

Messiah Lutheran Church

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October 14th, 2018 21st Sunday after Pentecost

The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgement, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.

www.messiahlutheranmgm.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- VISITORS-** Please introduce yourself and sign our Guest Book in the hallway. We hope you will return to worship with us. If you would like information about membership, please call the office at 277-4213.
- WELCOME TO OUR LORD'S TABLE** all who are baptized children of God. As Lutherans we teach and believe that Christ is truly physically and spiritually present under the forms of bread and wine; they are his body and blood. Small children and infants are welcome to commune if they have received "first communion instruction," and should be assisted by their parents. Children who are not yet communing and those who are not baptized are invited to come forward for a blessing. When we are using trays with individual glasses, for those who do not prefer wine, the glasses in the center circle of the trays are filled with grape juice; or you may choose the chalice. Those unable to partake of wine or wheat bread are assured that the fullness of our Lord is received in either of the elements. After communing, please return to your seat for silent prayer.
- ALTAR FLOWER SIGN-UP CHART** is hanging on the narthex bulletin board. If you would like to sponsor altar flowers, place your name on the date(s) of your choice, and a brief note for what commemoration the flowers are given. We can have up to three sponsors each Sunday. Sponsors will be billed from Ricky Craig at a cost of \$45 per arrangement. You may also provide your own flowers, however they should be on par with the quality of arrangements normally used. Remember to take them home following the 10:45 service to enjoy or share with a friend (or drop by church during the week between 9am-1pm to pick them up). Please return the container to the church.
- The altar flowers for today are given: In memory of Steve and Liz Wright's parents, The Wrights and The Elliotts.
- We will be collecting the following items for the Friendship Mission Men's Shelter: soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, hand wipes, small hand sanitizer.
- Today's Anthem:** "Total Praise" by Richard Smallwood, arranged by: Dave Williamson. Sung by the Adult Choir.

LORD, IN YOUR MERCY, HEAR OUR PRAYERS

*** New Information**

Jacoby Feazell.....4yr old,..... Respiratory infection.....Son of Mrs Jackson, Chuck's coworker
*Gary Davis Entered the Church Triumphant 10/01/18
Tina Ruffa Having a Mastectomy November 2nd
Hannah Chase (age 9) bone marrow transplant (friend of Kathryn Willoughby)
Adriane Duvall pending surgery in November & medical issues(Kathryn Willoughby's daughter)
Pastor Jill Henning aggressive breast cancer (friend of Pastor and Doris Underwood)

Please include the names listed in your prayers at home during the following weeks. To add or update someone to the prayer chain, call the church office. We will routinely remove your prayer request from this list after 2-3 weeks, depending on the circumstances. If the need arises, please call the church office to have them returned to the list.

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS

5:30 pm RSVP Meal \$5 per plate (under 5, free; ages 5-12, \$3)
6:15 pm Worship
7:00 pm Choir Practice
7:00 pm Catechism

The Wednesday night service is cancelled on October 17, Please **RSVP** or cancel before Tuesday noon. You can make reservations by contacting the church office (call 277-4213, e-mail mlcoffice@messiahlutheranmgm.org) or place your name on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the hall outside the office. You may also make reservations on the website at www.messiahlutheranmgm.org.

Remember Our Senior Friends in Retirement Homes, Assisted Living, Nursing Homes, or Semi-Shut-ins at Home

Jim Lincoln 1555 Taylor Rd B8, Montgomery, AL 36117
Pastor Robert Graetz 1558 Dunbar St., Montgomery, AL 36106
Judy Forks 390 Aquil Lane, Pike Road, AL 36064-5002
Signe Nelson 5801 Eastdale Dr., #106, Montgomery, AL 36117
Jane Stambaugh 9819 Mid Pines Court, Montgomery, AL 36117
Katherine Yaworski Pine Needle Place, 600 Glendale Ave., Greenville, AL 36037

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Worship Attendance on 9/30/18 8:00 am**21** 10:45 am**75**
Contributions to Financial Expense Plan on 10/07/18 \$5,207.00
Fiscal Year Contributions thru 9/30/18 \$72,327.00
Fiscal **Y-T-D** Financial Expense Plan Goal \$84,922.40
Above/(Below) **Y-T-D** FEP Goal as of 9/30/18 (**7,388.40**)
*Fiscal Year 2019 FEP Goal \$232,419

Worship Assistant Schedule			
		October 14th	October 21st
Altar		LuAnn Marz	Diane Davis
Communion Assistant	8:00 am	Diane Davis & Tina Ruffa	Kathryn Willoughby
	10:45 am		Lisa Petry & Iola Williams
Crucifer	10:45 am	TBD	Jamie McCune
Greeters	8:00 am	Alice McMullan	Paul Morton
	10:45 am		Judy McCune
Lay Assistant	8:00 am	Steve Wright	Gene Klocke
	10:45 am		Kay Owens
Lector	8:00 am	Jamie McCune	Patt Riggins
	10:45 am		Ricky Craig
Ushers	8:00 am	Tina Ruffa & Katrina Matzer	Steve Wright
	10:45 am		Diane Davis & Tina Ruffa

Schedule for Week of October 14th			Schedule for Week of October 21st		
SUN: 10/14	10:00 am 11:00 am	Worship w/ Eucharist Potluck	SUN: 10/21	8:00 am 9:00 am 10-10:45 am	Worship w/ Eucharist Sunday School Fellowship
MON: 10/15	4:30 pm	Women of Ref.Gold	MON: 10/22	6:00 pm	Pinks & Pearls
TUE: 10/16	9:00 am 6:30 pm	Quilters Council Meeting	TUE: 10/23	9:00 am	Quilters
WED: 10/17	9:00 am 7:00 pm	Quilters Choir Practice	WED: 10/24	9:00 am 5:30 pm 6:15 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Quilters Supper Worship w/ Eucharist Catechism Choir Practice
THU: 10/18	7:00 pm	Handbell Practice	THU: 10/25	7:00 pm	Handbell Practice
SAT: 10/20	9:00 am 1:00 pm	Yarnover Girl Scouts	Fri: 10/26	9:00am	Art Club Drop-In
			SAT: 10/27	9:00 am	Yarnovers