

## Messiah Lutheran Church Information Guide

Sunday, January 7, 2018

Messiah Lutheran Church \*1801 W. Plano Pkwy. \*Plano, TX \*972-398-7500

Rev. Dr. Victor J. Kollmann, Senior Pastor

GROUP	LEADER(S)	TOPIC	LOCATION
Adults	Pastor Kollmann	<i>Genesis</i>	Gymnasium
Adults	Pastor Otte	<i>Philippians</i>	E215S
Growing Marriages in Christ (GMC)	Chris Bosse	<i>Mormons: Who They Are, What They Believe</i>	E110S Conf. Rm.
Adults	Dick Huechteman	Hosea	E237N
Mosaics	Preston Dellinger	Comparative Religions	E220S
Guests	Joan Konkel & Cathy Dalton	Meet Messiah	Guest Desk

Maps to the Education Building can be found at the Guest Information Desk in the Lobby.

**GENESIS**-A verse by verse study on this book of beginnings.

**PHILIPPIANS**-Pastor Otte's UPPER ROOM Bible Class is currently in the study; "Philippians: Living the Life of the Beloved." Philippians is a wonderful book of the Bible speaking to the joy and hope we have in Christ and how that can fill your life in a powerful way. Come to the upstairs classroom for engaging conversation and practical teaching sure to be a difference maker in your life.

**GMC**-Join us for this video study that examines the Mormon Church, its origins, and its beliefs and rituals. The videos feature individuals who were previously Mormon, providing us with a first-hand look at the beliefs and inner workings of the Mormon Church.

**ADULTS-Hosea**-This class is currently studying the Old Testament book of Hosea.

**MOSAICS**-Messiah Mosaics is a class geared at anyone in their 30s or 40s, married or single. This is a discussion based class that examines how God's Word influences our daily walk with Christ. New study-A comparative discussion of other religious beliefs including Islam, Mormonism and various Protestant denominations with the foundation of Lutheran beliefs.

**MEET MESSIAH**-If you would like to know about Messiah, meet at the Guest Information Desk at 9:30am. A few of our members will take you on a tour of our campus and answer questions you may have about our church.

## Sunday School Opportunities

Youth Sunday School Openings: Grades 5-12 in Youth Room (E213S)

Class/Grade	Room	Teachers
2 years	E131N	Mary Hooper, Kari Beyer
3 years	E133N	Carmen Sorenson, Sandy Parks
4 years	E132N	Sandra Murcott, Laura McCallan
Kindergarten	E137N	Dawn Johnson, Meredith Carpenter
First Grade	E115S	Becky Florsheim, Sarah Sisk
Second Grade	E111S	Steve Livingston, Ben Westbrook
Third Grade	E113S	Dianne Kiehne, Michelle Nelson
Fourth Grade	E135N	Chris and Stephanie Price
Fifth Grade	E246N	Christina and Steven Knoernschild
Sixth Grade	E244N	Josie Steele and Kaela Lara
Seventh Grade	E242N	Donald Welmer, Lori Sloan, & Mary Ruble
Eighth Grade	E214S	Michael Neumann and Matt Lee
Ninth-Twelfth Grade	Youth Rm.	Elizabeth Ledford and Jodi Sorenson



**SUNDAY NURSERY**-An attended nursery for infants until walking steadily is in the Education Building, E123N. Care for steady walkers through age 3 is in room E125N. Caregivers available from 8:00am - 12:15pm. A vibrating pager system allows parents to be called by the caregivers. **We also have a cry room located at the back of the Sanctuary.**

Messiah Lambs Early Childhood Center

Amy Myers, Director

[amyers@messiahlutheran.com](mailto:amyers@messiahlutheran.com) / 972-398-7560.

Messiah Lambs Early Childhood offers a Christ-centered program to children who are 6 weeks through Kindergarten. Our caregivers and teachers are exceptional and offer many opportunities for children to grow spiritually, developmentally and cognitively. Our school is growing, and we would be happy for you to be a part of this exciting ministry. Registration for the 2017-2018 academic school year is currently open. For more information, please contact the Lambs' office at 972-398-7560.



## Mid-Week Bible Study Opportunities

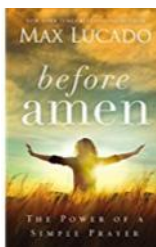
**BIBLE FELLOWSHIP GROUPS** are open to guests and members alike. They welcome new participants. Please call the leader listed below if you want more information.

**North Dallas Fellowship Group**-Call for location. Bill Dickson-972-248-3547.

**PASTOR KOLLMANN'S TUESDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** meets on Tuesdays from 9:30AM-11:00AM in the Conference Room. This class is going through a study based on Heaven and Hell.

**PASTOR WELMER'S WEDNESDAY MEN'S LUNCH AND BIBLE STUDY** In honor of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, we shall look further into Luther's Small Catechism and seek to understand more fully the questions that arise from studying the Catechism. Questions such as, *"What does God require of us in the second commandment? What do the Scriptures teach about the gifts of the Holy Spirit?" "Is it possible for an unbaptized person to be saved?"* and much more!

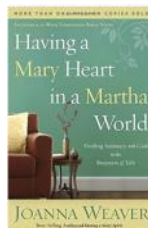
**WOMEN'S THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY GROUP** - Ellen Thorne is facilitating a study by Max Lucado, called "Before Amen." Max writes, *"We all pray. . . some. We pray to stay sober, centered, or solvent. When the lump is deemed malignant. When the money runs out. When the marriage is falling apart. But wouldn't we like to pray . . . more? Better? Stronger? With more fire, faith, and fervency?"*



Max reveals his struggles with prayer and how he discovered that it is not a privilege for the pious or the art of a chosen few but a simple tool everyone has been given to have a conversation with God.

To reserve a book, please contact Ellen, eet75002@yahoo.com. Cost is \$6. We meet in Room E247N on the 2nd floor, down the back hallway. **Free baby-sitting** is offered with advanced notice to Amy Plenger, aplenger@messiahlutheran.com.

**EVENING BIBLE STUDY FOR WOMEN**-Member Carla Detrie leads this class every other Thursday evening at 6:30 PM, in Room E245N. The current book this class is going through is, *"Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World."* The life of a woman today isn't really all that different from that of Mary and Martha in the New Testament. Like Mary, you long to sit at the Lord's feet, but the daily demands of a busy world just won't leave you alone. Like Martha, you love Jesus and really want to serve Him, yet you struggle with weariness, resentment, and feelings of inadequacy.



If you are interested or have questions, please contact Carla: 972.922.0723, or Carla.Detrie@verizon.net. Facebook Page Link: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/241852702671552/>

**JOYFUL!** (Join Other Young Families Uplifting the Lord) New Bible Study group for families with young children. We'll meet the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month from 4:00-5:30pm in Messiah's Conference Room. Join us for a potluck meal and fellowship. Please feed your kiddo(s) prior to arrival. **Childcare will be provided!** For more information, please contact leaders: Josh and Courtney Hamit, 214-507-9624, Courtney.m.hamit@gmail.com.



## General Announcements & Fellowship Opportunities

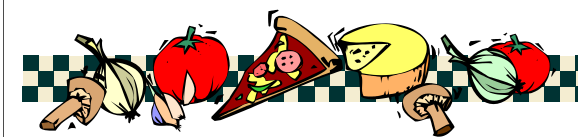
**SOUL SISTERS PAINT & CRAFT, DIP & SIP PARTY**-(for all women 21+) Saturday, January 27th, at 5pm, at the home of Nicole Ostrom. Gather your girlfriends to paint a canvas or work on other crafts. Bring an appetizer, dessert, or a beverage to share! Look for your Sign-Up Genius evite or e-mail Ellen Thorne.



**SAVE THE DATE: FROZEN SING-A-LONG & INTERACTIVE MOVIE EVENT** for girls of all ages from toddlers to seniors! Sunday, February 11th, at 12:30pm in the 2nd Floor Multi-Purpose Room. Bring your family & friends! Watch for an evite or e-mail Ellen Thorne to sign-up: eet75002@yahoo.com

**PRIME TIMERS BREAKFAST AT CROSSROADS DINER** on Preston Road on Wednesday, January 24th, at 9:00am. Sign up at PrimeTimers table, or call or text Bob Sands @ 214.801.4687, Cheryl Meyer @ 214.478.4567 or Linda Malone @ 214.586.4926

**DINING OUT**-After all the holiday turkey and ham, its time for some delicious Italian food at Niki's Italian Bistro at 120 E. FM 544 in Murphy (SE corner of 544 and Murphy Rd).(tel 972-578-0100) on Thursday, January 25th at 7 p.m. Dining Out attendees can sign up at the reception counter in the Narthex or in Pastor Kollmann's bible class. You can also call the hosts for the evening, Gordon & Anita Hanson, at 972-424-4036 to be added to the list of congenial diners who will be there. Niki's has a large menu of reasonably priced entrees and a full service bar.



SAVE The Dates -- **January 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>** - Sundays at 9:45 am  
Messiah Prime Timers presents:243N

**January 14<sup>th</sup> - Navigating Life's Speed Bumps** - an informal seminar aimed at relieving stress on you and your loved ones as you encounter life's changes and challenges. This first discussion encourages you to lovingly and proactively make important decisions that most of us are prone to postpone. We briefly discuss financial, medical, legal, and end-of-life considerations. By dealing with these now, we avoid forcing our loved ones to urgently face them in times of extreme emotional confusion and stress.

**January 21<sup>st</sup> - Life Style Transitions** - an informational discussion covering topics such as:

- Should I downsize my home or modify my existing home?
- What are the different assisted living center options?
- Financial planning at key life stages
- Funeral pre-planning

These seminars are intended for adults of all ages, married or single, so we encourage everyone to attend. Sign up sheets will be available in the various Sunday School classes. Don't miss this opportunity to ask questions and learn valuable information to help you successfully navigate the curve balls life can toss.

For more information, call Dave May at (972) 596-4778 or Randy Huechteman at (214) 676-6317.

# Children & Youth News

Amy Plenger-972-398-7524 or aplenger@messiahlutheran.com

Elizabeth Ledford-972-398-7509 or eledford@messiahlutheran.com

**FOOTPRINTS OF FAITH** for those in the 3 year old Sunday School class will be in the New Year, on January 14th. Parents of 3 year olds, watch your email for details.

**MYM Returns Tonight!** - We have missed getting to hang out with all of you at MYM on Sunday nights! We will be back in the couch room for MYM festivities 5 to 7 tonight. 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to hang out, eat dinner, play games, and participate in a devotion. Our theme for tonight is Crazy Hat/Hairstyle Night!

**MESH**-9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to hang out, eat snacks, and take part in a Bible study on Wednesday, 7 to 8:30 in the couch room.

**JAM** - 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to JAM, our weekly junior high Bible study! Come hang out in the couch room from 6:30 to 7:30 on Tuesday evening!

**Junior High Kids Against Hunger Lock-In This Friday**- On Friday, January 12 from 8 PM to 8 AM, your Junior High students will have an opportunity to make a great difference by fighting world hunger in our world and by having fun playing games all night together! Here is how you can help: students can have a sponsor or sponsors who will pledge to donate a quarter (or more) for every hour that a student stays awake at the lock-in. 25 cents will give a child one meal a day that provides all of the vitamins, minerals, and protein needed for the day. If you would like to help by sponsoring a child, please email Matt at mlee@messiahlutheran.com. Each student will receive a pledge form so that they will be able to inform sponsors how long they stayed awake after the lock-in and collect the amount pledged. Your students can sign up to attend the lock-in in Sunday school. All proceeds will

go towards purchasing the ingredients needed for packaging and sending meals out our food packaging event on March 18 with high school students during MYM. All contributions are tax-deductible. **Students need to turn in money by January 28, so please give donations to students by that time.** Thank you for your support! Here is more information about Kids Against Hunger: <https://kidsagainsthunger.org/>.

**Youth Quake 2018**-On February 23-25, your 6-12 graders are invited to attend a weekend experience where they will worship, grow deeper in their faith, experience community, serve, and learn about Jesus and how much He loves us. This youth conference will take place in San Antonio, TX at the Double Tree San Antonio Airport and the cost is \$120 per student. Your students can either sign up in Sunday school or you can contact Matt at mlee@messiahlutheran.com if you would like them to attend. The deadline to pay and sign up is Sunday, January 21.

**Glorybound Payment 1 due Next Sunday** - 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders who would like to attend Glorybound this summer can reserve their spot by paying a \$70 deposit on or before next Sunday, January 14. Information about Glorybound was sent out in the mail, but if you have any questions please contact Elizabeth.

## Messiah Serves: Our Social Ministries and Outreach

Dawn Johnson - 972-948-8966 - dawnmj@fastmail.net



### ONGOING COLLECTION PROJECTS

Please note that all collection projects are located in the designated collection area next to the Family Room in the chapel building. If you have questions about any of our collection projects, you can contact me at [dawnmj@fastmail.net](mailto:dawnmj@fastmail.net) or 972-948-8966.

- **Food Network Drive** - You can drop off non-perishable food in our two grocery carts. There is a letter tray next to the carts containing the list of non-perishable food items needed.
- **Box Tops** coupons benefiting our Lambs School. Each Box Top is worth 10 cents to the Lambs School. Clip out the coupons and drop them off.
- **Coups For Troops** is a project that sends coupons to military families serving overseas. You can also drop off your cut out coupons in a designated container located on the Social Ministries & Outreach table located across from the gift shop. [www.coupsfortroops.com](http://www.coupsfortroops.com)
- **Hotel and Travel Size Toiletries Drive**- Donated hotel and travel size toiletries are collected for The Ronald McDonald House of Dallas. <http://www.rmhdallas.org/>

*If you would like more information about our Social Ministries & Outreach programs or Lutherans for Life, and the opportunities we have to Share God's Light, I can be reached at (972) 948-8966 or [dawnmj@fastmail.net](mailto:dawnmj@fastmail.net).*



### National Sanctity of Human Life Sunday

During the month of January, the National Sanctity of Human Life Sunday (SOHLS) is observed in churches across the country. Twenty-nine years ago, the Christian Action Council Education and Ministries Fund, which is today known as Care Net, asked President Ronald Reagan to create a special day to focus on the intrinsic value of human life and the fundamental right to life, as recognized by the American Founding Fathers. In 1983, President Reagan issued a proclamation establishing a National Sanctity of Human Life Sunday. Since 1983, the SOHLS proclamation has also been issued by Presidents George H. W. Bush and George W. Bush. The National Sanctity of Human Life Sunday is held on the Sunday in January that falls closest to the day on which the Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton decisions were handed down by the U.S. Supreme Court on January 22, 1973.

About Sanctity of Human Life Sunday. Lansdowne, Virginia: Care Net. Retrieved on December 14, 2014 from online: <http://www.care-net.org/custom/aboutsohls.php>

Genesis 1:27 tells us that human beings are created in the image of God. Further, Genesis 1:31 states, "And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good..." God ascribed value to His creation of mankind. Even after the Fall, God still valued humanity enough to send His Son to redeem us. Throughout the month of January, I will be highlighting Lutherans For Life, in addition to our local community life affirming ministries and pregnancy centers. Visit the Social Ministries and Outreach table to learn more. For more information about our Social Ministries and Outreach or Lutherans for Life, I can be reached at (972)-948-8966 or [dawnmj@fastmail.net](mailto:dawnmj@fastmail.net).



# Pray for One Another This Week

Kathy (friend of Cathy Pearson)-Please pray for strength and successful treatment of ovarian cancer.

Violet (sister of Anna Comried)-Pray for her family as she passed away on December 30<sup>th</sup>.

Kelly (friend of Stephen and Amy Jones)-Her mother passed away recently unexpectedly. Prayers of comfort and understanding.

Bill (neighbor of Dave Woods)-Hospitalized with heart issues and also soon to be evicted. Pray for recovery and return to God.

A.C. Hickman (father of David Hickman)-Pray for speedy recovery from hip surgery.

Steve (friend of Paul Hoffmann)-Healing from Pulmonary and heart failure.

Steve & Miriam Miller-Pray for their new start in Tulsa, OK.

Chase (son of Mike and Kim Cassady)-Safe travel back to Ft. Lee Virginia.

Thanksgiving for time with family and for Chase to have leave and come home. Sandra and Ron Ward

John & Dorothy Rigg-Prayers of wisdom for doctors treating John and complete healing and calm for John during this time. Pray that Dorothy continues to heal and keep both strong in the Lord. Jerry and Jane Baedke

Michelle Duchow-Peace, patience, and health as chemotherapy continues.

Rosemary & Max Buchwald-Peace and comfort for their family following the death of Rosemary's father on December 26<sup>th</sup>.

**RECOVERY: For Healing**-Lila Hughes, Carl Crittenden, Tiffany Tobaben, Dorothy Rigg, Ellarea Poeck, Karen Parhizi, Cindi Staal, Martha Smith, Edith Weiss, Marge Anderson, Henry Burnett, Jeanelle Hurst, Michelle Duchow, Helen Wood, Jake Moore, Dick Huechteman, Sandra Ward, and Marian Collins. Roger Kohls-knee, Mel Johnson-shoulder, Steve Luce-knee, Jim Nilmeier-back, Ruth Murphy-heart, Josh Roberge-knee, Barb Coen-wrist, Ed Hester-shoulder, and Ann Murphy-vertigo.

### SHUT-INS

Carol Avellanet  
Milo Berg  
Elizabeth Brondos  
Joe & Melba Davidson  
John Fey  
Rosella Frank  
Kathleen Haarberg  
Freda Hafeman  
Roger Hawk

Bob Hormann  
Kerwin Kaaz  
Stu & Kris Johnson  
Betty Ladishew  
Tom & Jean McCutcheon  
Jean Osburn  
Tony Raines  
Edie Weiss  
Alma Zadow



# Together in the Lord This Week

## TODAY

**Worship** 8:30 AM  
**Bible Class/Sunday School** 9:45 AM  
**Worship** 11:00 AM  
Visitation Team-Cudly 1:00 PM  
JOYFUL Bible Study 4:00 PM  
Grace Community Church 5:00 PM  
MYM 5:00 PM

## MONDAY

Boy Scouts 7:00 PM

## TUESDAY

Women's Bible Study (Kollmann) 9:30 AM  
Joyful Ringers 6:15 PM  
JAM 6:30 PM  
Sanctuary Choir 7:00 PM  
Messiah Investment Club 7:30 PM

## WEDNESDAY

Canasta 10:00 AM  
**Men's Bible Class** 12:00 PM  
Cherubs/Choristers/Youth4Truth 6:00 PM  
**Worship Service** 7:00 PM  
MESH 7:00 pm  
Praise Team 7:30 PM

## THURSDAY

Women's Bible Class (Thorne) 9:30 AM  
Women's Bible Study (Detrie) 6:30 PM

## FRIDAY

Pinochle Club 7:00 PM

## SATURDAY

Elders Meeting 8:00 AM

## NEXT SUNDAY

**Worship** 8:30 AM  
**Bible Class/Sunday School** 9:45 AM  
**Worship** 11:00 AM  
LWML Meeting and Luncheon 12:30 PM  
Visitation Team-Cudly 1:00 PM  
Grace Community Church 5:00 PM  
MYM 5:00 PM



**40% off all remaining Christmas items.**

Stop by the Lamp gift shop today and pick up some items left over from Christmas at a reduced price.

You can also find cards and gifts for other occasions. The Lamp Manager, Carmen Rowan, is also willing to help you with special orders. Come shop between services.



If you want to read through the Bible in 2018, we encourage you to pick up this year's reading plan at the Information desk. It will help you to accomplish this goal. May the Spirit bless your time in God's Word, as He provides wisdom, understanding and enlightenment.