

# Encounters With Christ: Encountering The Resurrection

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

March 29, 2024

**The Lutheran Church & School of Messiah  
840 N. 11th St. Grand Junction, CO 81501  
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**Resurrection Day!  
(March 31, 2024)**

*The Lord's Supper: If you are visiting with us or have not been instructed in the unique Lutheran teaching regarding the Lord's Supper, we kindly ask you to speak to the Pastor before communing. If you would like to come up for a blessing, feel free to do so. Simply cross your arms over your chest to let the Pastor know you would like a blessing. Thank you.*

**Divine Service 4**

**Sharing of Christ's Peace (Shalom)  
9am Service: Handbells *Classic Easter* by Helman**

*Please Stand as You Are Able And Face the Cross*

**466 Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia**

- 1 Christ has arisen, alleluia.  
Rejoice and praise Him, alleluia.  
For our Redeemer burst from the tomb,  
Even from death, dispelling its gloom. Refrain
- ref Let us sing praise to Him with endless joy;  
Death's fearful sting He has come to destroy.  
Our sin forgiving, alleluia!  
Jesus is living, alleluia!
- 2 For three long days the grave did its worst  
Until its strength by God was dispersed.  
He who gives life did death undergo;  
And in its conquest His might did show. Refrain
- 3 The angel said to them, “Do not fear!  
You look for Jesus who is not here.  
See for yourselves the tomb is all bare;  
Only the grave cloths are lying there.” Refrain
- 4 “Go spread the news: He's not in the grave;  
He has arisen this world to save.

Jesus' redeeming labors are done;  
Even the battle with sin is won." Refrain

5 Christ has arisen; He sets us free;  
Alleluia, to Him praises be.  
Jesus is living! Let us all sing;  
He reigns triumphant, heavenly King. Refrain

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## Confession and Absolution

*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.  
(*Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*)

C **Amen.**

### Exhortation

203

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
C **who made heaven and earth. *Psalm 124:8***

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared. *Psalm 130:3-4***

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition.  
Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying:  
God, be merciful to me, a sinner. (*Luke 18:13*)

*Kneel/Stand*

### Confession of Sins

LSB 203

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

### Absolution

203

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ,

and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. (*John 20:19-23*)

C **Amen.**

*Stand*

## Service of the Word

### Psalm

### *Psalm 16*

<sup>1</sup>Preserve me, O God,  
for in you I take refuge.

<sup>2</sup>I say to the LORD, “You are my Lord;  
I have no good apart from you.”

**<sup>3</sup>As for the saints in the land,  
they are the excellent ones,  
in whom is all my delight.**

<sup>4</sup>The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply;  
their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out  
or take their names on my lips.

**<sup>5</sup>The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup;  
you hold my lot.**

**<sup>6</sup>The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;  
indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.**

<sup>7</sup>I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;  
in the night also my heart instructs me.

<sup>8</sup>I have set the LORD always before me;  
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

**<sup>9</sup>Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;  
my flesh also dwells secure.**

**<sup>10</sup>For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,  
or let your holy one see corruption.**

<sup>11</sup>You make known to me the path of life;  
in your presence there is fullness of joy;  
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

### Kyrie

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C **Lord, have mercy;  
Christ, have mercy;  
Lord, have mercy. *Mark 10:47***

## C 1 To God on high be glory

And peace to all the earth;  
 Goodwill from God in heaven  
 Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!  
 We praise and bless You, Father;  
 Your holy name, we sing—  
 Our thanks for Your great glory,  
 Lord God, our heav'nly King.

## 2 To You, O sole-begotten,

The Father's Son, we pray;  
 O Lamb of God, our Savior,  
 You take our sins away.  
 Have mercy on us, Jesus;  
 Receive our heartfelt cry,  
 Where You in pow'r are seated  
 At God's right hand on high—

## 3 For You alone are holy;

You only are the Lord.  
 Forever and forever,  
 Be worshiped and adored;  
 You with the Holy Spirit  
 Alone are Lord Most High,  
 In God the Father's glory.  
 "Amen!" our glad reply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

## Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 25:6–9*

<sup>6</sup>On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

<sup>7</sup>And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations.

<sup>8</sup>He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

<sup>9</sup>It will be said on that day, “Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

*1 Corinthians 15:1–11*

<sup>1</sup>Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, <sup>2</sup>and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

<sup>3</sup>For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup>that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Choir & Bells *Jesus Lives, Alleluia!* by Lloyd Larson

Stand

### Alleluia and Verse

#### Alleluia

LSB 205

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

#### Verse

205

C These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. *John 20:31*

#### Alleluia

LSB 205

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

#### Holy Gospel

Mark 16:1–8

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. <sup>2</sup>And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup>And they were saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?” <sup>4</sup>And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. <sup>5</sup>And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup>And he said to them, “Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. <sup>7</sup>But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.” <sup>8</sup>And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, 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*.] (Us men means all people)

### Apostles’ Creed

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

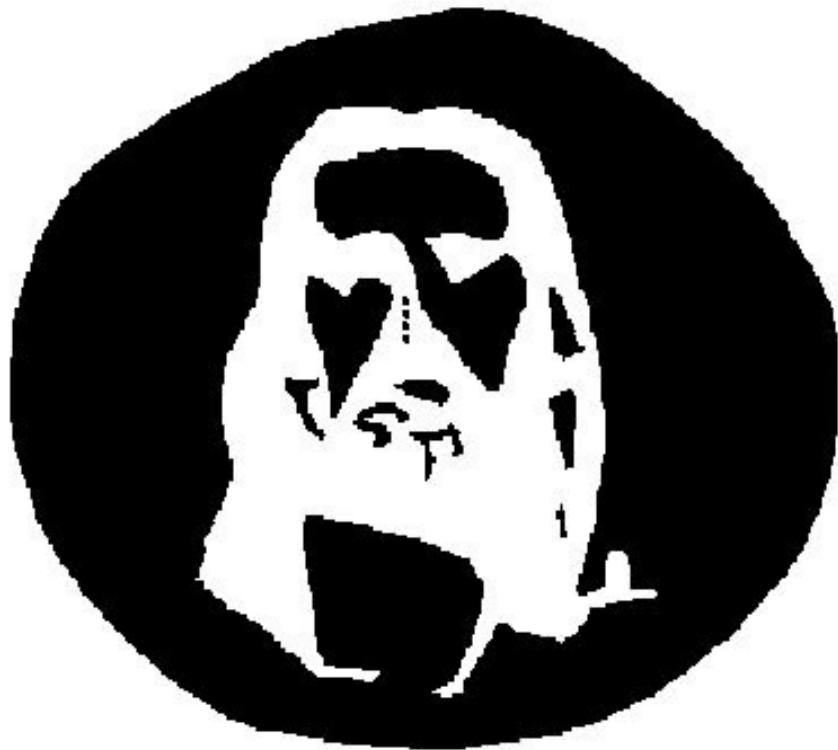
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

**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**



### **Sermon Hymn**

#### **461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives**

1 I know that my Redeemer lives;  
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!  
He lives, He lives, who once was dead;  
He lives, my ever-living head.

2 He lives triumphant from the grave;  
 He lives eternally to save;  
 He lives all-glorious in the sky;  
 He lives exalted there on high.

4 He lives to grant me rich supply;  
 He lives to guide me with His eye;  
 He lives to comfort me when faint;  
 He lives to hear my soul's complaint.

5 He lives to silence all my fears;  
 He lives to wipe away my tears;  
 He lives to calm my troubled heart;  
 He lives all blessings to impart.

8 He lives, all glory to His name!  
 He lives, my Jesus, still the same;  
 Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:  
 I know that my Redeemer lives!

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## **Sermon Encounters With Christ: Encountering The Resurrection**

*Stand*

### **Prayer of the Church**

**1 Timothy 2:1-4**

*Sit*

### **Offering**

### **785 We Praise You, O God**

*sts. 1-2*

1 We praise You, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;  
 In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.  
 We lay it before You, we kneel and adore You;  
 We bless Your holy name, glad praises we sing.

2 We worship You, God of our fathers, we bless You;  
 Through trial and tempest our guide You have been.  
 When perils o'ertake us, You will not forsake us,  
 And with Your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.

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## **Service of the Sacrament**

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**Preface** **2Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 136** *LSB 208*

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**Sanctus** **Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9** *LSB 208*

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has delivered us into new life in Him.

Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

## Lord's Prayer    Matthew 6:9-13

C 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.]

## The Words of Our Lord

Words of Institution: Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1Corinthians 11:23-25

## Pax Domini    John 20:19

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
C Amen.

## Agnus Dei    John 1:29

LSB 210

C 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
    You take the sin of the world away;  
    O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
    Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.  
  
2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
    You take the sin of the world away;  
    Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,  
    And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Sit

## Distribution

6am Adult Choir *Just As I Am* by Bradbury & Wacker

9am Sarah Lampitt, Violin Solo- Christ the Lord is Risen Today

## 6am Service: 620 Jesus Comes Today with Healing

- 1 Jesus comes today with healing,  
Knocking at my door, appealing,  
Off'ring pardon, grace, and peace.  
He Himself makes preparation,  
And I hear His invitation:  
“Come and taste the blessed feast.”
- 2 Christ Himself, the priest presiding,  
Yet in bread and wine abiding  
In this holy sacrament,  
Gives the bread of life, once broken,  
And the cup, the precious token  
Of His sacred covenant.
- 3 Under bread and wine, though lowly,  
I receive the Savior holy,  
Blood and body, giv'n for me,  
Very Lamb of God from heaven,  
Who to bitter death was given,  
Hung upon the cursèd tree.
- 4 God descends with heav'ly power,  
Gives Himself to me this hour  
In this ordinary sign.  
On my tongue His pledge receiving,  
I accept His grace, believing  
That I taste His love divine.
- 5 Let me praise God's boundless favor,  
Whose own feast of love I savor,  
Bidden by His gracious call.  
Wedding garments He provides me,  
With a robe of white He hides me,  
Fits me for the royal hall.
- 6 Now have I found consolation,  
Comfort in my tribulation,  
Balm to heal the troubled soul.  
God, my shield from ev'ry terror,  
Cleanses me from sin and error,  
Makes my wounded spirit whole.

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## 9am Service; Adult Choir *The Lamb* by Gerald Coleman

### Both Services; 633 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

- 1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing  
Praise to our victorious King,  
Who has washed us in the tide  
Flowing from His piercèd side.  
Alleluia!
- 2 Praise we Him, whose love divine  
Gives His sacred blood for wine,  
Gives His body for the feast—  
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.  
Alleluia!
- 3 Where the paschal blood is poured,  
Death's dread angel sheathes the sword;  
Israel's hosts triumphant go  
Through the wave that drowns the foe.  
Alleluia!
- 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,  
Paschal victim, paschal bread;  
With sincerity and love  
Eat we manna from above.  
Alleluia!
- 5 Mighty Victim from the sky,  
Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;  
You have conquered in the fight,  
You have brought us life and light.  
Alleluia!
- 6 Now no more can death appall,  
Now no more the grave enthrall;  
You have opened paradise,  
And Your saints in You shall rise.  
Alleluia!
- 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!  
This alone can sin destroy;  
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,

Newborn souls in You to be.  
Alleluia!

8 Father, who the crown shall give,  
Savior, by whose death we live,  
Spirit, guide through all our days:  
Three in One, Your name we praise.

Alleluia!

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*Stand*

## Nunc Dimittis Luke 2:29-32

LSB 211

C **1 O Lord, now let Your servant**  
**Depart in heav'nly peace,**  
**For I have seen the glory**  
**Of Your redeeming grace:**  
**A light to lead the Gentiles**  
**Unto Your holy hill,**  
**The glory of Your people,**  
**Your chosen Israel.**

**2 All glory to the Father,**  
**All glory to the Son,**  
**All glory to the Spirit,**  
**Forever Three in One;**  
**For as in the beginning,**  
**Is now, shall ever be,**  
**God's triune name resounding**  
**Through all eternity.**

## Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

...

C **Amen.**

## Benedicamus (Psalm 103:1)

LSB 212

A Let us bless the Lord.  
C **Thanks be to God.**

## Benediction Numbers 6:24-26

P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

**C Amen.**

*Please Remain Standing and Face the Cross*

## 457 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

- 1 Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!  
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!  
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!
- 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!  
Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia!  
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!  
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
- 3 But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!  
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!  
Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia!  
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!
- 4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!  
Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

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**Ushers:** Tom Moore, Ken Currey

Dean Hollatz, John Felciano

**Greeters:** Linda Currey, Carol Peterson

**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

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## Messiah's Prayer List

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

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

**Continue to fight cancer:** Ralph Bickel, Karen Caldwell, Tyler, Rhonda Covington, James Hamleton, Les Hawkins, Leslie Hendricks, Barbara Huff, Mike Jerome, Chuck Magner, Marshall Mead, Walter Netzke, Lela Ottman, Amy Poulin, Loretta Siilata, Skogen, 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 & 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 Birthdays:**

**3/31** - Barbara Moore

**4/1** - Sean Redecker

**4/2** - Dave Riese

**4/3** - Barbara Freeman, Helen Bonner

**4/4** - Maddox Bish

**4/6** - Gerry Thiebaud

**Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries:**

*Doug & Cynthia Haynes (53)*

*Dale & Laura Ryden (39)*

## **CALENDAR FOR THE Week of March 31, 2024**

<b>Sunday</b>	6:00am	<b>Easter Sunrise, Communion</b>
	7:30am	<b>Easter Breakfast</b>
	9:00am	<b>Easter Service, Communion, FB Live</b>
	5:30pm	<b>CMU Dinner</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>	9:00am	<b>Quilting Ladies- FH</b>
	9:00am	<b>Office Staff Meeting- Library</b>
	7:00pm	<b>Adult Choir</b>
	7:00pm	<b>Compassionate Friends- FH</b>
	7:00pm	<b>Elders Meeting- Library</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30am	<b>Chapel</b>
	6:30pm	<b>Safety Meeting- Library</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	10:00pm	<b>Evangelism Meeting- Library</b>
	12:00pm	<b>Parochial Ed. Meeting- Library</b>
	6:30pm	<b>Handbells</b>
	6:30pm	<b>Bible Study- Zoom</b>
<b>Friday</b>		
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00am	<b>Women's Bible Study- MPR</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	9:00am	<b>Worship, Communion, Facebook Live</b>
	10:30am	<b>Fellowship, Coffee, Bible Study - FH</b>
	10:30am	<b>Battle Ready 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>- Library</b>
	10:30am	<b>Kids Connection - Ext Day</b>
	10:30am	<b>Young Adult Bible Study - MPR</b>
	5:30pm	<b>Sipping/Search Men's Bible Study</b>

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF March 31, 2024**

### **INCOME FOR THE PERIOD: March 20th thru March 26th**

**Weekly Donations \$13,251.87      Month to Date \$86,861.67**

**Weekly Need \$21,278.00      Monthly Need \$85,112.00**

**Mike Messenger & Family- A Big Thank You** for being an invaluable member of our church community. Thank you for your dedication and commitment to serving others in our church by providing your amazing chef skills & delicious soup suppers. Your kindness and generosity make a significant difference in the lives of those you touch. **May God bless you abundantly for your selfless acts of service.**

**Preschool-** is looking for a **replacement refrigerator**. If you have a spare or know of someone who is looking to donate, please contact **Mrs. Schultz** or the **office**.

**Detectives Needed (Columbo Wannabes)-** Messiah School is beginning an **Alumni Association** of our graduates from over the last **42+** years. We have a partial list assembled because of the efforts of **Arliss Bridgett and Beth Weber**. **We need volunteers** 1) to track down the rest of the graduates; 2) get their contact information via social media or wherever. If you're interested in this detective endeavor, please **contact the office or Pastor Redeker**.

**Easter Lilies-** Thank you to **everyone** who helped decorate the sanctuary with Easter lilies! Donations above the amount of the flowers are helping Messiah youth to get to the **National Youth Gathering in New Orleans** next summer.

**Preschool Need-** We need donations to make the **Preschool snack program** successful for the **remainder of the school year**. Snacks are provided every day for **15 students**. Monetary donations of any amount or sealed shelf stable items (i.e. cereal, peanut butter crackers, goldfish crackers, granola bars, graham crackers, apple sauce, etc.). We could also use string cheese, fruit, vegetables, etc. If there is a snack product you could help us with, please let us know or **drop it off at the school**. Any donation is appreciated. **Thank you!**

**Morning School Crossing Guards-** are needed each school day from **7:35 to 8:05** in the east parking lot. **Messiah appreciates this added safety for our students**. Please call or stop in the office **ASAP** if you are interested or need more information. **The kids are also excited to see your smiling faces! Thank you for volunteering!**

**You are invited-** to a Memorial service for **Dick Crinklaw** on **Friday, April 12, 2024 @ 12:30 pm** with a lite lunch to follow in the **Fellowship Hall**. Interment will be at **3:00pm** at the **VA cemetery** with the **Honor Guard**. **The family would be honored to have you attend.**

**Raise Right-** Physical or digital gift cards that you may use or give to someone else. This is an **ongoing fundraiser that benefits the church and school**. The company donates a portion of the purchase. See the booth in the Narthex, speak with **Lisa Moore or DCE Jonathan** or visit <https://www.raiseright.com/>, click on sign up and enter code **59FDEBF565842**.

**Saturday Morning Basketball-** All are welcome to join a pickup game in the gym each **Saturday at 6:30am**. Highschool-ish age and older. We play for fun and exercise. Contact **Joe Diedrich** to be added to the text thread (in case we need to postpone) or just show up! **303-526-6037**

**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**. You can put your donation in the offering. **As of March 19<sup>th</sup>, \$2,349.00 has been donated! Thank you, Messiah!**

**Thrivent Cards-** The office is keeping a **private list** of Thrivent Card Holders. Since the cards can be used **twice a year**, we would record when they were used so we would not be asking you to use your card again during that period. Thank you, **Deb Fenske**.

**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**.

**Tuesday Morning Bible Study-** We are currently not meeting. We will start up again on **Tuesday April 16** where we will continue our study in the book of Romans. We will be starting on Chapter 12.

**Rib City BBQ & Ribs-** Earn while you eat! Rib City **donates 5% of your food bill**, at all three locations, all year long! Ask your server about **Show Us Your Colors**. They will stamp your receipt. Bring that receipt to the **office**, & Messiah gets 5%!

**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**

**PTA Dinner - Brisket or chicken? Salad, dessert, fellowship, and funds for the school!** Mark your calendars for a fundraiser dinner on **April 27<sup>th</sup>** from **4:30pm to 8pm**. Tickets may be purchased online. (**Paper tickets will be available soon too.**) Invite your family, friends, and neighbors! **Auction Volunteers/Donations Needed:** As part of the dinner, we will have a silent auction. **Do you know a business that would be willing to donate services or prizes? Please contact them** and let the PTA know. **Mr. Corky Miller** is helping lead this portion of the fundraiser. **But he needs your help!**

**Vacation Bible School - Volunteers Needed!!!** Messiah's VBS will be **June 10 - 14, 2024**. This program is for **ages 3 through elementary students**. **Volunteers of older youth and adults are needed**. We'll need **group leaders, station leaders and plenty of donations!** Keep watch for a supply list to be posted in the **Narthex**. Please contact **Amelia Everhart** if you are interested in volunteering.

**Kickball Tournament** - Any families with high school students, college students or even (and especially) their parents are welcome to join a kickball tournament hosted by FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes). **Messiah is putting together a team!** Contact **Mrs. Schultz** if you would like to be on the team. 7th/8th graders may join as well. This isn't intended for younger grades. **April 7th. 1pm. \$300/team or \$20/person** with a 15-player team. [coloradomesafca.org/kickball](http://coloradomesafca.org/kickball)

**Ladies we pray you will join us for "God's Relentless Love"- Saturdays, April 6 -May 25, 2024, from 9am-11am** The study of Hosea by Sharla Fritz. For further information regarding this study, please contact **Beth Weber** by email: [weber4342@gmail.com](mailto:weber4342@gmail.com) or text **970-361-0794**. Looking forward to seeing you soon.

**LCMS Foundation Gift Planning-** Gift Planning creates solutions for donors. A gift planning counselor is a built-in companion for the journey so that you don't have go through the process alone. Your need for answers might be as simple as, "How do I change a beneficiary designation to create a gift from my estate." Your Messiah Gift Planning Counselor can be there for you to assist with your learning. **Contact Jason Jones at [Jason.Jones@lfnd.org](mailto:Jason.Jones@lfnd.org) or call him directly at (970) 988-0305.**

**The Pregnancy Center Gala-** All are invited to a **gala** supporting the **Pregnancy Center** on Thursday, **April 25th**. More information will be available. For now, **please mark your calendar** for this great event to support mothers and fathers through the Gospel.