CALENDAR for the Week of November 8th, 2026

Sunday 11/8	9:00 am 10:30 am	Worship, Communion, Livestream Congregational meeting The Lutheran Mind HS Bible Study,
Monday 11/9	6:00 pm	Scouts
Tuesday 11/10	7:00 pm 9:00 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Men's Bible Study (FH) Quilt Ladies Handbell Practice Choir Practice
Wednesday 11/11	9:30 am 6:00 pm	Bible Study (FH) Midweek Worship Service
Thursday 11/12	6:30 pm	Pastor's Online Bible Study, Scouts Roundtable Meeting
Friday 11/13	4:00 pm	High School Youth Night
Saturday 11/14	9:00 am	Woman's Bible Study (L)
Sunday 11/15	9:00 am 10:30 am 11:30 am 12:30	Worship, Communion, Livestream Bible Study (FH) Jesus Book Club (MPR) The Lutheran Mind HS Bible Study Council Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF Nov 8th, 2026

INCOME FOR THE PERIOD: October 28th- November 3rd

Weekly Donations:	**$23,217.59**	Month to Date:	**$23,217.59**
Weekly Need:	**$22,428.12**	Monthly Need:	**$89,712.50**
***→	YTD Actual Income:	**$335,905.02**	
***→	YTD Budget Income:	**$358,849.94**	
***→	YTD difference:	**-$45,373.04**	

ATTENDANCE: **Sun. 11/1/2026 – 190 Wed. 11/4/2026 – 11**

Messiah Choral Concert Free concert at First Presbyterian on 27 Road at 3:00 pm. This includes the Christmas choruses from Handel's Messiah as well as some much-loved Christmas hymns. (Note: Seven of our church members will be singing with this group.)

Advent Soup Supper Lutheran Women in Mission will be hosting the Advent Soup Supper on December 2, 2026. We need volunteers to help Mike around 10:00 am to prepare his wonderful soup selections, set up at 3:30 pm, to bring desserts, and to help clean up. Please contact Carolyn Baber at (970) 434-1524 if you can help. Thank you.

Online Giving If you are having an issue with the payment portal on the website, please let the office know.

Operation Christmas Child – It's that exciting time of year again! Our church and school have helped with this mission for years and we are doing it again this year. There are many ways to help. The most important way is to pray for the mission. We have reached over 100 countries! Sometimes these boxes are on a plane, boat and several canoe trips before they reach their destination! The $10 shipping cost per box covers all of this plus the Gospel printed materials each child receives in their language. Secondly you can pack a box or contribute items for the boxes we pack as a church. Boxes and lists of suggestions will be available in the entryways. Please have your boxes and donations in by November 15th. If you have any questions please check the website samaritanspurse.org/occ or call Arliss Bridgett 970-2703517
Thanks!

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LWML Winter Donation Drive
The **LWML of Messiah** will be collecting winter items for individuals experiencing homelessness in our community, as well as for The Salvation Army and Latimer House. A collection box is located in the Fellowship hall next to Operation Christmas Child. This winter donation drive will stay local. Donations will be accepted through **Thursday November 12**. Items needed include:
Warm Clothing: Socks, Gloves, Scarves
Non Perishable Snacks: Granola bars, Snack crackers, Beef jerky, Other nonperishable snacks
Hygiene Items: Soap and soap containers, Toothbrushes and toothpaste, Shampoo, Combs, Other personal hygiene essentials
Monetary Donations: Unable to shop? We're happy to do it for you! Monetary donations may be given to **Carolyn Baker or Teresa Brossard** and will be used to purchase needed items. And please join us (and your family) in helping assemble these donations. Our goal is to prepare 20 bags filled with these essential items. Bags will be provided. **Saturday, November 14th, 1:00–3:00 p.m** in the Fellowship Hall. Hot cocoa and cookies will be provided! Thank you for sharing your blessings and helping us make a difference in our community. Every donation and helping hand is greatly appreciated! Questions, please call Teresa Brossard 661-331-0866

Opt-In to Text Updates – We have rolled out text updates. So if you'd like to be more in the loop for all he happenings here at Messiah, Please text "START" to 69089.

Do you have a nativity scene that you would like to share with the congregation? We have one set up in the West Side entrance lobby and would like to change it out monthly with other similar ones. Please let the office know if you have one that you would like to bring in and display.

Thanksgiving Pies
We are selling Thanksgiving Pies again this year and the proceeds will go to Retire the Mortgage. The choices are Pumpkin, Pecan, Apple, Coconut Cream and Boston Cream. The pies are $20 a piece. We will have order sheets in the Narthex after Sunday Services and the pies will be available for pickup on November 24th.

Kids Connection We are currently meeting from 10:30 to 11:30 on Sundays during Education Hour. Ages 0 - 10 are welcome, with the request that a parent or responsible sibling stays with any child who is not yet toilet trained. We will be working our way through the New Testament with lessons, songs, crafts and games. We need more volunteers! Anyone who is interested in helping can sign up on the schedule which will be located in the church entryway over the next few Sundays, or to contact Jenna Lampe at 970-309-9875 or Jonathan Peterson. All materials, snacks, and lesson plans will be provided to you for any day you teach.

Retire the Mortgage – over and above regular giving

A dollar-for-dollar match, up to $175,000, is available through December 31, 2026, toward the $346,560 LCEF balance. Please keep your regular offerings in place first. Then, if you are able, give an additional designated gift marked "Mortgage Match." Regular bills – ministry, school, and daily operations – still must be paid. Extra gifts retire the loan. Regular gifts keep the mission running. Ways to give: *check or envelope marked "Mortgage Match," the narthex QR code, or appreciated securities through the church office.*



Mortgage Payoff Donation

Craft Fair –

The craft fair will be on December 12th, so please save the date. For more information, please contact Lois MacDonald (970) 201-7338.