

Messiah Lutheran Church

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July 1, 2018 - 6th Sunday after Pentecost

A woman finds healing by touching Jesus' cloak, and a girl is restored to life when he takes her by the hand. In both cases a boundary is crossed: in Jesus' time the hemorrhaging woman was considered ritually unclean, polluting others by her touch, and anyone who touched a corpse also became unclean. In Mark's gospel Jesus breaks down barriers, from his first meal at a tax collector's house to his last breath on the cross as the temple curtain is torn in two. We dare to touch Jesus in our "uncleanness" and to live as a community that defines no one as an outsider.

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.
- ALTAR FLOWERS** -Today's altar flowers are sponsored by Gary & Diane Davis in celebration of their wedding anniversary.
- Today's anthem is "Sweet Hour of Prayer" by W.W. Walford and William B. Bradbury. Performed by Lily Strickland on the piano.

LORD, IN YOUR MERCY, HEAR OUR PRAYERS

*** New Information**

- *Cathy Eisen Family upon her passing (friend of Steve & Liz Wright)
- *AJ Morgan & Ashley Stubbs car accident (Chuck Wray's co-worker's family)
- *Katrina Matzer surgery on 6/29 to biopsy nodules on lungs
- *Nancy Brunson Family upon her passing (friend and coworker of Doris Underwood)
- Walter Matzer complications after knee surgery (Katrina Matzer & Tina Ruffa's brother)
- Marge Melvin undergoing chemo treatments (Kathryn Willoughby's son's mother-in-law)
- 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.

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 6/24/18 8:00 am **29** 10:45 am **42**
 Contributions to Financial Expense Plan on 6/24/18 \$2,748
Fiscal Year Contributions thru 6/24/18 \$17,574
 Fiscal **Y-T-D** Financial Expense Plan Goal \$17,878
 Above/(Below) **Y-T-D** FEP Goal as of 6/24/18 **(\$304)**
 *Fiscal Year 2019 FEP Goal \$232,419

Dear Saints of Messiah,

Thank you so much for praying for my friend and co-worker, Nancy Brunson. Nancy has now entered the Church Triumphant. She knew she was on our prayer list and she appreciated it very much. Thanks again for joining me in prayer for her.

Doris Underwood

Worship Assistant Schedule

		July 1st	July 8th
Altar		LuAnn Marz	Peg Walker
Communion Assistant	8:00 am	Jeff Bohman	Rhonda Morton
	10:45 am	Ricky Craig & Elizabeth Strickland	Dave & LuAnn Marz
Crucifer	10:45 am	Abbie Strickland	
Greeter	8:00 am	Felton Bivins	Phyllis Klocke
	10:45 am	Alice McMullan	Keri Broughton
Lay Assistant	8:00 am	Steve Wright	Gene Klocke
	10:45 am	Duane Brookhart	Duane Brookhart
Lector	8:00 am	Chris Sellers	Steve Wright
	10:45 am	Duane Brookhart	Jaehee Ashley
Ushers	8:00 am	Jim Willoughby	Champ Street
	10:45 am	Adam & Elizabeth Strickland	Judy McCune & Jaehee Ashley

Schedule for Week of July 1st

SUN: 8:00 am Worship w/ Eucharist
 7/1 9:00 am July Birthday Celebration
 9:15 am Adult Sunday School
 10:45 am Worship w/ Eucharist

MON: 6:00 pm Pinks & Pearls
 7/2

TUE: 9:00 am Quilters
 7/3

WED: Church Office Closed
 7/4 9:00 am Quilters

FRI: 6:00 pm Pinks & Pearls
 7/6

SAT: 9:00 pm Yarnovers
 7/7

Schedule for Week of July 8th

SUN: 8:00 am Worship w/ Eucharist
 7/8 9:00 am Refreshments
 9:15 am Adult Sunday School
 10:45 am Worship w/ Eucharist

MON: 6:00 pm Pinks & Pearls
 7/9

TUE: 9:00 am Quilters
 7/10 11:30 am Loose Ladies Lunch at Jan's Beach House Grill

WED: 9:00 am Quilters
 7/11

FRI: 6:00 pm Pinks & Pearls
 7/13

SAT: 9:00 pm Art Club
 7/14