



The Messenger

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Are you ready? The time has come to celebrate 75 Years of Ministry at Messiah Lutheran Church! Our anniversary year celebrations begin with Services of Rededication on Wednesday, January 8th and Sunday, January 12th. These dates mark historical dates in our church history: our congregational establishment on January 8, 1950; as well as the dedication of our church building on January 12, 1964.

Join us as we come together in worship and rededicate ourselves and our church to His service. We will sing hymns sung at milestone celebration services and use the Litany of Dedication from 1964. Historical photos featuring our church on Elm Street will be on display and we will gather for fellowship and enjoy a sweet treat of 75th anniversary cupcakes.



5th Annual Drive-Thru Winter Clothing Collection: January 11, 2025

Messiah's Mission Matters Team will be hosting our 5th Annual Drive-Thru Winter Clothing Collection on Saturday, January 11, 2025 from 10 am to 1 pm in Messiah's small north parking lot (off 21st Ave N).

You are invited to donate clean, gently used, or brand new items of warm clothing which will be distributed to various local organizations to help people in need this winter.

Requested items include: Winter Coats, Winter/Work Boots, Men's Winter Gloves (sizes X-XL), Glove, Mittens, Hats, Work Gloves, Socks (child thru adult sizes), Blankets, Sleeping Bags, Coveralls, Long Underwear, and Adult Pajamas (size Med-2XL+)

This year, items will be donated to area charities. Everyone was so generous last year! Let's collect even more donations to help people stay warm this winter.

This January issue of The Messenger is dedicated to and in Celebration of 75 Years of Ministry at Messiah.
 "Lifting up Christ as Messengers of God's Grace."



The Story continues...

Last September we began our journey through *The Story*. We took a break during the season of Advent and Christmas, but we are ready to dive back in to the greatest story ever told.

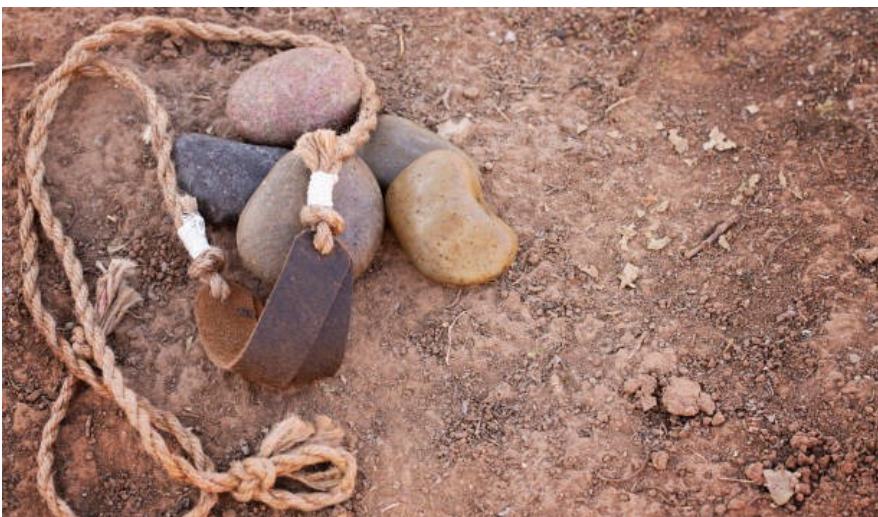
The first character we encounter on our return (Chapter 11) is David. You've maybe heard the story: a scrawny sixteen-year-old shepherd boy takes out a tall giant with one rock and a sling. And while you may not have a gigantic giant taunting you to come out and fight, maybe you are facing a few giants of your own. Giants like the stack of past-due bills glaring at you. Or the relationship that has fallen apart. Or the depression that looms over you. It could be low self-esteem or insecurity. But you have your giants. We all do. And we would do well to learn from David.

He could face his "giant" because he had spent time in the quiet with God. When he arrived at the place of the standoff between the Israelites and the Philistines, he talked about God. He told Saul that "The LORD who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine" (1Sam.17:37). He did not hesitate to confront Goliath, saying he came "in the name of the Lord of host, the God of the armies of Israel."

David was God-focused instead of giant-focused. He mentions Goliath two times and God nine times. He knew the giant was there and recognized his presence. But his thoughts were twice as much on God.

That focus led him to confront his giant rather than run away. For forty days Goliath continued to challenge Israel's army. And for forty days everyone hoped he would just go away. But giants don't typically go away until we face them. So David stepped into the gap and slung one well-aimed stone at him.

It helps to have someone in your corner that believes in you. David had his Jonathan. You need yours. You need at least one person who believes in you and that also believes in God. Someone who can encourage your faith—give you courage—when you most need it. And you will need it. Because after you slay one giant, there will be more. You may wonder why David picked up five stones from the riverbed. Was he afraid he might miss? Not likely. He was skilled in his use of the sling. 2 Samuel 21:18-22 hints that Goliath may have had four brothers. David was ready. He could take on one giant. You might say knew how to get a head of his giant. And then he was ready for more. And you can too. Just follow the shepherd from Bethlehem.



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A Message From Pastor Laurie

Happy New Year to the Messiah Family!

As we step into 2025, I am filled with a profound sense of gratitude and anticipation. The turning of the calendar reminds us that our God is a God of new beginnings, fresh mercies, and unending faithfulness.

Reflecting on the past year, we have so much to celebrate as a church. We have seen God move among us in powerful ways—in our worship, in benevolences, and in deepening relationships with people in the community and within our Messiah family. Thank you for your faithfulness, your prayers, and your willingness to be the hands and feet of Jesus. It is important that we continue to lift up Christ—*"to him and him alone be the glory!"* Because if what we are doing isn't about Jesus, it isn't worth doing.

As we look ahead, I believe God has even greater things in store for us. Together, we will explore what it means to grow deeper in our faith and to live out the gospel in our daily lives. I encourage everyone to commit to a closer walk with God by joining a *Story* Bible study, coming to worship, volunteering in some capacity, and holding Messiah in prayer. Let's seize every opportunity to grow closer to God and to one another.

Let me encourage you to take some time in these early days of January to seek God's direction for your life in 2025. What is he calling you to surrender? Where is he asking you to step out in faith? How can you use your gifts to serve his kingdom? My prayer for each of us is that we enter this year with open hearts, ready to embrace the plans he has for us.

Finally, let us commit to pray for one another and for our church. The journey ahead will have its share of challenges, but we can face them with confidence, knowing that God goes before us.

As Paul wrote to the Philippians,

"Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus" (Philippians 1:6).

Thank you for the privilege of serving as your pastor. It is an honor to walk alongside you in faith, hope, and love. May this New Year be filled with God's blessings, and may we be a blessing to others as we live out his calling.

See you in church!
Pr. Laurie



Christian Education ♦ Messiah Youth

From Our Youth Director > Bud:

This past month has been an exciting time for **Confirmation Students!** During December, we brought in four wonderful members of Messiah to speak with them about their faith stories. Each week students split into small groups and had time to hear about the speaker's life as well as time to ask them questions. It has been a joy to have students at WOW . It has been a joy each week to see a group dancing in the back and enjoying a few treats while they worship together. As we move forward into the new year, keep our students and those who gave their time to speak with them in your hearts and prayers. Also take a moment to introduce yourself to our new students and welcome them into the Messiah Family.

Club 56 is also going strong. Our class is small but strong!! They continue to ask challenging questions *and* have tons of fun. If your student is in 5th or 6th grade and has not joined the class yet, please bring them by! We look forward to having them.

See you on January 5 in the Youth Room!

THE STORY

Finding our story in God's Story.

Each week in "The Story" Students learn about the Upper Story (God's Story) with the rest of the church but students also explore a Lower Story where we focus on a specific part of the week's chapter and dive into how it affects their lives.



This month one topic we will talk about is "Finding Strength in God" where students will learn how to utilize some of the physical and spiritual resources God provides in our lives. As a part of the Messiah's community you are one of these resources so start the new year right by offering support, advice, opportunities, or a story to our students.

Messiah Confirmation

- Wednesdays at 7 PM
- Youth Room, Grades 7+
- Youth Fellowship (directly following Confirmation, in the Youth Room)



THE STORY > REWIND. (What has happened so far?)
SEE The Story. (What does this chapter represent?)
HEAR The Story. (What was most meaningful?)
JOIN The Story. (What challenges or inspires you?)



Bud's Email > YouthDtr@MessiahFargo.com



It is Messiah's hope that over the next year each of our students old and new will have at least five congregants who know them by name. To achieve this goal we need at least 100 people to step up and get to know them. THE STORY is a wonderful resource to start these intergenerational conversations so take advantage and act fast!





2025 Looking Ahead: Messiah's Women's Ministries Planning

Save the Date for our next Women's meeting on Monday, January 20 at 6:30 p.m. at the church. Bring your ideas and suggestions as we make plans for Spring 2025.

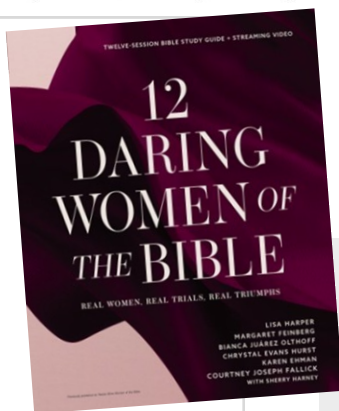
See you on January 20th!



Women's Circle Bible Studies

Tuesday, January 14
(Every 2nd Tuesday)

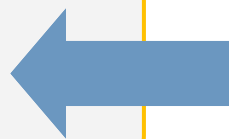
- Rachel Circle 9:30 AM
- Anna Circle 6:30 PM



Join us for a Bible Study called "12 Daring Women of the Bible." This Bible study helps participants learn to live through life's failures and successes, draw near to God in a world of trials, and find contentment in all circumstances.

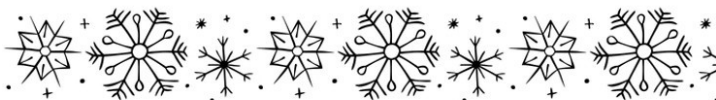
Gallery on the Go

Watch for details about this fun event!!



"I am giving you a new commandment, that you love one another; just as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all people will know that you are My disciples: if you have love for one another."

John 13:34-35 (NASB)



Women's Book Club • Tues. Jan. 28 • 7 pm

Host: Lori Martindale



Book: Persuasion
by Jane Austin



Would you help pickup Sun. Donuts?
Check the Schedule at the Welcome Center - Thank You for helping!!

A Note from your Council President

Happy and Blessed New Year!

As we begin 2025, there is much anticipation as we look forward to Messiah Lutheran's 75th Anniversary Celebration. Together as a congregation, we have achieved a major milestone. We stand on the shoulders of incredible visionaries, dedicated members, supportive Councils, hardworking staff, and worship leaders. We have been and continue to be "Messiah Strong."

I encourage everyone to participate in the activities and celebration for our 75th Anniversary. Share your stories and experiences at Messiah with friends, family, co-workers, and neighbors. Invite them to join us for worship and fellowship. Join a Bible Study. Bring a friend. Participate in Sunday worship as lectors, communion assistants, ushers - or join one of the choirs. Determine now to make your mark on the next 75 years.

Messiah's foundation is built on solid ground. As we venture into 2025, let the Light, Hope and Love of Jesus be your strength, courage and comfort. Celebrate. Do good works. Be kind, generous, understanding and helpful. Together we can accomplish much by spreading the love of Jesus and fulfilling the mission of Messiah Lutheran Church: "to nurture a deep spiritual relationship with Jesus Christ, inspiring all people of Christ-like maturity, equipping them to do this work, and to experience his love."

Please plan to attend the annual meeting of our congregation on Sunday, February 2, 2025. Hear what Messiah has accomplished with a review of the past year and more importantly, learn what the plans for the new year hold. Your Council is very happy to welcome new Council members and thank those who will be completing their terms. Your commitment and input is appreciated.

Happy New Year!
Your Brother in Christ - Doug Nasset





Opportunities Abound in the New Year

Each new day brings promise of a fresh start. For many, the start of a new week is the time to begin that diet, get serious about exercising, or forego TV viewing. For a vast majority, though, there is something especially motivating and invigorating about seeing the JANUARY calendar on the wall. This is the year we will accomplish great things.



God does not necessarily call us to do great things. However, He asks that we be trustworthy in small things. Jesus said, *“One who is faithful in very little is also faithful in much”* (Luke 16:10). To that end He gives us gifts, both small and big, to use to build up the Body of Christ and to reach out to the lost.

Some of us have many gifts. People like Michelangelo – painter, sculptor, and poet – and Thomas Jefferson – architect, statesperson, and scientific farmer – come to mind. God, the Giver of gifts, knows that the number of gifts each of us has varies. Jesus told the Parable of the Talents pointing up this fact and teaching us that success lies in using what we have been given, not in having the greatest number.

Our gifts also differ in degree. There are many sculptors but few, if any, compared to Michelangelo. Yet their art can bring satisfaction and inspiration to others. You may not be able to sing opera, but you can sing God’s praises. You may not be a great orator, but you can witness to the love and grace of God in

Christ. You may not be a mechanic, but you can provide transportation for someone needing to get to an appointment or to church. You may not be a wealthy corporate CEO, but you can use some of your funds to help those in need and to extend God’s kingdom.

That is why God gives us gifts and abilities so we may be equipped to serve others. *The start of a new year offers us an opportune time to assess those gifts and see how we can use them for God’s glory and the good of His people.* The motivation to do this comes from the same One Who gave the gifts! Just as He was motivated by love for us to give us, not just our gifts, but His greatest gift, His Son, so we are motivated by love for Him to serve those He calls us to serve.

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace...

1 Peter 4:10

Messiah’s QR Code for Electronic Giving

Scan this QR Code to give with the Simply Giving App through Vanco.



When it opens, choose the fund to which you wish to give and follow the prompts. Messiah will be charged

processing fee when you give by card. *Please consider giving a little extra to cover these fees.*

End of the Year Giving: all 2024 giving must be dated 12/31/2024 and received no later than Mon. Jan. 6. For an update on your pledge, call the church office.

You can TEXT TO GIVE at Messiah!

Seriously?! Is that safe?

Yes—it’s both safe and easy. Give it a try and follow the prompts.



Messiah Fargo Text-to-Give Number: 833-766-0122

Through GivePlus with Vanco



Bethany Retirement Living Did You Know...

...that Bethany Retirement Living offers Basic Care in the Towers at Bethany on University? Basic Care offers services similar to Assisted Living but is available to those with limited financial resources, and qualified for Medical Assistance. Falling between Assisted Living and Skilled Nursing Care, Basic Care could be the perfect option for many people who are trying to determine what level of care is right for them. To find out more, contact Joyce at Bethany Retirement Living at 701-239-3439.



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retirement living



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5556 - 51st Ave S Fargo
Donations always
Welcome!



Current Needs: cold weather hats/gloves, men's t-shirts & boxers, allergy meds. Basic Mission needs: twin XL, full or queen sheet sets; full-size bath white towels; laundry pods; alcohol-free mouth wash, melatonin, Q-tips. [See full list at their web site: fargonlc.org/current needs](http://fargonlc.org/current-needs)

Churches United: "Here for Every Neighbor"

Current Needs: Hygiene items, medical supplies, towels, bedding (twin & queen size), quilts, sleeping bags, new pillows. Soaps & Shampoo, New Underwear, plain white T-shirts. Baby Supplies, diapers, wipes, formula, teething gels & diaper rash creams. Food items. Please make sure products are new and unopened.

Complete Listing of Current Needs: www.churches-united.org



Donations can be dropped off at Micah's Mission 1901 1st Ave N, Moorhead 8 am—7 pm Daily

Mail Financial Donations to: Churches United, 1901 - 1st Ave. N., Moorhead, MN 56560 Ph. 218/656-7495

From Pastor Laurie: "Bishop William Temple said, *'The Church is the only organization that does not exist for itself, but for those who live outside of it.'* What an extraordinary privilege! We are invited to be a part of a dynamic organism, not a static institution - an organism that is alive and working in the world to make it a better place.

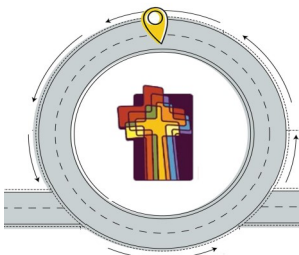
As we embark on a new year, let's reflect on how each of us can contribute to, and become a part of, the Messiah family.

***How is God calling you
to bring Christ's love to others?"***

2/2/2025 Annual Meeting

*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ,
the new creation has come:*

The old has gone, the new is here!
2 Corinthians 5:17 (NIV)





Christian Education ♦ THE STORY



THE STORY Study Groups

- Sundays at 10 AM with Pastor Jeff
- Mondays at 1 PM with Vicki Peterson
- Wednesdays at 9 AM with Men’s Bible Study
- Thursdays at Noon & 6:30 PM with Pastor Laurie
(Begins Thursday, January 2)

We are finding our story in God’s Story...think about:

❖ *“Ask God for the courage you need to follow his direction in your life.”* ❖ *“Think about a time of waiting in your life when you felt that God was refining you. What lessons did you learn and how have you carried them forward to today?”* ❖ *“If at the end of King David’s life, you could ask him for advice—what do you think he would say?”* ❖ *“Thank God for the wise people he has placed in your life...and, then, thank them.”* ❖ *“Ask God to help you become someone who can offer wisdom to the next generation.”*

If you haven't joined a group...the invitation is always open. Come when you are able. Invite a friend or neighbor to join us. See you in church!

Study Groups for 2025 begin on Sunday, January 5th

FREE Winter Classes at Messiah Lutheran Fit & Strong and Tai Ji Quan Classes.

- ☞ **Fit & Strong:** an exercise program for older adults - especially those with osteoarthritis.
- ☞ **Tai Ji Quan:** a movement practice for anyone wishing for better balance & mobility.



Contact Jan Nelson for details.

Jan.Nelson7777@gmail.com ☞ Phone 701-261-3142

Join us Friday, January 24 from 3:30 to 5:50 PM

Heartsprings “Closing but Not Retiring Party”

Where: Messiah’s Connection Center in the lower level.

This special event is our chance to celebrate all the incredible people who’ve made Heartsprings so impactful over the years. Come celebrate with us! Share your memories, and honor the amazing work this team has done.



See you there!

HEARTSPRINGS

CLOSING
but not ↴

RETIRING

OPEN HOUSE: FRI. JAN. 24
3:30-5:30 PM

Noisy Change Offering: Sunday, January 19 for Henrik's Heroes

Henrik's Heroes is a non-profit organization that helps children and their families while going through medical treatment. This amazing organization is the brain child of Janna, a Fargo north side mom, when she and her family's life changed in an instant. In 2017, her 4-year old son, Henrik, was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia. He started treatment and chemotherapy immediately but after several rounds of chemo Henrik was not in remission. The next, Henrik received a bone marrow transplant at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN. The bone marrow donor (and perfect match) was Henrik's 2-year old brother, Harrison.



Henrik's experience was eye-opening and life-changing for the whole family. Whatever the treatment - it affects the whole family, and dealing with strange medical equipment can be intimidating. Out of their experience, Henrik's Heroes was created to make Warrior Dolls that are customized with medical equipment to match the illness & treatment that a child is going through - including I.V. Lines, tubes, scars, and more. The child can learn about their illness and the treatment with their doll. Through play with their doll, children learn about the how's and why's of their condition and treatment.

Dakota Medical Foundation (DMF) has partnered with Janna by providing the dolls which which are customized and then distributed back to children in our community.

Messiah's generous Noisy Change Offering will help provide supplies for the customization process.

Thank you for supporting Henrik's Heroes.

PS > Henrik (11) and Harrison (9) are now healthy and happy - and best friends!

Pray for our Kids!! Pray with our Kids!

When? All the time. Any time....Anywhere and...Everywhere.











God, thank you for being a God who is big and powerful.

Help us to trust that you see the bigger Story when we cannot, that you have a plan for us, and that you give us the courage and power to live the way you want us to, loving others and loving you.





January 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10 am Coffee Hour Men's Choir 2 pm Girl Scouts 3:30 pm Just for Kix	6:30 pm Cub Scouts 7 pm Boy Scouts 7 pm Came to Believe Just for Kix	1 pm Staff Meeting 1 pm Fit-N-Strong <i>Begins Thurs. Jan. 23</i> Just for Kix	8:30 am Messiah Quilters 9 am Men's Bible Study 7 pm Festival Choir 8 pm Joy Ringers	1 pm Fit-N-Strong <i>Begins Thurs. Jan. 23</i> Just for Kix		
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January Birthdays

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Sue Borgeson

3
Kyle Oelke

4
Aria Stevenson

5
Crosby Ingersoll
Jaeger Steinmetz
Cindy Wellen

6
David Eide
Jason Jansen

7
Kathrine Satrom
Sharon Syrdal

9
Rolland Oberholtzer

11
Ginelle Kerestes
Lori Martindale
Bill Swanson

12
Kathy Tinquist

13
Nancy Kaler
Lexie Mohror
Sheryl Swanson

14
Judy Gehrke
Luka Parmer

15
Laurie Neill
Kirk Wilmore

16
Julie Vick

17
Kasen Asleson
MaryAnne Linder

18
Maxwell Hanson
Brandon Harrington
Olivia Knutson

19
Sarah Harrington
Evelyn Ommodt

20
Crystal Dahl

21
Britta Griffin
Grant Harrington
Oak Reile

22
Liam Tweten

23
Jaime Dougherty
Kellie Kahler
Max Piepkorn

24
Donna Kornelius
Sophie Lundgren
Josie Mohror
Mark Steffens

25
Xander Borah
Maxine Hegg

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Clarabella Fetting

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Daniel Lundgren
Sharon Weitzel

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Kermit Brandt
McKenna Morris
Joey Wellen

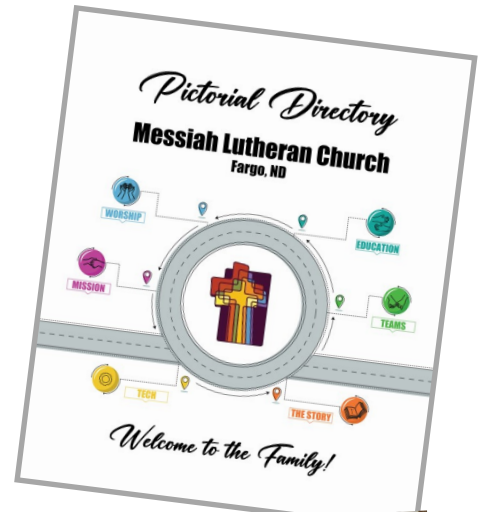
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Dylan Hughes
Wayne Norby

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LeRoy Kornelius
Eloise McEvers
Liam Qualey

Messiah Lutheran's Instant Church Directory

When you get together for the holidays this year, don't forget to snap a photo of the family, or have someone take a picture of you for the online directory! Or maybe you took a new photo for this year's holiday cards? If so, please email your photo to the church office at: ParishAdmin@MessiahFargo.com.

We will add your photo to your listing in Messiah's digital directory.



Mark Your Calendars
Sun., January 19
Melissa Mocol will be taking photos for Messiah's digital directory between services.



Arlo Gerst



Cru Froseth



Elias Mocol



Lefse Production: over 600 pieces in a single day!

Lord God, we ask for your abundant blessing upon our Messiah community. May your life-giving Spirit fill our hearts, minds, and actions. Invigorate our faith and fuel a vibrant Spirit of service in each member. Grant us strength to reach and love our neighbors. May Messiah Lutheran be a beacon of hope, a place of genuine fellowship, and a place full of your love and grace.



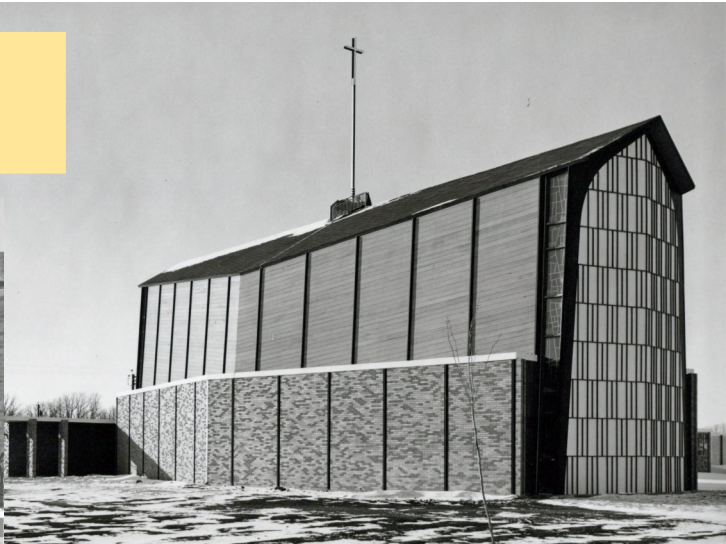
In the name of Jesus our Savior - Amen.

Christmas Tabletop Snapshots! Gorgeous!!





Messiah Lutheran Church January 12, 1964 ❖ Church Dedication



Messiah Lutheran held their service of dedication for their new church building on January 12, 1964.

Nearly 900 people worshiped together and filled both the sanctuary and lower level gym.



On Sunday December 15, musicians young and old(er) joined together to present "The Signs of Christmas."

Thanks to the everyone: directors and teachers, Festival Choir, Men's Choir and Joy Ringers...and Messiah Kids!!

What a blessing to celebrate Christ's birth together!!



Christmas Tabletop Luncheon 2024

A "heartfelt" thank you to everyone involved in the Christmas tabletop luncheon held in December. The committee, behind the scenes set up, menu planning, food prep, serving, dishes, table designers (oh my!), MC, Christmas message by Pastor Laurie, Seasonal Blend singers, punch pourer, greeters and seaters, dessert makers, those involved with passing along donations to some deserving recipients, poster printers, cleaner uppers, and most of all, those that attended! It takes many hands to put together these traditional events. Thank you, and until next year!



Lora Elfstrum and Lori Martindale, Co-Chairs





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Mission Statement:

Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church is a Messenger of God's Grace.

Vision Statement:

...to nurture a deep spiritual relationship with Jesus Christ inspiring all people to Christ-like maturity, equipping them to do His work, and to celebrate and experience His love.



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Joy Ringers Director: Trudy Eide

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Custodian: Kelvin Fisher

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Vice President:

Susan Langerud

Secretary:

Katelynn Norman

Treasurer:

Jan Lundgren

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Suzanne Sheldon

Dan Oberholtzer

Melissa Mocol

Jon Steinmetz

Melody Holen

Stan Andrist

Information

Sunday Worship Schedule

9:00 a.m. Hour of Worship

10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

11:00 a.m. Elm@11

W.O.W. - Worship On Wed.

5:15 p.m. Meal

6:00 p.m. W.O.W.

Office Hours

Mon/Tues/Thurs 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Wednesday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Friday 9 a.m.—Noon

The Hour of Worship TV Schedule & Online Options

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