

# Messiah Lutheran Church

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

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**August 5, 2018 - 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Apparently not satisfied by Jesus' feeding of thousands, some who were there press him for a sign of his power; perhaps it is daily manna they want. As always in John's gospel when people want a sign, Jesus offers himself. He is the bread come from heaven to give life to the world. He calls us to come to him and believe in him, and through that relationship to know the one who sent him.

**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.
- The altar flowers for today are given by Duane Brookhart in remembrance of Suzanne Brookhart's birthday and by Terese Goodson in honor of Duane Brookhart's birthday.
- Today's anthem is "In This House" by Marylu Hill, sung by Elsa Larsen, Kay Owens, and Tara Severance.

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

**\* New Information**

\*Arlene Stuckey . . . . . stroke and cancer (Leesa Petrey's mom)  
Pastor Robert Graetz . . . . . bladder infection  
Gary Davis . . . . . pneumonia  
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 Aqui 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 7/29/18 . . . . . 10:00 am **78**  
Contributions to Financial Expense Plan on 7/29/18 . . . . . \$2,197  
Fiscal Year Contributions thru 7/29/18 . . . . . \$38,885  
Fiscal **Y-T-D** Financial Expense Plan Goal . . . . . \$40,226  
Above/(Below) **Y-T-D** FEP Goal as of 7/29/18 . . . . . **(\$1,341)**  
\*Fiscal Year 2019 FEP Goal . . . . . \$232,419



Rally Day will be held Sunday, **August 19th** during the Sunday School hour, 9:15-10:15 am. The day's festivities will include face painting, cake walk, bean bag toss, ladderball, horseshoes, crafts, snacks, and lots of fellowship. All are welcome and encouraged to join in on the fun. See you there!

**Worship Assistant Schedule**

		<b>August 5th</b>	<b>August 12th</b>
<b>Altar</b>		Diane Davis	LuAnn Marz
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	8:00 am	Rhonda Morton	Jeff Bohman
	10:45 am	Iola Williams & Diane Davis	Dave & LuAnn Marz
<b>Crucifer</b>	10:45 am	Lily Strickland	Jamie McCune
<b>Greeter</b>	8:00 am	Lillie Bivins	Phyllis Klocke
	10:45 am	Alice McMullan	Keri Broughton
<b>Lay Assistant</b>	8:00 am	Gene Klocke	Steve Wright
	10:45 am	Doris Underwood	Judy McCune
<b>Lector</b>	8:00 am	Steve Wright	Gene Klocke
	10:45 am	Duane Brookhart	Jaehee Ashley
<b>Ushers</b>	8:00 am	Paul Morton	Jim Willoughby
	10:45 am	Ben & Josie Severance	Melissa Hataway & Jaehee Ashley

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS-** Please remember to sign up for your preferred Sundays in September using the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in narthex.

<b>Schedule for Week of August 5th</b>			<b>Schedule for Week of August 12th</b>		
<b>SUN:</b>	8:00 am	Worship w/ Eucharist	<b>SUN:</b>	8:00 am	Worship w/ Eucharist
8/5	9:15 am	Adult Sunday School	8/12	9:15 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 am	Baptism Reception for James Scrudato		10:45 am	Worship w/ Eucharist
	10:45 am	Worship w/ Eucharist	<b>TUE:</b>	9:00 am	Quilters
<b>MON:</b>	6:00 pm	Pinks & Pearls	8/14		
8/6			<b>WED:</b>	9:00 am	Quilters
<b>TUE:</b>	9:00 am	Quilters	8/15		
8/7	11:30 am	Loose Ladies Lunch at Sommer's Place	<b>SAT:</b>	9:00 am	Yarnovers
<b>WED:</b>	9:00 am	Quilters	8/18	1:00 pm	Girl Scouts
8/8					
<b>FRI:</b>	6:00 pm	Pinks & Pearls			
8/9					
<b>SAT:</b>	9:00 am	Art Club			
8/11					