

MESSIAH **LUTHERAN** **✝ CHURCH ♡**

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11 AM Family Praise & Worship

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Worship Through Songs

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Children's Message

Worship Through Hearing God's Word

Message

"Better Together: Love Yourself"
By Lloyd Evans

Worship Through Song

Prayers of Intercession

Communion

Worship Through the Lord's Prayer

Closing Song

OUR PSALM

Psalm 139:14 (NLT)

Reader: Kate Richmond

¹⁴ Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex!
Your workmanship is marvelous—how well I know it.

OUR EPISTLE LESSON

Ephesians 5:29 (NLT)

²⁹ No one hates his own body but feeds and cares for it, just as Christ cares for the church.

OUR GOSPEL LESSON

John 10:1-10 (NLT)

"I tell you the truth, anyone who sneaks over the wall of a sheepfold, rather than going through the gate, must surely be a thief and a robber! ² But the one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³ The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep recognize his voice and come to him. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴ After he has gathered his own flock, he walks ahead of them, and they follow him because they know his voice. ⁵ They won't follow a stranger; they will run from him because they don't know his voice."

⁶ Those who heard Jesus use this illustration didn't understand what he meant, ⁷ so he explained it to them: "I tell you the truth, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸ All who came before me were thieves and robbers. But the true sheep did not listen to them. ⁹ Yes, I am the gate. Those who come in through me will be saved. They will come and go freely and will find good pastures. ¹⁰ The thief's purpose is to steal and kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life.

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



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
- 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 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.

GET INVOLVED

MESSIAH QUILTERS

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 21st, 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 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 this week.

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 June camping trip on June 14th-17th, and a July camping trip on July 29th-Aug. 1st. Both will be at Mendotta hills and are open to 7th-12th grades. Details and signup sheet is available at bit.ly/MLCCampJune

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

For 5th-8th grade. This is where students go to learn about the Bible while experiencing God in nature.

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

EVENTS

PRAYER GROUP (Thursdays at 10 am)

In the Fireside Room. Email 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. To lead the next generation of men into a way of life that honors and pleases God. 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 815-405-2547

DADDY DONUT DAY (Today)

Come celebrate Daddy Donut Day at Messiah on Sunday, June 19th. Enjoy a delicious donut from the donut wall in the narthex during our 8 am, 9:30 am or 11 am service. Happy Father's day!

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. 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

THANK YOU

It was my pleasure to direct our 2022 Vacation Bible School this year. We had 81 kids attend and over 70 volunteers this week. It was an amazing week of bible stories, live music, games, crafts, and of course, snacks.

Thank you to the Memory Bears for their generous support and to everyone who brought in supplies/donations. To those of you who prayed for us before and during the week, we felt it and it was very much appreciated.

Please give a big round of applause to all our volunteers who used their time and talents to help make VBS 2022 such a successful event.

Special thanks go to Julie Ferenzi, Pastor Kurt Hoover, Pastor Dave Stier, Shannon Capps, Ashli Valcovich, Tim Boe, Molly Hoover, Pat Burke, Kate Richmond, Alison Capps, Beth Hohisel, Marvina Allen, Brian Phipps, Sherri Unyi, Tom Spielman, Lina Spielman, and Audra Spielman for their leadership, planning, and help before and during VBS. Thank you Myka Hoover for your energy and enthusiasm emceeding and leading our songs all week. A big thank you to Lloyd Evans for leading the live band, writing original songs, dealing with background checks, and helping with tech issues both big and small. And an especially big thank you to Lynda Mahalik for organizing PR and registration, decorating, taking photos, and for tolerating texts, emails, and phone calls from me day and night for the last two months.

We truly are Better Together! - Lori Spielman

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

TODAY (June 19)

8 am Worship
9:30 am Worship/Online Worship
9:30 am Insight/Mosaic
9:30 am K-6th Grade Sunday School
9:30 am 7th-12th Grade Sunday School
11 am Worship
11 am Messiah Kids

MONDAY (June 20)

N/A

TUESDAY (June 21)

9 am Messiah Quilters

WEDNESDAY (June 22)

6 pm Ignite

THURSDAY (June 23)

10 am Prayer Group
11:30 am Staff Meeting

FRIDAY (June 24)

N/A

SATURDAY (June 25)

9 am Worship Team Rehearsal

NEXT SUNDAY (June 26)

8 am Worship
9:30 am Worship/Online Worship
9:30 am Insight/Mosaic
9:30 am K-6th Grade Sunday School
9:30 am 7th-12th Grade Sunday School
11 am Worship
11 am Messiah Kids

STEWARDSHIP & ATTENDANCE

LAST WEEK:

8:00 am: 53
9:30 am: 42
11:00 am: 89

Online: 260

MSM: 3

Messiah Kids SS: 3

Insight/Mosaic: 14

All online counts are estimates only.

2022 BUDGET

Yearly Operating Budget: \$622,145

Average Need Each Week: \$11,964

Received last week: \$11,393

Received year-to-date: \$271,057

Needed year-to-date: \$287,143

STEWARDSHIP VERSE OF THE WEEK

Luke 9:17

"They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets."

ALTAR FLOWERS

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