

# **MESSIAH** **LUTHERAN** **✝ CHURCH ♡**

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11 AM Family Praise & Worship

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# **WORSHIP TODAY**

**Call To Worship**

**Welcome/Announcements**

**Worship Through Songs**

**Worship Through Confession & Giving**

Text prayer requests to 815-369-0070

**Children's Message**

**Worship Through Hearing God's Word**

**Message**

"Better Together: Love Like You Mean It!"  
By Pastor David Stier

**Worship Through Song**

**Prayers of Intercession**

**Worship Through the Lord's Prayer**

**Closing Song**

## **OUR FIRST EPISTLE LESSON**

### **Hebrews 10:23-39**

*Reader: Youth Group*

## **OUR SECOND EPISTLE LESSON**

### **1 Peter 1:3-5, 1:13–2:3**

<sup>3</sup> All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is by his great mercy that we have been born again, because God raised Jesus Christ from the dead. Now we live with great expectation, <sup>4</sup> and we have a priceless inheritance—an inheritance that is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay. <sup>5</sup> And through your faith, God is protecting you by his power until you receive this salvation, which is ready to be revealed on the last day for all to see.

<sup>13</sup> So prepare your minds for action and exercise self-control. Put all your hope in the gracious salvation that will come to you when Jesus Christ is revealed to the world. <sup>14</sup> So you must live as God's obedient children. Don't slip back into your old ways of living to satisfy your own desires. You didn't know any better then. <sup>15</sup> But now you must be holy in everything you do, just as God who chose you is holy. <sup>16</sup> For the Scriptures say, "You must be holy because I am holy."<sup>[a]</sup>

<sup>17</sup> And remember that the heavenly Father to whom you pray has no favorites. He will judge or reward you according to what you do. So you must live in reverent fear of him during your time here as "temporary residents." <sup>18</sup> For you know that God paid a ransom to save you from the empty life you inherited from your ancestors. And it was not paid with mere gold or silver, which lose their value. <sup>19</sup> It was the precious blood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God. <sup>20</sup> God chose him as your ransom long before the world began, but now in these last days he has been revealed for your sake.

<sup>21</sup> Through Christ you have come to trust in God. And you have placed your faith and hope in God because he raised Christ from the dead and gave him great glory. <sup>22</sup> You were cleansed from your sins when you obeyed the truth, so now you must show sincere love to each other as brothers and sisters. Love each other deeply with all your heart.

<sup>23</sup> For you have been born again, but not to a life that will quickly end. Your new life will last forever because it comes from the eternal, living word of God. <sup>24</sup> As the Scriptures say, "People are like grass; their beauty is like a flower in the field. The grass withers and the flower fades. <sup>25</sup> But the word of the Lord remains forever." And that word is the Good News that was preached to you.

**2** So get rid of all evil behavior. Be done with all deceit, hypocrisy, jealousy, and all unkind speech. <sup>2</sup> Like newborn babies, you must crave pure spiritual milk so that you will grow into a full experience of salvation. Cry out for this nourishment, <sup>3</sup> now that you have had a taste of the Lord's kindness.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## MLC NEWS

### **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 connection card, and give online. Scan it now to connect with MLC.



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### **ONLINE GIVING**

Online giving is an easy way to give to MLC, and there are three ways to do it:

- 1) Go to this link: [churchcenter.com/giving](http://churchcenter.com/giving)
- 2) Download the Church Center app on your phone or tablet.
- 3) Text your dollar amount (with a dollar sign in front of it) to 84321.

### **OFFICE HOURS**

Our office hours are from 9am-3pm Mon-Fri. Saturdays and evenings by appointment.

### **YOUTH CHOIR DIRECTOR**

The Lay Ministry board is looking for a youth choir director. The job consists of preparing the youth choir for one performance a month during the school year during the 9:30 and 11:00 services. The approximate time commitment is 2 hours per week. The position has a small stipend and will start after the summer. Please contact the church office or email Tom Bond at [tlbond7@hotmail.com](mailto:tlbond7@hotmail.com) if you are interested

### **NURSERY ASSISTANTS NEEDED**

The Lay Ministry board is looking for a few adults or couples who can make themselves available as substitute nursery attendants in case our regular nursery attendant is absent due to illness or other commitments. This is a volunteer position, but the expectation is that the commitment will be infrequent. Please contact the church office or email Tom Bond at [tlbond7@hotmail.com](mailto:tlbond7@hotmail.com).

## GET INVOLVED

### **MESSIAH QUILTERS**

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, July 19th, 2022 from 9 am – 12 pm. We have so many quilts ready to be tied and you don't need any sewing or quilting experience to help us. If you are unable to join us and would like to sew at home, we have kits ready for you to sew. Contact Kathy Mueller (815-953-6601) at [scpbklane@aol.com](mailto:scpbklane@aol.com) for more information or any questions you may have. Drop by and see what we are doing.

## **MEMORY BEARS**

The Memory Bears Life Group meets together once a month to make teddy bears out of clothing from people who have passed away to comfort the grieving. We also make and sell bears once a year to raise money for supplies and children's charities. We would love to have you join us! We have jobs that do not require sewing as well as jobs that do. Please contact Cindi Souza (815-931-8478) for more information.

## **MLC MESSIAH KIDS**

### **"BEE-UTIFUL" SUMMER SUNDAYS (Sundays at 9:30 am)**

Please join us for our "BEE-utiful" Summer Sundays 9:30a in the FLC. (Family Life Center) Grades Pre-K thru 6th are invited to join us to learn about the BEE-attitudes! We will have a short lesson followed by games/crafts and snacks. Parents don't forget to sign the kids in at the computer kiosk by door 10.

Want to be a part of this team and come along side those who "train you up"? We are looking for teens-adults to help guide the younger kids or help facilitate a pre-written lesson! Please see Pastor Dave or Kimber or sign up in the Narthex! Or just email Kimber kd59rn00@aol.com

### **MESSIAH KIDS SUNDAY 11 AM**

Do you like to go to the park and watch Kids play? Enjoy watching your children or grandchildren interact with others? Come Join our Team MK11! See PD2 or Kimber for how to be a part of this vital ministry?

It's a time for kids to burn off energy while mom and dad get to focus on the message. Kids are dismissed after the children's message so they get to be a part of worship with the family and learn what it means to worship as a family. You don't need to lead a lesson; you just watch kid's playing in the FLC for about 30-40 minutes with the nice cool AC blowing. Parents don't forget to sign the kids in at the computer kiosk by door 1.

## **MLC STUDENT MINISTRY**

### **7TH-12TH GRADE SUNDAY SCHOOL (Sundays at 9:30 am)**

Sunday school continues July 10

### **IGNITE (Wednesdays from 6-8 starting in June)**

Join the student ministry for our Wednesday night summer program. Open to 7th-12th grade. We will meet at the church

## **STUDENT MINISTRY CAMPING TRIPS**

There will be a July camping trip on July 29th-Aug. 1st. at Mendotta Hills and its open to 7th-12th grades. Details and signup sheet is available at [bit.ly/MLCCampJune](http://bit.ly/MLCCampJune)

### **CENTER LAKE BIBLE CAMP (June 26th-July 1st)**

Please be in prayer for the students attending this week of camp.

### **RAGING WAVES TRIP (July 13 from 9 am to 7 pm)**

Ignite is going to Raging Waves! It is for students 7th-12th grades. We will leave Wed. July 13th at 9am-7ish. The cost is \$55 which includes lunch (hot dog, fries, drink, ice cream) bring extra \$\$\$ for us to stop for dinner on the way home.

### **HIGH ADVENTURE TRIP (July 17th-July 23rd)**

For 9th-12th grade. This is a time for the High school to go to WV. to Alpine Ministries to experience God in nature and adventure. We will go white water rafting, repelling, and traverse a high ropes course. Need more info? Reach out to Brian at [brian@mlcjoliet.org](mailto:brian@mlcjoliet.org)

## **EVENTS**

### **PRAYER GROUP (Thursdays at 10 am)**

In the Fireside Room. Email [pastor.stier@mlcjoliet.org](mailto:pastor.stier@mlcjoliet.org) for more information.

### **INSIGHT ADULT BIBLE STUDY (Sundays at 9:30 am)**

Join us for a great time of fellowship and study of God's word in the fellowship hall.

### **MOSAIC**

For the Summer months (May-Aug.) Mosaic will be combining with Insight for 9:30a Bible Studies. Keep an eye out for events and our new fall lineup!

### **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY (Tuesday, June 28th at 6:30 pm)**

Our church has a new ministry for men. Messiahs Mens Ministry, 3M Group, is born out of the need for Gods men to step up and be who they were created to be. Our purpose is to train men to come alongside each other and encourage one another in life. Join us on the second and forth Tuesday of every month @ 6:30 pm. It's never too late to jump in. Men of all ages are welcome. If you would like more information feel free to contact: Mike Brown [Evmlcjoliet@gmail.com](mailto:Evmlcjoliet@gmail.com) 815-405-2547

### **PAIRS & SPARES (Sundays, June 26th and July 31st)**

Pairs and Spares is an adult social gathering for friends and family of MLC. Our team puts together a warm atmosphere with fun and games for adult couples and singles alike. More than anything we just value connections. Pairs and Spares will happen Sunday evenings from 4-8p to come together as a community to enjoy life together.

Let us know if you want to be a part of this Life Group and help us out with your ideas. Our First two events are BBQ & Pool Parties: June 26th @ The Bonds and

July 31st @ The Ferenzis. Messiah will provide the meats. Just bring side dishes to share and drinks for you and yours. Sign up in the narthex or email the church at info@mlcjoliet.org if you plan on attending.

### **RALLY DAY (Sunday, August 21 at 10 am)**

Join us for one combined service outside as we enter into another year of service and teaching here at Messiah. There will be a cookout after service. Please bring lawn chairs.

### **10TH ANNUAL LABOR DAY CHURCH FAMILY CAMPING TRIP (September 2-5)**

You're invited to see what all the fun is about while camping with your church family. Contact Pastor Stier for more details at pastor.stier@mlcjoliet.org.

### **ENCORE GOES TO THE ARK (Sept. 13-16)**

Encore, our 55 and older group, is headed to the Ark Encounter in Kentucky. The projected cost is \$850 for a couple and \$550 for a single. Depending on what happens with fuel cost and how many people this may need to be adjusted. The final price will be set 30 days prior to the trip Here is the link to register: [bit.ly/MLCARK](https://bit.ly/MLCARK). Please invite friends, register and get your deposits in ASAP so we can start hotel planning.

### **COUPLES RETREAT (September 23-25)**

Come join us for a great time of worship and fellowship at Center Lake Bible Camp. The purpose of this Couples' Retreat is to build godly marriages through a time away from home in an atmosphere of fun, fellowship, and Biblical teaching on marriage. Contact Pastor Stier for more details at pastor.stier@mlcjoliet.org. There is limited space, so sign up early!! Register at [bit.ly/MLCCouples](https://bit.ly/MLCCouples)



## THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

### **TODAY (June 26)**

8 am Worship  
9:30 am Worship/Online Worship  
9:30 am Insight/Mosaic  
9:30 am K-6th Grade Sunday School  
11 am Worship  
11 am Messiah Kids  
4 pm Pairs & Spares

### **MONDAY (June 27)**

N/A

### **TUESDAY (June 28)**

9 am Memory Bears

### **WEDNESDAY (June 29)**

6 pm Ignite

### **THURSDAY (June 30)**

10 am Prayer Group  
11:30 am Staff Meeting

### **FRIDAY (July 1)**

N/A

### **SATURDAY (July 2)**

9 am Worship Team Rehearsal

### **NEXT SUNDAY (July 3)**

8 am Worship  
9:30 am Worship/Online Worship  
11 am Worship

### **June 26-July 1**

Students at Center Lake Bible Camp

## STEWARDSHIP & ATTENDANCE

### **LAST WEEK:**

8:00 am: 64  
9:30 am: 55  
11:00 am: 67

Online: 190

MSM: 6

Messiah Kids SS: 9

Insight/Mosaic: 13

All online counts are estimates only.

## 2022 BUDGET

**Yearly Operating Budget: \$622,145**

**Average Need Each Week: \$11,964**

Received last week: \$9,104

Received year-to-date: \$280,162

Needed year-to-date: \$299,108

## STEWARDSHIP VERSE OF THE WEEK

### **2 Corinthians 8:5**

"... and they exceeded our expectations:  
They gave themselves first of all to the  
Lord, and then, by the will of God, also to  
us."

## ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to purchase altar flowers, call the office at 815-741-4488.