

Messiah Lutheran Church

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October 21st, 2018 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Today's gospel starts with disciples obsessing over who's number one, which leads Jesus to say something about God's take on importance and power. Here Jesus makes it explicit that the reversal of values in God's community is a direct challenge to the values of the dominant culture, where wielding power over others is what makes you great. When we pray "your kingdom come" we are praying for and end to tyranny and oppression. We pray this gathered around the cross, a sign of great shame transformed to be the sign of great honor and service.

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: By the Hollands, In memory of Ed Hollands birthday

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:** "Lord Whose Love in Humble Service" by: Albert F. Bayly. sung by: The Adult Choir.

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LORD, IN YOUR MERCY, HEAR OUR PRAYERS

* New Information

Jacoby Fezell.....4yr old..... Respiratory infection.....Son of Mrs Jackson, Chuck's coworker
*Mr. Johnny Nelson.....Intestinal Blockage
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 meal is sponsored by The Mary's and Martha's. The menu: Roast pork, mashed potatoes green beans, salad, and dessert. 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 10/14/18 **10:00 am**.....129
Contributions to Financial Expense Plan on 10/14/18 \$2,611.00
Fiscal Year Contributions thru 10/14/18 \$77,549.00
Fiscal **Y-T-D** Financial Expense Plan Goal \$93,861.60
Above/(Below) **Y-T-D** FEP Goal as of 9/30/18 **(\$16,312.60)**
*Fiscal Year 2019 FEP Goal \$232,419

Worship Assistant Schedule

		October 21st	October 28 th Reformation
Altar		Diane Davis	Peg Walker
Communion Assistant	8:00 am	Kathryn Willoughby	Doris Underwood
	10:45 am	Lisa Petry & Iola Williams	Elizabeth Strickland & Judy McCune
Crucifer	10:45 am	Jamie McCune	Josie Severance
Greeters	8:00 am	Paul Morton	Lillie Bivins
	10:45 am	Judy McCune	Charline Struve
Lay Assistant	8:00 am	Gene Klocke	Paul Morton
	10:45 am	Kay Owens	Kay Owens
Lector	8:00 am	Patt Riggins	Chris Sellers
	10:45 am	Ricky Craig	Jamie McCune
Ushers	8:00 am	Steve Wright	Jim Willoughby
	10:45 am	Diane Davis & Tina Ruffa	Iola Williams & Melissa Hataway

Schedule for Week of October 21st			Schedule for Week of October 28th		
SUN:	8:00 am	Worship w/ Eucharist	SUN:	8:00 am	Worship w/ Eucharist
	9:00 am	Sunday School		9:00 am	Sunday School
10/21	10-10:45 am	Fellowship	10/ 28	10-10:45 am	Fellowship
	10:45 am	Worship w/ Eucharist		10:45 am	Worship w/ Eucharist
MON:			MON:		
10/22			10/29		
TUE:	9:00 am	Quilters	TUE:	9:00 am	Quilters
10/23			10/30		
WED:	9:00 am	Quilters	WED:	9:00 am	Quilters
10/24	5:30 pm	Supper	10/31	5:30 pm	Supper
	6:15 pm	Worship w/ Eucharist		6:15 pm	Worship w/ Eucharist
	7:00 pm	Catechism		7:00 pm	Catechism
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice		7:00 pm	Choir Practice
THU:			THU:	9:30 am	Mary's and Martha's
10/25	7:00 pm	Handbell Practice	11/01	7:00 pm	Handbell Practice
Fri:	9:00 am	Art Club Drop-in	Fri:		
10/26			11/02		
SAT:	9:00 am	Yarnovers	SAT:	9:00 am	Yarnovers
10/27			11/03	1:00 pm	Girl Scouts