



THE MESSENGER

ARE YOU UP TO THE CHALLENGE?

The Canadian Department of Agriculture reported that a single week's delay in planting wheat beyond the earliest possible date results in a 30% loss in the crop. Two weeks delay brings a 40% loss in the crop. Four weeks delay brings a 50% loss in the crop.

The point here is clear. The earliest sowing always yields the heaviest harvest. Childhood is the time for planting, and the sooner you start, the better. The Bible teaches us, "Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is older, he will not depart from it."



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There are a lot of sinful things going on in our world today. There are lots of temptations in our world to sin against God. Who is going to teach the Christian way of life?

Do you want schools and teachers to teach your child? Are you as parents and grandparents going to do all of the teaching of your child? Do you realize that your church can be a great help to you?

When your children see you at worship and participate with you in worship, praising and thanking God, they are seeing the Christian life at its best. In Sunday School, your children will learn about having a great life because Jesus died on a cross and rose from the dead for them. They will learn God's answers to the sin and the temptations to sin that are all around them in this world.

You as parents and grandparents can make a big difference in our young people's lives. They will learn a lot more from what you do, rather than just what you say to do. So, be an example of the Christian life to your children and grandchildren. Be up to the challenges this world brings to them. Bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. You will be making an eternal difference.

BUILDING FUND

Your continued giving to our Building Fund is greatly appreciated. Through your amazing generosity, we have now collected over \$2,925,000 towards the building of our Life Center. The Building Committee has begun to meet again, and they are working on a plan to show what this Life Center could look like and what it might cost. This Life Center will be a great addition to our ministry here of leading more people to Jesus and to heaven. You are making a big difference in this Life Center becoming a reality!

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones!

It's Your Best Day!



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"A weed is simply a misplaced flower."

I found the first dandelion plant of the season growing in one of my flower beds, the other day. Those pesky weeds seem to gravitate toward the places where I least want to see them. Of course, they have their own beauty: green stems and leaves contrasted with delicate yellow flowers.

Did I say "delicate?" I meant "obstinate."

I have a former colleague back in Nacogdoches. Her name is Jan. She and I worked together at the Samaritan Counseling Center. Every spring, I mail to her the first dandelion plant I pull up from my yard. It's kind of a tradition, that makes us laugh, because her acreage is filled with that weed. I'm more than happy to add to her collection.

"A weed is simply a misplaced flower." Is it? Really?

I don't recall Jesus ever placing weeds into such exalted status, so I believe I have Biblical authority for the position I'm taking. In fact, as I read the gospel of Matthew, for example, I'm reminded that weeds, thorns, and thistles were (are) seen as that which impedes a believer's spiritual joy (as much as they do the gardener's). In Jesus' Parable of the Sower in Matthew 13:1-23 (22), Jesus explains that the seed which falls among the "thorns" (i.e. weeds), is the person *who "hears the Word, but the worries of this life and the deceitfulness of wealth choke it, making it unfruitful."* Weeds, thorns, thistles, worries, anxieties, delusions of having the perfect yard, and irrational dreams of winning the World Series can, surely, choke out any possibility of a joyfully fulfilled life. That's because each of them has a way of taking over our thoughts, our emotions, our energy, and our view of the future in such a way, we feel consumed by them.

Weeds do not set boundaries. In other words, you have to say, "No," to the weeds. Or another way, you say "yes," to faith and godly priorities; say "no" to worry and poor priorities. Isn't funny how each seems to follow the other?

Jesus' point in His parable is that God is the Sower who sows the seed of His Word out among the hearts of people. Some people receive it in a way that optimizes the potential for a large harvest of fruit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, gentleness, and self-control (to name a few!). Other people receive it, but let it die out of neglect or the above-named problems.

"If you want a garden full of weeds, the perfect way to do it is cultivate unhealthy soil." Ouch!

A lady at the garden center said that to me a few weeks ago. She could have been quoting Jesus! I'll be thinking more about that, as I continue my campaign against "flowers." Maybe against worry and deceitfulness, too!

It's Your Best Day...
Pastor Jim Otte

A Word From Vicar Lee

Vicarage Update

After being interviewed by a faculty member of the seminary, I received notification that I passed the interview and was certified by the faculty of Concordia Seminary for the Pastoral Office on April 6, 2022. With that milestone now finished, I am also almost finished with the ninth course out of sixteen total courses for the SMP (Specific Ministry Pastor) program through Concordia Seminary St. Louis! In other words, I am over halfway finished with the coursework. My next course, the tenth, will be an intensive one, lasting over a period of one week at the seminary in St. Louis this summer (late June).

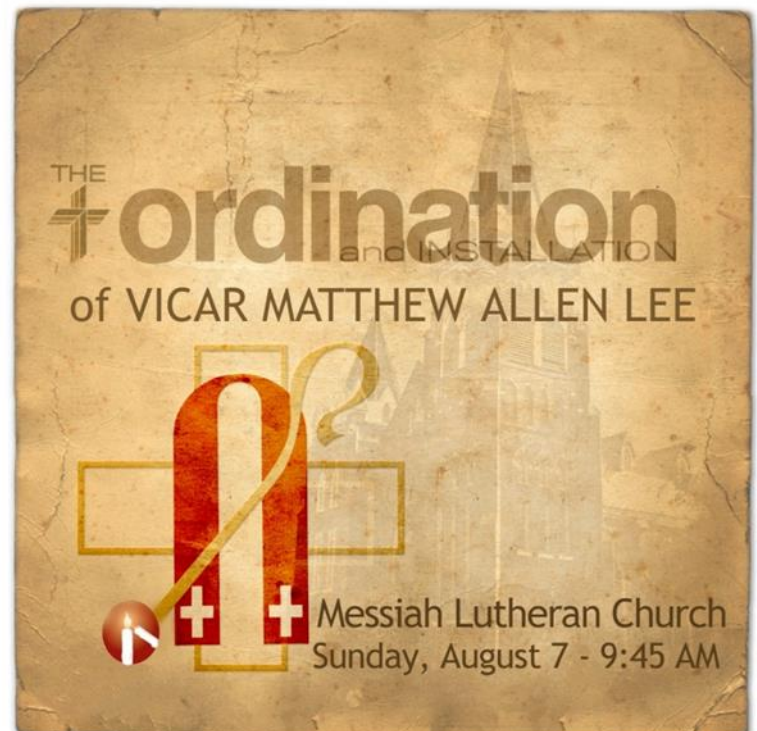
This course will conclude with a special call service in the chapel of the seminary where it will be announced that I have received a call from our church, Messiah Lutheran, to serve as a Specific Ministry Pastor. The service will be streamed on June 24 on the seminary's website if you would like to watch: <https://www.csl.edu/campus-life/chapel/> The next step will take place on Sunday, August 7, when I will be ordained and installed as a pastor at Messiah at 9:45 AM in a special service. You are all invited to attend this special ordination/installation service with a reception taking place afterwards.

Following ordination, my coursework will continue. The past courses have focused mainly on Lutheran doctrine. The last seven courses will become more scriptural and practical, as I learn more about preaching, teaching, and God's Word. My current course is called, "Lutheran Confessions of Faith," and I am learning about the Book of Concord, specifically that it functions as a guide or a roadmap for reading, studying, preaching, understanding, and teaching God's Word. It is such a blessing to be able to learn from the seminary and to then apply what I have learned each day I serve at Messiah. The biggest blessing has been you. You have supported and encouraged me throughout this journey, and I am so thankful for each of you. Thank you for your thoughts, encouragement, prayers, and for everything that you do.

In Christ's service,
Vicar Lee

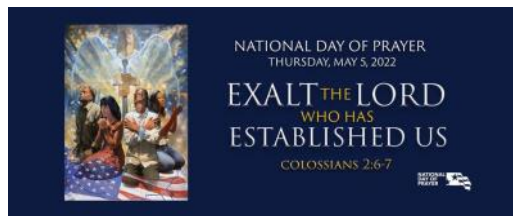


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Set aside some special time to converse with Jesus on Thursday, May 5th for the National Day of Prayer. Prayer Guides will be available at church on May 1st. For more resources, visit Nationaldayofprayer.org

CLASSIC MOVIE MATINEE & POTLUCK-MAY IS WESTERN MONTH

Saturday, May 14th, Noon, 2nd Floor Multi-Purpose Room

Bring your own beverage and snack, or bring a dish to share.

It's the legendary James Stewart at his finest in this timeless western that set the standard for all that followed. E-mail me to sign up.



KINGDOM WOMEN MINISTRIES AT MESSIAH (for all women)

"Let your actions, thoughts, and words reflect a heart that seeks to honor God above all else."

Women, you've been given a special blessing—and it can't stay secret for long.

God has created you to be a kingdom woman. A kingdom woman makes a difference wherever she goes. And that gets noticed both in heaven and on earth.

KINGDOM WOMEN 2022 MONTHLY BIBLE STUDY—"The Chosen"



KW Small Group generally meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Kathy Koeneman leads our study. In May, we will meet on the 18th. At 5pm we will watch Episode 5 in the 2nd Floor Multi-Purpose Room and at 6pm we will discuss that chapter in the workbook.

KW Large Group generally meets on the 4th Saturday of the month. Gina Lehrmann leads our morning. In May, we'll meet on Saturday, the 21st at 10am in the 2nd Floor Multi-Purpose Room and watch Episode 6, "Indescribable Compassion." E-mail me with questions and/or to sign up, eet75002@gmail.com.



JULIETs Dining Out

(Just Us Ladies Into Eating Together)

Monday, May 16th, 6:00pm

Woodbridge Country Club Restaurant

7400 Country Club Drive

Wylie, 75098

E-mail me to sign up.



DOWNTON ABBEY: A NEW ERA (all adults welcome)

Saturday, May 21st at 2pm

Cinemark Central Plano, Coit & Park

A limited number of seats have been reserved. Cost is \$8.

<https://tinyurl.com/MLCDowntonMovie>

If tickets are sold out, please contact me to see if more can be purchased.

My beloved hubby Chuck will be having shoulder surgery on Tuesday, May 24th-the day after he celebrates his birthday. I will be at home with him as needed. Please keep him in your prayers for healing as well as the medical team who will care for him.





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Notes from the Music Ministry

*But when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
sent Him to die-I scarce can take it in.
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died, to take away my sin.
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee-How Great Thou Art!
When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
To take my home-what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow with humble adoration,
And there proclaim-My God, How Great Thou Art!*

What a tremendous Easter Sunday! Such joyful sounds of praise and thanksgiving to our God for the gift of His Son, Jesus Christ, who died for our sins and rose from the dead, victorious over death and the devil. Let's continue to share this Easter joy!

Sunday, May 1– Third Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day *Sunday, May 8*—We will celebrate God's gift of mothers, grandmothers, Godmothers and foster mothers. Let us join together on this special day to honor and appreciate them, and the many ways God uses them to show His love to us.

Sunday, May 15— We continue to celebrate Easter! Included that Sunday is our annual **High School Recognition**. As part of the service, we will hear the wonderful anthem "Find Your Wings," which expresses our love, prayer and hope for these special young people, as they graduate and move into the next chapter of their lives. Congratulations, Class of 2022!



Sunday, May 22– Sixth Sunday of Easter –

Installation of DCE Stephanie Pittock



Sunday, May 29-Memorial Day Observance

Our Patriotic Ensemble will lead our worship services, as we honor and remember all the men and women who have given their lives serving in the United States military, to protect and preserve the freedoms that we cherish. We thank God for them and their ultimate sacrifice.



In Our Music, God is Glorified!



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Ongoing Events

Every Sunday 9:45-10:45 am

Sunday school

5th-12th grade

Announcements in youth room

Classes divided by age

Every Wednesday at 6:30 pm

♦ **Youth 4 Truth**

Worship and fellowship in the youth room

♦ **JAM (Middle School)**

Ends at 7:30 pm

Time of study and fellowship for middle school students

♦ **MESH (High School)**

Ends at 8:00 pm

Time of study and fellowship for high school students

Upcoming Events

Flower Fundraiser

Mother's Day, May 8

Assembly May 7

Preorders through May 1

Senior Sunday

Sunday, May 15

Potluck Brunch & slide show

May MYM

(Messiah Youth Ministry)

Sunday, May 15 at 5:30 pm

Video Game Night

Father's Day Fun

Saturday, June 25 at 3:30 pm

Top Golf in Allen

National Youth Gathering

Adult leader meeting: May 1

Parent meeting: June 26

Event: July 9-13, 2022

Messiah Youth Ministry

Confirmation Camp is coming up soon, and if you have a student eligible to attend as a camper or JC, there are some things you need to remember. First of all, **Camp** this summer is **May 30 to June 2**. We are also at a new (to us) camp this summer: Lake Lavon! Everyone is excited about the recreation opportunities we will have, from zip lines to two different swimming areas to canoes and banana boats! **Care packages** need to be turned in (outside the store) by **Sunday, May 1**. That is also the day of our final 7th grade parent and student meeting for camp, so make sure to attend! **JC training** will be held on **Sunday, May 29**. We will load cars bright and early on Monday to carpool to camp. It's going to be a great week for our 5th, 6th, and 7th graders!



Messiah Youth Ministry for May will be a Video Game Night. This will be held on **Sunday, May 15 at 5:30 pm** in the youth room. We will provide the screens and have some systems set up. Bring your favorite gaming system and E-rated games, or bring your favorite board or card games if you don't do video games. We will have food and drinks and a great time of friendly competitions and cooperation. Open to 5th through 12th grade.

Flower Fundraiser

Youth will be taking orders for Mother's Day flowers on Sundays April 24 & May 1. Assembly will take place starting at 9 am on Saturday, May 7. Flowers will be distributed on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 8.



Senior Sunday

We will be honoring all students who are graduating high school this year on Sunday, May 15. There will be a special slide show during both worship services. Between services, there will be a potluck brunch in the youth room for the whole youth group to celebrate the seniors together. Please bring a dish to share. Photos need to be submitted by May 1.



Chris Tomlin concert on April 6 was enjoyed by youth, parents, and leaders!





CELEBRATING GOD'S GREATNESS!

How great is our Lord! His power
is absolute! — Psalm 147:5

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Vacation Bible School - June 20-24
9:00 am—12 noon

<https://tinyurl.com/MLCVBS2022>



Given current registration levels, we will likely cap enrollment.

Sign up now!

Preschool for children ages 3 (and potty-trained), 4, or 5 but not yet in Kindergarten

Elementary for children who are finishing Kindergarten through Fourth Grade

Volunteer Opportunities There are plenty, so we need YOU! Consider being a preschool room leader or crew leader, parking lot attendant, help with craft prep or grab a take-home decoration kit. Tell us your talents and we will put them to use!

Financial Support You can sponsor a child to attend for \$10, <https://tinyurl.com/VBSSponsor22>
Or make a donation of any amount to be used towards the VBS children's mission project for school supplies to children on Native American reservations in the US Southwest.

<https://tinyurl.com/VBSMission22>

Volunteer Training

Youth—Sunday, May 22nd 9:45am (E213S)

Adult—Sunday, June 12th 12noon (E110S)

Final/Make up—Sunday, June 19th 9:45am (E110S)



THANK A TEACHER—Teach Summer Sunday School

The greatest gift of appreciation you can give your child's Sunday School teacher is the summer off to let them recharge and attend their own Adult Bible Study class. They have already served your kiddos faithfully for 39 weeks!

June 5th—August 28th

Please consider teaching Sunday School over the summer.

- ☺ You don't have to be in town every Sunday, as the teams trade off.
- ☺ Choose from fun summer themes all based on God's Word.
- ☺ Material is provided with media room of craft supplies at your disposal.



News from Messiah Lambs

It is hard to believe that we are wrapping up another school year this month. What an incredible year it has been for all our students and teachers. This month we will celebrate our teachers, perform in our Spring Program, celebrate our Kindergarteners with a graduation ceremony and end our year with a big Field Day celebration. Some of our students will return for MLC's summer camps and VBS, some will return in August, and some will move on to other schools. It has been a privilege to share Jesus' love with these children and their families. Please join me in praying for their safety and continued relationship with Jesus Christ as they leave our halls.



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During the month of May, National Teacher Appreciation Week is celebrated. This is a special time set aside to thank teachers for their dedication and hard work throughout the year. Teachers pour so much into their students as they pray for their wellbeing, work outside of school hours to create lessons that will provide individual help to the children, find creative ways to teach their lessons, and strive to shine Jesus' light so that their students may learn to do the same. I am grateful to all the teachers at Messiah Lambs. They work hard to keep our school running. Thank you for keeping them in your prayers and offering words of encouragement when you see them.

In April we added Sara Vogler to our list of those who are helping at Messiah Lambs by serving as a substitute teacher. We appreciate the help of all who have stepped forward to fill in when teachers are out this year. If you would like to be a part of our fantastic staff either as a teacher or as a substitute for the next school year, please contact me at amyers@messiahlutheran.com.

Important Upcoming Dates:

May 19: Spring Program and Kindergarten Graduation 6:30 pm
May 20: Field Day and last day of school for the 2021-2022 school year
Aug 10: First Day of school for the 2022-2023 school year



Our next meeting is on Wednesday, May 11, at 11 a.m. in the Mosaic Room upstairs. There will be a short business meeting at which time we will be electing officers for the coming year. Be sure to bring your mites, your stamps, and something to share for lunch.

Many members of the congregation have asked me where our craft and bake sale monies go. This year we are supporting six projects with \$500 each. They are The Holy Cow Smokers of Flower Mound; the Messiah Lambs; Triton Comfort Dog; Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits; La Puente Homeless Shelter in Alamosa, Colorado; and the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod's Disaster Relief for the Ukraine churches. Thank you so very much for your generous donations! Our next sale will be in December.

We are collecting items for the 80th Anniversary for LWML. We suggest that Messiah collect **80** pairs of socks; **80** scarves and hats (our members will be making some of them); and **80** personal care kit items (one light-weight dark towel, one metal nail clipper, two bath-sized bars of soap, one sturdy comb, and one toothbrush). Soon there will be a place on the LWML table to put your donation of these items and money.

Remember that all ladies are invited to attend and share their love of missions and visit with friends. We would love to see you there!

Mary Jane Tobaben, President

Messiah Serves: Social Ministries and Outreach

Touching Lives Through Christ

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



The mission of our Outreach Ministries is to be Jesus' hands to our church, city, national, and international community. We do this through weekly opportunities for hands-on service such as those listed below and also through contributions to community charities such as Network of Community Ministries and the Assistance Center of Collin County, wonderful organizations who are equipped to deal with the long-term needs of struggling individuals.



MITZI HAD A GREAT GRAZING TIME AT MESSIAH! I will share our collected amount in the June Messenger! In the meantime, I want to extend a THANK YOU to those who supported the NETWORK's Mitzi Milk Fund that we hosted throughout the month of April. I also want to express a big THANK YOU to the children of our Messiah Lambs. They have adopted the Network's Mitzi Milk Fund Drive as their Spring service project! Each month NETWORK spends approximately **\$700** for fresh milk given to families with children. Mitzi is an almost life-sized



calf with a plastic bottle for a tummy to collect donations to support the NETWORK's efforts to provide fresh milk to families.



MAY PROJECT

Sunday, May 8th – Sunday, June 19th
Mother's Day through Father's Day

It's called Baby Bottle Boomerang because you distribute empty baby bottles to church congregations, and just like a well-tossed boomerang, they come back to you full of coins, currency and checks. The Baby Bottle Boomerang is one of the most effective fundraisers for pro-life ministries in use today. It helps meet financial needs and increases awareness in the community about their ministry.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED AT NETWORK!



Network is in need of compassionate and dedicated volunteers to help serve our neighbors in need. We have many volunteer opportunities including assisting in the Food pantry, Clothing Closet, Seniors' Net programs and even data entry (some of which can be performed remotely). Please note volunteer times are Monday through Wednesday 8 am to 4 pm, Thursday 8 am to 7 pm, Friday 10 am to Noon and Saturday 9 am to 2 pm. Volunteers ages 16 and up may volunteer alone and ages 14-15 may volunteer if accompanied by an adult. If you are interested in volunteering as a group, please call Caroline Wold, Manager of Volunteers and Community Engagement at (972) 234-8880 ext. 126 or email her at cwold@thenetwork.org

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. Questions about any of our collection projects you can contact me at dawnmj@fastmail.net. Details regarding our ongoing collections can be found at <http://www.messiahlutheran.com/ministries/adult/social-ministries-outreach/>



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 dawnmj@fastmail.net.

DEPLOYMENTS are events that Comfort Dog teams attend that are often due to tragic events.

TISHOMINGO, OKLAHOMA-On March 25th, handlers Mary Jo Cuny and Kathy Mardis along with Triton traveled to Tishomingo, OK and joined Team Miriam and Team Elijah to attend a candle light vigil remembering 6 teenagers from the community who were tragically killed in a car accident. "Crosses For Losses" were also set up at the vigil for those in attendance to sign their name along with words of encouragement to be given to the families.



Comfort Dog Team members posing with the "Crosses For Losses" for the families of the 6 accident victims.



Hearts of Mercy & Compassion (HMC), Crosses for Losses provides a physical and spiritual symbol through the giving of hearts and crosses to families and friends who have suffered a loss or are experiencing the illness of a loved one. Given as a gift, each HMC provides the love and hope of Jesus through presence and prayer.



JACKSBORO, TEXAS- Handlers Jerry Baedke and Marti Matz (April 11th) and Marti Matz and Carolyn Nussman (April 19th) along with Triton traveled to Jacksboro, TX to bring comfort to the students and faculty who continue to recover from the tornado that brought so much destruction to their school and community on March 21st.



"Thank you so much! Words cannot express how blessed we were by your ministry! My own two boys talk about those dogs everyday. Blessings to you all and thank you for your servant hearts!"
Principle of Jacksboro Elementary School

SOUTHWEST REGION COMFORT DOG TEAMS GATHER ON APRIL 3-5-It has been 2 years since our Southwest region Comfort Dog teams have gathered and it was a wonderful experience. We met at the Pines encampment in Tomball, Texas and enjoyed special speakers, training, and of course great fellowship! The Southwest region is comprised of a total of 12 dogs. 9 dogs are in Texas-Abner/Martha-Austin, Phoebe/Pax-Fort Worth, Gabriel/Joy/Damaris-Houston, Triton-Plano, Elijah-Wichita Falls, and 3 dogs in Oklahoma-Miriam-Kingfisher, Persis-Glenpool, and Rufus-Edmond.



TEAM TRITON TESTIMONIAL

Triton was very taken with David on a recent visit to Appletree Court Assisted Living. There were other residents in the room to meet him, which he dutifully did being the wonderful Comfort Dog he is, but he really liked David's petting the best. David didn't speak, but Triton was content to sit with him and enjoy his gentle petting. The director of the Center snapped this photo and sent it to David's wife who was so delighted with it that she decided to come have lunch with David, though she had other plans for the day. They enjoyed their lunch together, she wheeled him back to his room, and shortly later David quietly passed away while she was with him. The Director shared this story with me with tears in her eyes on our next visit. The Lord had a job for Triton and our Comfort Dog Ministry that day. What an honor to be the hands and feet of Jesus in this amazing way.
-Submitted by Mary Jo Cuny, Handler

For more information about the Comfort Dog Ministry, contact our "Top Dog" Carolyn Nussman, email: messiahk9comfort@gmail.com
Triton's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/TritonComfortDog>
Triton's Instagram page: <https://www.instagram.com/lccck9triton/>

DINING OUT CLUB

May 12th, 7:00 PM

Venezia's Pizza Café
3555 Murphy Rd, Suite 107
Richardson TX 75082 (BYOB)



Hosted by Tim & Marla Johnson
Signup in Pastor Kollmann's class, Pastor Otte's
Class, at the PrimeTimers table or by calling
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PrimeTimers Service Project!! (This event is open to all of Messiah!)
Where: Feed My Starving Children
1680 N. Glenville Dr. Suite 300
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When: Wednesday May 25th
Time: 3:45-5:15



Dinner to follow at: 1050 Bar B Que
1050 N. Central Expy
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Please call or text Linda Maciejewski at 847-977-4320 or email at jandlvb@verizon.net to register and let me know if you will stay for dinner afterwards. Last day to register is May 23rd.

As of April 24, 2022

Church Faith Budget

Given last week	\$	20,189
Given year to date	\$	844,267
Given year to date last year	\$	810,327

Trusting God With Tomorrow Building Fund

Given last week	\$	270
Building Fund total for 2022	\$	46,048



*In planning for the future,
consider including the
church in your will.*



*I want to thank the members and the Sunshine Guild (especially Dorothy Rigg) for the beautiful plant and prayers that brightened up my day at a difficult time. Blessings,
Carol Kesterson*



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Sports and Rec Ministries

Blessed are the peacemakers for they will be called children of God. Matthew 5:9

ILLUMINATE! **WORSHIP PRODUCTION TRAINING** **May 9th—6:30pm**



ILLUMINATE! is for people who want to join our worship production team, train in a new position, or are just curious how we make Sunday morning happen.
RSVP: tmeeks@messiahlutheran.com



Registration for
Messiah members and
Lambs families will be open this
month!



Just scan the QR code or go to
<https://tinyurl.com/campmlc> or sign
up on the Realm app!

A Pirate's Life Day Camp

Week 1 June 6th - 10th

It's adventure on the high seas! Campers navigate treacherous waters, battle legendary sea creatures, and learn to follow the pirate's code. Ye may be Land Lubbers on Monday but ye be Salty Sea Dogs by Friday!

S'mores and More Day Camp

Week 2 June 13th - 17th

Spend a week in the great Indoors! Campers will have the trappings of a week in the woods from the comfort of our classrooms. Watchout for Big Foot!

Vacation Bible School

June 20th - 24th

VBS is **NOT** associated with Summer Camps. Must be at least 4yrs and potty trained.

Information is available on the Children's ministry page.
<https://www.messiahlutheran.com/ministries/children/>

Under the Big Top Day Camp

Week 3 June 27th - July 1st

Friends and folks near and far! Campers of all ages experience The Greatest Show On Earth! Juggling, acrobatics, clowning, lion taming, the works. On with the show!

Heroes to the Rescue Day Camp

Week 4 July 11th - 15th

Up up and away! Campers learn what it takes to be a true hero.

Awesome Animals Day Camp

Week 5 July 18th - 22nd

Roar! Moo! Woof! Herbivores, carnivores and campers in between learn all about the wonders of the animal kingdom. See you on the Savannah!

Weekly Pricing	M-F 8:30AM- 2:30PM	M,W,F 8:30AM- 2:30PM	Tu,Th 8:30AM- 2:30PM
	\$195	\$120	\$80



MAY

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Lanny Surratt	5/1	Beverly Loughridge	5/8	Jennie Moninger	5/15	Matthew Osborn	5/22
David Findley	5/1	Greg Whittemore	5/8	Lauren Smith	5/15	Erinne Naber	5/22
Caden Whitesell	5/1	J.T. Tinnin	5/8	David Miller	5/15	Jaxsen Vann	5/22
Austin Frischmann	5/1	Gary Kuntz	5/8	Matthew Steiss	5/15	Edna Krueger	5/22
Carl Roser	5/1	Jason Herter	5/8	John Koonsman	5/16	Andrea Cole	5/22
Josh Hamit	5/1	Bob Lehman	5/9	Grace Ma	5/16	Zachary Cole	5/22
Stephanie Sokolyk	5/1	Janice Helfers	5/9	Kathleen Haarberg	5/16	Guadalupe Herigon	5/22
Meghan Fernandez (West)	5/1	David Scott	5/9	Jeffrey Lampton	5/16	Chuck Thorne	5/23
Lana Dunlap	5/2	David Kastendick	5/9	Cheri Dziedzic	5/16	Richard Montgomery	5/23
Lesley Foor	5/2	Morgan Cohen	5/9	Cory Anderson	5/16	Stefani Burris	5/23
Gretchen Grogg	5/2	Aida Sorenson	5/9	Suzi Checki	5/16	Michelle Duchow	5/23
Mandi Wheaton	5/2	Jim Bruns	5/9	Dean Miller	5/16	Jeff Marquett	5/24
McKenzie Sloas	5/2	Anthony Coppolino	5/9	Dan Ladishev	5/17	Debbie Closser	5/24
Savannah Dionicio	5/2	Linda Halenkamp	5/10	Debra A. Friestad	5/17	Meredith Parks	5/24
Jennifer Cooper	5/3	Ruth Murphy	5/10	Bob Mortonson	5/17	Bryan Anderson	5/25
JD Beck	5/3	Michael Kler	5/10	Karter Graham	5/17	Pushpa Thampan	5/25
Carmen Sorenson	5/3	Colt Miller	5/10	Sarah Herigon	5/17	Matthew Lee	5/25
Owen Paradowski	5/3	Rowen Reichert	5/10	Daniel Medina	5/18	Vikki Zagaruyka	5/25
Jimmy Roberts	5/3	Ben Goerz	5/10	Gordy Hanson	5/18	Justin Kosharek	5/25
Todd Miller	5/4	Brandi Mata	5/10	Pam Schweinsberg	5/18	Linda Chasak	5/25
Francis Opoku	5/4	Darren Price	5/11	Lisa Guerra	5/18	Michael Boerneke	5/25
Jason Nicholson	5/4	Robin Moran	5/11	Carol Meister	5/18	Zachary Dieterich	5/25
George Feichtinger	5/5	Alan Wuebbles	5/11	Christian Duchow	5/18	Evie Trout	5/25
Aden Luecke	5/5	Adriana Pierce	5/11	Karina Van Horn	5/18	Matthew Fulwiler	5/25
Jennifer Bridge	5/5	Kinsey Aviles	5/11	Ella Parks	5/18	Doris Embree	5/26
Helen Kennedy	5/5	Sarah Neal	5/11	Teresa Warren	5/18	Paulette Grindle	5/26
Barbara McCoy	5/5	Brenda Buchwald	5/12	Lydia Striegel	5/18	Cathy Moore	5/26
Nisha Thomas	5/5	Trent Lehman	5/12	Dee Belisle	5/19	Brian Fink	5/26
John Nelson	5/5	Connie Greenwald	5/12	Roger Kohls	5/19	Nathan Kemper	5/26
Spencer Nelson	5/5	Cindy Rystrom	5/12	Christine Latham	5/19	Diana Gutknecht	5/26
Liz Fry	5/5	Rob George	5/12	Kelly Moore	5/19	Aaron Miller	5/26
Kristian Cassidy	5/6	Erin Nischal	5/12	Marcia Murphy	5/19	Grant Simmons	5/26
Garrett Terry	5/6	Aniston Payne	5/12	Angela Tiegs	5/19	Jacqueline Brown	5/26
Jackson Puchek	5/6	Brian Plunkett	5/12	Mark Denman	5/19	Max Buchwald	5/27
Tristan Luecke	5/6	Lynda Egddall	5/12	Joshua Patterson	5/19	James Sykora	5/27
Mila Daubert	5/6	Cindy Whitney	5/13	Teamrat Abraha	5/20	Bob Sands	5/27
Jolene Henry	5/6	Kieran Lewis	5/13	Bethany Fink	5/20	Ron Sizemore	5/27
Sarah Redden	5/6	Mark Paul	5/13	Jim Hickerson	5/20	Megan Kovach	5/27
Jeanne Huber	5/7	Reagan Keith	5/13	Bev Pfalzgraff	5/20	Jerry Baedke	5/28
Becky Butler	5/7	Tatum Frischmann	5/13	Charity Parker	5/20	Susan Larsen	5/28
Mark Rachal	5/7	Mary Pace	5/13	Valerie Siedelmann	5/20	Stephanie Roberts	5/29
Will Tobaben	5/7	Sue Thornton	5/13	Cash Dunlap	5/21	Ryan Hoffmann	5/29
Liz Hazen	5/7	Ben Broadrick	5/13	Mikaela Staal	5/21	Tim Looney	5/30
Amelie Fix	5/7	Lauren Janowski	5/13	Nathan Dennett	5/21	Tiffany Luecke	5/30
Saul Stephens	5/7	Andrew Southard	5/13	Adri Lindsey	5/21	Afton Toledo	5/30
Shari Schmidt	5/8	Andrew Brooks	5/14	Audrey Hart	5/21	Kevin Graham	5/30
Heather Price	5/8	Madeline Lopez	5/14	Briana McGary	5/21	Eilah Amador	5/30
Christina Brown	5/8	Michael Hamit	5/14	Richard L. Peters	5/22	Diane L. Gutschlag	5/31
Jennifer Patrick	5/8	Dan Ferree	5/15	Karen Southard	5/22	Angela Stewart	5/31

Donald & Kimberly Johnson	5/1/1987
William & Lana Fridge	5/1/2014
Konner & Samantha Kyser	5/1/2020
Christopher & Jamie West	5/2/2009
Mark & Fiona Fischer	5/3/2003
David & Mary Walling	5/3/2008
Charles & Natalie Carpenter	5/4/2017
Rodger & Jennifer Bise	5/4/2002
Eugene & Nancy Conn	5/4/2002
Larry & Amber Payne	5/4/2013
Larry & Kathleen Bush	5/4/1974
Edward & Shirley Nelson	5/5/1981
Ryan & Colleen Seals	5/5/2017
Timothy & Sarah Conlin	5/5/2001
Christopher & Roberta Young	5/5/2015
Kenneth & Nadine Stanford	5/6/2006
Phillip & Amanda Kasper	5/6/2017
Stephen & Beth Sokolyk	5/7/1988
Jeffrey & Karen Gray	5/8/1990
Mick & Esther Cervino	5/8/1980
Naveen & Vivian Nischal	5/8/2000
Gregory & Gwen Kuncaitis	5/11/1985
James & Becky Brown	5/12/1984
Mitchell & Ruth Fix	5/12/2001
David & Alison Daubert	5/12/2012
Richard & Kathleen Edwards	5/13/1978
Rex & Elizabeth Beetley	5/14/1977
Donald & Lori Mann	5/14/1988
Mark & Kimberly Hagner	5/16/1998
Michael & Stacey McGraw	5/16/2020
Patrick & Julie Lenihan	5/17/1997
Caleb & Samantha Townes	5/17/2014
Wayne & Jill Turner	5/18/2003
Dee & Cindy Belisle	5/19/1980

Daniel & Gia Athey	5/19/1990
Richard & Jill Gross	5/19/1995
Brian & Analisa Fink	5/19/2001
Michael & Joyce McGrath	5/20/2016
Lance & Cathy White	5/20/1989
Cash & Barbara McCoy	5/20/1984
Arthur & Judy Greenlee	5/21/1999
Todd & Yvonne Berkland	5/21/2005
William & Inger Johnson	5/22/1965
John & Rachel Brownlee	5/22/1999
Jay & Brenda Lowry	5/22/1971
Robert & Sondra Smith	5/22/1999
John & Jennifer Chappelle	5/22/2009
Alan & Le Anna Markus	5/23/1959
David & Beverly Loughridge	5/23/1995
Matthew & Sarah McVay	5/23/2015
Keith & Marcia Mueller	5/24/1980
Greg & Amy Whittemore	5/24/2003
Kyle & Alysia Ehle	5/24/2014
Steve & Karen Chambers	5/25/1996
Gregory & Margie Stone	5/25/1974
James & Noel Henderson	5/26/1973
Eric & Brienne Boerneke	5/26/2003
John & Nancy Gardner	5/27/2000
Carlton & Jennifer Smitherman	5/27/1989
Derek & Rosemary Conry	5/28/2010
Eric & Linda Funke	5/28/2011
Michael & Heather Johannsen	5/29/2005
Jeffrey & Kristin Forester	5/29/2005
Randal & Sarah Huechteman	5/30/1982
Daniel & Margaret Watson	5/30/1992
Alexander & Kaylee Menke	5/30/2020
George & Marian Chrisman	5/31/1962



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8:30 AM-Worship Celebration Blood Drive-9:00 AM 9:45 AM-Adult Bible Classes/Sunday School 11:00 AM-Worship Celebration 3:30 PM-JOYFUL Bible Study	2 7:00 PM-Troop 198 Scout meeting	3 9:30 AM-Women's Bible Class 11:05 AM Kingdom Yoga 5:00 PM-Good Times Line Dance Lessons 6:00 PM-Joyful Ringers 7:00 PM-Sanctuary Choir	4 11:00 AM-LWML Meeting 12:00 PM-Men's Bible Class 1:00 PM-Prayer Shawl Ministry 3:15 PM True Beginners Line Dance Lessons 6:00 PM-Cherubs/Choristers/Youth4Truth 6:30 PM-JAM/MESH 7:00 PM-Worship Service	5 8:30 AM-Kingdom Yoga 9:30 AM-Women's Bible Study 11:15 AM-Kingdom Yoga ★NATIONAL★ DAY of PRAYER	6	7 8:15 AM-Kingdom Yoga Intermediate 9:15 AM-Kingdom Yoga Beginner
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29 8:30 AM-Worship Celebration 9:45 AM-Adult Bible Classes/Sunday School 11:00 AM-Worship Celebration	30 Church Office Closed In observance of Memorial Day 	31 11:05 AM Kingdom Yoga 5:00 PM-Good Times Line Dance Lessons 6:00 PM-Joyful Ringers 7:00 PM-Sanctuary Choir	<div>Confirmation Camp through Thursday, June 2</div>			

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Sunday-8:30 & 11:00 AM / Sunday School-9:45 AM
Wednesday, 7 PM

Worship Opportunities in MAY

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| 1st- | Worship Celebration-Blood Drive |
| 4th- | Wednesday Traditional Worship Celebration-Holy Communion-7:00 PM |
| 8th- | Mother's Day-Voter's Meeting 9:45 AM-Worship Celebration-Holy Communion |
| 11th- | Wednesday Traditional Worship Celebration-Holy Communion-7:00 PM |
| 15th- | Worship Celebration-High School Graduate Celebration |
| 18th- | Wednesday Traditional Worship Celebration-Holy Communion-7:00 PM |
| 22nd- | Worship Celebration-Installation of DCE Stephanie Pittock-Holy Communion |
| 25th- | Wednesday Traditional Worship Celebration-Holy Communion-7:00 PM |
| 29th- | Memorial Day-Worship Celebration |