



THE MESSENGER

THE GIFT OF GENEROSITY

Generosity is not what we do, but it is who we are in the Lord. The gift of generosity began at the Cross of Jesus and at the Empty Tomb. Generosity now continues throughout our lives. What a joy! What a gift that our generous Lord has given us to share with others around us!

The poet, Maya Angelou, said it this way, "This is a wonderful day. I have never seen this day before." Every day, every gift, which the Lord provides us, is given to us so that we can give it away. That is generosity! We give away our time and our talents and our treasures, because the Lord has given us these gifts to share with others.



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We need to be generous, even if it is imperfect. Years ago, a granddaughter made a poster for her grandfather. It read, "He has ears that really listen. He has arms that always hold. He has love that is never-ending. He has a heart that is made of gold." The poster was signed, "To grandfather." What a gift of generosity! It was a gift of generosity from the heart of a child.

Just think of all the generous gifts that you can share with others. The gift of listening. The gift of joy. The gift of hugs. The gift of pure love in the Lord. The gift of financial help. That is generosity!

Next month I will share with you ten ways to share the gift of generosity with those whom the Lord has placed into your life. Until then, practice generosity.

BUILDING FUND

Your continued giving to our Building Fund is greatly appreciated. Through your amazing generosity, we have now collected over \$2,975,000 towards the building of our Life Center. The Building Committee continues to work 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

Above all, guard your heart, for everything that you do flows from it. Proverbs 4:23

It's Your Best Day!



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I ran across this quote the other day, which I thought to be quite inspiring – in an odd sort of way. It came from a source I read quite often: Mr. Tim Elmore of **Growing Leaders**. In his most recent article, he was commenting on the notion that, in order to cultivate grit and resilience in young people today, we have to model it ourselves. He offered this quote from Ernest Shackleton, a famous explorer, recruiting volunteers to go on a dangerous voyage. Here was his appeal:

“Men wanted for hazardous journey. Small wages, bitter cold, long months of complete darkness, constant danger, safe return doubtful, honor and recognition in case of success.” Ernest Shackleton, 4 Burlington Street

Surprisingly, Shackleton received over 5000 volunteer applications, from which he chose 27 of the most hardy to go on the journey. His boat, the Endurance, sunk (but was recently discovered by a group of maritime archeologists).

In his article, author Elmore wondered out loud, how many people today would sign up after reading the same advertisement. His lament is that few of us would. Many people today seek out that which is convenient, fast, comfortable, and easy, for which the word “*endurance*” doesn’t quite fit.

Jesus, one day, sent out 72 of His disciples on a mission to prepare people for His coming to them. He sent them out with similar publicity:

“The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. ³ Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves.

With that kind of charge, you would think no one would step up!

This month, at Messiah, we are privileged to witness the “stepping up” of one of our own: Vicar Matt Lee will be ordained into the Holy Ministry as a Pastor. It’s an awesome thing, in which God has called him to serve. He has proven himself well: reliable, eager to learn, punctual, and gentle. He has also been quite useful in explaining technology to Pastor Kollmann and myself. He makes a good pot of coffee, and continues to supply our children with chocolate in his children’s sermons.

Most of all, he possesses a humble endurance for the work ahead. I am confident that you will join me in welcoming him to his new calling on August 7! I also congratulate his wife Erin, who has supported Matt through this part of his journey – and without her support, he would not have completed it.

Messiah is blessed to have these two “lambs” in our midst.

It's Your Best Day...
Pastor Otte

A Word From Vicar Lee

Ten Years

It is hard to believe that I have been serving at Messiah for over ten years! On June 1, 2011, I came from Concordia University Texas in Austin and began serving as a DCE (Director of Christian Education) intern. The hope with every DCE intern is that they will serve after their one-year internship in a congregation who will then call them to be their full-time DCE. Although this doesn't always take place, it has been a blessing for me.

Fast forward eight years and then God called me to be a Specific Ministry Pastor (SMP) for Messiah. This also has been a profound blessing and the best education for me. Not only have I been able to learn (from a distance), but I have been able put that learning into practice through teaching, preaching, and learning from Pastor Kollmann and Pastor Otte as a Vicar.

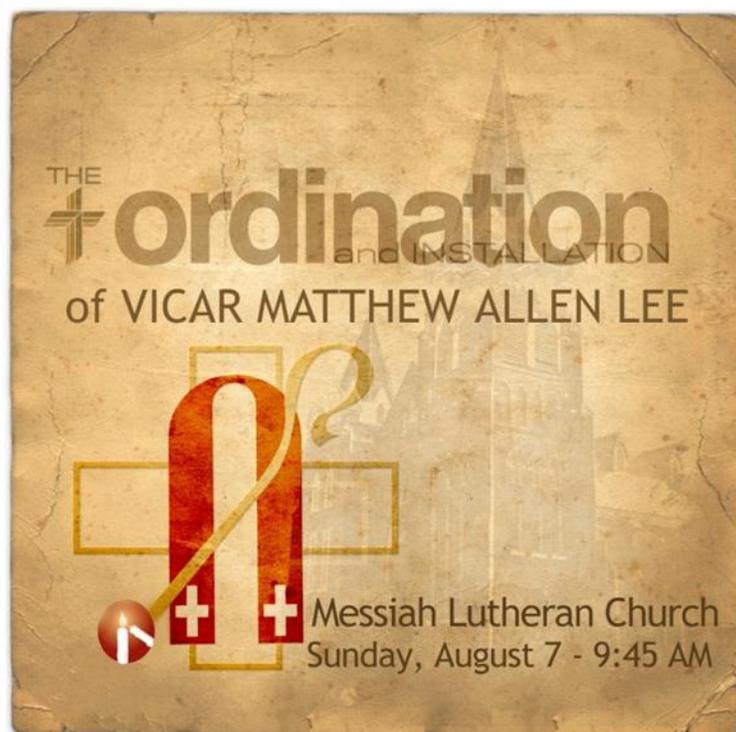
This month, after nearly two and a half years of being a Vicar, I will be officially installed and ordained as a Pastor on August 7 at 9:45 AM. There will be regular worship services offered at 8:30 and 11:00 AM and you and your families will be invited to participate in this special installation and ordination service!

I thank God Who, through the Holy Spirit, called me to serve, and for His continual provision and forgiveness in Christ. He is the One we praise, glorify, and Who gives all good things. I also want to thank my wife, Erin, and our four children, Aaron, Elizabeth, Benjamin, and Jacob, for their amazing love, support, and prayer, and for their sacrifice, especially while being in the seminary. I also want to thank my mother-in-law and father-in-law for their support through this journey. Thank you to Pastor Kollmann for being my mentor and to Pastor Otte, for all of their hard work and dedication in training me. I want to thank you all for your continued help, prayer, and encouragement throughout this entire and ongoing journey. It is an honor and privilege to serve! I am reminded of what Jesus said to His disciples in Luke 10, verse 2, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." In this passage, Jesus was sending out seventy-two on a mission to preach and, two by two, they were to preach the Good News, the Gospel. Jesus was telling His followers to "pray earnestly." I am thankful that God continues to answer prayers as He calls laborers, church workers, to do His work in His Church. I look forward to being your pastor in His harvest. God bless you all.

In Christ's service,
-Vicar Lee



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YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO
THE WEDDING CEREMONY UNITING
Jessica Thomson & Andrew Woolley
IN HOLY MATRIMONY
SUNDAY, AUGUST 14TH, AT 3:00PM



KINGDOM WOMEN MINISTRIES AT MESSIAH *(for all women)*

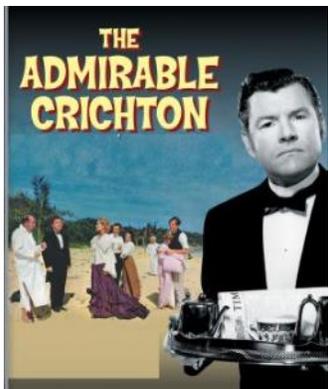
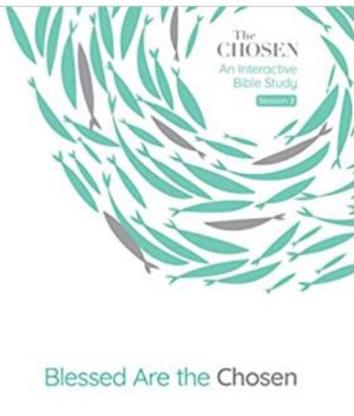
*"Let your actions, thoughts, and words reflect
a heart that seeks to honor God above all else."*

KINGDOM WOMEN 2022 MONTHLY BIBLE STUDY-"The Chosen"

KW Small Group generally meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Kathy Koeneman leads our study. In August, we will meet on the 10th in the first floor Conference Room, E110S. **NEW TIME:** At 6:30pm we will watch and discuss episode 8, "I Am He." No workbook needed.

KW Large Group generally meets on the 4th Saturday of the month. Gina Lehrmann leads our morning.

WE BEGIN SEASON 2 OF THE CHOSEN on Saturday, August 27th. Workbooks will be used at the Large Group Sessions. Cost is \$15. To reserve your book, contact Ellen Thorne, eet75002@gmail.com.



Classic Movie Event
Saturday, August 6th
Noon
2nd Floor
Multi-Purpose Room
We'll watch
The Admirable Crichton/
Paradise Lagoon from 1957.
E-mail me to sign up.

Downton Abbey Meets Gilligan's Island in this classic comedy from 1957 with Kenneth More, Diane Cilento and Cecil Parker.

A bit of hot weather themed trivia: For much of his role as Bill Crichton, Kenneth More was filmed from the waist up to hide the fact that he was wearing shorts with his dinner-jacket because of the heat during filming.

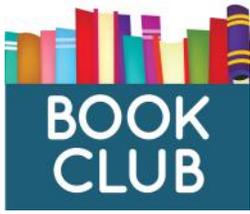


A BIG THANK YOU to all who went to the Carter Bloodmobile at Messiah or other locations to take part in the 2022 Battle of the Badges Blood Drive.

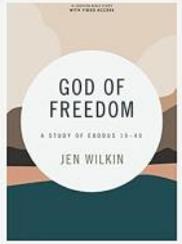
At Messiah, we had 20 pints collected which will help save 60 lives. Firefighters won 14-11.

In Plano, 302 pints collected=906 lives saved. Police won by 8 votes, 152 to 144.

Save the Date-Messiah's next Blood Drive is Sunday, October 2nd. We plan to do the drive in the Gym so it will be more efficient for the volunteers and quicker/easier for the donors.



KINGDOM WOMEN BOOK CLUB IN AUGUST & SEPTEMBER On Monday, August 22nd at 6 pm, we will meet in the Youth Room to discuss the 2nd half of *Colors of Truth* and the short novella *Christmas at Carnton* by Tamera Alexander. We hopefully will have the author join us via Zoom again! The discussion questions are in the back of the book. For our September discussion, we have chosen to read Mitch Albom's latest novel *The Stranger in the Lifeboat*. We will meet on Monday, September 19th at 6 pm to discuss the book. Contact Leann Dietze with questions, leann.dietze@gmail.com.



THURSDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY resumes on Thursday, August 11th, 9:30-11am. Our study "God of Freedom" on Exodus 19-40 is by Jen Wilkin. Cost is \$25 which includes all of the online videos for each chapter. To reserve your book, contact me, eet75002@gmail.com. We will meet in Room E220S. Karrie Looney leads this dynamic study to a group of women ranging from their 30s to their 80s. Free baby-sitting is available with advanced notice.



JULIETs Dining Out

(Just Us Ladies Into Eating Together)

Monday, August 29th, 6:00PM

Lupe Tortilla Tex Mex Restaurant

1865 N. Central Expressway

Allen, Texas 75013

469-660-1576

www.texmex.com

E-mail me to sign up, eet75002@gmail.com.



NOW IS A GREAT TIME TO BEGIN LINE DANCE LESSONS!

Line Dance is good for the body, but also has benefits for the mind. In fact, it can actually play a part in preventing mental illness. And... it's not just about Country Music these days-all forms of music are used! And...it's Free at Messiah!

Starting August 2nd, Ann Pettit, a beloved line dance instructor in the metroplex, will be starting an Absolute Beginner Class on Tuesdays from 5-5:50pm *in the Gym*. She has designed a program with absolute beginners in mind and is excited to share it with you. At 6pm, beginner/improver dances will be instructed and at 7pm improver/intermediate.

True Beginner Classes led by Ellen Thorne are held on Wednesdays, 3:15-4:15pm *in the 1st Floor Multi-Purpose Room*. Contact me for more information, eet75002@gmail.com



Y'ALL COME FELLOWSHIP

For all adults

Save the Date: Saturday, September 17th

Addison Oktoberfest

Www.addisonoktoberfest.com

Recognized as one of the most authentic Oktoberfest celebrations outside of Munich since 1987, Addison Oktoberfest brings a purely Texan twist to this popular celebration of German culture, food, music and bier. Take part in a unique experience with polka bands and other traditional entertainers on multiple stages, interactive games and attractions for all ages, the Dachshund Dash, and much more at this award-winning festival. More details to come.



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A Song from our Hearts



Each Sunday we come together as a congregation to celebrate the love of Christ in worship with songs of praise! We join our voices together, using music as a way to share the song in our hearts—the song of joy to Christ, our Savior, an offering to our Lord of our love for Him. We hear voices around us of the young and old, strongly and boldly singing praise to God. We also hear instruments of all types lifted in response to our Lord’s grace and mercy. What a wonderful celebration of praise when all of these combine together in worship!

Have you been blessed with a singing voice or the ability to play an instrument! Do you yearn for the opportunity to express your heart’s song through music to our Lord? Whether you are a young child, youth or adult, there are groups that you can join with fellow members, who also feel the calling of Christ to serve Him through music. there are many ways to serve, so prayerfully consider adding your talents to our music ministry this year. You’ll be so blessed! All groups meet once a week, starting soon!

Children’s Choir– K-5th grade —Wednesdays from 6:00-6:50 PM-E201S



- Use songs and instruments to praise the Lord
- Develop music skills.
- Opportunity for children to serve in worship.
- Directed by Dorothy Sherrod, Christina Knoernschild and Samantha Logue



Youth4Truth-6th-12th grade-Wednesdays from 6:00-6:50 PM-E216S

- Expand music skills with a variety of songs.
- Explore leading worship through music.
- Work with other choirs on selected pieces.
- Directed by Nicole Ostrom and Autumn Knoernschild.

Sanctuary Choir-Youth-Adults—Tuesdays from 7:00-8:15 PM-Chapel

- Prepares music in various styles, including classical, gospel and contemporary.
- Sings once a month in both services.
- Presents special cantatas during Advent and Lent.
- Directed by Dorothy Sherrod & Brenda Bucher



Praise Teams-Youth/Adults—Sunday mornings 9:45am-balcony

- Provide worship leadership for the 11:00 Contemporary blended service.
- Include singers and instrumentalists on piano, guitar, bass, drums and keyboard.
- Directed by Dorothy Sherrod



Sanctuary Orchestra-Youth/Adults—Wednesdays 7:30-8:45 PM-E201S

- Composed of brass, woodwind, string and percussion instrumentalists.
- Prepare music for worship services.
- Work with the Sanctuary Choir on the Cantatas for Advent and Lent.
- Open to youth and adults who have played for at least 2 years.
- Directed by David Walling, Teresa Logue and Dorothy Sherrod.



Joyful Ringers (Hand bells)-Youth/Adults—Tuesdays from 6:00-7:00 PM-balcony

- Prepares music for worship services.
- Includes experienced and beginning ringers.
- Plays monthly in worship.
- Directed by Ed and Dorothy Sherrod



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TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS
 <p>Joyful Ringers 6:00-7:00pm Balcony Starts September 6th</p>	 <p>Children's Choir 6:00-6:50 p.m.</p>
	 <p>Choir Room-E201S Starts September 7th</p>
	 <p>Youth 4 Truth 6:00-6:50 p.m. E215S Starts September 7th</p>
 <p>Sanctuary Choir 7:00-8:15pm Choir room-E201S Starts September 6th</p>	 <p>Sanctuary Orchestra 7:30-8:45 p.m. Choir room-E201S Starts October 5th</p>



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Messiah Youth Ministry



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
 ♦ **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

Vicar Lee Ordination
 Sunday, August 7 at 9:45 am
 No Sunday school

August MYM
 (Messiah Youth Ministry)
 Sunday, August 14 at 5:30 pm
 Back to School Bash

In July we attended the LCMS Youth Gathering in Houston, with a group of 53 youth and adults! It was a great time for us to spend with 20,000 other Lutherans, in Bible study, worship, learning, and play! Check out the next page for more photos of everything we did. The next Gathering will be in 2025 in New Orleans, Louisiana!

August and beyond

- ⇒ **Strategic Planning** will begin on August 6. Please contact me if you would like to be involved as we set goals for the future!
- ⇒ On Sunday, August 7, **Vicar Lee will be ordained!** There will be no Sunday school or Bible class that day, because this ordination will be a special worship service at 9:45 am. All youth families are encouraged to attend, because he has been a big part of youth ministry at Messiah through the years, and will continue to be through Confirmation Camp, Sunday school, and other activities along the way.
- ⇒ **MYM** is August 14. We are having a Back-to-School Bash! Details coming soon.
- ⇒ **Peer Training** (required for anyone who wants to be a Junior Counselor for Confirmation Camp) will be starting in September, with a once-a-month gathering. Watch for an email that will be sent out soon inviting students to participate.
- ⇒ **New Forms** will be sent to youth families soon! As a new school year begins, I want to know what activities youth are involved in, so that our MYM family can attend games and performances and cheer each other on! In addition, I am working to move some of the information we gather into an online format to make it easier to update in the future.

LCMS Youth Gathering





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TAKE ON THE HEAT! TAKE UP THE CHALLENGE!

Volunteer for KidMin@MLC

CHILDREN'S Sunday School

Rally Day Sunday, Sept. 4th

New class of 2 year olds
Meet the teachers
Move to new classrooms



Fall Sunday School Staff Roundup!

- ☺ More Staff needed! KidMin covers 2s—4th grade
- ☺ Multiple teachers per grade is the goal, so there is a rotation/automatic back up plan.
- ☺ Teacher guides and student material provided
- ☺ Contact Amy **TODAY** to get started

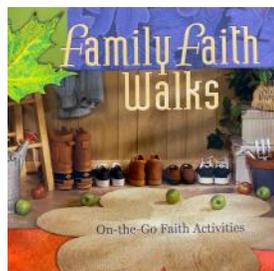


Youth Caregiver Training Coming Soon

Youth 12 years and older are eligible to work as a babysitter during ministry events at Messiah. But you must be trained first.

Training coming next month, date TBD.

Footprints of Faith Family Faith Walks



Kindergarten Families Sunday, Aug. 21st

9:00 Family Breakfast
9:45 Faith Walk & Talk
11:00 Recognition

Email invite & realm RSVP

Additional Adult Caregiver Needed for Sunday Mornings



If you know of a qualified individual interested in working Sunday mornings from 9-12 noon in our nursery, please send the referral to Amy.

If you missed the VBS photos, take a look!

<https://tinyurl.com/VBSPics22>



News from Messiah Lambs

August is here. It's time to start thinking about going back to school. Hopefully, you have enjoyed a relaxing summer. Messiah Lambs staff and students will return to their classrooms this month. Our first day of school at Lambs will be Wednesday, August 10th. This year our school theme will be Proverbs 17:17a. "A friend loves at all times." We will learn to show our love to our friends at school, at home, and near and far. What an exciting year we have ahead of us.

This year, we look forward to serving over 150 students and their families. We still have openings in a few of our classrooms as well as staff positions. If you are interested, please contact the Lambs' office (972-398-7560) as soon as possible for more information.



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There are several ways you can support our school. First and foremost, please keep our school, the staff, and the students in your prayers. Secondly, we participate in several ongoing fundraising opportunities and would love for you to join us. You can purchase gift cards to many popular restaurants, stores, and other chains from us and a percentage of your sale will be donated back to our school. Lambs also participate in the Tom Thumb Good Neighbor program, Kroger Community Rewards Program, and the Amazon Smile Program. These programs allow you to select Messiah Lambs as a partner and a portion of your purchases is donated to our school. There will also be a few other opportunities throughout the school year to help support us with our annual Basket Auction and our Butter Braid fundraisers. We appreciate your prayers and support.

Important Upcoming Dates for Messiah Lambs:

- August 7:** Lambs' Staff Commissioning (both services)
- August 8:** Parent Night Meeting 6:30 pm
- August 9:** Open House/Meet the Teacher 9:00 am
- August 10:** First day of school for the 2022-23 school year
- September 5:** No School (Labor Day)



Even though we will not be meeting during the summer, please remember to bring your stamps, your mites, and your donations to the LWML table near the Lamp Gift Shop. For the 80th Anniversary for LWML, we suggest that Messiah collect **80** pairs of socks and **80** personal care kit items for Lutheran World Relief.

The items include: one light-weight dark towel, one metal nail clipper, two bath-sized bars of soap, one sturdy comb, and one toothbrush. There is a basket on the LWML table by the Lamp Gift Shop for your donations. (Thanks to several LWML members, the 80 hats and scarves have been made!)

We appreciate and need the help of the congregation. We will shop for you if you would rather donate dollars! Have a great summer!

Mary Jane Tobaben, President



TOBY MEEKS
SPORTS/ARTS MINISTRIES

Sports and Arts Ministry

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

ILLUMINATE! **WORSHIP PRODUCTION TRAINING** August 28th—3:00pm



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: dladishew@messiahlutheran.com

Dearest Messiah Church Family

I am so thankful for your trust in me for the last five years. I came to MLC with just a small amount of ministry experience and a very limited understanding of sports. You welcomed me with open arms and helped me grow as a professional further than I knew I could.

I am so incredibly proud of our Upward Basketball program. This past season was a MASSIVE success after a few years of struggle. The team is gearing up for another season coming soon and I can't wait to see what they do.

Summer Camps will be a huge highlight for me when I think back on my time here. The bonds that our campers made and the growth of our youth workers was an inspiration for me to finish college and consider teaching.

I have striven to push the limits of what our technology can do to provide an atmosphere for the Holy Spirit to move in our worship services. Every step of faith has been met with a rising footing of support from so many of you, and for that I am extremely grateful. I know for sure that my successor, Danny Ladishew, will continue the mission of providing landing spaces for the Holy Spirit in our hearts in every service. Danny, I have pushed the creative boundaries, what we need now is your technical know-how to take it to the next step. Congratulations, I know that God has amazing plans for you.

If you like what I've done and want it to keep going, the best thing you can do is volunteer your time. Ministry doesn't happen without capable leaders and volunteers with open hearts and minds. Particularly, the production team needs volunteers to serve in the booth once a month and Upward Basketball needs coaches to serve twice a week in the winter. If you are missing me and the energy that I brought, I can promise that you will find it there.

Lastly, thank you to Dorothy Sherrod. You are a mentor, co-worker, friend, and mom. I love you dearly and I will miss you. Thank you for encouraging me to apply at Messiah five years ago. You changed my life and I am so thankful. TD

Thank you all. I promise I'll come back and sing for you from time to time.

Toby Meeks
Assistant Theatre Director
Lake Highlands High School

Hello Church Family!

I am so excited to be joining the Messiah Staff in this new position. As a long time member and someone deeply involved in the music ministries, taking on this official role is an ideal way to add my technology background and experience into what Messiah already offers the congregation each week.

I consider Toby a good friend of mine, and his training and guidance has proved to be invaluable as I prepare to take over many of the tasks he handled so very well. I cannot fill his shoes, but rather will pick up where he left off, growing and improving along the way.



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Lutheran Hymn Festival
Sunday, September 18, 2022, 4:30 PM
Dallas, TX
Meyerson Symphony Center
2301 Flora St.
Dallas, TX 75201

“O Love How Deep” is the theme for the Eleventh festival hosted by the Lutheran Hymn Festival of Dallas and featuring guest organist Kevin Hildebrand along with instrumentalists and a mass choir of children and adults from the DFW area churches.

Tickets are now on sale. \$15/\$20. Go to: <https://lutheranhymnfestival.org/tickets>

RESCHEDULED

“AMERICA’S GODLY HERITAGE”



EVERYONE IS INVITED

This event is led by Kerby Anderson, President of Probe Ministries and host of *Point of View* radio program.

The Christian faith played a major role in early America. Kerby will share his knowledge and expertise in speaking to us about how God used the Christian faith to shape our country.

When: Friday, August 26, 2022 (9:30 am – 11:30 am)

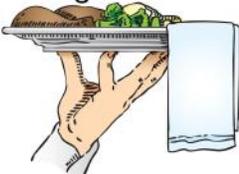
Where: The Hope Center (next door)

Cost: \$11 per person for Continental Breakfast
(Assorted muffins and pastries, fruit, coffee, juice and water)

Please Note: If you have already paid, please sign up again and note that you have already paid. If you have not signed up previously and plan to attend, please sign up, place your payment in the container on the PrimeTimers table and mark that you have paid. If you paid previously, cannot attend and would like a refund, please let me (Joan) know. Sign up and pay at the PrimeTimers Table. Registration & payment are due by Sunday, Aug. 21 (*make checks payable to Messiah – note Aug. 26 Event*)

Sponsored by our Church and the Seekers Team of Messiah’s PrimeTimers
Please contact Joan Konkel 214-762-6539 with any questions.

Dining Out Club



Apollonia’s Italian Kitchen
August 18th 7:00pm

3610 Shire Blvd Ste 108 Richardson, TX
(469) 209 0500 www.apolloniasitaliankitchen.com

Come join us for an evening of fellowship with dining and entertainment. The chef/ owner is selecting a special menu for us to choose from. There is a full bar offering wines and spirits. Ron and Rebecca Fazio will be hosting the event and can be contacted at (214) 801-7679. Look for the signup sheet at the Prime Timers Desk and in Pastor Kollmann’s Bible class on Sunday.



**Save the Date!
PrimeTimer's
Service Project**

Wednesday, October 26th

2:00-3:45 PM

**Feed My Starving Children
1680 N. Glenville Dr. Suite 300
Richardson, TX. 75081**

Please call or text Linda Maciejewski at 847-977-4320 or email at jandlvb@verizon.net to reserve your spot. Last day to register is Monday, October 24th. Dinner to follow TBD.

**San Antonio Trip
October 2022**

October 17-20, 2022.

The group will be staying at the Holiday Inn Riverwalk in San Antonio and will visit numerous San Antonio Riverwalk and surrounding area attractions. The trip will also include stops to visit the Natural Bridge Cavern, Alsatian Homes in Castroville and the historic Square in Georgetown, TX. For more information or to sign-up, visit the PrimeTimers table outside of the Gift Shop. Please contact Jim Maciejewski at (815) 245-3756 or or any of the "Roadies."



Dear Messiah Family,
Considering the summer heat wave that we are enduring, it might seem strange to read about Christmas decorating. However, the holiday decorations have been on display at Hobby Lobby for several weeks now, reminding us that Christmas is right around the corner. For the last 10-plus years I have joyfully organized and coordinated the Advent/Christmas decorating at Messiah – and have loved every minute of it, every year. But, with regret, the time has come for me to pass along this responsibility to another willing and capable leader.



Sadly, medical problems and especially mobility limitations have made it very difficult to continue, leading to my decision to step down. Planning and scheduling begins in October, so I wanted to allow plenty of time to meet with my replacement for a smooth transition. I will be able to pass along all the necessary directions, ideas, instructions, timeline and lots of pictures to make things easier for the next coordinator. I'll also be available for questions, and for helping as much as possible with anything necessary. Every year there have been many willing and creative decorators to beautify our Sanctuary, Narthex and hallways, for which I have been very thankful. Our Messiah men (under the direction of Ron Fazio) have been invaluable in setting up and taking down the trees. It's a blessing to have so many talented helpers.

Please prayerfully consider stepping forward to fill this position. I'm sorry that my physical difficulties have made this resignation necessary, but that's out of my control. I'll be looking forward to 'passing the torch' to my replacement, as soon as possible. We'll have plenty of time to meet in September to discuss the decorating plans for 2022. Please call/text me at 214-538-8554 or e-mail at joycealaux@aol.com. Blessings! Joyce Laux



Dear Messiah-Thanks to all the members of Messiah who strengthened us with prayers, cards and calls after Gordon fell and broke his hip. Special thanks to Pastor Kollmann & Vicar Lee for visits and communion. And to the LWML for the plant brought by Dorothy Rigg. No thanks would be complete without a nod to the lovely ladies, organized by Vicki Harkrider, who brought us food-Lottie Randle, Marla Johnson, Judy Plunkett, Dorothy Rigg, Kathy O'Brien, & Mary Jane Tobaben. We are blessed by you all. *Anita & Gordy Hanson*



COMFORT DOG MINISTRY AUGUST 2022

THE SUMMER IS BUSY, BUSY, BUSY-While it's vacation time for most, Team Triton keeps on working because comfort is needed all year round! Following the Uvalde deployment in May, Triton got back to work making his regular monthly visits to Phoenix House, Appletree Court, Arbor Hills, Life Care, etc. He also made a few special appearances and the big event was the National Youth Gathering in Houston. To see more of the many adventures of Triton and his team, visit his Social media pages (see information below).

August is also Triton's anniversary month. We welcomed him to Messiah on August 26, 2018 in a special ceremony. Time flies when you are serving the Lord! We are also getting ready to host our Southwest Region training in September and of course always ready for whatever opportunities the Lord opens up for us!



2022 Gloria Shields NSPA



Brookdale Memory Care



Life Care Rehab



Appletree Court

Anniversary Celebration

We just want to celebrate another year of serving!

On **August 26, 2018**, Triton officially became an LCC K-9 Comfort Dog. We will not have a meet and greet this year, but want to take the time to thank Messiah Lutheran Church for your wonderful support and praise God for the privilege to Share His Light!



2022 VBS @ Messiah



Vickery Meadows School



Triton is always all smiles at Phoenix House



National Youth Gathering in Houston



The Adult leaders need comfort too!



The Phoenix House is a facility that treats young people between the ages of 13-18 for drug and alcohol addiction. The visits we make twice a month involve meeting with small groups of clients that almost always leave us with a happy heart knowing that bringing Triton for them to love on gives them something to look forward to and brings calm and comfort. We are only there for 1 hour, but after the visits we try to ask the groups if we can pray with them, and they always emphatically answer yes! On one of our visits following the Uvalde deployment, we expressed our apologies that we had to cancel our visit since Triton and his team were sent to that community. We shared that we may have to cancel another appointment the following week as he may be going back to Uvalde. One of the young ladies stated that it was okay and that we should go there and help the people of Uvalde because they needed it more. That really touched my heart! That young lady may be struggling with addiction, but her thoughts were focused on others in need. It's moments like that when I feel so blessed to be a part of this ministry. I praise God for all that He does through the Comfort Dog ministry! Kathy Mardis

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/lcck9triton/>

As of July 24, 2022

Church Faith Budget

Given last week	\$ 34,836
Given year to date	\$ 1,429,907
Given year to date last year	\$ 1,341,381

Building Fund 2022

Given last week	\$ 1,277
Building Fund Year to Date	\$ 73,079



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

PHISHING SCAM EMAILS

Periodically, fraudulent emails are sent out posing as someone on our staff here at Messiah. We have received many calls and emails regarding the most recent “Phishing” email scam, and we want to warn you to dismiss these attempts to lure you in to giving money and/or information. It’s likely you receive these from other people and/or organizations in your address book, but we want to make sure you know that the Staff of Messiah Lutheran Church in Plano, Texas will **NEVER** send you an email wanting to discuss a discreet matter and/or request monetary assistance without explanation and especially discouraging you from contacting us. If we want to discuss something of that nature with you, we will call you and speak with you personally. Just because the email address looks like it is official and maybe even has a picture of the person, this does not make it legitimate. If you receive an email like this in the future, please be advised that most of the staff email addresses end in @messiahlutheran.com. Pastor Kollmann only has one email address, victor@messiahlutheran.com. Before you respond to anything, please call the church office at 972-398-7500 to verify the authenticity of the email. We do not want you to become a victim of this type of crime.



7 Ways to Spot Phishing Email

- Emails with bad grammar and spelling mistakes.
- Emails with an unfamiliar greeting or salutation, such as addressing you by your first and last name.
- Inconsistencies in email addresses, links & domain names.
- Suspicious attachments.
- Emails requesting login credentials, payment information or sensitive data.

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.



Thank you for supporting our School Supply Project, it's a fun service project to be part of and your generosity makes it a successful service project each year! Through your generosity we were able to donate bookbags and school supplies to the School Supply Project. If you have any questions about The School Supply Project, please contact Dawn Johnson at 972-948-8966 or dawnmj@fastmail.net.

Our Fall Service Projects Are Just Around The Corner...

Sunday school classes for the Fall are officially under way, cooler temperatures will hopefully soon arrive and one of our favorite annual outreach projects is almost here.



Fall Harvest/Thanksgiving Boxes for Meals on Wheels - Every year Social Ministries and Outreach participates in a service project benefiting local Meals on Wheels clients. Mid October through early November, we will shop for food to fill Fall Harvest/Thanksgiving boxes, which will be distributed to local Meals on Wheels clients just before Thanksgiving. This is a wonderful and touching service project we do each year that I encourage you to participate in.

Thanksgiving Bags to support Good Samaritans of Garland, Inc. - In addition to our Thanksgiving boxes for the Meals on Wheels clients in our neighborhoods, we also have an opportunity to help local families in need! Good Samaritans of Garland continues to experience growth in the number of families needing food assistance.



LOOKING AHEAD TO SEPTEMBER...



Our Community Day of Service is coming up in September. I'm looking forward to the opportunities we will have to serve our neighbors and share God's love with them. 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.



Current Food Pantry Needs

Hygiene products (Soap, shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant, etc.)

Diapers

Canned Meat and Fish

Baking Items (Oil, sugar, flour, etc.)

Single Serve Snack Items



OUR ONGOING 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.



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.

AUGUST

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 7:00 PM-Troop 198 Scout meeting	2 10:15 AM Kingdom Yoga 5:30 PM-Good Times Line Dance Lessons	3 3:15 PM True Beginners Line Dance Lessons 6:30 PM-JAM/MESH 7:00 PM-Worship Service	4 9:00 AM-Kingdom Yoga 9:45 AM- Kingdom Yoga Beginner 10:15 AM-Kingdom Chair Yoga	5	6 8:15 AM-Kingdom Yoga Intermediate 9:15 AM-Kingdom Yoga Beginner 12:00 PM-Classic Movie
7 8:30 AM-Worship Celebration 9:45 AM-Vicar Lee Ordination Ceremony 11:00 AM-Worship Celebration	8 5:00 PM-Kingdom Women Small Group 7:00 PM-Troop 198 Scout meeting	9 10:15 AM Kingdom Yoga 5:30 PM-Good Times Line Dance Lessons	10 3:15 PM True Beginners Line Dance Lessons 5:00 PM-Kingdom Women Small Group 6:30 PM-Kingdom Women Small Group 7:00 PM-Worship Service	11 9:00 AM-Kingdom Yoga 9:30 AM-Women's Bible Class 9:45 AM- Kingdom Yoga Beginner 10:15 AM-Kingdom Chair Yoga	12 5:30-Good Times Line Dance Event	13 8:00 AM-Elders Meeting 8:15 AM-Kingdom Yoga Intermediate 9:15 AM-Kingdom Yoga Beginner 4:45 PM- Wooley/Thomson Wedding Rehearsal
14 8:30 AM-Worship Celebration 9:45 AM-Adult Bible Classes/Sunday School 11:00 AM-Worship Celebration 3:00 PM- Wooley/Thomson Wedding	15 7:00 PM-Troop 198 Scout meeting	16 10:15 AM Kingdom Yoga 5:30 PM-Good Times Line Dance Lessons	17 3:15 PM True Beginners Line Dance Lessons 6:30 PM-JAM/MESH 7:00 PM-Worship Service	18 9:00 AM-Kingdom Yoga 9:45 AM- Kingdom Yoga Beginner 10:15 AM-Kingdom Chair Yoga	19	20 8:15 AM-Kingdom Yoga Intermediate 9:15 AM-Kingdom Yoga Beginner
21 8:30 AM-Worship Celebration 9:45 AM-Adult Bible Classes/Sunday School 11:00 AM-Worship Celebration	22 6:00 PM-Kingdom Women Book Club 7:00 PM-Troop 198 Scout meeting	23 10:15 AM Kingdom Yoga 5:30 PM-Good Times Line Dance Lessons	24 3:15 PM True Beginners Line Dance Lessons 6:30 PM-JAM/MESH 7:00 PM-Worship Service	25 9:00 AM-Kingdom Yoga 9:45 AM- Kingdom Yoga Beginner 10:15 AM-Kingdom Chair Yoga	26	27 8:15 AM-Kingdom Yoga Intermediate 9:15 AM-Kingdom Yoga Beginner 10:00 AM- Kingdom Women Large Group
28 8:30 AM-Worship Celebration 9:45 AM-Adult Bible Classes/Sunday School 11:00 AM-Worship Celebration	29 6:00 PM-JULIET's 7:00 PM-Troop 198 Scout meeting	30 10:15 AM Kingdom Yoga 5:30 PM-Good Times Line Dance Lessons	31 3:15 PM True Beginners Line Dance Lessons 5:00 PM-Kingdom Women Small Group 7:00 PM-Worship Service			

***Please check with the church office for room location on all events.**

AUGUST

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Cyndi Pfister	8/1	Larry Bryant	8/9	Steve Corley	8/17	Daniel Toledo	8/25
William Miller	8/1	Scott Taylor	8/9	Rylie Anderlik	8/18	Lily Krumrei	8/25
Michael Van Gundy	8/1	Aster Abraha	8/9	Duane Dieterich	8/18	Cathy Pearson	8/26
Emmitt Dunlop	8/1	Amy Hill	8/9	Lincoln Dunlop	8/18	Ashley Nelson	8/26
Alan Markus	8/2	Gabriel West	8/9	Karen Bosse	8/19	Lilly Beber	8/26
David Schroeder	8/2	Gia Athey	8/10	Heather Bahr	8/19	Maddie Guerra	8/26
Michael McGregor	8/2	Marie Taylor	8/10	Hailey Charanza	8/19	Avery Sloas	8/26
Kassi Bridwell	8/2	Rebekah Hungerford	8/10	Sandy Wilson	8/19	Christine Fick	8/27
Nathaniel Barnes	8/2	Thomas Hollcroft	8/11	Sarah McVay	8/19	Art Arnold	8/27
Charles James	8/2	Susan Strieter	8/11	Eva Dunlop	8/19	Malarie Hall	8/27
Cody Amundson	8/2	Kim Rojas	8/11	Gene Sharp	8/19	John Nation	8/27
Karen Anselme	8/2	Nancy Williams	8/11	Luke Miller	8/19	Lynae Amador	8/27
Betty Swanson	8/3	Mae Bjorkman	8/11	Susan Burnett	8/20	Cindy Hayes	8/28
Kaylee Shipp	8/3	Diana Bruning	8/11	Bill Swan	8/20	Jane Koonsman	8/28
Allen Fry	8/3	Keith Schuster	8/11	Lloyd Hoffman	8/20	Margaret Fulmer	8/28
Duane Clark	8/4	Alexis Chester	8/12	Huxton Woelfel	8/20	Ken Hoekendorf	8/28
Marlis Semans	8/4	Zoe Clark	8/12	Odie Ernest	8/20	Olivia Brown	8/28
Ashley Slaughter	8/4	Luke Gremmer	8/12	Noah Bailes	8/20	Malcolm Roberts	8/28
Tyler Luker	8/4	Stacey Hall	8/12	Carol Olsin	8/21	Benjamin Myers	8/28
Timarie Luker	8/4	Robert Corley	8/12	Nana Opoku	8/21	Virginia C. Wilson	8/28
Ken Kler	8/4	Janet Kirkland	8/13	Ashlin Smith	8/21	Meredith Smart	8/28
Jessica Reichert	8/4	Wes Greenhaw	8/13	Aubrey Bosse	8/21	Cooper Lane	8/29
Marie Tinnin	8/4	Robin Salewski	8/13	Adam McGary	8/22	Jason Heine	8/29
Josh Gunter	8/4	Mackenzie Gibson	8/14	MacKenzie Foor	8/22	Paisley Smith	8/29
Ashlynn Gomez	8/4	Mel Huse	8/14	Madeline Foor	8/22	Roger Mensching	8/29
Somer Moreno	8/4	Judy Plunkett	8/14	Debra Spears	8/23	Ryan Mensching	8/29
Wei Wei Jeang	8/5	Tim Conlin	8/14	Shannon Hofner	8/23	Julie George	8/29
Courtney Keeler	8/5	Lynn Lohmeyer	8/14	Robert Smith	8/23	Stephanie Whitney	8/29
Dan Koeneman	8/5	Samantha Cole	8/14	David Lindquist	8/23	Cy Collins	8/30
Becca Johnston	8/5	Trey Meazell	8/14	Shanna Siedelmann	8/23	Jerry Shreve	8/30
Juan Gonzales	8/6	Amy Conner	8/14	Erika Ripke	8/23	Shannon Blom	8/30
Florine Liefer	8/6	Kelvin Kohls	8/15	Andrea Sommerfeld	8/23	Keith Pace	8/30
Joshua Turner	8/6	Susan Andrews	8/15	Hope Wheeler	8/23	Ajoa Opoku	8/30
Ron Muhleisen	8/6	Cole Ellis	8/15	Mike Murphy	8/24	Christopher Dotson	8/30
Hugo Wenshau	8/6	Jenny Jarcik	8/15	Kathy Murphy	8/24	Megan Parr	8/30
Brianne Boernke	8/6	Shannon Schmidt	8/15	Mark Thomson	8/24	Wyatt Schuster	8/30
Josh Willard	8/6	Kimberly Page	8/15	Paula Bogan	8/24	Colin Lenihan	8/30
Joseph Schinnerer	8/6	Marion Collins	8/16	Sharon Naber	8/24	Hudson Sloas	8/30
Dayton Hamilton	8/6	Debera Good	8/16	Jeff Logue	8/24	Traci Dorrell	8/31
Jennifer Heaser	8/7	Nancy Arnold	8/16	Brock Pfister	8/24	Diana Sizemore	8/31
Dorothy Mahrenholz	8/7	Martha Dunlap	8/16	Stephanie Hart	8/24	Kim Maisch	8/31
Amanda DuBois	8/7	Andrew Farrington	8/16	Mia Smith	8/24	Paul Monroe	8/31
Lydia Paradowski	8/7	David Lamb	8/16	Patrick Welmer	8/24	Prashanth Chinta	8/31
Kyle LeDoux	8/7	Olivia Cavin	8/16	Renee Darko	8/24	Mitchell Fix	8/31
Jim Kesterson	8/8	Bryce Johnson	8/16	Betty Lou Amundson	8/25	Amy Scott	8/31
Sam Roberts	8/8	Ben Coleman	8/16	Peggy Schutz	8/25		
Jacque Harland	8/8	Gwindolyn Reichert	8/17	Sarah Bird	8/25		
Stella Kitaluta	8/8	Susan Kugler	8/17	Averi Scruggs	8/25		

Mike & Amy Hill	8/1/1998	Hugo & Mary Wenshau	8/11/1962	Bob & Susan Orr	8/22/1959
Ted & Pamela Hammond	8/1/1992	Morgan & Kristen Puchek	8/11/2012	Jeff & Brenda Buchwald	8/23/1980
Bill & Karin Dunn	8/2/2009	Dan & Connie Nottoli	8/12/1989	Roy & Marcia Rohloff	8/23/1972
Dan & Mandi Wheaton	8/2/2014	David & Kristy Unger	8/12/2000	David & Trisha Koslan	8/26/1969
James E. & Victoria Otte	8/5/1978	Matt & Paige Koeneman	8/12/2017	Cy & Jane Collins	8/27/1961
Mack & Kelli Paradowski	8/5/2000	James & Karen Ellis	8/13/1978	Den & Ann Hiser	8/27/1961
Peter & Mary Theriault	8/5/1967	Dave & Sandra Murcott	8/14/2010	Richard & Donna Lamson	8/27/1960
Kris & Jenny Holben	8/6/1994	John & Patricia Sweitzer	8/15/1970	David & Malissa Amundson	8/28/2004
David & Stephanie Roberts	8/6/1994	Brock & Alyssa Pfister	8/15/2014	Brandon & Bianca Kovach	8/28/1999
Jim & Judy O'Connor	8/7/1965	Dick & Paula Bogan	8/17/1974	Chris & Laura McCallan	8/28/2010
Saul & Elizabeth Stephens	8/7/2008	Graham & Tiffany Luecke	8/17/2012	John & Jane Koonsman	8/29/1952
Scott & Ashley Anderlik	8/8/2015	Gerald & Patty Luecke	8/18/1979	Gary & Shirley Weiss	8/29/1965
Jason & Chelsea Nicholson	8/9/2003	Jim & Carolyn Martinez	8/18/1978	Rob & Diann Lovgren	8/29/1970
Frederick & Ann Strieter	8/10/1957	Ed & Connie Gray	8/18/1984	Glenn & Mary Cudly	8/30/1969
Daniel & Anna Otten	8/10/2013	Richard & Nancy Montgomery	8/19/1972	Josh & Linda Roberge	8/31/2002
Gary & Lesley Lamb	8/10/1968	Mike & Katherine Wolfe	8/20/1983	Darryl & Ashley Nelson	8/31/1996
Mark & Cathie Thomson	8/11/1984	Larry & Ken Lynn Trimpe	8/21/1960		
Bill & Mary Pletch	8/11/2006	Dale & Michele Haugen	8/21/2004		

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

Worship Opportunities in AUGUST

- 3rd- Wednesday Traditional Worship Celebration-Holy Communion-7:00 PM
- 7th- Worship Celebration-Vicar Lee Ordination (9:45 AM)
- 10th- Wednesday Traditional Worship Celebration-Holy Communion-7:00 PM
- 14th- Worship Celebration-Holy Communion
- 17th- Wednesday Traditional Worship Celebration-Holy Communion-7:00 PM
- 21st- Worship Celebration
- 24th- Wednesday Traditional Worship Celebration-Holy Communion-7:00 PM
- 28th- Worship Celebration-Holy Communion
- 31st- Wednesday Traditional Worship Celebration-Holy Communion-7:00 PM