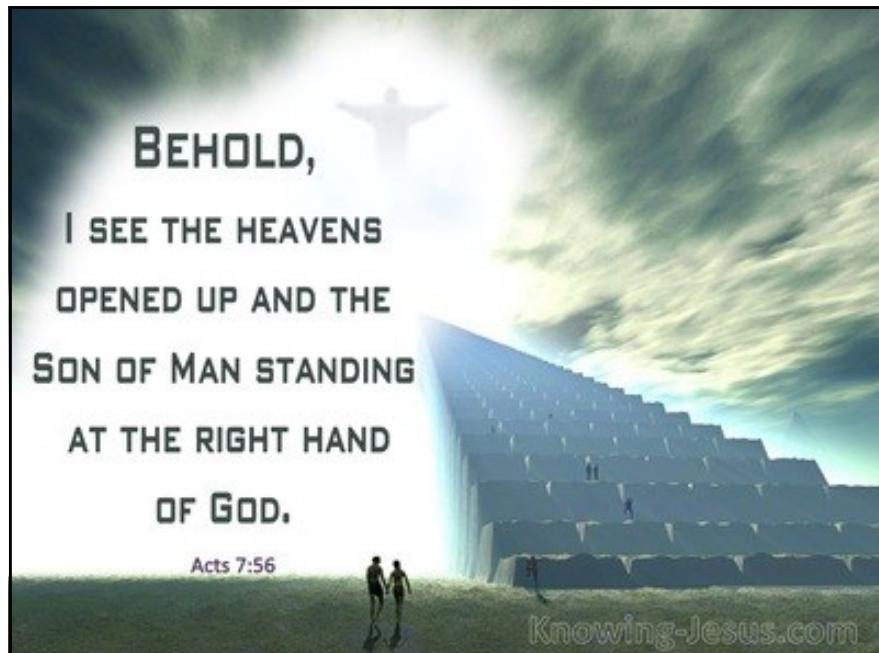




**Third Sunday after the Epiphany**  
**January 25, 2026**  
**8:30 a.m.**



Senior Pastor Kurt Hoover  
Organist & Pianist Rose Ann Sochan  
Sanctuary Choir Director Herb Alexander  
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**Welcome to Messiah Lutheran Church**  
January 25, 2026  
8:30 a.m.

*Enter Reverently, Worship Joyfully, Live Faithfully*

**PRELUDE**

Rose Ann Sochan

**OPENING HYMN**

"Come, Thou Almighty King," #267 v. 1-4

1. Come, Thou Al - might - y King, Help us Thy  
2. Come, Thou In - car - nate Word, Gird on Thy  
3. Come, Ho - ly Com - fort - er, Thy sa - cred  
4. To Thee, great One in Three, E - ter - nal

name to sing, Help us to praise: Fa - ther! all -  
might - y sword, Our prayer at - tend! Come, and Thy  
wit - ness bear In this glad hour! Thou, who al -  
prais - es be, Hence ev - er - more; Thy sov - reign

glo - ri - ous, O'er all vic - to - ri - ous, Come, and reign  
peo - ple bless, And give Thy word suc-cess: Spir - it of  
might - y art, Now rule in ev - 'ry heart And ne'er from  
maj - es - ty May we in glo - ry see, And to e -

o - ver us, An - cient of Days.  
ho - li - ness, On us de - scand.  
us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.  
ter - ni - ty Love and a - dore. A - men.

**HOLY SPIRIT LITANY ADAPTED FROM PSALM 51**

Leader: Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
**All: and renew a right spirit within me.**

Leader: Cast me not away from your presence,  
**All:** **and take not your Holy Spirit from me.**

Leader: Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
**All:** **and uphold me with a willing spirit.**

Leader: We worship You Lord in the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
 and of the Holy Spirit.

**All:** **Amen.**

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SANCTUARY CHOIR ANTHEM

"Be Still and Know," arr. Lloyd Larson,  
 led by Herb Alexander

### HYMN OF PRAISE

"Standing on the Promises," #271 v. 1 & 4

1. Standing on the prom - is - es of Christ my King, Thro' e - ter - nal a - ges  
 2. Standing on the prom - is - es that can - not fail, When the howl-ing storms of  
 3. Standing on the prom - is - es of Christ the Lord, Bound to Him e - ter - nal -  
 4. Standing on the prom - is - es I can - not fall, Lis-t'ning ev - ery mo-ment

let His prais - es ring; Glo - ry in the high - est, I will shout and sing,  
 doubt and fear as - sail, By the liv - ing Word of God I shall pre - vail,  
 ly by love's strong cord, O - ver-com-ing dai - ly with the Spir - it's sword,  
 to the Spir - it's call, Rest-ing in my Sav - ior as my all in all,

*Refrain*

Stand-ing on the prom-is-es of God. Stand-ing, stand - ing,  
 stand-ing on the prom-is-es,

Stand-ing on the prom - is - es of God my Sav - ior; Stand - ing,

stand - ing, I'm stand-ing on the prom-is - es of God.  
 stand-ing on the prom-is-es,

## HYMN OF PRAISE

"Thy Word," #234 v. 1 & 2, *Maranatha*

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

1. When I feel afraid,  
2. I will not forget Your—

think I've lost my way, still You're there right beside me. And  
love for me, and yet my heart for - ev - er is wan - der-ing.

noth - ing will I fear as long as You are near.  
Je - sus be my guide and hold me to Your side, and

Please I be near me to the end.

## CONFSSION AND FORGIVENESS

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

## A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

Leader: Holy and Gracious God,

All: **I confess that I have sinned against you this day and every day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me, that I may rest in peace and live each day for You.**

Leader: By the mercy of God we are united with Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. We rest now in His peace and rise every morning to serve Him. Amen.

## "LET'S PRAY" MILE MARKER PRESENTATION



Leslie McFarland

## OFFERING

## OFFERTORY

Rose Ann Sochan

## RESPONSE

Doxology #625

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son and Ho-ly Ghost. A - men.

## FIRST LESSON, Acts 1:15-22 (ESV)

Reader: Paul Allen

<sup>15</sup> In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, <sup>16</sup> "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. <sup>17</sup> For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." <sup>18</sup> (Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. <sup>19</sup> And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) <sup>20</sup> "For it is written in the Book of Psalms, 'May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it'; and 'Let another take his office.'

<sup>21</sup> So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, <sup>22</sup> beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection."

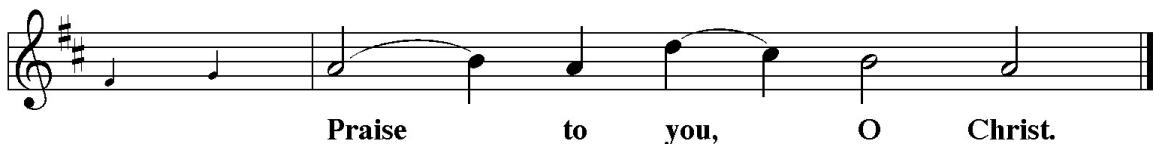
## SECOND LESSON, Acts 7:51-8:3 (ESV)

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

<sup>51</sup> "You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit. As your fathers did, so do you. <sup>52</sup> Which of the prophets did your fathers not persecute? And they killed those who announced beforehand the coming of the Righteous One, whom you have now betrayed and murdered, <sup>53</sup> you who received the law as delivered by angels and did not keep it."

<sup>54</sup> Now when they heard these things they were enraged, and they ground their teeth at him. <sup>55</sup> But he, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. <sup>56</sup> And he said, "Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God." <sup>57</sup> But they cried out with a loud voice and stopped their ears and rushed together at him. <sup>58</sup> Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. <sup>59</sup> And as they were stoning Stephen, he called out, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." <sup>60</sup> And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." And when he had said this, he fell asleep. And Saul approved of his execution.

<sup>1</sup> And there arose on that day a great persecution against the church in Jerusalem, and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles. <sup>2</sup> Devout men buried Stephen and made great lamentation over him. <sup>3</sup> But Saul was ravaging the church, and entering house after house, he dragged off men and women and committed them to prison.



## MESSAGE

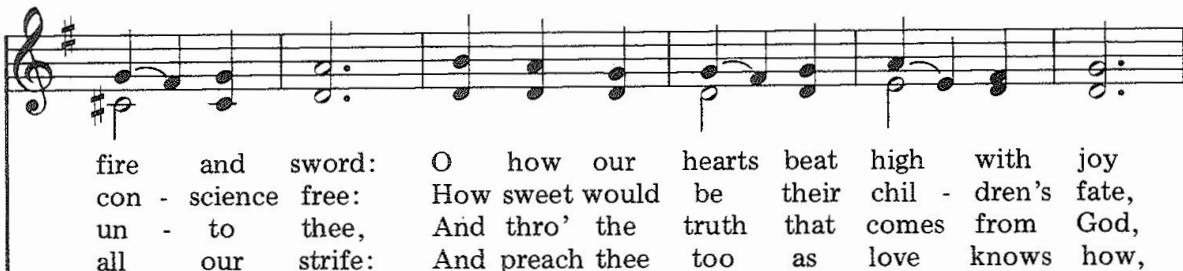
### "Holy Spirit LEAPs" Pastor Kurt Hoover

*A manuscript for this sermon and those previous can be found in the Narthex.*

## HYMN

### "Faith of Our Fathers," #279 v. 1-4

1. Faith of our fa - thers! liv - ing still In spite of dun - geon,  
 2. Our fa - thers, chained in pris - ons dark, Were still in heart and  
 3. Faith of our fa - thers! we will strive To win all na - tions  
 4. Faith of our fa - thers! we will love Both friend and foe in



When-e'er we hear that glo - rious word! Faith of our fa - thers,  
 If they like them could die for thee! Faith of our fa - thers,  
 Man-kind shall then be tru - ly free. Faith of our fa - thers,  
 By kind - ly words and vir - tuous life: Faith of our fa - thers,  
 ho - ly faith! We will be true to thee till death!  
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 ho - ly faith! We will be true to thee till death!

## WORDS OF FAITH

## The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into Heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Servers: Marvina Allen, Pat Anderson, Doug Potts

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

## HYMN

"Lamb of God"



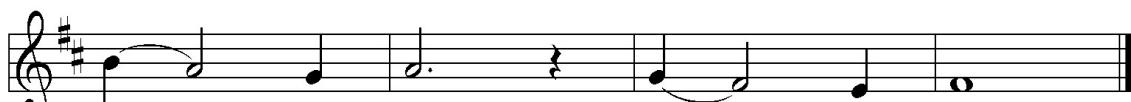
C Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer- cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer- cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

## COMMUNION HYMN

"Break Thou the Bread of Life," #274 v. 1-4



1. Break Thou the bread of life, Dear Lord, to me, As Thou didst  
2. Bless Thou the truth, dear Lord, To me, to me, As Thou didst  
3. Thou art the bread of life, O Lord, to me, Thy ho - ly  
4. O send Thy Spir - it, Lord, Now un - to me, That He may



break the loaves Be - side the sea; Be - yond the sa - cred page  
bless the bread By Gal - i - lee; Then shall all bond - age cease,  
Word the truth That sav - eth me; Give me to eat and live  
touch my eyes And make me see: Show me the truth con - cealed



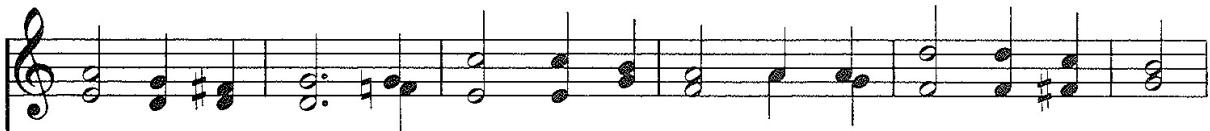
I seek Thee, Lord, My spir - it pants for Thee, O liv - ing Word.  
All fet - ters fall; And I shall find my peace, My All in all.  
With Thee a - bove; Teach me to love Thy truth, For Thou art love.  
With - in Thy Word, And in Thy Book re - vealed I see the Lord. A-men

## COMMUNION HYMN

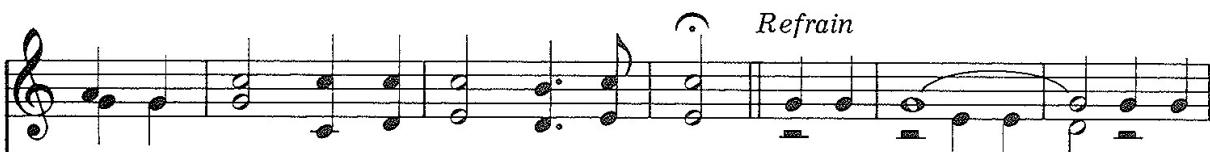
### "It Is Well with My Soul," #493 v. 1-4



- 1. When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, When sor - rows like  
2. Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, tho' tri - als should come, Let this blest as -  
- 3. My sin— O, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought, My sin— not in  
4. And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled



sea - bil - lows roll; What - ev - er my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,  
sur - ance con - trol, That Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es - tate,  
part but the whole, Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more,  
back as a scroll, The trump shall re - sound and the Lord shall de - scend,



“It is well, it is well with my soul.”  
And hath shed His own blood for my soul. It is well with my  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! It is well  
“E - ven so”— it is well with my soul.



soul, with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

## COMMUNION BLESSING

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

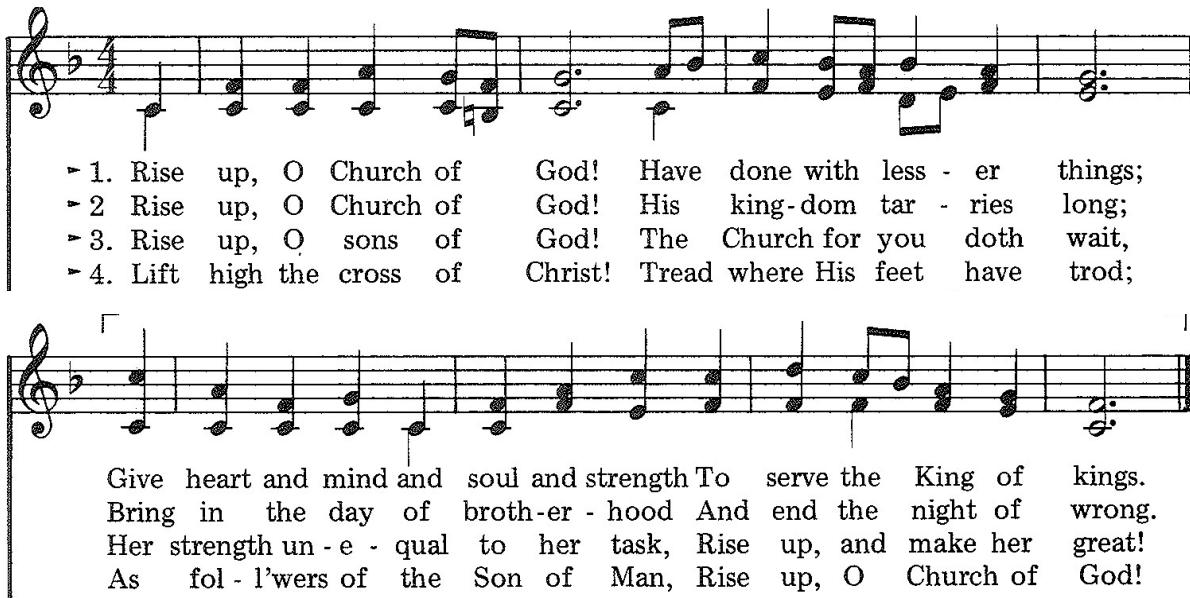
**Thank you Father for the gift of salvation. Thank you Lord Jesus for this holy meal and the sacrifice of Your life. Thank you Holy Spirit for awakening faith within our hearts. We hear your voice in this meal and celebrate Your holy presence. Melt us, mold us, fill us, use us. In Jesus' name, Amen.**



## BENEDICTION

## CLOSING HYMN

"Rise Up, O Church of God," #293 v. 1-4



## POSTLUDE

Rose Ann Sochan

*God will never lead you to a place  
where His grace cannot keep you.*

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**2025 Annual Meeting**  
today, January 25, 2026  
at noon, in Fellowship Hall

ANNUAL  
MEETING



**MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER**

**Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup>**  
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**Daddy & Daughter SWEETHEART DANCE**

DJ AND DANCING  
PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES  
LIGHT SNACKS AND REFRESHMENTS  
CRAFTING  
RAFFLE

REGISTER ON THE CHURCH CENTER APP  
OR USE THE QR CODE  
IN THE SUNDAY BULLETIN.

Feb 21<sup>st</sup> 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
in the Family Life Center  
Questions? Reach out to Megan Kuhn  
christianed@MLCJoliet.org

Register here: [\[QR Code\]](#)

**Help Wanted!** Our Christian Education team is looking for substitute teachers for Sunday School during Education Hour. Must be high school age or older. Please inquire with Leslie McFarland or Megan Kuhn.

# **NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED**

## **ADULT "INSIGHT" BIBLE STUDY**

Join us in Fellowship Hall, Sunday mornings during Education Hour. We are currently studying the Book of Acts, which will continue throughout the Season of Epiphany.

## **COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP TIME**

 Be sure to join us for coffee & good company on Sunday mornings in Fellowship Hall! Coffee will be available beginning at 9:40 a.m. and will continue until after the later service gets out. If you are an 8:30 attender - stay late! If Family Praise & Worship is your service - come early! Make new friends!

## **CONNECT WITH MESSIAH**

You can use this QR code to let us know you're new, tell us that you're interested in next steps at MLC, submit prayer requests, fill out a Connect Card, and give online.

Scan here to connect with MLC:



**Online Giving** - There are two convenient ways to do it:

- 1) On our website at <https://www.mlcjoliet.org/give>.
- 2) Through the Church Center app on your phone or tablet, or scan the QR code above.

## **DAYBREAK SHELTER - WILL YOU HELP SAVE OUR PARTNERSHIP?**

For 35 years Messiah has prepared & served dinner once a month to those less fortunate at Daybreak Homeless Shelter in Joliet, from 5:30-7:00 p.m. on the second Monday of each month. Our long-time coordinator, Karen Rebuehr, has discerned the need to step down and we are looking for a volunteer (or two) willing to take the baton. This would entail coordinating volunteers & food donations, light shopping, and communicating with Daybreak staff as needed. **Please reach out to Karen or call the front office for more information.**

## **FAITH & BODY**

Lace up your shoes and enjoy a walk in the Family Life Center, weekly on Thursdays (Sept -May) from 9-10 a.m. Everyone walks at their own pace and it's a great time for fellowship.

## **MEMORY BEARS**

 Messiah's Memory Bears Group normally meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. next meeting is **January 27<sup>th</sup>**. We have jobs that do not require sewing! Text Cindi Souza at (815) 931-8478 or email [regency118@comcast.net](mailto:regency118@comcast.net) for more info.

## **OWLS (Older, Wiser, Loving Seniors)**

OWLS meets on the second Tuesday of every month at noon, September-May. We enjoy a light lunch together, play trivia, and usually feature a guest speaker or entertainment! Our next luncheon is on **February 10<sup>th</sup>** and we'll welcome special musical guests, the **Ukelele Strummers**! We ask that everyone **sign up in the Narthex** so we have a headcount and to let us know what finger food, appetizer, salad or dessert you will bring to share.





Sundays  
February 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>  
9:40 a.m.

## New to Messiah? Want to learn more?

Have you been attending and want more info on becoming a member?

We want to get to know you and connect you with our many groups and ministries!

Please join us at the **“Get to Know Messiah”** membership class where you will learn our story, about our people and the vision of Messiah. This is also an opportunity for us to get to know YOU and the best way to support your faith journey!

**Childcare will be available upon request.**

Contact Pastor Kurt or call the church office for more info.

Register  
here:



### PRAYER CHAIN

Messiah uses an email-based Prayer Chain made up of people willing to pray for our members, community, and nation in times of crisis. Prayers are shared amongst the group via email and are kept confidential as much as possible. Text Cindi Souza at (815) 931-8478 or email [regency118@comcast.net](mailto:regency118@comcast.net) for more info.

### PRAYER TEAM

Our in-person Prayer Team meets Thursday mornings in the Fireside Room from 10:15-11:15 to pray together over our prayer request list. For more info text Cindi Souza at (815) 931-8478 or by email [regency118@comcast.net](mailto:regency118@comcast.net), or reach out to Beth Hohisel at [bhohisel@hotmail.com](mailto:bhohisel@hotmail.com).

### PUBLICATION DEADLINES

Items for the bulletin are due by the end of the day each Tuesday, and newsletter material is due the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.

### QUilters

Messiah Quilters meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month (BONUS day on February 3<sup>rd</sup>!) from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. We have a lot of quilts ready to complete and if you can tie a knot, you can help us out! We even have jobs you can do sitting down. Think about stopping in and see what we do.

If you are unable to join us and would like to sew at home, we have kits available and can show you how easy it is to sew a quilt top together.

We are in need of clean sheets of any size, flat or fitted (no stains or holes) to be used as the backs of our quilts. You can drop them off in the basket provided in the Narthex. Thank you, in advance!

Contact Kathy Mueller at (815) 953-6601 or [scpbklane@aol.com](mailto:scpbklane@aol.com) for more information or any questions you may have. Hope to see you on **February 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>!**

## **STAY-N-PLAY**

Our FREE weekly open gym play group for kids five and under (along with their caretaker) meets in the Family Life Center every Tuesday morning (Sept-May) from 9:30-11. Bring the littles for play time! Adults enjoy coffee on us!

## **WEDNESDAY EVENING FAMILY DINNER & FAMILY PRAISE NIGHT**



Wednesday Family Dinner will take place the first Wednesday of every month at 5:30 p.m. Your RSVP is important to us - a sign up list is posted in the Narthex. We can also use help with setup and cleanup. If you are able to assist, please sign up in the Narthex.

**Family Praise Night**, also the first Wednesday of every month, is from 6-6:30 p.m. (right after dinner) in the cafe area of the FLC. Join our children and student ministries for a time of praise, kids' showcase, and a short message!



## **WOMEN'S MINISTRIES**



Calling all BUNCO lovers! Join us for a fun-filled day of friendly conversation, laughter and excitement on Saturday, **February 7<sup>th</sup>** from 1-4 p.m. Bring a snack to share, and let's roll the dice for some great memories! Please RSVP by reaching out to Beth at (815) 741-9983.

Women's Bible Study has begun a new 6-week session, from 1-2:30 in our cozy Fireside Room! We are studying the book "Heaven, Hell and Life After Death." Many people are intrigued by what lies beyond death's door, but we live in an age bombarded with many conflicting views. How can we be sure of what is true? Discover what God says about death, dying, and life after death. For more information please reach out to Sherri Unyi or Laurel Ling.

## **YOUNG ADULT "IGNITE" BIBLE STUDY**

For those out of high school and older - Join us for coffee and Bible Study in classroom #101 Sunday mornings during Education Hour.

## **MESSIAH KIDS (pre-K to 5<sup>th</sup> grades)**

### **CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

Our Children's Choir will perform during the 10:45 service on January 25, February 22, March 22, and April 26. For more info please reach out to Season Lawler.

### **DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE**

Mark your calendar for our second annual Daddy Daughter Dance on **February 21<sup>st</sup>** from 6:30-8:30 p.m. for young ladies pre-K and older, along with their dad or chaperone. Registration is now open in the Church Center app or by following the QR link on page 11 of this bulletin!

### **J-CHURCH**

J-Church is the third Sunday of every month (except December) at 10:45 in the FLC.

## MESSIAH KIDS WEDNESDAYS (MKW)

MKW meets Wednesday evenings from 6-8 p.m. in the upper level Kidz Club!

## MILE MARKER WORKSHOPS

- My New Bible (2<sup>nd</sup> grade) February 1<sup>st</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>; presentation February 15<sup>th</sup>.
- First Communion (4<sup>th</sup> grade) March 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, Communion April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Registration is open** in the Church Center app or by following these links:

My Bible

1<sup>st</sup> Communion



## NERF BATTLE



Dudes (5 and up), you're invited to an epic showdown! Bring your partner and Nerf gun and we will provide the ammo and safety gear! We will have target practice, capture the flag, zombie freeze and prizes and treats. The battle will take place on Saturday, **March 14<sup>th</sup>** from 1-3 p.m. in the FLC. Watch for registration info coming soon.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> groups meet upstairs in the Kidz Club, 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> in the Youth Room!

For more info on ministries for kids pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade, email Leslie McFarland, Children's Min. Director, at [childrensmin@mlcjoliet.org](mailto:childrensmin@mlcjoliet.org) or Megan Kuhn, Christian Ed. Director, at [christianed@mlcjoliet.org](mailto:christianed@mlcjoliet.org).

## MESSIAH STUDENT MINISTRIES (6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grades)

### BIBLE STUDY (SUNDAY MORNINGS)

Bible Study for high schoolers is in the Fireside Room.

### FRIENDS AND MENTORS (FAM) FOR HIGH SCHOOLERS

FAM meets on Wednesday evenings from 6-8.

### HEAD 2 HEART (H2H)

Our H2H (Confirmation) program for 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders runs on Wednesdays evenings from 6-8.

### MAFIA NIGHTS

6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders - mark your calendar for our next MAFIA NIGHT! Friday, **February 27<sup>th</sup>** from 6:30-10 p.m. Bring \$5 if you'd like to join us for pizza! Invite friends!

For more info on ministries for students 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade, email Kersten Stier, Youth Director, at [stumin@mlcjoliet.org](mailto:stumin@mlcjoliet.org).

## ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to sponsor Altar flowers, please sign up in the Narthex or call the office at 815-741-4488. Arrangements are \$25 each.

Altar flower sponsors: Please return the red tumbler cups to the church office as we have a limited supply and must give them back to our florist for reuse.

## THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

### **ANNUAL MEETING SUNDAY, January 25**

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship  
9:40 a.m. Education Hour  
10:45 a.m. Family Praise & Worship  
12 p.m. Annual Meeting  
1 p.m. Cristo Rey Worship

### **MONDAY, January 26**

n/a

### **TUESDAY, January 27**

9 a.m. Stay-N-Play  
9 a.m. Memory Bears

### **WEDNESDAY, January 28**

1 p.m. Women's Bible Study  
6 p.m. FAM, H2H, MKW

### **THURSDAY, January 29**

9 a.m. Faith & Body Challenge  
10:15 a.m. Prayer Team  
12 p.m. Staff Meeting  
7:15 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

### **FRIDAY, January 30**

n/a

### **SATURDAY, January 31**

9 a.m. Worship Team Rehearsal

### **SUNDAY, February 1**

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship  
9:40 a.m. Education Hour  
10:45 a.m. Family Praise & Worship  
1 p.m. Cristo Rey Worship

Messiah office hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., otherwise by appointment. Please call (815) 741-4488.



Sanctuary Choir Director Herb Alexander  
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Youth Director Kersten Stier  
Technology Coordinator Nikolai Stier  
Bookkeeper Sherri Unyi

## ATTENDANCE

### **LAST WEEK:**

8:30: 98  
10:45: 83  
K-5<sup>th</sup>: needed  
6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>: needed  
High School: 3  
Ignite: 0  
Insight: 22  
Online: 26

## 2025 GIVING

Operating Budget: \$680,068  
Giving Received: \$634,997  
Actual Expenses: \$574,757

### **2026 Giving Received**

on 01/18: \$16,496

YTD Giving Received: \$33,822

## STEWARDSHIP VERSE OF THE WEEK

**Matthew 6:21**

For where your treasure is,  
there your heart will also be.