

**MESSIAH**  
LUTHERAN  
CHURCH

**June 8, 2025**  
10:00 a.m.  
Family Praise and Worship



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## **WORSHIP TODAY**

**Call To Worship**

**Welcome**

**Worship Through Songs**

**Children's Message**

Leslie McFarland

**Worship Through Giving**

**Worship Through Hearing God's Word**

**Message**

**"Pentecost 2025: Because He Lives!"**

Pastor Kurt Hoover

*A manuscript for this sermon and those previous is available in the Narthex.*

**Worship Through Song**

**Prayers of Intercession**

**Worship Through The Lord's Prayer**

**Prayer of Confession & Forgiveness**

**Worship Through Proclaiming Our Faith**

**Announcements**

**Closing Song**

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON, Joel 2:28-32 (ESV)**

Reader: Donna Stier

<sup>28</sup> "And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. <sup>29</sup> Even on the male and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit.

<sup>30</sup> "And I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. <sup>31</sup> The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to

blood, before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes.<sup>32</sup> And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the LORD has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the LORD calls.

## NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

## Acts 2:1-13 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup> When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. <sup>4</sup> And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

<sup>5</sup> Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup> And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. <sup>7</sup> And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" <sup>8</sup> And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? <sup>9</sup> Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, <sup>11</sup> both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." <sup>12</sup> And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup> But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

## GOSPEL LESSON

## John 14:18-20, 25-26 (ESV)

<sup>18</sup> "I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. <sup>19</sup> Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup> In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.

<sup>25</sup> "These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.



**More info  
is posted  
in the  
Narthex  
and in  
your June  
newsletter.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### **LOST & FOUND**

Please be sure to check the lost & found items on the coat rack in Fellowship Hall. There are a number of coats/jackets, and also miscellaneous items in the plastic bin on top. These items will be **donated on 06/16** if not claimed. Thank you!



**Messiah Student Ministries COFFEE SHOP**  
fundraiser will also take place on June 29<sup>th</sup>  
in the FLC café area!



**PARKING LOT** sealcoating & striping will continue, with the SOUTH HALF of the lot being closed of beginning on Monday, June 9<sup>th</sup> and will remain roped-off for several days.

### **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.

### **OFFICE HOURS**

The church office is open Monday-Friday from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., or by appointment. Holiday weeks may vary.

### **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.

# **NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED**

## **ALTAR FLOWERS - Sign up in the Narthex!**

Our Altar flowers sign up chart is on the Connect Wall in the Narthex. Arrangements are \$25 each and may be taken home with you after the 10:00 service.

## **COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP TIME**

Be sure to join us for coffee & good company on Sunday mornings in Fellowship Hall! Coffee will be available beginning at 9:30 a.m. and will continue until after the 10:00 service gets out. If you are an 8:30 attender - stay late! If 10:00 is your service - come early! Make new friends!

## **DAYBREAK SHELTER**

Volunteers are needed to serve dinner to those less fortunate at Daybreak Homeless Shelter in Joliet. The commitment is from 5:30-7:00 p.m. on the second Monday of each month. Food donations are also needed. Please sign up in the Narthex.

**Messiah members will be serving at Daybreak on Monday, June 9<sup>th</sup>.**

## **MEMORY BEARS**

Messiah's Memory Bears Group meets the fourth Tuesday of every month from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. We have jobs that do not require sewing! Come check us out on **June 13<sup>th</sup>** and **July 1<sup>st</sup>** (these dates are adjusted due to VBS). Text Cindi Souza at (815) 931-8478 or email to [regency118@comcast.net](mailto:regency118@comcast.net) for more info.

## **MESSIAH MEN'S MINISTRY (3M)**

Mark your calendar - 3M meets the second and fourth Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room. We're currently discussing the book of Exodus. Please join us on **June 10<sup>th</sup>**. Email Mike Brown at [gonzopal2017@cheerful.com](mailto:gonzopal2017@cheerful.com) for more info.

## **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 to [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 to [regency118@comcast.net](mailto:regency118@comcast.net), or reach out to Beth Hohisel at [bhohisel@hotmail.com](mailto:bhohisel@hotmail.com).

## **QUILTERS**

Our regular monthly quilting day (third Tuesday) will be on **June 17<sup>th</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, 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 (815) 953-6601 at [scpbklane@aol.com](mailto:scpbklane@aol.com) for more information or any questions you may have. Hope to see you on **June 17<sup>th</sup>**!

## WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Summer **Women's Bible Study** starts on Wednesday, **June 11<sup>th</sup>**, 6-8 p.m. We'll walk through "My Personal Petitions Prayer Journal" by Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth. *Prayer is personal to God. Shouldn't it be personal to you?*



**VBS FOOD DONATIONS** Please see the bulletin board in the Narthex for our VBS needs. You can take a tag off the board and add the item to your grocery list! Non-perishables may be left in the box provided in the Narthex, and perishables may be left in the fridge clearly marked "VBS".

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

### BIBLE BEE

We are excited to once again host the **National Bible Bee** at Messiah! We'll meet on Wednesdays from 5-6 p.m., **June 11<sup>th</sup>** through August 13<sup>th</sup>.

### J-CHURCH

Due to conflicting events, J-Church will resume the third Sunday in September.

### KID'S CLUBHOUSE WORK WEEKS - Volunteers Needed

Our upper level kid's clubhouse will be updated this summer with work weeks June 2<sup>nd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> and June 9<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>. This will include cleaning walls, replacing whiteboards, organizing, decorating, etc. Instructions will be posted in the classrooms, so volunteers can come any time. There will be a sign up sheet in the Narthex. See Leslie McFarland for scheduling questions.

### MESSIAH KIDS WEDNESDAYS (MKW)

MKW kicked off our summer program on Wednesday, **June 4<sup>th</sup>** from 6-8 p.m. and will continue through July 16<sup>th</sup>. Contact Beth Hohisel [bhohisel@hotmail.com](mailto:bhohisel@hotmail.com) or (815) 735-7897 for more info.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Summer Sunday School will kickoff on **July 6<sup>th</sup>** and go through August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

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 Kimber Drummond, Christian Ed. Director, at [christianed@mlcjoliet.org](mailto:christianed@mlcjoliet.org).



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

## **MSM SUMMER EVENTS**

Mark your calendar for these summer events:

**BONFIRE/WORSHIP - June 11<sup>th</sup>**

**VBS VOLUNTEER POOL PARTY - June 27<sup>th</sup>**

**BONFIRE - July 30<sup>th</sup>**

**POOL PARTY - August 6<sup>th</sup>**

**BONFIRE - August 30<sup>th</sup>**

## **BIBLE STUDY (SUNDAY MORNINGS)**

- 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday Bible Study has wrapped up for the program year.
- High schoolers continue to meet weekly in Classroom #101 at 9 a.m.

## **SUMMER S.A.L.T. (for FAM & H2H students)**

Our summer program, in a combined format for 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders, is on Wednesday evenings from 6-8 p.m. in the FLC.



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**

Altar flowers this morning are provided by Patti and Gary Ally  
in honor of sister Marcia's birthday.

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.

## **THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH**

### **SUNDAY (June 8)**

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship (streamed)  
9 a.m. Bible Study for 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>  
10 a.m. Family Praise & Worship  
1 p.m. Cristo Rey Worship

### **MONDAY (June 9)**

n/a

### **TUESDAY (June 10)**

6:30 p.m. 3M

### **WEDNESDAY (June 11)**

11:30 a.m. Joliet Christian Women  
5 p.m. Bible Bee  
6 p.m. Summer SALT (H2H/FAM),  
MKW Summer,  
Women's Summer Bible Study

### **THURSDAY (June 12)**

10:15 a.m. Prayer Team  
11:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

### **FRIDAY (June 13)**

9 a.m. Memory Bears (bonus day!)

### **SATURDAY (June 14)**

9:30 a.m. Worship Team Rehearsal

### **SUNDAY (June 15)**

#### **FATHER'S DAY**

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship (streamed)  
9 a.m. Bible Study for 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>  
10 a.m. Family Praise & Worship  
1 p.m. Cristo Rey Worship

## **ATTENDANCE**

### **LAST WEEK:**

8:30 a.m.: 110  
10:00 a.m.: 80  
Online: 14  
MSM: 0

## **2025 GIVING**

Operating Budget: \$680,068  
YTD Operating Budget: \$287,721  
YTD Giving Received: \$249,439  
Average Weekly Need: \$13,078  
Received Last Week: \$13,109

## **STEWARDSHIP VERSE OF THE WEEK**

### **Psalms 118:24**

This is the day that the Lord  
has made; let us rejoice  
and be glad in it.