

Messiah Lutheran Church Information Guide

Sunday, January 6, 2018

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

Rev. Dr. Victor J. Kollmann, Senior Pastor

Bible Class Opportunities

GROUP	LEADER(S)	TOPIC	LOCATION
Adults	Pastor Kollmann	<i>Genesis</i>	Gymnasium
Adults	Pastor Otte	<i>Foundational Truth for a Confused World: 10 Commandments</i>	E215S
Adults	Various leaders	<i>Job</i>	E237N
Growing Marriages in Christ (GMC)	Chris Pearson	<i>The Prophets</i>	E110S Conf. Rm.
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.

VARIOUS TOPICS -Foundational Truth for a Confused World: 10 Commandments-People have always struggled with the "truth" of who God is, what He means to us, and what we mean to Him. This series looks at the 10 Commandments as God's description of what it means to be loved, and how to live a loved life.



For those who want to listen to Pastor Otte's Sunday morning Bible class, you can subscribe to: messiahlutheranpodcast.com using your favorite podcatcher app. Each Wednesday, the previous week's class will be available via email or other listening platforms online. Thank you to Phil Kasper who is directing and editing this production.

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

GMC-The Prophets - Join us as we study who the Old Testament prophets were and how God used them so that we may recognize the coming Savior.

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, Eva Dunlop
3 & 4 years	E137N	Sandra Murcott, Kari Beyer, Barbara McCoy
Kindergarten	E115S	Dawn Johnson, Dylan Dunlop
1st/2nd	E111S	Steve Livingston, Michelle Nelson, Hallie Vogler
3rd/4th	E113S	Chris Price, Dianne Kiehne
Fifth Grade	E246N	Matt Lee and Rose Babbitt
Sixth Grade	E244N	Autumn Glass and Adrienne McGregor
Seventh Grade	E242N	Rev. Donald Welmer, Steven and Christina Knoernschild
Eighth Grade	E214S	Michael Neumann and Suzanne Wilson
Ninth-Twelfth Grade	Youth Rm.	Jodi Sorenson, Barb Coen, and Elizabeth Ledford



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. We also have a cry room located at the back of the Sanctuary.

Messiah Lambs Early Childhood Center

Amy Myers, Director

amyers@messiahlutheran.com / 972-398-7560.

Messiah Lambs Early Childhood school is currently registering for the 2018-2019 school year. If you have a child who is 6 weeks through 5 years old and are interested in our school, please contact Amy Myers or Linda Roberge in the Lambs office at 972-398-7560 for more information and to schedule a tour of our program.



Upcoming Important Dates for Lambs:

- Jan. 7: School resumes
- Jan. 21: No School (MLK day)
- Jan. 27-Feb. 1: National Lutheran Schools Week
- Feb. 3: Lambs students sing at MLC
- Feb. 4: 2019-20 Registration opens for MLC families and current MLL families
- Feb. 11: 2019-20 Registration opens to the public

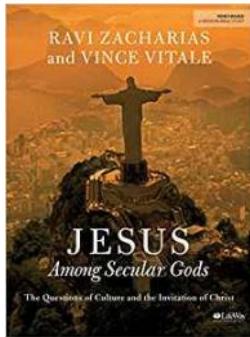
Mid-Week Bible Study Opportunities

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 the Lifelight study on the book of Isaiah.

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!

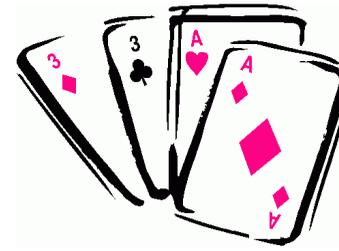
WOMEN'S THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY GROUP~9:30-11am. "Jesus Among Secular Gods." Ravi Zacharias and Vince Vitale defend the absolute claims of Christ against modern belief in the "secular gods" of atheism, scientism, relativism, and more. The rise of these secular gods presents the most serious challenge to the absolute claims of Christ since the founding of Christianity itself.

Karrie Looney is facilitating this series. The cost for the class is \$20. To reserve your study, e-mail eet75002@yahoo.com. 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.



JOYFUL! (Join Other Young Families Uplifting the Lord) New Bible Study group for families with young children. We 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 is provided!** For more information, please contact leaders: Josh and Courtney Hamit, 214-507-9624, Courtney.m.hamit@gmail.com.

General Announcements & Fellowship Opportunities

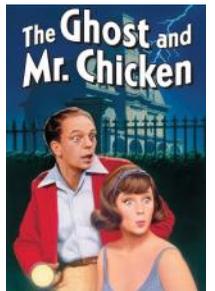


Our Not Ready for Prime Time Players Fellowship (or Fellowship for Adults) for those in their 50s-70s who still work, have a calendar of fun for you. On Saturday, January 12th, at 5:00pm, we will gather at the home of Armin and Karen Bernhardt for a delightful evening of Crazy Cards.

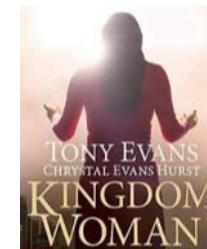
The Bernhardts info: 214 Rutherford Avenue, Wylie, 75098, 469-688-8502. Watch for your evite. If you don't receive it by January 2nd, call Karen to let her know you plan to attend.

CLASSIC MOVIE & POTLUCK LUNCH EVENT will be in the 2nd floor Multi-Purpose Room on Saturday, January 19th at Noon. **Movie will begin at 1pm.**

Our movie will be "The Ghost and Mr. Chicken," from 1965, starring comedic legend Don Knotts and Joan Stanley. Knotts plays a timid typesetter who hasn't a ghost of a chance of becoming a reporter - until he decides to solve a murder mystery and ends up spending a fright-filled night in a haunted house! He and his devoted girlfriend team up to uncover the mystery of the hauntings in this timeless comedy classic.



Watch for your evite or e-mail eet75002@yahoo.com. Let us know if you are bringing a dish.



KINGDOM WOMAN OPEN HOUSE-Every woman is a Kingdom Woman, just like every woman is a Soul Sister. This ministry is for women 21 and older. To learn more, attend our Open House on Sunday, January 20th after late service.

Throughout 2019, we are gathering to study the book "Kingdom Woman," by Dr. Tony Evans and his daughter, Chrystal Evans Hurst. We will kick-off the study in a large group on Saturday, January 26th at 11am. Gina Lehrmann will lead us. If you would like to reserve a book, please contact Ellen Thorne, eet75002@yahoo.com. An evite will be sent soon. If you're willing to bring a dish for the potluck brunch, please indicate that when you sign up. If you want to be added to the e-mail list, please let Ellen know that as well.

We ask for your prayers for God's guidance for this ministry. Thank you!



KINGDOM GIRLS RESUMES IN JANUARY-Pearl Girls, our ministry for girls in 2nd-4th grade will now be called **Kingdom Girls** to tie in with the women of the congregation.

Kingdom Girls will have the same t-shirts that the Kingdom Woman have. We'll sign up for those at the first Kingdom Girls event which will be held on Sunday, January 27th in the Youth Room from 12:30-2:00. Watch for the Kingdom Girls Evite coming soon!

Children & Youth News

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FOOTPRINTS OF FAITH for those in the 3 year old Sunday School class is NEXT Sunday January 13th. The breakfast will include a Baptism "show & tell"!

Parents of 3 year olds, check your email for details. Register through the ACS Church Life app or by following this link.

<http://bit.ly/FootprintsBaptism>

DVD FROM A PIECE OF CHRISTMAS compiled from the two camera views in the Sanctuary. Order online and pay by bank transfer, debit, or credit card. <http://bit.ly/PieceofChristmas> Or sign up online and pay by cash or check payable to Messiah noting Little Bit DVD in the memo line. Price is \$20

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PRAISE SONG TIME is coming back to Sunday School starting Jan. 20th. A part of the Children's SS hour will be dedicated to giving God our voices while learning some new songs along with many favorites.

MYM returns tonight! - 5th-12th graders are invited to hang out from 5 to 7 PM in the couch room! We will play games, eat dinner, and take part in a devotion. Hope to see you there!

JAM, and MESH return this week! -JAM (5-8 grade Bible study) will start again on Tuesday, January 8, and MESH (9-12 grade Bible study) will be back on Wednesday, January 9.

Allen Americans Game - High school students are invited to go see the Allen Americans play on February 2! There are still tickets available for only \$18 - let Elizabeth know if you would like to attend!

Junior High Kids Against Hunger Lock-In- On Friday, January 11 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 17 during MYM. All contributions are tax-deductible. **Students need to turn in money by January 27, 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 2019-On February 22-24, 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 \$135 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 20.

Confirmation 2019 - Please mark your calendars with these dates: *Confirmation Camp - June 3-6, * Rehearsal and Brunch - June 8, *Confirmation Sunday - June 9

Messiah Serves: Our Social Ministries and Outreach

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Details to come in our worship bulletins during the month of January! We will be teaming up with Good Samaritans of Garland to support their efforts in caring for the homeless and needy families that will be needing extra help keeping warm during the colder months of the year. In addition to the Winter Coat Drive, I will also be sharing about a special program for the homeless that Good Samaritans of Garland supports in the winter months when the night temperatures become extremely cold or below freezing.

National Sanctity of Human Life Sunday



President Ronald Reagan issued a presidential proclamation on January 13, 1984, designating Sunday, January 22, 1984 as National Sanctity of Human Life Day, noting that it was the 11th anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*, in which the Supreme Court issued a ruling that guaranteed women access to abortion. President Reagan was a strong pro-life advocate who said that in *Roe v. Wade* the Supreme Court "struck down our laws protecting the lives of unborn children".

Reagan issued the proclamation annually thereafter, designating Sanctity of Human Life Day to be the closest Sunday to the original January 22 date. The day is traditionally marked as a holy day by the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod as Sanctity of Human Life Sunday. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/National_Sanctity_of_Human_Life_Day

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. Dawn Johnson



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: The next gathering of the Messiah Prayer Shawl Ministry will be on Wednesday afternoon, **JANUARY 9, 2019**, from 1-3 p.m. We'll meet in Room 237 (upstairs-LWML). Because December is so busy, and many members are completing projects for gifts, we're going to take a break this month. Have a blessed Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year! See you in January! Bring your lunch or a snack if you'd like! **NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME-COME JOIN US!** If you don't know how to knit or crochet, come and learn! We have everything you need, and plenty of yarn to get you started. If you have any questions, please contact Joyce Laux at joycealaux@aol.com, Lois McCulloch at loismcdallas@gmail.com or Gail Reiman at gail.reiman@gmail.com.

Pray for One Another This Week

Safety for traveling families going home. (The Steve Luecke Family)

Safety as we travel to and from NY to care for aging parents. We are gone for months at a time. Pray for wisdom and harmony for our family in the 24/7 care for parents at home. (Linda Halenkamp)

Health for family in the New Year. (The Akale Family)

Gib Hoffman and Becky Lawrence – Friends-Pray for healing and comfort. (Chuck Hays)

Pray that parents and families will stay focused on God and that God is present in their lives in 2019! May God bless our congregation. (Connie Nottoli)

Wanda Woods – Mother – Healing and pain relief from muscle injury. (Dave Woods)

Comfort Dog Ministry – Prayers for God’s continued guidance in the New Year that we are able to bring comfort and love to everyone we meet. May God bless our entire team. (Carolyn Nussman)

Tara – Friend - Continuing healing with chemo and radiation treatment. (Barb and Beth Mortonson)

Steve Chambers – Pray that he may come to church and know Christ. (Karen and Sami Chambers)

Lois Cassady – Mike’s Mom – Praise and thanksgiving that latest tumor markers are down with only 2 treatments. Pray also for Sandra Ward (my mom) that her back pain will decrease. Pray for comfort and peace for neighbors who lost everything in a house fire. (Mike and Kim Cassady)

May John continue to be strong and gain weight. Bless Anita – may she feel better. “Thank you” to our Messiah family who have helped us. (Dorothy Rigg)

Deacon James Halbert – Grandson – Prayers for healing as he fights off RSV in ICU. He has had it rough in his first 2 months of life. Prayers for his Mom, Dad, and Sister as they deal with colds and separation of their family. (Rick and Kim Callaway)

Paul May – Brother – Peace and comfort for the loss of son on Christmas Day. (Dave and Marcheta May)

John Rigg – Friend – and Jane – Wife – Pray for John’s healing and strength as he continues to battle his cancer. Pray that both he and Dorothy feel Your presence. Prayer of thanksgiving for Jane’s successful procedure. God is Good! (Jerry Baedke)

Prayers for Ken and Dorothy Hawk. (Kay Ross)

Pray for those who feel their life is over and that no one cares for them. (Sue and Marvin Thornton)

Keith Mueller, Sr. (father of Keith Mueller)-Pray for him through a tough time with discretion for our family.

Family-Health, healing, and reconciliation. (Tim and Marla Johnson)

Lois (sister of Paul Hoffmann)-Comfort in her time of grieving for her companion Dwain who passed away in December.

Sara (friend of Mike and Noel Henderson)-Prayers for her stem cell donor from Peru is a perfect match and that the cancer will be permanently removed.

Charles (father of Linda Halenkamp)-peace and comfort while he is in hospice.

Ryan – Son – Pray for guidance and wisdom for Ryan to rank his preferences for anesthesia residency programs. (Paul Hoffmann)

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Sharon Kowall – Heather’s Mother – Please pray for her as she continues on her journey with Stage 4 breast cancer. Please pray for her comfort and peace. (Ken and Heather Oltmann)

Kayla Wharton – Daughter – Healing from breast cancer. (Michael and Karen Karber)

Schubert Family – Pray for a job that allows time with family but brings in enough financially. Help Ethan to figure out his anger and be able to grow. Pray that we all continue to grow together and start being close again.

RECOVERY: For Healing-Kayla Wharton, Sandra Fey, Joe Davidson, Bill Johnson, John Rigg, Fred Strieter, Barbara Wolkenstein, Lisa Schroeder, Burr Fridge, and Dick Huechteman. Marti McNamara-broken leg, Angie Kollmann-elbow, and Sandra Ward-back.

SHUT-INS: Michael & Barbara Albert, Carol Avellanet, Jan Bender, Marian Collins, Lyle & Peggy Dornbusch, Sue Fackler, John Fey, Rosella Frank, Kathleen Haarberg, Freda Hafeman, Bob Hormann, Stu & Kris Johnson, Karen Krejci, Jerry Krantz, Betty Ladishew, Tom & Jean McCutcheon, Ann Murphy, Jean Osburn, Tony Raines, Rich Tobaben, and 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
 Grace Community Church 3:00 PM
 JOYFUL Bible Study 4:00 PM
 MYM 5:00 PM

MONDAY

Boy Scouts 7:00 PM

TUESDAY

Women’s Bible Class (Kollmann) 9:30 AM
 Joyful Ringers 6:00 PM
 JAM 6:30 PM
 Sanctuary Choir 7:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Men’s Bible Class 12:00 PM
 Prayer Shawl Ministry 1:00 PM
 Cherubs/Choristers 6:00 PM
 Youth4Truth 6:00 PM
 MESH 6:30 PM
Worship Service 7:00 PM
 Praise Team 7:30 PM

THURSDAY

Women’s Bible Class 9:30 AM
 Open Gym 7:00 PM

FRIDAY

Pinochle Club 7:00 PM

SATURDAY

Elders Meeting 8:00 AM
 Fellowship for Adults (Off Site) 5:00 PM

NEXT SUNDAY

Worship 8:30 AM
Bible Class/Sunday School 9:45 AM
Worship 11:00 AM
 Visitation Team-Dalton 1:00 PM
 Grace Community Church 3:00 PM
 MYM 5:00 PM