

Isaiah 49:1-7 (ESV)

49 Listen to me, O coastlands, and give attention, you peoples from afar. The LORD called me from the womb, from the body of my mother he named my name.² He made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow; in his quiver he hid me away. ³ And he said to me, “You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.”

⁴ But I said, “I have labored in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my right is with the LORD, and my recompense with my God.” ⁵ And now the LORD says, he who formed me from the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him; and that Israel might be gathered to him— for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—⁶ he says: “It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to bring back the preserved of Israel; I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.” ⁷ Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nation, the servant of rulers: “Kings shall see and arise; princes, and they shall prostrate themselves; because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

1 Corinthians 1:1-9 (ESV)

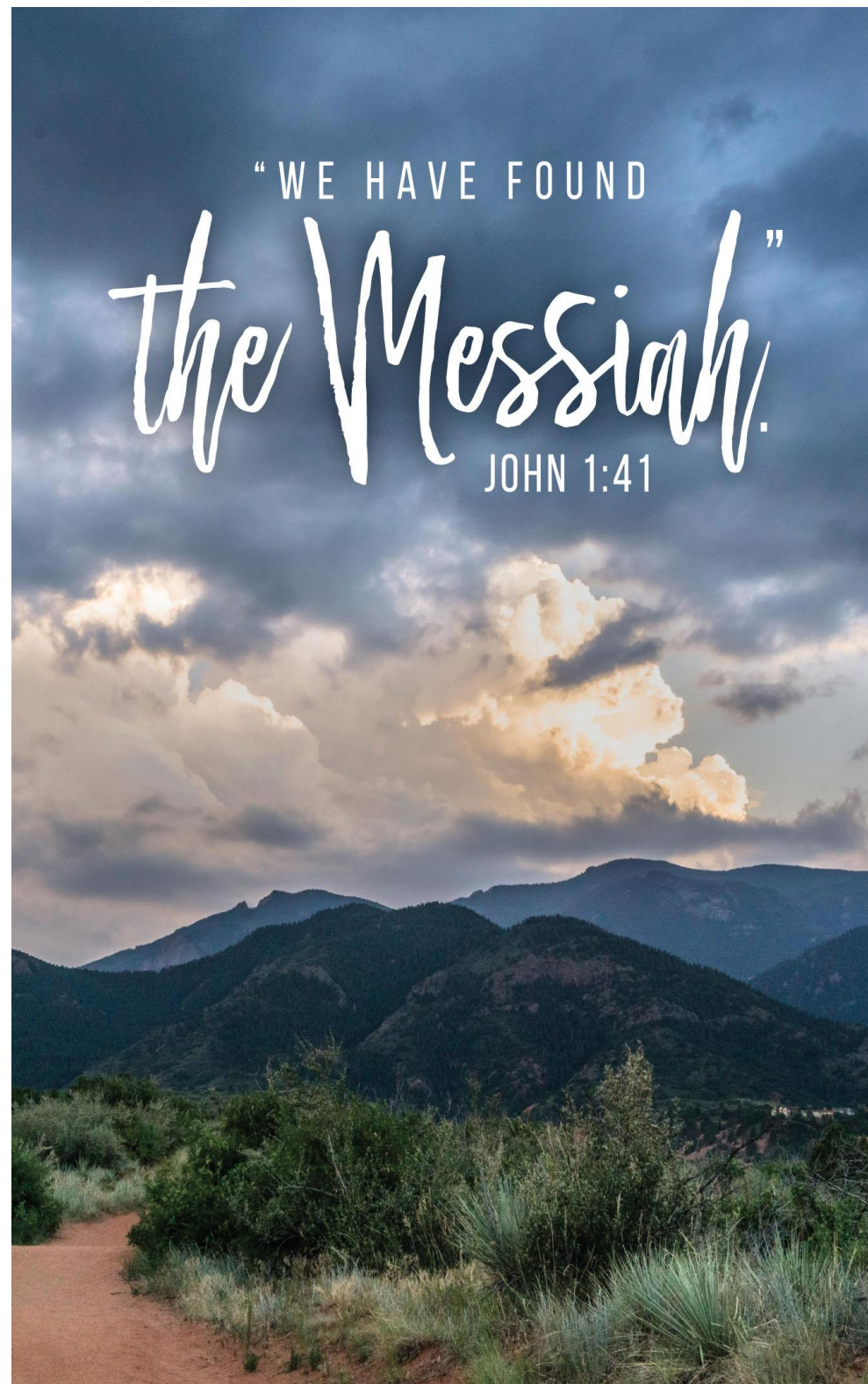
1 Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes, ² To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: ³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴ I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵ that in every

way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge— ⁶ even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you— ⁷ so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸ who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

John 1:29-42a (ESV)

²⁹ The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰ This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.’ ³¹ I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel.” ³² And John bore witness: “I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³ I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ ³⁴ And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God.” ³⁵ The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶ and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God!” ³⁷ The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸ Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, “What are you seeking?” And they said to him, “Rabbi” (which means Teacher), “where are you staying?” ³⁹ He said to them, “Come and you will see.” So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour.

⁴⁰ One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹ He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which means Christ). ⁴² He brought him to Jesus.



✠ **In the Name of Jesus** ✠

Theme of the Day ~ God Reveals His Glory in Christ and His Cross. "The LORD, the Redeemer of Israel" calls forth "His Holy One" (Is. 49:7), Jesus, the Christ, "from the womb" of His mother (Is. 49:1). The incarnate Son of God is revealed as the Savior, not only for Israel but also "as a light for the nations," whose salvation reaches "to the end of the earth" (Is. 49:6). John came "baptizing with water" (John 1:31) to reveal Jesus as "the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world" (John 1:29) and who glorifies His God and Father by His atoning sacrifice upon the cross. When Jesus was baptized in the waters of the Jordan, the Holy Spirit descended "from heaven like a dove" and "remained on him" (John 1:32). By our Baptism, we are anointed by the same Spirit, adopted by God the Father, and "called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ" (1 Cor. 1:9). Therefore, we "are not lacking in any gift," but we can trust Him who promises to sustain us to the end, "guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Cor. 1:7-8).

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Pastor	Paul Hauser
Organist	Tami Mosher
Elders	Dale Rohde & Dick Bluemer
A/V	Mark Richardson
Acolyte	Jadon Mayer
Ushers	Paul Bohn, Roger Kade, Joel Hutfilz
Greeters	Bud & Millier Parker
Altar Guild	Suzanne Schultz and Diane Schultz

Please pray for your fellow Christians on their birthday: Jan 24- Duane Neuenfeldt; Jan 25- Lindsey Grillo; Jan 26- Bill Beyersdorf, Aaron Brown; Jan 27- Jerry Neuenfeldt, Jake Valliere; Jan 29- Ann Moore (her 80th).

Today's Memory Verse ~ "Whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God." 1 Corinthians 10:31

Thank You ~ Thank you to everyone who donated money, groceries, desserts, time and talent to make our annual turkey dinner another successful one! The total cost of the dinner was covered by these generous donations! A profit of \$2,465 was made which will be given to God's Helping Hands which will be used to purchase food for the food pantry. We served 241 meals. Thank you all for your hard work and participation!

Voters' Assembly meeting will be held January 26 following the worship service. All confirmed members age 18 and over are encouraged to attend. Copies of the agenda, previous minutes and the agenda action item concerning the proposed wording of the LCMS constitution are in your bulletin box for your review before the meeting.

Save the Date & Seeking donations!! VLHS Benefit Dinner & Auction will take place **Saturday, February 29, 2020**, at Apple Mountain Conference Center. The theme is "CLUE: Secrets in the Grand Ballroom". We are seeking items to be donated and put up for bid (merchandise, tickets, services, vacation homes, gift cards, etc.). Thank you for your past support! Tickets will be available for purchase January 8, 2020. For further information or questions, please call Heidi Behnke at 790-1676 at Valley Lutheran High School.

Job Opportunity ~ Valley Lutheran High School is accepting applications for the position of part-time Admissions Counselor. This individual will work closely with the Executive Director to implement a comprehensive student recruitment process. The ideal candidate will be a self-starter with strong interpersonal communication skills, familiarity with Office software applications, able to drive, available to work some evenings and weekends, and supportive of the mission of Valley Lutheran High School. The position is for 20 hours per week. Interested applicants may request an application and send a resume' with cover letter by January 31 to Dr. John Brandt, Executive Director, Valley Lutheran High School, 3560 McCarty, Saginaw MI 48603 or by email to (jbrandt@vlhs.com). For more information contact John Brandt (989-790-1676, jbrandt@vlhs.com).

Job Opportunity ~ Peace Lutheran School, 3161 Lawndale Road in Saginaw Township, is looking for a long-term substitute teacher for our music program starting in April and continuing until June. Qualified applicants should contact Peace Director of School Ministries Keith Trent at ktrent@peacesaginaw.org.