

# Messiah Lutheran Church

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

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**July 29, 2018 - 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Today is the first of five Sundays with gospel readings from John 6, the first four of which focus on Jesus as bread of life. Today Jesus feeds thousands of people with five loaves and two fish. What we have, what we bring to Jesus' table, seems like it is not nearly enough to meet all the needs we see around us. But it is not the adequacy of our supplies or our skills that finally makes the difference: it is the power of Jesus working in the littlest and least to transform this world into the world God desires, a world where all the hungry are satisfied.

**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 wheaten 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.
- Happy birthday to Lillie Bivins! She celebrates her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday on July 31<sup>st</sup>.

**LORD, IN YOUR MERCY, HEAR OUR PRAYERS**

**\* New Information**

\*Arlene Stuckey ..... stage 4 breast cancer (Leesa Petrey's mom)  
Chuck Garman ..... broken neck (friend of Tina Ruffa & Katrina Matzer)  
Donny Grant ..... health issues (friend of Bob & Cheryl Harris)  
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 7/22/18                      8:00 am **36**                      10:45 am **59**  
Contributions to Financial Expense Plan on 7/22/18 ..... \$4,202  
Fiscal Year Contributions thru 7/22/18 ..... \$36,688  
Fiscal **Y-T-D** Financial Expense Plan Goal ..... \$35,757  
Above/(Below) **Y-T-D** FEP Goal as of 7/22/18 ..... \$931  
\*Fiscal Year 2019 FEP Goal ..... \$232,419

Today's anthem is "Toccata" by Antonia Tauriello. Performed by Junseo Park on piano.

**Worship Assistant Schedule**

		<b>July 29th</b>	<b>August 5th</b>
<b>Altar</b>		Joyce Colburn & Jennifer Haynes	Diane Davis
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	8:00 am	Hildredge Sims & Kathryn Willoughby	Rhonda Morton
	10:45 am		Iola Williams & Diane Davis
<b>Crucifer</b>	10:45 am	Lily Strickland	Lily Strickland
<b>Greeter</b>	8:00 am	Champ Street	Lillie Bivins
	10:45 am		Alice McMullan
<b>Lay Assistant</b>	8:00 am	Kay Owens	Gene Klocke
	10:45 am		Doris Underwood
<b>Lector</b>	8:00 am	Doris Underwood	Steve Wright
	10:45 am		Duane Brookhart
<b>Ushers</b>	8:00 am	Melissa Hataway & Champ Street	Paul Morton
	10:45 am		Ben & Josie Severance

<b>Schedule for Week of July 29th</b>			<b>Schedule for Week of August 5th</b>		
<b>SUN:</b> 7/29	9:00 am 10:00 am 11:15 am	Adult Sunday School Worship w/ Eucharist Potluck Lunch	<b>SUN:</b> 8/5	8:00 am 9:00 am	Worship w/ Eucharist August Birthday Celebration
<b>MON:</b> 7/30	6:00 pm	Pinks & Pearls		9:15 am 10:45 am	Adult Sunday School Worship w/ Eucharist
<b>TUE:</b> 7/31	9:00 am	Quilters	<b>MON:</b> 8/6	6:00 pm	Pinks & Pearls
<b>WED:</b> 8/1	9:00 am	Quilters	<b>TUE:</b> 8/7	9:00 am 11:30 am	Quilters Loose Ladies Lunch at Sommer's Place
<b>SAT:</b> 8/4	9:00 pm	Yarnovers	<b>WED:</b> 8/8	9:00 am	Quilters
			<b>FRI:</b> 8/9	6:00 pm	Pinks & Pearls
			<b>SAT:</b> 8/11	9:00 am	Art Club