



# All Saints Sunday

*Preaching and Teaching the truth to His  
expanding kingdom, reaching out to all!*

November 5, 2023

# The Lutheran Church & School of Messiah

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**All Saints' Day (Observed)**  
**November 5, 2023**

## Announcements

## Confession and Absolution

**Lion's Choir: *I Speak the Name of Jesus***

*Stand*

### 677 For All the Saints

*sts. 1-4*

- 1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,  
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,  
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;  
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;  
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 3 Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,  
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old  
And win with them the victor's crown of gold!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 4 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

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*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

## Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C **Amen.**

## Exhortation

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P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. [*Hebrews 10:22*]

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Kneel/Stand*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

## Confession of Sins

LSB 184

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

## Absolution

LSB 185

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

## Service of the Word

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

**In you, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame;  
in your righteousness deliver me.**

For you are my rock and my fortress;

and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me.

**Into your hand I commit my spirit;**

**you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning,**

**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

## Kyrie

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**C Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

**Lord, have mercy upon us. [Mark 10:27]**

## Gloria in Excelsis

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**P Glory be to God on high:**

**C and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.**

**We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,**

**we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.**

**O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;**

**O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,**

**that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.**

**Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.**

**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have  
mercy upon us.**

**For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.  
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen. [Luke  
2:14; John 1:29]**

**Salutation and Collect of the Day [2 Timothy 4:22]**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And with thy spirit.**

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

*Sit*

**First Reading**

*Revelation 7:2–17*

<sup>2</sup>Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, <sup>3</sup>saying, “Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.” <sup>4</sup>And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:

<sup>5</sup>12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed,

12,000 from the tribe of Reuben,

12,000 from the tribe of Gad,

<sup>6</sup>12,000 from the tribe of Asher,

12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali,

12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,

<sup>7</sup>12,000 from the tribe of Simeon,

12,000 from the tribe of Levi,  
12,000 from the tribe of Issachar,  
<sup>8</sup>12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun,  
12,000 from the tribe of Joseph,  
12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, <sup>10</sup>and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” <sup>11</sup>And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” <sup>14</sup>I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

<sup>15</sup>“Therefore they are before the throne of God,  
and serve him day and night in his temple;  
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

<sup>16</sup>They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;  
the sun shall not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat.

<sup>17</sup>For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of living water,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

<sup>1</sup>See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### Messiah School Kids: *Jerusalem the Golden*

*Please stand as you are able*

Alleluia

LSB 190

C **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:1–12

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

<sup>2</sup>And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup>“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup>“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

<sup>5</sup>“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup>“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

<sup>7</sup>“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup>“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

<sup>9</sup>“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

<sup>10</sup>“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup>“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be

glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

*Creed [“Creed” comes from the Latin credo, which means “I believe.” From the time of Pentecost, the Ancient Christian Church has confessed a creed. The Early Christian Church has always believed, taught, and confessed these Scriptural teachings. This is why we are called a Creedal Church.]*

### **Apostles’ Creed**

**C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life T everlasting. Amen.**

*Sit*

**Kids’ Time**

*Saint*



## 676 Behold a Host, Arrayed in White

- 1 Behold a host, arrayed in white,  
Like thousand snow-clad mountains bright!  
    With palms they stand;  
    Who is this band  
Before the throne of light?  
These are the saints of glorious fame,  
Who from the great affliction came  
    And in the flood  
    Of Jesus' blood  
Are cleansed from guilt and shame.  
They now serve God both day and night;  
They sing their songs in endless light.  
    Their anthems ring  
    As they all sing  
With angels shining bright.
  
- 2 Despised and scorned, they sojourned here;  
But now, how glorious they appear!  
    Those martyrs stand,  
    A priestly band,  
God's throne forever near.  
On earth they wept through bitter years;  
Now God has wiped away their tears,  
    Transformed their strife  
    To heav'nly life,  
And freed them from their fears.  
They now enjoy the Sabbath rest,  
The heav'nly banquet of the blest;  
    The Lamb, their Lord,  
    At festive board  
Himself is host and guest.
  
- 3 O blessèd saints in bright array  
Now safely home in endless day,  
    Extol the Lord,

Who with His Word  
Sustained you on the way.  
The steep and narrow path you trod;  
You toiled and sowed the Word abroad;  
Rejoice and bring  
Your fruits and sing  
Before the throne of God.  
The myriad angels raise their song;  
O saints, sing with that happy throng!  
Lift up one voice;  
Let heav'n rejoice  
In our Redeemer's song!

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## Sermon

## Votum

- P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts  
and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C **Amen.**

*Stand*

## Offertory [Psalm 51:10-12]

*LSB 192*

- C **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit  
within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy  
Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with  
Thy free spirit. Amen.**

Offering: a basket is located outside of the sanctuary doors. Envelopes are available if you would like one.

## Remembrance of the Saints

Let us unite with all the saints in heaven and bring before God our Father the needs of the Church and the world

Together we pray, saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

That the Church may lead her children from every nation and people to grow in faithfulness, holiness and communion with God. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Response: Lord, hear our prayer.**

That civic and business leaders may be inspired by the lives of the saints to act with honesty and integrity and help the poor and powerless. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Response: Lord, hear our prayer.**

That those suffering from sickness, persecution or any difficulty may not lose faith and hope in God but be supported by the prayers and example of the martyrs and saints. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Response: Lord, hear our prayer.**

That we who are united with the saints in the Church Triumphant may also daily offer to God our lives in prayer and charity. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Response: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*The Faithful Departed Brothers and Sisters*

Arthur Peterson	November 23, 2022
William “Bill” Chinn	December 22, 2022
Ben Tomasi	January 11, 2023
Roseann Scott	February 22, 2023
Janna Thiel	March 10, 2023
Leona Sanke	April 2, 2023
Debbie Kaus	August 9, 2023
John “Dick” Clemmer	September 9, 2023
Arla Franke	September 11, 2023
Virginia Saunders	September 30, 2023
Faith Larsen	October 23, 2023

That all the faithful departed have joined the angels and saints before them before God’s throne to praise and adore him forever. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Response: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lord our God, your mercy is revealed in cross and the empty Easter tomb.  
Death does not have the last word. You have the last word, and that word is  
Jesus. Hear the prayers we offer you and guide us to follow in their footsteps.  
Through Christ our Lord. **Response: Amen**

Lord's Prayer [Matthew 6:9-13]

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**Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass  
against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and  
ever. Amen.**

*[The Conclusion for the Lord's Prayer is not in Matthew or Luke. The Conclusion is from 1Chronicles 29:10-11, King David's prayer in the assembly.]*

**Salutation**

LSB 201

P The Lord be with you.  
C **And with thy spirit.**

**Benedicamus**

LSB 202

A Bless we the Lord.  
C **Thanks be to God.**

**Benediction [Latin for God's "Good Speak" to you]**

LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.  
C **Amen, amen, amen.**

*[Aaronic Benediction Numbers 6:24-26]*

5 And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,  
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,  
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

6 The golden evening brightens in the west;  
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;  
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

7 But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day:  
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;  
The King of Glory passes on His way.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

D 8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

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## **The Week of November 5, 2023**

**Preacher:** Rev. Dr. Rick Marrs

**Liturgist:** Rev. Michael Redeker

**DCE:** Jonathan Peterson

**Organist:** Richard Scott

**Acolytes:** Oliver Messenger

**Elders:** Gary Anderson

**Ushers:** Otto Ratz, Josh Ammon, Paul Yutzzy, Wade Shultz

**Greeters:** Donna Bruns, Marsha Brodak

### **Calendar for the Week of November 5, 2023**

<b>Sunday</b>	9:00am	<b>Sunday Worship, Facebook Live</b>
	10:30am	<b>Bible Study</b>
	10:30am	<b>Battle Ready 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>- Library</b>
	10:30am	<b>Kids Connection</b>
	6:00pm	<b>Sipping &amp; Searching Men's Bible Study</b>
<b>Monday</b>	3:15pm	<b>Faculty Meeting- MPR</b>
	6:00pm	<b>Battle Ready 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>- MPR</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	7:00am	<b>Men's Bible Study</b>
	9:00am	<b>Quilt Ladies- FH</b>
	9:30am	<b>Office Staff Meeting- Library</b>
	7:00pm	<b>Adult Choir</b>
	7:00pm	<b>Elders Meeting- Library</b>
	7:00pm	<b>Compassionate Friends- FH</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30am	<b>Chapel</b>
	9:30am	<b>Bible Study- FH</b>
	6:00pm	<b>Church, Communion</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	6:30pm	<b>Handbells</b>
	6:30pm	<b>Bible Study- Zoom</b>
<b>Friday</b>		
<b>Saturday</b>		<b>Volleyball Tournament</b>
	9:00am	<b>Perseverance Bible Study- MPR</b>

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK  
OF November 5, 2023**

**Offering Bags-** Are now located at the end of each back pew.

**Operation Christmas Child-** Thanks to all who have participated this year! Please return the filled boxes by **Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>**. Be sure to **attach the label** for the appropriate age & gender of child. If you are able, **\$10** shipping cost may be placed inside the box. **Don't tape or seal your box.**

**Christmas/ Advent Wreaths- Nov. 12th at 10:30am**, Messiah will have a fun Church family event. **"Church family" is everyone!** All ages, all people, Church & School. We'll be making **Advent wreaths**. Contact **Amelia Everhart** or the sheet in the **Narthex** for a list of **needed supplies**. Even if you can't donate any supplies, you're still welcome to join. **Please RSVP** as well so we know how many supplies we need to get. What a great way to get to know the Church and School community!

**Prayer Partner Lunch Orders-** if you would like to order lunch for yourselves, the menu is **Chick-Fil-A**: crispy chicken sandwich, chips, and a cookie. The cost is **\$8** and needs to be turned into the **office** by **Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>**. Spirit Day is Flannel Day.

**Thanksgiving Dinner-** Thursday, **Nov. 23rd at 1pm** Messiah will be hosting a Thanksgiving dinner for **CMU students** and **anyone who would like to join**. Please contact **Carolyn Gochee** or **DCE Jonathan** to RSVP or to sign up to bring something. We'll need all the usual Thanksgiving foods: turkey, ham, potatoes, stuffing, veggies.....and of course, dessert.

**The Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting-** Will be Sunday, **Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm** in the **Sanctuary**. New Church Counsel board members will be voted in. **Please prayerfully** consider running for a board position. Please refer to the insert for details.

**Adult Choir-** Love to Sing? Love to Fellowship? Love to have fun? Join us on Tuesdays at **7-8pm** on the balcony for **CHOIR rehearsal!** If you have any questions, contact **Dona Ramsey** in the office. **970-245-2838**

**Sunday School is now Kids Connection-** We're growing! We had **10 children** show up in **September**. Now we have **19 children at Kids Connection!** Let's keep it up! Invite friends, family, and neighbors to learn about God's love every **Sunday at 10:30am!** All youth **6th grade** and younger are invited. We meet in the **Extended Day room downstairs**. Children split into groups from there. As we grow, we'll need **more teachers** as well. Please see **DCE Jonathan, Amelia Everhart, Lois MacDonald, or Denae Nesbitt** if you would like to help.

**Sunday College Dinners-** Messiah will continue providing dinner for **CMU students** at the Christ Center throughout the year. Our next date is **December 10, 2023**. We need **6 - 10 volunteers** to work onsite as well as plenty of donations for food. **Cash donations** for supplies are appreciated as well. Keep watch for a **sign-up sheet** in the **Church Narthex** or speak with **DCE Jonathan**. If you're interested in being the point of contact for the **CMU dinners**, please let **Jonathan** know.

**INCOME FOR THE PERIOD: 10/25/2023 – 10/31/2023**

**Weekly Donations \$14,882.21**

**Weekly Need \$21,278.00**

**Month to Date \$80,594.81**

**Monthly Need \$85,110.00**

**Giving Tree-** It is time to think about our **families** and **individuals** in need. We will be setting up a Giving Tree soon with **items to donate** to these families at **Christmas Time**. First, if you know of a **family in need**, please let the **office know**. The names are kept private. Once we have a name, we will assign it number and place the ornament on the Giving Tree. The tree will remain up until **Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>**. **Please prayerfully consider** helping these families to better enjoy their Christmas. All you need to do is **select an item from the tree, purchase the gift, wrap it, then bring it back to the church office by Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>**. If you have any questions, contact us at **970-245-2838**.

**The Parade of Lights-** is Saturday, **December 2<sup>nd</sup>** on **Main Street**, Downtown Grand Junction. Messiah will have a float; **we would love to have you join us!**

**Christmas Wreath & Garland-** Please join us as we enjoy our time together preparing for the Advent and Christmas seasons on Friday, **December 1<sup>st</sup>** from **9am to 12pm** in the **Narthex**. We will be fluffing the wreaths and garland in preparation for the decorating group as they will work on Saturday, **December 2<sup>nd</sup>** at **9am**.

**Christmas Decorating-** of the **Church** will be Saturday, **December 2<sup>nd</sup>** at **9am**. All are welcome, there are a variety of jobs to do. **The more the merrier** and faster the job will be accomplished.

**Messiah's Radio Ministry-**Sunday mornings at **8:30am – 9:00am** on radio station **1100AM/KNZZ**. It is followed by **The Lutheran Hour** at **9:00am**

**Ladies Annual Christmas Vespers-** This year the **Christmas Matins** will be Saturday, **December 2<sup>nd</sup>** at **11:30am**. Lunch will be served after devotions in the **Fellowship Hall**. There will be no nighttime driving and an opportunity for working ladies to attend. **All ladies** of the congregation are invited and **please bring a friend**. If you have any questions, call **Helen Bonner** at **970-241-3417**.

**Messiah's Craft Fair-** will be Sat., **Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>** from **9am to 3pm**. Be sure to reserve your **8'x3'** table for **\$50**. If you have any questions, please call **Lois** at **970-201-7338**. You may drop off your registration form and payment at the **Church Office** or mail to **Lutheran Church and School of Messiah, 840 N 11th St., Grand Junction, CO 81501**.

**The Youth Group-** will host a **Cookie Walk** and **serve soup** for lunch at the **Messiah's Craft Fair**. A large variety of Homemade **Christmas Cookies** is needed to make this event a success. **Calling on anyone** who likes to bake. Please donate your favorite cookies. The cookies need to be at the Church by Friday, **December 8<sup>th</sup>** at **noon**. If you have questions, please contact **Stephanie** at **970-985-5757**.

**Updated Greeter Sign-Up Sheet-** is available on the **bulletin board** in the **Narthex**. PLEASE NOTE that it is not only for the East & West doors, but now includes **signing up for the welcome booth**. Being a greeter enables you to meet and greet new members, visitors, and renew old acquaintances. **Thank you for volunteering!**



**Sipping and Searching Men's Fellowship and Bible Study-** The study is on **Sunday nights at 6pm**, with the study starting at **6:15pm** and ending around **7pm**. You can stay after to talk and fellowship, or head straight home. The study is hosted at the offices of **Long Point Digital at 2478 Patterson Road Suite 14, Grand Junction, CO 81505**. It is led by **Scott Mauser**. Please feel free to give him a call at **970-361-4995** with any questions.

**Battle Ready-** Confirmation classes continue as we prepare God's youth for the world.  
\***9th/10th** grade Battle Ready meets in the Multi-Purpose Room Monday evenings at 6pm.  
\***7th/8th** grade Battle Ready meets in the Library on Sunday mornings at 10:30am.  
\***5th/6th** grade Battle Ready is a family-led study through an age-appropriate workbook and catechism. **Please see DCE Jonathan** if you have not received your workbook and catechism.  
\***4th grade Battle Ready** - Keep watch for information from **Pastor and DCE Jonathan** for a seminar on vocation. **What do you want to "be" when you grow up?**

**Thrivent Cards-** The office would like to keep a **private list** of Thrivent Card Holders. Since the cards can only be used every **6 months**, we would record when they were used so we would not be asking you to use your card again during that 6-month period. Thank you, **Deb Fenske**

**Lutheran Church Extension Fund** - has an investment opportunity for you. There is an **18-month** fixed rate term note at **5% interest**, with a minimum of **\$500.00**. Please visit [icef.org/invest](http://icef.org/invest) or call **800-843-5233** for more information.

**Thrivent Choice Dollars-** Thrivent members, do not forget to direct your Choice Dollars to the Church general fund or to the school scholarship fund. You have 2 easy options to direct your Choice Dollars: Online at [www.thrivent.com](http://www.thrivent.com) or by calling **800-847-4836**.

**LCMS Foundation Gift Planning-** Learning to acknowledge God's blessings is the beginning step of faithful management of His gifts. In counting life's blessings, we identify the people who have made a difference in our lives, teaching us, caring for us, mentoring us. The gifts that will flow out of our estates someday will go to this list of people or the ministries they represent. Who is on your list? Your Messiah Gift Planning Counselor can assist you in counting these blessings. Contact Jason Jones at [Jason.Jones@lfnf.org](mailto:Jason.Jones@lfnf.org) or call him directly at **(970) 988-0305**.

**Latte Challenge-** to save the **Siberian Lutheran Seminary**. The Rocky Mountain District voted to donate **\$150,000** to this cause. Messiah's goal is **\$7,760** which is **\$12.50 per member**. Hence the Latte Challenge. Give up **3 lattes** and **donate** to this cause. <https://youtube/hZ29tCnEMzQ> is a link to a video on the Siberian Lutheran Seminary. You can put your donation in the offering. **As of Sept. 30th, \$1,933.00 has been donated! Thank you, Messiah!**

**PRAYER REQUESTS**– *“But when you pray, go into your room, close the door, and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.”* Prayer requests for you, family with permission, or by a pastor, may be sent to Beth Weber at [weber4342@gmail.com](mailto:weber4342@gmail.com)

## Messiah’s Prayer List

**Continued health and healing for** Chris Ballard, Ralph Bickel, Mary Ann Bradshaw, Peter Chaney, Darlene & Darrel Clark, Lucy Clemmer, Stephen Hildebrand, Corrine Johnson, Doug Johnson, Jimmie Kenner and family, Emogene Kukuk, Illona Rennels, Bob Rennick, Dorothy Roberts, Esther Schlauger, Karen Skoog, Shane Walz, Romaine Webb, and Jeff Vagneur.

**Fighting serious diseases for** Sharon Breshears, Bill Brodak, Dick Crinklaw, Denise Currie, Courtney Grieger, Misty Hannah, Corrine Johnson, Steve Kaskus, Shane Larsen, Anna Marie Mautz, Barb Moore, John Moseman Sr., Melani Perschbacher, Debra Proctor, Shirley Robinson, and Diana Walche

**Continue to fight cancer:** Ralph Bickel, Karen Caldwell, Tyler, Rhonda Covington, James Hamleton, Les Hawkins, Leslie Hendricks, Barbara Huff, Mike Jerome, Carrie Lamgo, Chuck Magner, Marshall Mead, Walter Netzke, Leland Ottman, Amy Poulin, Loretta Siilata, Ted Skogen, and Sue Stepanek.

**Home Hospice Care:**

**Called Home:**

**Serving in the military:** Jake Bradshaw, Brian Carbone, Madison Lozano, Jessie Mello, Karen and James Moore, Caleb Schmidt, Brandon & Kayt Soine, & Eric Stahly.

**Messiah Lutheran members**

**Messiah Lutheran faculty and staff**

**Messiah Lutheran Church/School youth**

**Mavericks of Messiah:** *Continue to pray for the college students especially here at CMU.*

**Missionaries:** Rev. Tim Norton to the Navajo Nation and **Rev Dr. Karl Heimer**, Ysleta, El Paso Texas.

**Celebrating wedding anniversaries:**

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