



THE MESSENGER

MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD (LCMS)

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From the Desk of Pastor Mankin

Greetings in our Risen Lord,

Here we are again at the start of another glorious Seattle summer. However, I am greeting this summer with a great sense of optimism. It seems that there is indeed a light at the end of the COVID-19 tunnel, and it is not a train!

Washington is still on track to lose all pandemic-related restrictions by the end of June. What that all means for Messiah still remains to be seen. But infection rates are dropping, more and more people are becoming vaccinated, and life is returning to normal.

With all of that good news, I hate to bring it up, but COVID was a harsh reminder of what it means to live in a sin fallen world. When things are going well it can become very easy to forget that this life is not what it was created to be. After all, for the most part, this world is still beautiful, and we too can lose sight of the reality that it is most broken.

But then along comes a natural disaster, which are actually unnatural sin-filled consequences of the Fall. They are reminders to us that there is something not right with this place. This world is not the beautiful paradise that God created for us to live in for all eternity. It is temporary housing as we await the true glory of creation, which will be revealed.

And that's when we remember the true light at the end of the tunnel, the Light of the world, Jesus Christ. So, as excited as we all are to resume our normal routine, let's keep our eyes on a grand prize. Not just an end to on disease, but all of illness, an end to all sin, suffering and death, an end in Christ.

This fall, on all Saints Day, we will be remembering all of the dear saints at Messiah who joined our Lord this past year. Yet, we were unable to have funerals because of the pandemic. We will be reminded that this world and its pain is but for a moment, but the glory we have in store is eternal.

And as we head back to “normal,” remember we are truly heading back to a real normal, which none of us have ever known. Amen.

Have a wonderful Summer,
Pastor Mankin

FROM THE OFFICE

THE NEXT MESSENGER DEADLINE IS:

August 16, 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 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.

KEY AUDIT: Do you have a key to the church building? Please reach out to the office. It's been five years since building keys were mass distributed, and we're doing an audit to track them all down. So please contact the office at office@messiahseattle.org to let us know what **key number** you have.

LUTHERAN WITNESS RENEWAL DEADLINE IS NEXT SUNDAY:

Are you currently subscribed to *The Lutheran Witness*? Would you like to be? This monthly magazine interprets the contemporary world from a Lutheran Christian perspective. To subscribe or renew your subscription please send your payment of \$15.96 to the office **no later than July 2nd**.

NEW MEMBERS SUNDAY: Are you a guest who likes what they see and has been considering membership? You're in luck! New Members Sunday will be July 11th, during both services, for those who wish to be welcomed officially into the congregation. If this sounds like something God is impressing on your heart to do, contact either Pastor at pastor@messiahseattle.org or the office at office@messiahseattle.org so we can get this process started. We look forward to welcoming you into the Messiah church body.

FROM THE TREASURER

Below is the 2021 Financial Summary through May:

- 2021 Spending Guide (SG) Expenses - prorated through May: \$235,551
- 2021 Actual Expenses through May: \$213,279 (9.4% below SG), including funds set aside for future use: \$27,500
- 2021 Actual Offerings/Income through May: \$219,522 (6.8% below SG)

The operating results through May is a surplus of \$6,243; this includes \$27,500 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 contact me with any questions or concerns.

MINISTRIES OF MESSIAH

SATURDAY BIBLE CLASS NEW MEETING TIME:

The Saturday Bible class is shifting from their 10:00 am timeslot to Thursdays at 7:00 pm. This class is available online and in-person. Online can be accessed by phone at 1-253-215-8782 through Zoom (Meeting ID#: 882-0480-0465; Passcode: 321554). Starting July 1st, class will also be available in person in the Fellowship Hall. They anticipate finishing the present study of Acts in 2-3 weeks and then will begin study of 1 & 2 Corinthians. Questions? Contact Jim Grant at 425-246-8536.

MEN'S NIGHT OUT: JULY – Brian Danforth

Please join us Monday, July 12th at 6:00 pm at Brier Pizza Kitchen, located at 23631 Brier Rd. Please RSVP to Brian Danforth, 206-363-5654.

MEN'S NIGHT OUT: AUGUST – Brian Danforth

Please join us Monday, August 2nd at 6:00 pm at Mazatlan Mexican Restaurant, located at 6003 244 St SW in Mountlake Terrace. Please RSVP to Brian Danforth, 206-363-5654.

LADIES NIGHT OUT – Bev Edmon

Ladies Night Out will be at Mazatlan Mexican Restaurant on Monday, July 19th at 6:00 pm. Mazatlan is located at 6003 244th St SW, Mountlake Terrace, 98043. We will meet on Mazatlan's outdoor patio unless it's raining or unseasonably cold. It is important to RSVP to Bev Edmon, bevedmon@gmail.com, text (425) 773-3711. I need to know who is attending in case we need to change restaurants at the last minute. Restaurants are coming and going quickly these days as you know. August's meet is still to be determined.

MESSIAH'S GOING CAMPING! The summer trip to Valley Camp is returning this year on August 20th - 22nd. Attendees can stay in the lodge or pitch tents outside. A sign-up sheet is available on the bulletin board, and if you have any questions (or if you want to sign up by phone), you can call Peter Boomhower at (206) 605-9287.

MESSIAH SOAP DRIVE – Sharon Christiansen

Social Ministries has begun a drive for plastic bottles liquid soap and granulated detergent to fill those containers. We'll gratefully accept bar soap, too. The Lake City food bank will be our beneficiary of these supplies. Used water bottles and plastic bottles of all kinds are welcome and, of course, do fill a need. Please leave all donations in the Narthex and I will fill the bottles and then take them to the food bank with our good wishes. Thank you for this consideration!

NOW REQUESTING DRESSES, BIBS, AND SOAP:

We are expanding our request from soap to seamstresses for ongoing projects. We are in need of people to sew pillowcase dresses for girls abroad and to sew Senior Citizen Bibs for those in nursing homes. Both are for populations in need. The dress pattern is on the wall in the narthex and I will soon put a Bib pattern there as well. The bibs need small hand towels attached to a simple collar. All donations accepted with gratitude. Please consider sewing a few of the needed items or donating supplies for those in need. Thank you! Sharon 206-362-6774.

SEEKING USHERS: Messiah is running a short of ushers since the pandemic hit. If you would like to

volunteer with this act of service, please contact Curt Colbert (at curtcolbert@msn.com or 425-774-3718) or Dave Paeth (at dpaeth54@gmail.com or 206-351-7350).

SEEKING KITCHEN COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS:

We are looking to reform a small group/committee to manage the kitchen that serves the fellowship hall. This is requested as in-person events are starting to be planned in the second half of 2021. Any volunteers are requested to reach out to Mark Jorgensen at mjorgo99@hotmail.com or to contact the church office at office@messiahseattle.org.

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.

SANCTIFYING YOUR VOCATIONS WITH THE WORD OF GOD... 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: What I Wish My Non-Lutheran Family Knew about Election; The Colors of the Church Seasons & Festivals; The Seven Deadly Sins; Political Censorship and more. You can listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

CURRENT & UPCOMING BIBLE STUDIES

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS

WHAT: To Be Announced
 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

THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

WHAT: I & II Corinthians
 WHEN: Thursdays, **7:00 pm**

WHERE: Fellowship Hall and Online
 TEACHER: Jim Grant

JULY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

Mary Branom	7/01
Becky Johnson	7/01
Dave Manahan	7/01
Joyce Lucas	7/04
Robin Arbuckle	7/06
Robby Branom	7/07
Allison Danforth	7/10
Nicole Cov	7/13
Jack Knudson	7/14
June Scott	7/15
Nola Park	7/18
Sue Hewitson	7/20
Madeleine Ferguson	7/26
Matt Grant	7/26
Christina Roethemeyer	7/26
Molly Neubert	7/27
Craig Kohring	7/28
John Koppelman	7/29
Neil Woodward	

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Bryan & Jennifer Clark	7/08
Neil Woodward & Leanne Gulden	7/14
Bob & Sara Zimmerman	7/15
Robby & Audrey Branom	7/21
Ryan & Danielle Smith	7/21
Robin & Ann Melvin	7/30

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & OFFICIAL ACTS

BIRTHDAYS

Clarence Mankin	8/01
Leslie Miller	8/03
Syriana Schaub	8/05
Braylin Jenson	8/06
Jean Mindemann	8/08
Gabby Strege	8/08
Stephanie Totten	8/08
Olivia Lueck	8/09
Trevor Mankin	8/10
Brien Lindstrom	8/12
Albert Lirhus	8/13
Harriet Branom	8/17

Theo Petro	8/17
Jordan Paeth	8/18
Trey Knudson	8/19
Cameron Petro	8/19
Brian Doersch	8/21
Curt Colbert	8/23
Sandy Grant	8/23
Marjeelee Murrell	8/24
Jessica Lueck	8/26
Sean Bartlett	8/29
Bob Guthrie	8/29
Frieda Johnson	8/31

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Larry & Nancy Bourn	8/02
Jack & Donna Holdridge	8/10
Curt & Stephanie Colbert	8/20

OFFICIAL ACTS

We gave glory to God for the new life granted through the baptism of Nathan Douglas Smith on Sunday, June 6th.

JULY SERVICE SCHEDULE

ELDERS

8:00 am

- 4 Lee Cohrs, Robin Melvin
- 11 Robin Melvin, Andrew Petro
- 18 Andrew Petro, Michael Boomhower
- 25 Michael Boomhower, Harry Edmon

10:45 am

- 4 Josh Pemberton, Neil Strege
- 11 Neil Strege, David Miller
- 18 David Miller, Josh Pemberton
- 25 David Miller, Josh Pemberton

READERS

8:00 am

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| 4 Robin Melvin | <i>10:45 am</i>
David Miller |
| 11 Lee Cohrs | Neil Strege |
| 18 Harry Edmon | TBD |
| 25 Albert Lirhus | Dan Lassman |

USHERS

8:00 am

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| 4 Sharon Christiansen | <i>10:45 am</i>
Steve Miller |
| 11 Lee Cohrs | Dave Paeth |
| 18 Harry Edmon | Curt Colbert |
| 25 Sharon Christiansen | Dan Lassman |

ALTAR GUILD

- 4 Jack & Donna Holdridge
- 11 Stephanie Colbert, Sharon Christiansen
- 18 Joanne Estergreen, Sharon Christiansen
- 25 Joanne Estergreen, Jean Mindemann

AUGUST SERVICE SCHEDULE

ELDERS

8:00 am

- 1 Harry Edmon, Lee Cohrs
- 8 Michael Boomhower, Robin Melvin
- 15 Robin Melvin, Andrew Petro
- 22 Andrew Petro, Lee Cohrs
- 29 Michael Boomhower, Harry Edmon

10:45 am

- 1 Josh Pemberton, David Miller
- 8 David Miller, Neil Strege
- 15 Lee Cohrs, Josh Pemberton
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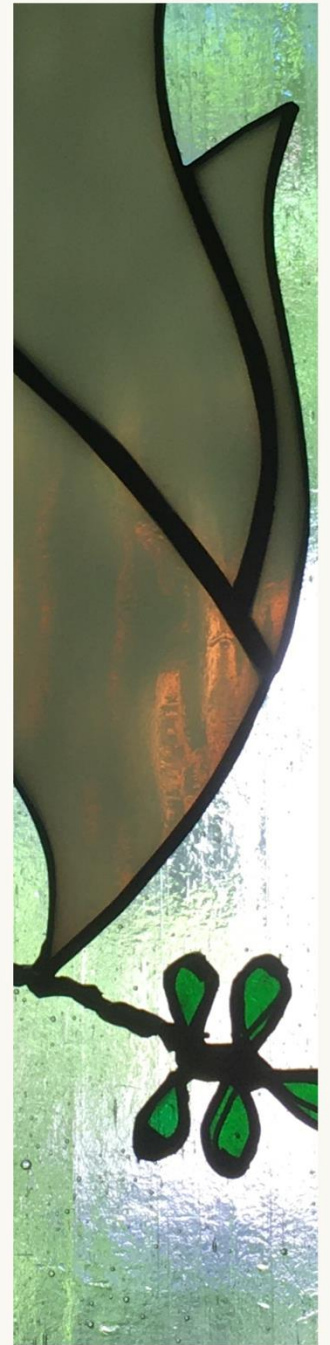
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ALTAR GUILD

- 1 Jack & Donna Holdridge
- 8 Stephanie Colbert, Sharon Christiansen
- 15 Joanne Estergreen, Jean Mindemann
- 22 Joanne Estergreen, Cheryl Taylor
- 29 Sharon Christiansen, Jean Mindemann



Have you noticed this new addition to the Sanctuary?

The trio of stained glass symbols shows the different characteristics of the Holy Spirit--water, air (dove), and fire. These were designed and made by Bev Edmon.

July 2021

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
				1 7:00 pm Bible Study	2	3
4 INDEPENDENCE DAY 8:00 am Divine Service 9:30 am Education Hour 10:45 am Divine Service	5 <i>The office is closed in observance of the holiday.</i>	6 10:00 am Bible Study	7	8 7:00 pm Bible Study	9	10
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August 2021

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