



THE MESSENGER

MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD (LCMS)

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Salutation, Collect, and Readings

Immediately following the Hymn of Praise, we have the Salutation and Collect.

The Salutation is an exchange between the pastor and people; however, it is not just a, “Hello, how are you doing?” Here, the pastor offers a greeting from the Lord, and is in turn greeted with the same. These type of exchanges are common in the Old Testament and are still used in the mideast today with *shalom/salaam*.

When the pastor says the “Lord be with you,” it should be understood as “The Peace of the Lord be with you.” It is a sign of the bond of love in Jesus that should be found amongst God’s people. This exchange is also a type of giving a blessing to the pastor to perform the task to follow, in this instance the Collect.

The Collect is a special type of prayer. The name comes from the Latin word *collēcta* meaning to gather or collect because that’s what this prayer is, a collected prayer of behalf of the people. This is another Proper that changes from week to week.

The Collect is a prayer that generally focuses on the Gospel or Epistle reading. Therefore, it helps us to collective focus on the central thought of the service. Like all other elements of the Liturgy, the Collect serves the Gospel and glorifies the Lord by focusing our faith on the presence and promises of God.

The Collect, while somewhat poetic in nature, is actually quite structured in style. It has been said of the Collect, “Their humility of spirit is balanced by certainty of faith, and their brevity of form by breadth of thought.” (L. Reed, *The Lutheran Liturgy*)

The Collect usually follows a five-part pattern.

1. God is addressed. Typically, it is the Father, but prayers addressed to the Son and Holy Spirit are also used when it is appropriate.
(e.g. “Almighty God, merciful Father”)
2. The basis of the prayer is given.
(e.g. “since you have awakened from death the Shepherd of your sheep”)
3. The request is given.
(e.g. “grant us your Spirit that we may know the voice of our Shepherd”)
4. The purpose or benefit of the prayer.
(e.g. “that sin and death may never pluck us out of your hand”)
5. The ending that is a doxology and serves to clarify once again that we are praying to the one and only Triune God.
(e.g. “through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.”) (pg. 52 of *Lutheran Worship*)

With the theme of the day fresh on our minds, we move to the Readings. In God’s Word, our souls are fed with the spiritual food they so desperately need by the Readings and the Sermon. The purpose behind the Divine Service is the God comes to bless his people. This is most certainly true of the Scripture readings, even though the entire Liturgy is drawn from Scripture.

The readings, like the Collects, are propers. They reflect the liturgical calendar. In the liturgical calendar, we follow the life of Jesus from conception to death every year. To that end, the Gospel--that is the life of Jesus--is the central focus with the Old Testament and Epistle readings supporting its message.

Next month we will continue our service on the Liturgy looking at the Alleluia verse, our responses and the sermon.

In Him,
– Pastor Mankin

FROM THE OFFICE

THE NEXT MESSENGER DEADLINE IS:

May 20, 2019

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.

ASCENSION DAY: Join us for an extra midweek service on Thursday, May 30TH at 7:00 pm.

MINISTRIES OF MESSIAH

CONCORDIA OPEN HOUSE, MAY 4TH, 10:00 AM:

Enrollment for preschool, kindergarten and elementary age, and now 6th grade open for fall 2019. Tell neighbors and friends looking for a different option about how Concordia personalizes academics to challenge each student in multiage classrooms, about Summit Learning, or about the play based preschool with huge classrooms, caring teachers, and room to run inside and outside (great playground and gym)! Invite them for May 4th's Open House as well!

MEN'S NIGHT OUT – *Brian Danforth*

The next Men's Night Out will be held on Monday, May 6th at 6:00 pm at Chinook's at Salmon Bay, located at 1900 W Nickerson Street. Please RSVP to Brian Danforth, 206-363-5654.

ALTAR GUILD MEETING – *Cheryl Taylor*

Monday, May 6th, 7:00 pm, join us at this meeting to learn more about what we do! Currently we serve about 12 Sundays per year, with some bonus opportunities during Lent and Advent. Tasks include preparations for communion and baptisms, changing altar paraments, and keeping an eye on robes, candles, and flowers. We serve with a partner every weekend so it goes very quickly. You can join us as an individual or a couple, all men and women welcome.

Contact Cheryl if you have any questions at cat1596@gmail.com or 206-782-5734.

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

Ladies' Guild Meeting

Ladies' Guild will have their usual "Out to Lunch" fellowship instead of their usual May meeting. This year, it will be at Standford's Restaurant, located at 401 NE Northgate Way. All Messiah ladies are invited to join us May 8th at 12:00 pm! Please remember to bring your "Mites for Missions" money. Don't forget to RSVP with Marjorie Longan! (206) 525-8131

Quilting Days

The next Project Day will be Wednesday, May 22nd from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm. **Twenty-four quilts will be sent to Lutheran World Relief** on May 3rd. These quilts will be distributed through LWR around the world. Please be sure to bring a sack lunch. As always, all congregational women are cordially invited.

Olympic Zone LWML Spring Joy Shop

The next Olympic Zone LWML meeting will be at Epiphany Lutheran Church, located at 6408 Juanita Dr in Kenmore, on Saturday, May 4th. Registration begins at 9:30 am and costs \$4.00. Program starts at 10:00 am. This time around the speaker will be Laura Divis, activist for LCMS Pro Life organization, X4Life. They will be collecting DSHS health kits at the event.

MOTHERS' DAY IS COMING! Did you remember to pick up a card at least? If not, rest assured; we have loads of nice Mothers' Day cards out in the Narthex for you. Each costs \$1--such a good deal! Be the favorite child this year and pick yours up today!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MESSIAH - *Sharon Christiansen* Messiah will celebrate our 72nd birthday, April 27, 1947, on Sunday, May 5th. Bring your memories to share. Contact Martha Weiss, Pastor or Sharon Christiansen.

MESSIAH NEEDS TRANSPORTATION VOLUNTEERS: Can you help some of our senior members get to church on Sundays? Messiah is in need of transportation volunteers to pick up a couple

parishioners, drive them to church, and then drive them home again after services have concluded. If you are interested in helping out, or have any questions, please contact Kent Questad at (206) 524-8636 or kquestad@q.com.

AMAZONSMILE: Are you an Amazon customer? Did you know you can have a small portion of each purchase donated to Messiah Lutheran Church if you order via AmazonSmile? The merchandise and prices are exactly the same as Amazon.com—but the benefit is that .5% of your purchase will be donated to a charity of your choice. You can set Messiah Lutheran Church as the beneficiary. Go to Amazon.com, and do a search for AmazonSmile to learn more about this program.

PREMIER CONFERENCE FOR LUTHERAN LAITY...You're invited to attend the Issues, Etc. "Making the Case" Conference Friday, June 7 and Saturday, June 8 at Concordia University Chicago. Topics include: Why the Public Square Needs Christianity, Joyfully Lutheran, The Lord's Supper, The Hippocratic Oath and more. Speakers include: Matt Harrison, Ross Douthat, Hans Fiene, Wesley Smith, Will Weedon and others. Registration is \$125 and includes three meals. For more information, visit www.issuesetc.org or call (618) 223-8385.

HUMAN CARE

DONATION UPDATE—*Jackie Wold*

For March, we collected 3 women's hygiene items. Thank you for helping those in need. In April, we will collect razors, shaving creams, and aftershaves. **In May, we will be collecting baby items. Thanks for your generosity.** 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.

PERSONAL CARE KITS FOR LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF – *Dorothy Bellin*

We are sending 93 kits to LWR to be distributed in areas of need throughout the world. Each kit contains a bath towel, toothbrush, metal nail clippers, soap, and a comb. Aide workers will also distribute toothpaste to those receiving the kits. Bar codes attached to each box allow us to track where the kits will be distributed. In past years, our personal care kits were sent to Tanzania, Angola, Haiti, Serbia, Bosnia, Ethiopia, and Mauritania. These kits provide needed hygiene

supplies for families and children living in poverty, refugee camps, and areas affected by war and civil unrest. Thank you for your donations of supplies, money, and time in assembling the kits!

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

FELLOWSHIP

VALLEY CAMP RETREAT – *Jean Mindemann*

Are you thinking about summer? Our annual retreat to Valley Camp in North Bend will be July 19-21st. You can use the sleeping accommodations in the lodge or bring your own tent or RV. More information to follow.

CURRENT & UPCOMING BIBLE STUDIES

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS

WHAT: Book of Judges
WHEN: Sunday Mornings at 9:30 am
WHERE: Fellowship Hall
TEACHER: Pastor Mankin

BASIC LUTHERAN TEACHINGS (formerly AIC)

WHAT: Intro to Lutheran Christian Faith
WHEN: **Spring 2019**
WHERE: Room 202/204
TEACHER: Pastor Mankin

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

WHAT: The Apocrypha
WHEN: Thursdays, 10:00 am
WHERE: Room 202/204
TEACHER: Harry Edmon

MAY BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & OFFICIAL ACTS

BIRTHDAYS

Sharon Christiansen	5/03
Jack Holdridge	5/03
Curtis Lassman	5/08
Laura Estergreen	5/10
Ellie Strege	5/11
Joanne Estergreen	5/11
Rebecca Melvin	5/11
Vicki Bartlett	5/13
Bryan Clark	5/13

Joan Miller	5/13
Ian Paeth	5/13
Lena Witt	5/13
Jim Kohring	5/14
Bob Lucas	5/14
Andrea Neubert	5/15
Jonathan Steele	5/18
Own Petro	5/19
Bob Sundquist	5/24

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Nate Schaub	5/01
Cheryl Taylor	5/01
Sharon Christiansen	5/03
Lourain Schmidt	5/04
Tere Ulland	5/08
Cora May Gray	5/10
Nyah Ankrah	5/12
Lily Strege	5/12
Carol Davidson	5/13
Jack Holdridge	5/15
Martha Mathiason	5/15
Luke Pemberton	5/15
Ellie Strege	5/15
Tammi Ankrah	5/19
Andrea Neubert	5/27
Jonathan Steele	

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Tammi and Felix Ankrah	5/09
Lee and Jill Cohrs	5/09
Harry and Bev Edmon	5/27
Brian and Robin Danforth	5/30

OFFICIAL ACTS

On Sunday, April 14th, Addison Clark, Peter Grimm, and Jack Knudson underwent the rite of Confirmation.

DAILY READINGS FOR MAY

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 May, all have been gathered here for your convenience.

May 1: Ex. 24:1–18; Luke 5:1–16;
 2: Ex. 25:1–22; Luke 5:17–39;
 3: Ex. 31:1–18; Luke 6:1–19;
 4: Ex. 32:1–14; Luke 6:20–38.

May 5: Ex. 32:15–35; Luke 6:39–49;
 6: Ex. 33:1–23; Luke 7:1–17;
 7: Ex. 34:1–28; Luke 7:18–35;
 8: Ex. 34:29–35:21; Luke 7:36–50;
 9: Ex. 38:21–39:8, 22–23, 27–31; Luke 8:1–21;
 10: Ex. 39:32–40:16; Luke 8:22–39;
 11: Ex. 40:17–38; Luke 8:40–56.

May 12: Lev. 8:1–13, 30–36; Luke 9:1–17;
 13: Lev. 9:1–24; Luke 9:18–36;
 14: Lev. 10:1–20; Luke 9:37–62;
 15: Lev. 16:1–24; Luke 10:1–22;
 16: Lev. 17:1–16; Luke 10:23–42;
 17: Lev. 18:1–7, 20–19:8; Luke 11:1–13;
 18: Lev. 19:9–18, 26–37; Luke 11:14–36.

May 19: Lev. 20:1–16, 22–27; Luke 11:37–54;
 20: Lev. 21:1–24; Luke 12:1–12;
 21: Lev. 23:1–22; Luke 12:13–34;
 22: Lev. 23:23–44; Luke 12:35–53;
 23: Lev. 24:1–23; Luke 12:54–13:17;
 24: Lev. 26:1–20; Luke 13:18–35;
 25: Lev. 26:21–33, 39–44; Luke 14:1–24.

May 26: Num. 3:1–16, 39–48; Luke 14:25–15:10;
 27: Num. 8:5–26; Luke 15:11–32;
 28: Num. 9:1–23; Luke 16:1–18;
 29: Num. 10:11–36; Luke 16:19–31;
 30: Num. 11:1–23, 31–35; Luke 17:1–19;
 31: Num. 11:24–29; 12:1–16; Luke 17:20–37;



Ascension Day



THURSDAY, MAY 30TH

SERVICE AT 7:00 PM



May 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 7:00 pm Ensemble	2 10:00 am Bible Study 7:00 pm Choir	3	4 10:00 am Concordia Open House 10:00 am Olympic Zone LWML Spring Joy Shop
5 8:00 am Divine Service 9:30 am Fellowship Hour 10:45 am Divine Service	6 6:00 pm Men's Night Out	7 7:00 pm Youth board meeting 7:00 pm Bell Choir	8 12:00 pm Ladies' Guild 7:00 pm Ensemble	9 10:00 am Bible Study 7:00 pm Choir	10	11
PUGET SOUND PASTOR'S CONFERENCE						
12 MOTHERS' DAY 8:00 am Divine Service 9:30 am Education Hour 10:45 am Divine Service	13	14 7:00 pm Council meeting 7:00 pm Bell Choir	15 7:00 pm Ensemble	16 10:00 am Bible Study 7:00 pm Choir	17	18 ARMED FORCES DAY 2:00 pm Maynard Wege Birthday Party (Fellowship Hall)
19 8:00 am Divine Service 9:30 am Education Hour 10:45 am Divine Service	20 MESSENGER DEADLINE	21 7:00 pm Exec board meeting 7:00 pm Bell Choir	22 9:30 am Quilting Day 7:00 pm Ensemble	23 10:00 am Bible Study 7:00 pm Choir	24	25
26 8:00 am Divine Service 9:30 am Education Hour 10:45 am Divine Service	27 MEMORIAL DAY <i>The office will be closed in observance of the holiday.</i>	28 7:00 pm Elders' meeting 7:00 pm Bell Choir	29 7:00 pm Ensemble	30 ASCENSION DAY 10:00 am Bible Study 7:00 pm Midweek service 8:00 pm Choir	31	

MAY SCHEDULE

*If you would like to fill an **OPEN** or **VOLUNTEER** spot, please call the church office at 206.524.0024.*

ACOLYTES

8:00 am

- 5 *volunteer*
- 12 Destiny Aguayo
- 19 Lena Witt
- 26 *volunteer*

10:45 am

- Addie Clark
- Will Strege
- Peter Grimm
- Jack Knudson

USHERS

8:00 am

- 5 Jim Mendes
- 12 Lee Cohrs
- 19 Terry King
- 26 Harry Edmon

10:45 am

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

GREETERS

8:00 am Upstairs

- 5 Terry King
- 12 Sharon Christiansen
- 19 Jim & Sue Hewitson
- 26 Frieda Johnson

8:00 am Downstairs

- OPEN
- Jack & Donna Holdridge
- Larry & Nancy Bourn
- Jack & Donna Holdridge

10:45 am Upstairs

- Maya Martin
- Sharon Christiansen
- Jim & Sue Hewitson
- Dorothy Bellin

10:45 am Downstairs

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

READERS

8:00 am

- 5 Robin Melvin
- 12 Lee Cohrs
- 19 Harry Edmon
- 26 Albert Lirhus

10:45 am

- Sue Hewitson
- Dan Lassman
- Curt Colbert
- Dave Miller

TRANSPORTATION

- 5 Sharon Christiansen
- 12 Joanne Warner
- 19 **OPEN**
- 26 Jane Krueger

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

- 5 Pastor Mankin
- 12 Lee Cohrs
- 19 Pastor Mankin
- 26 Lee Cohrs

ELDERS

8:00 am

- 5 Andrew Petro, Michael Boomhower
- 12 Michael Boomhower, Harry Edmon
- 19 Harry Edmon, Lee Cohrs
- 26 Lee Cohrs, Michael Boomhower

10:45 am

- Neil Strege, Jim Grant
- Jim Grant, Josh Pemberton
- Josh Pemberton, David Miller
- David Miller, Neil Strege

ALTAR GUILD

- 5 Joanne Estergreen
- 12 Cheryl Taylor, Joanne Estergreen
- 19 Joyce Lucas, Dianna Altena
- 26 Joyce Lucas, Cheryl Gagne



HAPPY EASTERTIDE!

ASCENSION DAY

Acolyte

- 30 Will Strege

Altar Guild

- Joanne Estergreen

Ushers

- Harry Edmon