

# MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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JUNE  
2017

Dear Friends in Christ,

June is the beginning of Summer and Messiah continues on each Sunday with wonderful worship led by the Praise Band & Organ; helpful learning and inspiration from the Bible; joy-filled fellowship and conversation together. You don't want to miss!

These final days of my ministry at Messiah our focus in worship will be the Old Testament Book of Psalms. Psalms are wonderful in that they speak from the heart of the Psalm writer to very relevant feelings; hurts; needs; lessons for today.

If you are unable to worship in person at Messiah please remember that you can Live-Stream the worship each week on your computer, tablet and smart-phone. Simply go to Messiah's webpage and click on the link.

Since it is uncertain at this time whether a new pastor (or an interim pastor) will be starting at Messiah in August the following schedule is through the month of July.

Summer messages at Messiah:

June 11 – **Psalm 1**

*"The Lord watches over the way of the righteous."*

June 18 – **Psalm 8**

*"Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!"*

June 24 & 25 **Celebration Of Ministry Weekend**

July 2 - **Psalm 23**

*"The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing."*

July 9 – **Psalm 40**

*"I waited patiently for the Lord; he turned to me and heard my cry."*

July 16 – **Psalm 46**

*"God is our refuge and strength, an ever present help in trouble."*

July 23 – **Praise & Worship Sunday**

July 30 – **Psalm 51**

*"Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me."*

God Is So Good!

Pastor Nathan

**Rev Nathan Thompson**

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## **COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

**Sunday—11**

10:30 am

Outreach Team

**Wednesday—14**

8:30 am

Executive Team

**TBA**

Education Comm.

**Wednesday—21**

7:00 pm

Messiah Council



### PASTORAL ACTS:

#### **BAPTISMS**

4-9-2017 Ariyah Cabanisss, daughter of Jenny Starner  
and Rapheal Cabaniss

5-14-2017 Colton Schmidt, son of Kayla and Josh Schmidt

#### **CONFIRMATION**

5-7-2017 Kaleigh Anderson Anna Bergman

Ashley Froemming Casandra LeVecesque

Savannah Swenson Ireland Winter

## Come join us for a **MOVIE NIGHT!**

### Wednesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> 2017 @ 7pm

~Popcorn and treats will be served~

Mackenzie Allen Phillips's youngest daughter, Missy, has been abducted during a family vacation, and evidence that she may have been brutally murdered is found in an abandoned shack deep in the Oregon wilderness. Four years later, in this midst of his great sadness, Mack receives a suspicious note, apparently from God, inviting him back to that shack for a weekend. Against his better judgment he arrives at the shack one wintry afternoon and walks back into his darkest nightmare. What he finds there will change his life forever.

THE SHACK is a sentimental faith-based adaptation which explores grief and healing. The film takes us on a father's uplifting spiritual journey and is recommended for children 12 years and older.

*"A sincere exploration of faith and forgiveness"*



\*Free will offering will be taken with proceeds going to the purchase of Messiah's outdoor projection system.

### LIVESTREAMING SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Each week Messiah's worship service is livestreamed all over the U.S. and the world! All you need is a computer and internet access, and you can watch! If you would like to sponsor our services for a month in honor or memory of a loved one(s), the cost is \$50. Please stop in the office and talk to Becky if you are interested.

**NOVEMBER IS STILL AVAILABLE IN 2017**





# Happy Birthday!



Bennett Strobel	6-1	Logon Long	6-13	Mary Jacobson	6-22
Layla Long	6-2	Julia Arnquist	6-14	Amy Swenson	6-22
Shirley Nelson	6-2	Michael Christopherson	6-14	Ashleigh Stinogel	6-22
Cayden Schmidt	6-2	Holly Olson	6-14	Ross Anderson	6-23
Georgia Dalum	6-3	Kameron Engle	6-15	Andrew Martinson	6-23
Marlene Thorstad	6-3	Jim Kloos	6-15	Lorne Nadgwick	6-23
Gordon Bredy	6-4	Russ Froemming	6-17	Brenda Shearer	6-24
Daniel Sanstead	6-7	Terry Giese	6-17	Jennifer Anderson	6-26
Krista Randt	6-11	Carly Torgerson	6-17	Loralie Bolgrean	6-26
June Rathke	6-11	Mark Yochim	6-17	Max Nelson	6-26
Jesse Andreasen	6-12	Tammy Saurer	6-18	David Martinson	6-27
Nicholas DeNoble	6-12	Jeanne Anderson	6-19	Tyler Onstad	6-30
Tyson MGee	6-12	Peggy Huntley	6-21	Pamela Telkamp	6-30

## **WORK SERVICE GROUP FOR JULY**

If you are in the July/January group (listed below) please sign up at the Welcome Center for a duty in July. If you do not sign up, a duty will be assigned to everyone to fill the spots needed. This is your chance to choose a date that works best for you. You can also call the church office to sign up. Thank you for your help.

## **JULY/JANUARY GROUP**

Curt & Cindy Anderson, Jason & Leah Anderson, Jacki Anderson family, Gordon & Lorraine Bredy, Candyce DeNoble, Arley & Rosie Ellingson, Lance & Heidi Johnson family, Jerry & Deb Krusemark, Tony & Christy Krusemark family, Louise Larson, Ed & Annette Loeffler, Irma Nordquist, Brian & Pam Randt family, Lorri Reeder, Mitch & Kris Sanstead family, Bill Setzer and Ruth Nelson, Curt & Heidi Stark family, LeRoy Stark, Arlene Stock, Kurt & Janee Strunk, Steve & Sara Strunk family, Marlene Thorstad, Nick & Kesha Trinkka, Evan & Rosie Yochim, Vern & Bev Yochim

## **Remembering the Saints in Light**

*Recognizing members who have gone before us during the month of their passing*

Ann Westrum	06-08-09
Harvey Beuckens	06-10-11
Jim Lolkus	06-21-11
Harry Westberg	06-22-10
Wally Gunderson	06-29-10

## Messiah Lutheran Church Council

### Wednesday, April 19, 2017 – 7 pm

Present: Pastor Nathan, Jacki Anderson, Jared Frykman, Jim Hanson, Jen Hermes, Marisa Sabolik, Duane Samuelson, Curt Stark  
Absent: Brian Randt

- I. Call to Order by Marisa
- II. Devotion by Pastor Nathan
- III. Approve agenda with flexibility – motion by Duane, Jen seconded, motion carried.  
Secretarys report – motion by Jacki, Jim seconded, motion carried.  
Treasurers report – motion by Curt, Jared seconded, motion carried.

Pastor's Report – Confirmation set for May 7 with 5 girls getting confirmed. Pastor will be retiring on July 1. If no replacement is in place by then, he is willing to serve on a part-time basis. Discussed the structure that might look like.

#### **Committee Reports:**

Youth and Family (Jacki) – Addie Stark is chairing this committee. May 3 Paint & Sip for all 5th-12<sup>th</sup> graders; May 17 make fleece blankets, supper and bonfire; May 21 4 pm Ditch Cleanup.

Executive Committee (Marisa) – Discussion around Pastor's retirement.

Outreach Committee (Jen) – food shelf update see Old Business; plan to have Saturday evening worship once per summer month at the church around the fire pit. Need to finalize dates.

Property Committee – no report.

Memorial & Bequest Committee – no report.

Education Committee (Jared) – April 30 Car Wash & Bake Sale fundraiser for outdoor projection; May 7 End of Year Fiesta pot-luck; July 31-August 3 VBS at Messiah.

Stephen Ministry (Pastor) – no report.

Vision and Task Force (Marisa) – Discussion around Pastor's retirement. Will plan ministry celebration for Pastor Nathan!

Technology (Curt) – meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 26 8 pm to discuss additional projector screens/monitors, additional sound booth help, website, Facebook, etc.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

##### H-K Food Shelf Update

February: served 23 families/57 people, handed out 1,652 pounds of food

March: served over 68 people, raised \$7,661.22 and 2,278.4 pounds of food

##### Farmer's Market

June 28 – Brian will lead the meal – looking for volunteers

##### Piano Update

Stan Stark wrote a detailed letter to the council giving a summary of the pianos at Messiah. Currently, there are six pianos and two of them are never used. He suggested selling the one to an interested Messiah member on a sealed bid basis and to give away the other one.

##### Succession Planning/Call Committee Update

One candidate interview thus far. Looking for more. Ken Johnson is in close contact with the synod.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

##### Pastor Nathan's Transition

Pastor will retire on July 1. If no replacement by then, he is willing to work part-time until possibly August but if a new Pastor is in place by then, he would stay on for awhile to make a smooth transition.

Celebrating Lay Ministry at Messiah (April 30) – will celebrate lay ministry and ministers at Messiah and give people an opportunity to find out more about the ways they can help serve at Messiah.

May Executive Meeting – Wednesday, May 10, 8:30 am

May Council Meeting – Wednesday, May 17, 8 pm

May Communion & Offering – Jim

Adjourn – motion by Jen, Jared seconded

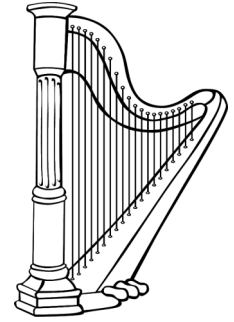
Respectfully submitted by Jacki Anderson

## HEAVENLY HARP CONCERT

July 14, 2017 7:00 pm

Messiah Lutheran Church

Free Will Offering



### MESSIAH PIANO OFFER

On a recommendation from the Property Team – the Messiah Council has decided to dispose of two pianos in the church that are never used. It was the feeling that these two pianos should be offered first to members of Messiah and then if there was no interest; open the offer to the public by advertising.

**Piano #1** – This is an Everett piano and is light blond in color and does not have a bench. It is located in the fellowship hall next to the door leading to the kitchen. According to our piano tuner, this piano is in fair shape and is tunable.

This piano will be offered to Messiah members on a bid basis. If you are interested in this piano, simply place your bid in a sealed envelope marked “**Piano Bid**” and give it to Becky Meyer at the church office. **Bids will be accepted until Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup> and will be opened on Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup>.** The new owner will be responsible for removing the piano from the church property.

**Piano #2** – This is a Janssen piano and is tan in color with a bench. It is located in the northeast Sunday School room next to the door. The piano tuner said this piano is not very tunable. There are several keys that are out of tune. Therefore, we will give this piano away. If you have an interest in this piano, place your name in a sealed envelope marked “**Free Piano**” and give it to Becky Meyer at the church office. **Bids will be accepted until Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup> and will be opened on Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup>.** Since this piano is going to be given away, there may be several bids. If that is the case, a drawing will take place for this piano. Again, with this piano, it will be the new owner’s responsibility to remove it from the church. You are welcome to check out these pianos and play them as you wish. If you have any questions regarding either of these pianos, contact Stan Stark or the church office. Bids will only be accepted from Messiah members at this time for both pianos.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

“Living Out Love”

Dates: July 31 to August 3, 2017 9:00—3:00

Ages: 3yrs to 6th Grade

Cost \$10 per child \* \$25 per family \* Scholarships available

Register by contacting Messiah Lutheran Church 320-986-2024

Registration forms at Welcome Center

## MESSIAH WOMEN'S CALENDAR FOR JUNE, 2017

*Mission of the Month: Luther Crest Bible Camp*

*Mission Items to Bring: Items for School Kits*

Sunday	4	Fellowship Coffee – Group 6
Monday	5	Martha Bible Study at 7 PM
Thursday	8	Mary Bible Study at 1 PM
Monday-Friday	25-30	Women's Week at Luther Crest (see brochure on Welcome Center in Narthex)

## NEWS NOTES FROM ARLOU SWENSON AND SYLVIA SWENSON

Now that garage sale season is here please be thinking about our Mission kits. Items for our newborn and baby care kits can be found at garage sales pretty cheap. You can find the items listed in your WELCA Program Booklet or listed on the kiosk in the Narthex. The June "Mission" is *Items for School Kits*. School kit items that are needed are; notebooks, 8 ½ by 11 with ruled paper, 70 sheets; blunt scissors; 30 cm metric rulers (rulers with inches on one side and centimeters on the other side are acceptable,) small pencil sharpener; unsharpened pencils with erasers; 2 ½ inch eraser; black or blue ball point pens (no gel ink,) box of crayons (8, 16, or 24,). Bring your items to church and put them in the WELCA basket in the Narthex.

The quilters will be taking some time off for the summer. It was a very busy year. Thank you ladies for your dedicated work and to anyone who has donated material for quilts. Every baby receives a quilt at their baptism. We made jean quilts for our graduating seniors. Congratulations to our seniors this year; Jack Nelson, Tyler Onstad, Morgan Sanstead, Brittany Randt. A special "Thank You" to Heidi Stark, Shirley Sampson and Lori Reeder for making the picture board and cards and bookmarks honoring the high school graduates. The assorted coffee cakes made and served during fellowship coffee on May 21st by the Education Committee were delicious!

WELCA sent the following Mission Kits to Lutheran World Relief and Global Missions in April; 16 Baby Kits, 10 Personal Care Kits, 16 Aids/Hospice Kits and 9 Newborn Kits. Someplace Safe in Alexandria received 9 quilts and 10 quilts were brought to West Central Minnesota Community Action in Elbow Lake in the month of May.

Women's week at Luther Crest Bible Camp will be June 25<sup>th</sup> through 30<sup>th</sup>. Look at the Luther Crest brochure on the Welcome Center in the Narthex. Daily events are listed and all sound very interesting. Advance notification is appreciated so they can plan for meals as lunch is included.

With summer comes the Farmer's Market Meals in the city park. The Messiah Women will serve on Wednesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Plan to come and support the meals and the vendors as they provide a nice variety of products and other items for us.

The 10<sup>th</sup> Triennial Gathering for Lutheran Women is being held in Minneapolis this year. It will be on July 13-16 and will be at the Convention Center. This is the first time it will be held in Minnesota. The keynote speaker is Leyman Gbowee. You do not need to attend all three days. If you are interested in going please check with Arlou or Sylvia for more information. Messiah WELCA will pay for your registration.

The Northwest Minnesota Synodical Women's Convention will be September 14-15 at Fair Hills Resort in Detroit Lakes Minnesota. Again, if you are interested in going please check with Arlou or Sylvia for more information. Messiah WELCA will pay for your registration.

"God's Work, Our Hands." Have a great Summer!



### Seek-

1. Looking for something fun to do this summer? We would love to have you join us for our Messiah VBS week! Kickoff is Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup> with 9:30 a.m. church service. You get to meet the Luther crest counselors and stay for a yummy lunch! VBS will then start Monday, July 31<sup>st</sup> and go till Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> (k-6<sup>th</sup> only for Thurs.).
2. We are also looking for volunteers for VBS week! Kitchen help during snack and lunch time and cleanup, preschool helpers, and volunteers to go to Luther crest for the day on Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Sign-up sheets by welcome desk!

### Connect-

1. Save the Date- 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Join the Celebration for all ages! Friday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. We are changing it from years prior to Friday night due to scheduling conflict on Saturday night. Would you like to help at this event? Please contact any of the education team!
2. Rally Sunday is Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>! Gear up for Sunday school!

### Impact-

1. Our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual bake sale brought in over \$300 towards the outdoor projection system, thank you to all those that helped and purchased the baked goods!
2. Fiesta Sunday was a great celebration by over 100 people. Thank you to all those that stayed for lunch and piñata!

Education Committee- Kari Anderson, Tracy Frykman, Liza Long,  
Kesha Trinka and Tracy Hedstrom





# GOD'S PEOPLE IN SERVICE—JUNE

## ACOLYTES

4 & 11 Maya Krusemark  
18 & 25 Jayce Puchalski

If you are unable to serve your assigned spot on any Sunday, please find your own replacement and let the church office know who that is.  
**THANK YOU!!**

## COMMUNION PREPARATION

June 4 Peggy Huntley  
June 25 Carol Anderson

## COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

Becky Meyer Sylvia Swenson,  
Ardis Stark

## COMMUNION SERVERS—COUNCIL Jen Hermes

## FLOWERS

Marilyn Schoephoerster

## WELCOME CENTER

June 4 Paul, Tracy, and Kat Hedstrom  
June 11 Lynette Bruns family  
June 18 Paul, Tracy, and Kat Hedstrom  
June 25 Jerry & Mickie Danelke; Jim & Cindy Kloos

## USHERS/GREETERS

**VIDEO**  
June 4 Emma Swenson  
June 11 Jaime Johnson  
June 18 Quinten Winter  
June 25 Jaime Johnson

**PROJECTION**  
Savannah Swenson  
Anna Bergman  
Nicole Bruns  
Krista Randt



**ORGANIST**  
June 4 Beverly Yochim  
June 11 Beverly Yochim  
June 18 Beverly Yochim  
June 25 Beverly Yochim

**SOUND**  
Aiden Winter  
Steve Bergman  
Aiden Winter  
Kaitlyn Sanstead

**LECTORS**  
Tracy Hedstrom  
Jennifer Rose  
Tracy Hedstrom  
Cindy Kloos

**COFFEE**  
June 4 Coffee by WELCA # 6  
June 11 Coffee served by Youth—Krusemark family  
June 18 Coffee served by Churchmen—Jon Winter—in honor of Arlou and Jennes Swenson's 60th Wedding Anniversary  
June 25 Coffee served by Youth—Puchalski family



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	<b>3</b> 7:30 Men's Bkfast Bible Study
<b>4</b> 9:30 Holy Communion/ 10:30 Coffee by WELCA # 6	<b>5</b> 7:00 MARTHA Bible Study	<b>6</b>  7:00 Stephen	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 1:00 Mary Bible Study	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> 9:30 Worship Service 10:30 Coffee by Youth 10:30 Outreach Team	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 8:30 am Exec Team	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> 9:30 Worship Service 10:30 Coffee by Churchmen	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 7:00 Stephen Ministry	<b>21</b> 7:00 Messiah Council	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>  5:30-6:30 Meal 6:30-7:30 Pr Nathan's "Celebration of Ministry Event"
<b>25</b> 9:30 "Celebration of Ministry"/Holy Communion Service/SS Bells 10:30 Potluck Dinner No desserts please	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>  5:00 Famer's Market Served by Messiah Council 7:00 "The Shack" movie By Outreach Team	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	
Women's Week at Luther Crest June 25th—30th						

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## CELEBRATION OF MINISTRY

For Pastor Nathan Thompson  
Saturday, June 24 and Sunday June 25

Saturday	June 24	5:30—6:30	Supper of Grilled Pork Chops, etc.
		6:30—7:30	Celebration event
Sunday	June 25	9:30-10:30	Celebration on Ministry/Holy Communion Service/Sunday School Bells
		10:30	Potluck Dinner No Desserts please Cake will be provided