



# THE MESSENGER

MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD (LCMS)

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## *From the Desk of Pastor Mankin*

Greetings in our Risen Lord,

Recently, someone asked me what I thought about all the problems going on in America right now with race relations, policing, and the like. And I wanted to share my thought with you all.

First, I am deeply saddened by the current state of our nation and world, and I firmly believed at the root of all these issues is a fundamental lack of respect for the dignity of human life.

As a Christians, we believe that all people are created by God now, not just an act in the past but every time someone is conceived. (Psalm 139:13) Each person is a precious gift from our Creator to their parents, family, and all of us.

I, also, know that no one is born perfect. (Romans 3:32) Because of our sinful state all of us are born selfish with a desire to love ourselves before our neighbor or God. This is a divine tragedy we see played out in our streets every day.

But I also know that Jesus, God's Son, died for all sin. (John 3:16) He did that because God loves all people; we are all precious in His sight, even those who don't know Him, deny Him, and even hate Him. (1 Timothy 2:4)

Therefore, if God loves people so much that he would endure the shame and humiliation of becoming one of us so that he might reunited us to Him, who can say that all life shouldn't be valued, defended, treated with respect and even loved.

And I think if more of people saw each other as one people, created by a loving God, precious in His sight no matter who we are, what we look like, or our ability this nation would be a lot better off right now.

I hope you all take a moment to reflect on how precious and beautiful to God you are, and how much you are loved, so that you might share that love with others. And I pray our world would too.

Peace,  
Pastor Mankin

## **FROM THE OFFICE**

### **THE NEXT MESSENGER DEADLINE IS:**

**May 17, 2021**

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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto:office@messiahseattle.org).

**THE SCHOOL YEAR IS HEADING TO A CLOSE:** If you have a child graduating soon, please contact the office, at [office@messiahseattle.org](mailto:office@messiahseattle.org), so that they can be added to the Graduation Roll.

## **FROM THE TREASURER**

Below is the 2021 Financial Summary through March:

- 2021 Spending Guide (SG) Expenses - prorated through March: \$141,331
- 2021 Actual Expenses through March: \$128,180 (9.3% below SG), including funds set aside for future use: \$16,500
- 2021 Actual Offerings/Income through March: \$107,599 (23.9% below SG)
- 2021 Change in cash position: \$52,978 increase
  - PPP grant received: \$46,738

The operating results through March are a deficit of \$20,582; this includes \$16,500 in funds set aside for

future use. God be praised, earlier this year we received an additional PPP grant of \$46,738 which covers several more weeks of payroll, in addition to the PPP grant of \$46,709 received in 2020. Please remember in your prayers to thank the Lord for Messiah's blessings, and pray for His continued gifts to sustain us in the year to come. Please feel free to reach with any questions or concerns.

## **MINISTRIES OF MESSIAH**

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### **LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE (LWML) NEWS – *Jean Mindemann***

On Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, the Ladies' Guild had many quilts on display out in the Narthex. The quilts shipped that following week. This was a joint effort between the Ladies of Messiah Ladies' Guild and the friends who have made them. These quilts will be delivered to Lutheran World Relief to be sent to areas of disaster relief around the world.

### **TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS – *Harry Edmon***

The Tuesday Morning Bible Class has gone back to meeting in-person in the Fellowship Hall Tuesdays at 10:00 am. Class lasts one hour. Masks and social distancing are still required. We are just starting 2 Kings. The class will also still be available remotely, streamed live at <https://vimeo.com/event/52881>. Recorded classes are available at <https://vimeo.com/showcase/7633423>. Live audio and audio of the last class will also be available on the church's phone system - 206-524-0024.

### **MOTHER'S DAY & GRADUATION CARDS ARE NOW AVAILABLE! – *Jan Sholdt***

Plan ahead and pick yours up in the Narthex today! They cost a dollar and the proceeds goes back into Messiah's missions.

### **LADIES NIGHT OUT IS BACK! – *Bev Edmon***

We are going to Shawn O'Donnell's American Grill and Irish Pub on Monday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. O'Donnell's has several restaurants. The one we are going to is at 122 128th St SE in Everett. We have been invited to Jean Mindemann's new home after dinner. It is just a few miles away from the restaurant. We will need a reservation so they can have a social-distanced table for us. RSVP to Bev Edmon, (425) 773-3711, [bevedmon@gmail.com](mailto:bevedmon@gmail.com).

## **CONCORDIA CORNER – *Christine Malone***

### **Update!**

There's been an increase in enrollment! Our elementary/middle school enrollment went from 21 students last June to 49 in September! Our projected enrollment for 2021-2022 school year is at least 74 students but may be more! We praise God for the opportunity He has given us to share Christ with more and more students and families! We are in the process of considering a bathroom project to fit our growth needs as preschool will be back to its normal capacity numbers in fall as well!

### **Summer Camp**

We have openings in our elementary (K-5) summer camp this summer! Find more information at [www.concordiaseattle.com](http://www.concordiaseattle.com)!

### **Annual Auction**

It's happening! Our auction, A Night In with Concordia is happening May 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm! There is a Live Auction portion with our auctioneer on May 15<sup>th</sup> and a silent auction happening starting on May 8<sup>th</sup>! To participate in either one, register on our website at [www.concordiaseattle.com](http://www.concordiaseattle.com) or call 206-525-7407. New items to bid on the year...2 nights at Suncadia or 2 nights on Lopez Island...and more!

**MESSIAH'S GOING CAMPING:** August 20-22<sup>nd</sup>, we're on track to return to our annual camping retreat in North Bend. Details to come!

**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.

**ESSENTIAL EXERCISE FOR THE CHRISTIAN MIND...** Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: Roman Catholic Mariology, The Godly Practice of Leisure, The Word "Glory" in the Bible, Facebook's New Prayer Post Feature and more. You can listen on-demand at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

## CURRENT & UPCOMING BIBLE STUDIES

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### SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS

WHAT: Lutheran Difference Bible Study  
WHEN: Sundays at 9:30 am  
WHERE: Fellowship Hall and Online  
TEACHER: Pastor Mankin

### TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

WHAT: 2 Kings  
WHEN: Tuesdays, 10:00 am  
WHERE: Fellowship Hall and Online  
TEACHER: Harry Edmon

### SATURDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

WHAT: Book of Acts  
WHEN: Saturdays, 10:00 am  
WHERE: Online  
TEACHER: Jim Grant

## MAY BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & OFFICIAL ACTS

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### BIRTHDAYS

Sharon Christiansen	5/03
Jack Holdridge	5/03
Curtis Lassman	5/08
Laura Estergreen	5/10
Ellie Strege	5/10
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
Freja Heineking	5/18
Owen Petro	5/19
Ryan Smith	5/22
Bob Sundquist	5/24

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Lee & Jill Cohrs	5/09
Harry & Bev Edmon	5/27
Brian & Robin Danforth	5/30

## OFFICIAL ACTS

Delores Cohrs passed away on April 1<sup>st</sup>. We gave glory to God for the new life granted through the baptism of Phoebe Kaira Zakian on Easter Sunday.

## MAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

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### ELDERS

#### 8:00 am

2 Lee Cohrs, Michael Boomhower  
9 Robin Melvin, Andrew Petro  
16 Andrew Petro, Michael Boomhower  
23 Michael Boomhower, Harry Edmon  
30 Andrew Petro, Lee Cohrs

#### 10:45 am

2 Neil Strege, Josh Pemberton  
9 Josh Pemberton, David Miller  
16 David Miller, Neil Strege  
23 Neil Strege, Josh Pemberton  
30 Josh Pemberton, David Miller

#### 2:00 pm – Vulnerable Population Service

9 – N/A

### USHERS

#### 8:00 am

2 Sharon Christiansen	10:45 am Steve Miller
9 Lee Cohrs	Dave Paeth
16 Terry King	Curt Colbert
23 Harry Edmon	Dan Lassman
30 Lee Cohrs	Curt Colbert

#### Ascension of Our Lord - 7:00 pm

13 Dan Lassman

### ALTAR GUILD

2 Joanne Estergreen, Cheryl Taylor  
9 Stephanie Colbert, Cheryl Taylor  
16 Jack & Donna Holdridge  
23 Joanne Estergreen, Cheryl Taylor  
30 Jean Mindemann, Stephanie Colbert

#### Ascension of Our Lord - 7:00 pm

13 Jean Mindemann

# May 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<b>1</b> 10:00 am Bible Study
<b>2</b> 8:00 am Divine Service 9:30 am Education Hour 10:45 am Divine Service	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 10:00 am Bible Study	<b>5</b> 4:00 pm Confirmation - Bible Overview	<b>6</b> 4:00 pm Confirmation - Catechism	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 10:00 am Bible Study
<b>9 MOTHERS' DAY</b> 8:00 am Divine Service 9:30 am Education Hour 10:45 am Divine Service 2:00 pm Vulnerable Population Service	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 10:00 am Bible Study 7:00 pm Council meeting	<b>12</b> 4:00 pm Confirmation - Bible Overview	<b>13 ASCENSION OF OUR LORD</b> 4:00 pm Confirmation - Catechism 7:00 pm Divine Service	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 10:00 am Bible Study 6:30 pm Concordia Night In Auction
<b>16</b> 8:00 am Divine Service 9:30 am Education Hour 10:45 am Divine Service	<b>17</b> <b>MESSENGER DEADLINE</b> 7:00 pm Ladies' Night Out	<b>18</b> 10:00 am Bible Study 7:00 pm Exec board meeting	<b>19</b> 4:00 pm Confirmation - Bible Overview	<b>20</b> 4:00 pm Confirmation - Catechism	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 10:00 am Bible Study
<b>23 PENTECOST</b> 8:00 am Divine Service 9:30 am Education Hour 10:45 am Divine Service	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 10:00 am Bible Study 7:00 pm Elder's meeting	<b>26</b> 4:00 pm Confirmation - Bible Overview	<b>27</b> 4:00 pm Confirmation - Catechism	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 10:00 am Bible Study
<b>30 HOLY TRINITY</b> 8:00 am Divine Service 9:30 am Education Hour 10:45 am Divine Service	<b>31 MEMORIAL DAY</b> <i>The office will be closed in observance of the holiday.</i>					