

Messiah Lutheran Church Information Guide

Sunday, April 21, 2024

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>God's Plan of Salvation</i>	E110S Conf. Rm.
The Upper Room	Gina Lehrmann	"God's Word For Anxious Days" 1 & 2 Peter	E215S
Focus	Steve Sokolyk	1, 2, 3 John	E237N
Growing Marriages in Christ (GMC)	Monica Pritchett	<i>The Book of Amos</i>	E233N
Mosaics	Karrie Looney	God's Influence on Daily Life	E220S
Young Adults/ College & Career	Grant Simmons, Kevin Warneke, Suzanne Wilson	Various Topics	E247N
Meet Messiah	Joan & Randy Konkel	Campus Tours	Guest Desk

GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION--A book by book study through the entire Bible.

THE UPPER ROOM—is a lively, discussion-based class. Thoughts, ideas, and wisdom are shared each week. *We are very pleased to share The Upper Room Bible Study via Podcast. Subscribe today at: messiahlutheranpodcast.com/subscribe*

FOCUS—is a small group that goes through the Bible, one book, one chapter, one verse at a time. Our mission is to lead a comprehensive understanding of the Word of God.

GMC- Growing Marriages in Christ - is a Bible study and fellowship group for married couples. Most participants have high school, college age, or young adult children. Study leaders and topics vary throughout the year.

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.

YOUNG ADULTS-This is a class for adults in college or in the work force, ages 18-29.

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

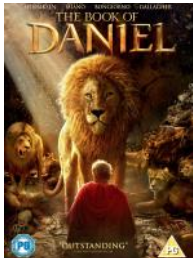
Class/Grade	Room	Teachers
2 year olds	E111S	Riley Conlin, Mary Hooper
3 & 4 years	E113S	Sandra Murcott, Noelle Napier, Roxanne Redman
Group opening for Preschool	E116S	Melinda Kellerman, Ellen Thorne
Group opening for Elementary	E243N	Courtney Hamit, Alexis Maldonado
Kindergarten	E245N	Amanda Wheaton, Brooke Moncrief
First/Second Grade	E216S	Dylan Dunlop, Michelle Nelson
Third/Fourth Grade	E218S	Jessica & Sean Gremmer
Fifth & Sixth Grade	E244N	Michael Neumann, Johnathan Maldonado, & Josh Hamit
Seventh Grade Confirmation	E242N	Pastor Matt Lee, Johnathan Maldonado
Eighth Grade	E246N	Barb Coen, Tim Napier
Ninth-Twelfth Grade	Youth Rm.	Autumn Knoernschild, Gerald Luecke, Jodi Sorenson, Ginny Wilson, Chris DuBois

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 Job.

PASTOR KOLLMANN'S WEDNESDAY MEN'S LUNCH AND BIBLE STUDY-You are invited to join this weekly study on Wednesdays as they study the book of Acts. This class meets at 12:00 PM in the Conference room.



THURSDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY-ROOM E220S NEW 6-week Study begins on Thursday, April 18th

on the first chapters in the book of Daniel.
There is no cost for this study. Materials will be provided for you.
For more information or if you have questions contact Karrie Looney, karrie.looney@yahoo.com or Ellen Thorne, eet75002@gmail.com.

JOYFUL BIBLE STUDY



JOYFUL! (Join Other Young Families Uplifting the Lord) Bible Study group for families with young children. We meet TODAY from 3:30-5:00pm in Room E220S. 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.

Fellowship Opportunities/Announcements

JOIN US AT
**Painting
with a Twist**
FRIDAY MAY 17TH
7PM-9PM



Painting with a Twist
1713 Preston Rd., #B

Come join us for a fun evening of painting. The cost is \$39. You must register and pay using the link provided prior to the event. You may bring your own food and drink all painting materials will be provided <https://www.paintingwithatwist.com/studio/plano/event/3691145/>

KINGDOM WOMEN BOOK CLUB

Monday, May 13th, 6:00pm in the Youth Room

We are meeting to discuss “The Little Liar” by Mitch Albom

An instant *New York Times Bestseller*-Beloved bestselling author Mitch Albom returns with a powerful novel of hope and forgiveness that moves from a coastal Greek city during WWII to America in the golden age of Hollywood, as the intertwined lives of three young survivors are forever changed by the perils of deception and the grace of redemption.

Questions? Contact Leann Moore,
leann.dietze@gmail.com or Ellen Thorne.

SAVE THE DATE

6/7—Pete’s Dueling Piano Bar
6/22—Volunteering at Hope’s Door

JULIETs

Just Us Ladies Into Eating Together

JULIETs Dining Out for April
(all women invited)

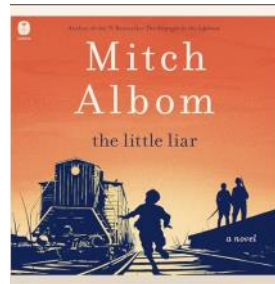
Monday, April 15th, 6:15pm

at Spring Creek BBQ

270 N Central Expy, Richardson, TX 75080
www.springcreekbarbecue.com/richardson

Sign up by e-mailing

kingdomwomen@messiahlutheran.com



**CHECK OUT THE FULL KINGDOM WOMEN
CALENDAR HERE**

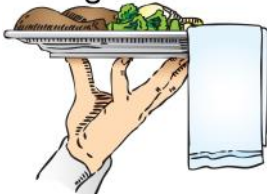




SAVE THE DATE:
May the Fourth Be With You
Star Wars Movie Event for all ages
on Saturday, May 4th at Noon
in the 2nd Floor Multi-Purpose Room.

We'll watch a couple movies and have other entertaining activities to do throughout the event.
Sign-up by e-mailing Ellen Thorne, eet75002@gmail.com

Dining Out Club



April Dining Out

Great Wall Buffet
901 W Plano Pkwy, Plano
April 18th @6:30
Hosted by Dorothy Rigg
Contact information: 214 435 9134 or dotrigg@yahoo.com
10% discount if over 65 yrs of age!!
You can order from menu or use the buffet.



Messiah's Men's Ministry **Saturday, April 27th**

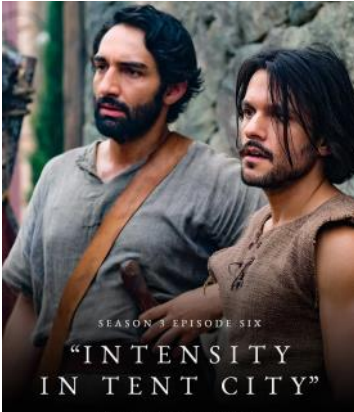
Men, come and join us for the Men's Ministry Bible study April 27th. Messiah's Men continue their reading of Max Lucado's devotional, "God is with you everyday" plus the group will share what spoke to them in the daily readings.

Tim Napier will continue the study on biblical insights on "being a Godly man and leading your home" with Chris

Dubois leading a scriptural study on the subject of "Apologetics." There will be time set aside to share and discuss as a group from both discussions. We continue to meet in the large classroom on the 1st floor at the church, 8:00AM-9:30AM. We welcome all men to come and join us. Contact Tim Napier @ reaper308@me.com or Jerry Baedke @

THE CHOSEN WATCH PARTIES NOW FOR EVERYONE—MEN & WOMEN

Saturday, April 27th, at 10am
in the 2nd Floor Multi-Purpose Room.



We will watch episode 6 of Season 3 of The Chosen! “Intensity in Tent City.” This Episode Andrew and Philip discover their previous mission resulted in devastation that will require a return. Simon Z is finally forced to confront his past, but then two disciples of John the Baptist come to Capernaum with an important question for Jesus.

Our Cabana Boys will serve lunch following the study.

SEASON FOUR WATCH PARTY-WEDNESDAYS

(No live-stream date set at this time; ONLY churches have been given permission to share it)

One episode shown on Wednesdays from April 24th-June 12th, 5:30pm. Bring your own food & drink and join us in the 2nd Floor Multi-Purpose Room.

RSVP to eet75002@gmail.com for both events.





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972-398-7524, office
KidMin Assistant Melinda Kellerman,
KidMin@messiahlutheran.com
972-398-7596, office

- * **TODAY:** Sunday School Openings at 9:45am :
 - ♥ Preschool (2s, 3s, & 4s) - Lambs Music Room 133N
 - ♥ Elementary (K-4th) - Upstairs 243N



LOOKING FOR FAMILY MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES?
Scan and see what's happening here at Messiah!



Teacher Appreciation Sunday - SAVE THE DATE! On May 5th, we will be celebrating our AMAZING Sunday School Teachers!



LET'S START THE PARTY- Vacation Bible School – Jesus gives us the most amazing reason to party! That's why we KNOW the Gospel of Jesus is the best news ever. Let's celebrate the good news of Jesus and be party starters! Volunteer registration is ALSO open. We have over 60 Volunteers currently signed up and need 125! You can scan the SAME CODE to volunteer!

Volunteer Training Dates:

- + Youth - May 5th
- + PreK Focused - June 9th
- + Elem. Focused - June 19th



YOU always show **ME** the path that leads to **LIFE**.
YOU will fill me with **JOY** when I am with **YOU!** Acts 2:28

YOUTH MINISTRY



social media



@MYM_PLANO

Engage, Equip, Enjoy, and Share!

Our purpose is to **ENGAGE** our community's youth in a relationship with God, **EQUIP** them to grow in their faith, and to **ENJOY** and **SHARE** God's love.

Contact Jodi Sorenson:

YouthMin@messiahlutheran.com

214-649-4720 mobile

In the Youth Room

Next Sunday we are back to a regular Sunday School schedule, 9:45 AM.

April 21st—Dining Out MESH, Must RSVP

April 24th—JAM, Middle School, 6:00—7:30 PM

April 28th—JAM on Sunday! 5:00-7:00 PM



Important Confirmation/Discipleship Dates

All packets have been mailed for camp. Please contact Jodi if you did not receive yours.

April 21st—5th Grade Meeting

April 28th—6th Grade Meeting

May 5th—7th Grade Meeting (#2)

May 5-12th—Care Packages Due

May 26th—Camp Blessing, both services

May 27th—30th-



TODAY

June 1st—Confirmand Rehearsal and Brunch

June 2nd



Confirmation
Sunday
11:00 AM Service

Young Adults—College and Career



@MLC_YOUNGADULTS

Next Sunday is a regular schedule with Bible Study at 9:45 AM.

April 21st — 12:00 PM Good Union Urban BBQ, 1150 State St, Richardson, TX 75082

Join us for our monthly lunch aka Seat at the Table RSVP your spot on

Realm or email YouthMin@messiahlutheran.com so we know to save your **Seat at the Table!**

Reach out to Ginny Wilson, 214-728-4901, Joseph Schinnerer 682-667-8806, or Jodi Sorenson, 214-649-4720 to be added to the group text. Don't miss out!

Youth Ministry Needs

Sunday School is growing! We need 3 adults in each classroom. We are preparing the 2024-25 school year. 5th-6th Grade Teacher and Helper...Need 1 more!!! High School Sunday morning Bible Study—Mentor



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. These are wonderful organizations that are equipped to deal with the long-term needs of struggling individuals.

Thank
you

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.

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK - APRIL 16TH – APRIL 23RD

April is volunteer month! Below is a list of our local community centers. Information regarding needs, supplies and volunteer opportunities will be available. I also encourage you to ask about taking a tour. It is a great way to understand their needs and see the impact they make in our communities.



- Allen Community Outreach – 801 East Main Street, Allen, TX. 75002-3116
- Assistance Center of Collin County – 900 E. 18th Street, Plano, TX. 75074
- Good Samaritans of Garland, Inc. – 214 North 12th Street, Garland, TX. 75040
- Network of Community Ministries – 1500 International Parkway, Richardson TX 75081

JUST AROUND THE CORNER STARTING

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG! 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.

<http://www.plansforyou.com/BabyBottleBoomerang.aspx>





The School Supply Project

A Community Service

THE SCHOOL SUPPLY PROJECT! Our school supply drive is a fun and successful project. Summer will be starting soon and families will be shopping school supplies midway into summer! Messiah will be ready to help with our "School Bus List". Look for upcoming details. I'm looking forward to this year's collection drive.

The School Supply Project is committed to the belief that a positive self-image is essential to the learning experience of the well-educated child. To enhance the self-image, we will provide school supplies to the disadvantaged students in the Plano Independent School District. Through contributions of money and donations-in-kind from Resurrection Lutheran Church and other churches, the business community, school groups, and individuals, we will distribute these supplies to children identified as "in need" by social service agencies and school officials. <http://theschoolsupplyproject.org/index.html>



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 or 972-948-8966. 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, contact Dawn at the above email or phone contacts.



The last LWML meeting until September is on **Wednesday, May 8, at 11 a.m.** in the Reception Room. Please bring your mites, your card fronts, and something to share for our luncheon. All Messiah ladies are invited.

Mary Jane Tobaben, President

Pray for One Another This Week

Shirley Nelson, wife. Prayers for healing from foot surgery. Ed Nelson

Praying for healing and recovery for dad. Thankfully, he made it home from hospital in time for his birthday. Matt Sweitzer

Prayers for relief from back pain. Gail Reiman

Praise God for the blessings we have received, especially our children and grandchildren. We pray for awareness of our work as God's grace and mercy to other people. Richard and Kathy Edwards

Karen, caregiver to my dad. Thank you, God, for the blessing and to Karen to help care for my dad. Barbara McCoy

Prayers for Alan, who just buried his wife, and for our daughter, Katie, suffering with optic nerve swelling. John and Kathleen Reitzel

Lindsey, niece. Prayers for healing and recovery from serious injuries to her cheekbone and spine due to a fall. Dan and Kathy Koeneman

Prayers for healing as I will be having knee replacement surgery on Wednesday, April 24. Cathy Winkler

Marilyn Hamilton, sister. She has been diagnosed with early-stage dementia. Steve and Marti Matz

Joyce Booth, friend. Prayers that the chemo treatments she is going through do not make her so sick. Darlene Buch

John and Margaret Lehmann, brother, and sister-in-law. Thanksgiving for God's blessings. Robert and Linda Moore

Israel - Pray for Israel. Jerry and Jane Baedke

Thank you, Lord, we had a successful LWML event on Saturday. Dorothy Rigg

Ken Kler, husband. Ken is cancer free. Thank you all for your prayers. Paula and Ken Kler

Richard, brother. Prayers for peace. Ray, friend. Pray for healing. Gwen Workman

Prayers for healing. Laurie Liefer

James, initial cancer diagnosis. Additional test to determine the extent. James and Karen Canterbury

Don Rucker, friend. Please pray for healing, cancer. Rick and Nancy Montgomery

Hope Wheeler, friend. Prayer of thanksgiving for Hope's successful surgery and continued healing. God is so good. Paul and Vada Nelson

Young adults in this world. May God send the Holy Spirit in young men and women's lives to choose good over evil and spread the Great News of Jesus' Resurrection, knowing they are not alone. Connie Nottoli

RECOVERY: For Healing-Bonnie Dietze, Tony Fontana, Anita Hanson, Sharon Hutchison, Bear Hutchinson, David Janowski, Ken Kler, Bob Larson, Carol Meister, Ruth Murphy, Beverly Pfalzgraff, Danielle Sizemore, Ann & Fred Strieter, Linda Thompson, and Joy Rae ZumMallen. Ron Fazio-knee, Deanna Haufler & Evelyn Schultz-back, Daloris Emeritz, Ron Thompson & Lilla Vessey-hip, Shirley Nelson-foot.

SHUT-INS: Barbara Albert, Carol Avellanet, Jane Collins, John Devine, George Feichtinger, Ellie Fitzpatrick, Lana Fridge, Barbara Gable, Kathleen Haarberg, Bev & Jim Hickerson, Mel Johnson, Jane and John Koonsman, Marty Krueger, Carol Mattil, Carol Meister, Rose Nichols, Jim O'Connor, Ted Pospisil, Roy Rohloff, Marilyn Schwarz, Tom & Sharon Stuart, Gary Schutza, Ruby Stoppenhagen, Lois Supple, Brenda Switzer, Larry & Ken Lynn Trimpe, Ron Ward, and Agnes Watson.

Superimposed love



Maybe you've heard how salvation is like a total solar eclipse: God doesn't see our sins because Jesus' holiness covers them completely. Or maybe you've heard how trials can cause an "eclipse of faith."

At WorldChallenge.org, Pastor Gary Wilkerson explains that in Greek, *eclipse* means "I am absent" or "I cease to exist," because people once thought the gods temporarily extinguished the sun. "For Christians, a 'spiritual eclipse' is a dark hour when God seems to be absent from our lives," Wilkerson writes.

Wilkerson points to Peter being sifted like wheat, Elijah and Jeremiah facing extreme discouragement, and David collapsing morally. Amid Satan's attacks, "God seems completely absent," writes the pastor. "In that dark moment of eclipse, the devil has created such chaos we can't possibly see a way out." During times of testing, Christians must cry out to God and trust his faithfulness.

Completing the eclipse analogy, Wilkerson shares Titus 3:4, the "love of God our Savior appeared" (NIV). The Greek meaning of *appeared* here is *superimposed*, he writes. God looks on our fraught-filled times of eclipse and "superimposes his divine love over us."

Together in the Lord This Week

SUNDAY

Worship Service

Bible Class/Sunday School

Worship Service

5th Grade Confirmation meeting

JOYFUL Bible Study

MESH

8:30 AM

9:45 AM

11:00 AM

12:00 PM

3:30 PM

5:30 PM

WEDNESDAY

Men's Bible Class

The Chosen Watch Party

Kingdom Women Small Group

JAM

Worship Service

Sanctuary Orchestra

12:00 PM

5:30 PM

6:30 PM

6:30 PM

7:00 PM

7:00 PM

MONDAY

True Beginners Line Dance Class

Love on the Line Dance Class

Scout Groups

4:00 PM

5:00 PM

7:00 PM

THURSDAY

Women's Bible Class

Faithful Investment Club

9:30 AM

7:00 PM

TUESDAY

Women's Bible Class

Good Times Line Dancing

Joyful Ringers

Sanctuary Choir

9:30 AM

5:00 PM

6:00 PM

7:00 PM

SATURDAY

Men's Ministry

Kingdom Women

8:00 AM

10:00 AM

NEXT SUNDAY

Worship Service

Bible Class/Sunday School

Worship Service

6th Grade Confirmation meeting

MESH

8:30 AM

9:45 AM

11:00 AM

12:00 PM

5:30 PM

