

# Messiah Lutheran Church

in the Southeastern Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA)

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### **November 4th, 2018 24th Sunday after Pentecost All Saint's Day**

Jesus states the core of God's law: love God with all you are and have, and love your neighbor as yourself. The scribe agrees that Jesus has rightly identified the most important commandments, much more important than sacrifices. It's easy for us to say with the writer of the letter to the Hebrews that sacrifices aren't needed anymore; harder, though, to acknowledge that all our worship, all our community service, all our social action, all our family care giving is worthless if it is done without love.

[www.messiahlutheranmgm.org](http://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: Peg Walker

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:** "Sing with all the Saints in Glory" by: William J. Irons and William Bradley Roberts. Sung by: The Adult Choir.

## LORD, IN YOUR MERCY, HEAR OUR PRAYERS

### \* New Information

Tina Ruffa ..... Having a Mastectomy November 2<sup>nd</sup>  
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 Wednesday Task Team The menu: Taco Salad with fixings 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](mailto: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](http://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 10/28/18 8:00 am .....22 10:45.....40  
Contributions to Financial Expense Plan on 10/21/18 ..... \$28,810.00  
Fiscal Year Contributions thru 10/28/18 ..... \$81,235.00  
Fiscal **Y-T-D** Financial Expense Plan Goal ..... \$102,800.80  
Above/(Below) **Y-T-D** FEP Goal as of 9/30/18 ..... **(\$18,755.80)**  
\*Fiscal Year 2019 FEP Goal ..... \$232,419

Worship Assistant Schedule			
		November 4 <sup>th</sup> All Saints	November 11 <sup>th</sup> One Service
Altar		Ricky Craig	Lu Ann Marz
Communion Assistant	8:00 am	Rhonda & Paul Morton	Iola Williams & Judy McCune
	10:45 am	Judy McCune & Jaehee Ashely	
Crucifer	10:45 am	Jamie McCune	<b>TBD</b>
Greeters	8:00 am	Paul Morton	Phyllis Klocke & Alice McMullan
	10:45 am	Charline Struve	
Lay Assistant	8:00 am	Doris Underwood	Steve Wright
	10:45 am	Kay Owens	
Lector	8:00 am	Steve Wright	Doris Underwood
	10:45 am	Jaehee Ashley	
Ushers	8:00 am	Jim Willoughby	Elizabeth & Adam Strickland
	10:45 am	Diane Davis & Melissa Hataway	

Schedule for Week of November 4th			Schedule for Week of November 11th		
<b>SUN:</b>	8:00 am	Worship w/ Eucharist	<b>SUN:</b>	10:00am	Worship w/Eucharist
	9:00 am	Reception for Pastor and Mrs. Strong	11/11		Installation of Pastor Strong
11/04	10:45 am	Worship w/ Eucharist		11:00 am	Potluck
<b>MON:</b>			<b>MON:</b>		<b>Office Closed Veterans Day</b>
11/05	6:00pm	Pinks&Pearls	11/12		
	7:00pm	Handbell Practice			
<b>TUE:</b>	9:00 am	Quilters	<b>TUE:</b>	9:00 am	Quilters
11/06	11:30am	Loose Ladies	11/13		
		<b>Election Day</b>			
<b>WED:</b>	9:00 am	Quilters	<b>WED:</b>	9:00 am	Quilters
11/07	5:30 pm	Supper	11/14	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
<b>THU:</b>			<b>THU:</b>		
11/08			11/15	6:30pm	Council Meeting
<b>Fri:</b>					
11/09	6:00pm	Pinks & Pearls	<b>Fri:</b>		
<b>SAT:</b>			11/16		
11/10	9:00 am	Art Club			
			<b>SAT:</b>	9:00 am	Yarnovers
			11/17	1:00pm	Girl Scouts