves, socks, and scarves for the Everett Gospel Mission. Donations can be marked "LWML Missions" and placed on the table in the Fellowship Hall. Want more information? Contact Margie at 206-525-8131.

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow!" Congregational Thanksgiving Food Shower

Mark your calendars now! The deadline for bringing your food donations to church is Sunday, November 5th. A display of the donations will be out in the sanctuary on Sunday, November 12th. All

donated items will be taken to the Lake City Food Bank after November 5th for distribution before Thanksgiving. Start collecting your food items now! Bring them to church after October 15th. A complete list of items we're looking for will be included in the October Messenger. Thank you for your donations!

RALLY DAY IS SEPTEMBER 10TH! Join us as Sunday School celebrates during the first part of adult education hour by moving kids up to new grades, recognizing memory work done over the summer, and getting more details on where the Sunday school kids will be sending their collected offering.

CALLING ALL MUSICIANS! The choir and instrumental ensemble are looking for people who might be interested in joining a music ensemble starting in September. We welcome any level of experience and we would love to have you join our community. We meet once a week to rehearse and perform at least once a month during both services. **The first choir rehearsal of the year will be September 10th at 12:30 pm** right after the second service, and the **first ensemble meeting will be September 13th at 7:00 pm**. We will finalize rehearsal schedules at those meetings, so please attend if you are considering joining! Contact Monica Berndt at acinomtdnreb@gmail.com (Monica Berndt backwards) if you are interested or wish to learn more about the groups.

MEN'S NIGHT OUT – *Brian Danforth*

The next Men's Night Out will be held at 6:00 pm on Monday, September 11th at O'Donnell's American Grill and Irish Pub, located at 3601 Fremont Ave. N. Please RSVP to Brian Danforth, 206-363-5654.

LADIES' NIGHT OUT – *Bev Edmon*

Ladies of all ages, join us for Ladies Night Out on Monday, September 18th at 6:00 pm for dinner at Mama Stortini's at Northgate Mall. You can meet new people, hang out with old friends, and get some shopping done all in one trip. See you there! RSVP to Bev Edmon, bevedmon@gmail.com, (425) 773-3711.

GREETING CARDS AVAILABLE: Looking for just the right card? Just \$1.00, a fraction of the price from the retail stores. Come pick up yours today!

DEFENDING THE FAITH, TEACHING THE TRUTH...Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL. This week's topics include: How to Stay Christian in College, Racism, The Teachings of 20th Century Lutheran Theologian Gerhard Forde, The Vocation of Pastor's Wife, The Spirituality of Hillary Clinton and more. You can listen at your convenience at www.issuesetc.org and on the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.

HUMAN CARE

DONATION UPDATE– *Jackie Wold*

For the month of **July**, we collected the following items for Immanuel Lutheran Community Services and Compass Cascade Women's Center: 195 women's hygiene items. Thank you for your generous donations. In the month of **August**, we collected deodorants and liquid body soaps and tallies for these totals are still in process. **In September, we will be collecting razors, shaving creams and aftershaves.** Please place your items in the Cry Room lounge basket across from the coffee bar. Updated collection announcements will be in the Sunday collection area.

NEED FOR FOSTER PARENTS: The State of Washington has a critical need for foster parents. If you are interested, go to: www.fosteringtogether.org.

JOB POSTING AT CONCORDIA LUTHERAN SCHOOL:

Concordia Lutheran School is looking for a preschool assistant who loves Jesus and loves to work with children! This is a full time position with hours from 9:00 am - 6:00 pm with one hour lunch, and includes full benefits (medical, dental, vision, life, disability and 3% matching 401K). Duties include giving breaks to preschool teachers, recess duty, and afternoon snack preparation as well as assisting the teacher in the afternoon in the 4-year-old full day program. Concordia provides all training and state requirements. Please contact the Preschool Director, Pam Curry, for more information or to make an appointment for an interview, 206-525-0871 or preschool@concordiaseattle.com.

FELLOWSHIP

MESSIAH GAME NIGHT: Come join in on the fun September 16th, at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite board game and a snack to share. Come for an evening of fun. All ages welcome!

A PIECE OF OUR HERITAGE HAS BEEN FOUND: Your help will make the discovery complete. A box containing hundreds of photos dating as far back as 1947 has been recovered. These are pictures of: the original building; baptisms; first members; first sewing circle; church picnics; weddings; and much, much, much more. Some of the pictures have names and dates, but most do not.

This is how you can help. In September, a table will be set up downstairs that will be loaded with interesting photos that still need identification. Please feel free to come by, share your valuable memories of names, events and dates. Who knows? You might discover a few photos of passed loved ones or precious childhood memories. If you're a fairly recent addition to our church boy, you can still look forward to viewing 70 years of Messiah Lutheran Church history in early 2018, with a "decade of the month" display.

JOIN US FOR "MARTIN - A LIFE OF MARTIN LUTHER": A live, original one-man portrayal of Martin Luther written and performed by Allan Lemke on Sunday, September 24th at 3:00 pm in the sanctuary. Sponsored by Lutheran Ministry Services Northwest.

CURRENT & UPCOMING BIBLE STUDIES

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS

WHAT: Exodus / "Lutheran Practice & Doctrine Today"
WHEN: Sunday Mornings at 9:30 am
WHERE: Fellowship Hall
TEACHER: Pastor Mankin

ADULT INFORMATION CLASS (AIC)

WHAT: New Members Class
WHEN: September 30th
WHERE: Room 202/204
TEACHER: Pastor Mankin

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

WHAT: Book of Amos / "Law & Gospel" by C.F. Walther
WHEN: Thursday Mornings at 10:30 am
WHERE: Room 202/204
TEACHER: Jim Grant

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & OFFICIAL ACTS

BIRTHDAYS

Jan Grant	9/1
Andy Petro	9/1
Ann Melvin	9/2
Barbara Sackett	9/2
Gloria Schy	9/2
Michael Boomhower	9/5
Jane Krueger	9/6
Philip Estergreen	9/7
Sarah Krenz	9/7
Chris Allen	9/8
Lee Cohrs	9/8
Dave Paeth	9/8
Archie Adams	9/9
Rochelle Pemberton	9/11
Alex Miller	9/13
Jill Cohrs	9/15
Dan Lassman	9/15
Arla Mathiason	9/16
Julie McDermott	9/19
Hermon Gross	9/20
Margaret Leary	9/20
Kim Strege	9/20
Brian Danforth	9/26
Mackenzie Krenz	9/28
Kristin Hillman	9/29
Kent Questad	9/29
Chloe Sholdt	9/29

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Marlene Ivy	9/1
Becky Johnson	9/1
Barbara Miller	9/1
Matt Grant	9/3
Braylin Jenson	9/3
Molly Neubert	9/6
Paul Warmbier	9/8
Jack Knudson	9/9
Jean Mindemann	9/9

Robby Branom	9/14
Sara Vermer	9/15
Aaron Grahn	9/19
Zoe Sousa	9/20
Jane Krueger	9/22
James Bourn	9/23
George Totten	9/25
Michael Boomhower	9/26
Lauren Liseth	9/27

ANNIVERSARIES

Mark & Sarah Jorgensen	9/3
Dorothy & Nels Anderson	9/6
Dave & Sue Paeth	9/7
Sarah & Jason Vermer	9/7
Trevor and Lisa Mankin	9/10
Charlie & Kimi Jannsen	9/18
Brien & Lisa Lindstrom	9/18
Mike & Shelby Davis	9/20
Andy & Jill Petro	9/20
Dave & Leslie Miller	9/21
Justin & Tiana Bourn	9/22

OFFICIAL ACTS

In July and August, Messiah had three families transfer to nearby LCMS churches. Josh, Ellen, Abraham and Evangeline Adams—as well as David, Elizabeth, Reagan and Hannah Adams—transferred to Messiah Lutheran Church in Marysville. Earl and Kathleen Bell transferred to Beautiful Savior in Milton. All will be missed, but we wish them well in this next phase of their lives.

Leon Holman went to be with our Lord on Friday, August 6th, 2017. Blessed are the saints who die in the Lord. His funeral will be held on Saturday, September 9th at 11:00 am.

On August 6th, Nolan Christopher Jannsen, son of Charlie and Kimi Jannsen, was baptized.

On August 25th, we granted a peaceful release of membership to Kristine Sharpe so that she may join the church body of Light of the Cross Lutheran Church in Bothell. We wish her well.

DAILY READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER

You may have noticed the inclusion of weekly recommended readings at the back of our Sunday bulletins. Just in case you have to miss an upcoming Sunday in September, all have been gathered here for your convenience.

September 1: 1 Kings 18:1–19; Eph. 1:1–23;
2: 1 Kings 18:20–40; Eph. 2:1–22.

September 3: 1 Kings 19:1–21; Eph. 3:1–21;
4: 2 Kings 2:1–18; Eph. 4:1–24;
5: 2 Kings 2:19–25; 4:1–7; Eph. 4:25–5:14;
6: 2 Kings 4:8–22, 32–37; Eph. 5:15–33;
7: 2 Kings 4:38–5:8; Eph. 6:1–24;
8: 2 Kings 5:9–27; Phil. 1:1–20;
9: 2 Kings 6:1–23; Phil. 1:21–2:11.

September 10: 2 Kings 9:1–13; 10:18–29; Phil. 2:12–30;
11: 2 Chron. 29:1–24; Phil. 3:1–21;
12: 2 Chron. 31:1–21; Phil. 4:1–23;
13: 2 Chron. 32:1–22; Col. 1:1–23;
14: 2 Chron. 33:1–25; Col. 1:24–2:7;
15: 2 Chron. 34:1–4, 8–11, 14–33; Col. 2:8–23;
16: 2 Chron. 35:1–7, 16–25; Col. 3:1–25.

September 17: 2 Chron. 36:1–23; Col. 4:1–18;
18: Neh. 1:1–2:10; 1 Tim. 1:1–20;
19: Neh. 2:11–20; 4:1–6; 1 Tim. 2:1–15;
20: Neh. 4:7–23; 1 Tim. 3:1–16;
21: Neh. 5:1–16; 6:1–9, 15–16; 1 Tim. 4:1–16;
22: Neh. 7:1–4; 8:1–18; 1 Tim. 5:1–16;
23: Neh. 9:1–21; 1 Tim. 5:17–6:2.

September 24: Neh. 9:22–38; 1 Tim. 6:3–21;
25: Mal. 1:1–14; Matt. 3:1–17;
26: Mal. 2:1–3:5; Matt. 4:1–11;
27: Mal. 3:6–4:6; Matt. 4:12–25;
28: Deut. 1:1–18; Matt. 5:1–20;
29: Deut. 1:19–36; Matt. 5:21–48;
30: Deut. 1:37–2:15; Matt. 6:1–15.

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<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
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3 LABOR DAY 8:00 am Divine Service 9:30 am FELLOWSHIP HOUR 10:45 am Divine Service	4	5 7:00 pm Youth board meeting	6 1:00 pm LMS Volunteer meeting	7 10:30 am Bible Study 5:30 pm Organ Lesson	8	9 11:00 am Leon Holman funeral 3:00 pm Keller Holy Matrimony
10 RALLY DAY 8:00 am Divine Service 9:30 am Education Hour 10:45 am Divine Service 12:30 pm Choir practice	11 6:00 pm Men's Night Out	12 7:00 pm Council meeting 7:00 pm Bell Choir	13 12:00 pm Ladies Guild Meeting 7:00 pm Ensemble	14 10:30 am Bible Study 5:30 pm Organ Lesson	15	16 6:30 pm Game night
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SEPTEMBER SCHEDULE

*If you would like to fill an **OPEN** spot, please call the church office at 206.524.0024. Please note Lenten services are listed separately at the bottom of the page.*

ACOLYTES

8:00 am

- 3 Destiny Schy
- 10 Lena Witt
- 17 *volunteer*
- 24 Destiny Schy

10:45 am

- Alexander Peterson
- Will Strege
- Noah Hughes
- Cameron Miller

USHERS

8:00 am

- 3 Harry Edmon
- 10 Lee Cohrs
- 17 Jim Hewitson
- 24 Jim Mendes

10:45 am

- Steve Miller
- Dave Paeth
- Curt Colbert
- Dan Lassman

GREETERS

8:00 am Upstairs

- 3 Prem Robert & Terry King
- 10 Sharon Christiansen
- 17 Jim & Sue Hewitson
- 24 Frieda Johnson

8:00 am Downstairs

- Robin Melvin
- OPEN**
- Larry & Nancy Bourn
- OPEN**

10:45 am Upstairs

- Prem Robert & Maya Martin
- Sharon Christiansen
- Jim & Sue Hewitson
- Dorothy Bellin & Ellen Eyre

10:45 am Downstairs

- Dan Lassman
- Dorothy Bellin
- Ann Melvin
- Sharon Christiansen

READERS

8:00 am

- 3 Harry Edmon
- 10 Robin Melvin
- 17 Lee Cohrs
- 24 Harry Edmon

10:45 am

- Curt/Stephanie Colbert
- Dave Miller
- Neil Strege
- Dan Lassman

TRANSPORTATION

- 3 Sharon Christiansen
- 10 Joanne Warner
- 17 Doug Hansen
- 24 Jane Krueger

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

- 3 Pastor Mankin
- 10 Jill Petro
- 17 Lee Cohrs
- 24 Pastor Mankin

ELDERS

8:00 am

- 3 Andrew Petro / Lee Cohrs
- 10 Robin Melvin / Andrew Petro
- 17 Robin Melvin / Mike Boomhower
- 24 Mike Boomhower / Lee Cohrs

10:45 am

- Doug Hansen / Rich Blomquist
- David Miller / Jim Grant
- Josh Pemberton / Doug Hansen
- Jim Grant / Josh Pemberton

ALTAR GUILD

- 3 Sharon Christiansen, Stephanie Colbert
- 10 Joyce Lucas, Stephanie Colbert
- 17 Cheryl Gagne, Joanne Estergreen
- 24 Dianna Altena, Jean Mindemann

FLOWER FUND

- 3 Flower Fund
- 10 Brian & Michelle Keller
- 17 Brien & Lisa Lindstrom
- 24 Justin & Tiana Bourn



"Sing the Faith!"

With the onset of summer, planning for Northwest Reformation 500, one of the only celebrations of its kind in the U.S., is moving into high gear!



Registration is now open for the Festival Choir at www.nwreformation500.com/sing.

This massed choir will bring voices together from across the Puget Sound region to participate in the Festival Worship service at Northwest Reformation 500. Joined by the accomplished Boeing Employees Choir, this massed choir will be a powerhouse to "sing the faith" as we celebrate the Gospel legacy of the Reformation. The Festival Choir will also participate in an inspiring opening procession with dozens of clergy and Lutheran school students to "A Mighty Fortress."



REFORMATION 2017 *It's Still* All About Jesus

THE VISION

2,500+ Lutherans and fellow Christians joining for a large-scale afternoon celebration event to include inspiring worship, impactful service, and engaging fellowship.

WHAT: Northwest Reformation 500

WHEN: Sunday, Oct. 29, 2017

2:30 p.m. Fellowship

4:30 p.m. Festival Worship.

Doors open with exhibits for all ages and fellowship.

WHERE: Overlake Christian Church, Redmond, WA
9900 Willows Rd NE, Redmond, WA 98052