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*Lutheran Church and School of Messiah*

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The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost  
(October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021)

"The Lord's Supper: If you are visiting with us or have not been instructed in the unique Lutheran teaching regarding the Lord's Supper, we kindly ask you to speak to the Pastor before communing. Thank you."

## † DIVINE SERVICE SETTING FOUR †

**Greeting and announcements**

**Sharing of God's Peace**

**Opening Hymn**      "Today Your Mercy Calls Us"

LSB 915 v. 1, 2, 4

- 1    Today Your mercy calls us  
      To wash away our sin.  
      However great our trespass,  
      Whatever we have been,  
      However long from mercy  
      Our hearts have turned away,  
      Your precious blood can wash us  
      And make us clean today.
  
- 2    Today Your gate is open,  
      And all who enter in  
      Shall find a Father's welcome  
      And pardon for their sin.  
      The past shall be forgotten,  
      A present joy be giv'n,  
      A future grace be promised,  
      A glorious crown in heav'n.
  
- 4    O all-embracing Mercy,  
      O ever-open Door,  
      What should we do without You  
      When heart and eye run o'er?  
      When all things seem against us,  
      To drive us to despair,  
      We know one gate is open,  
      One ear will hear our prayer.

## Confession and Absolution

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

### Invocation

- P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C **Amen.**

### Exhortation

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
C **who made heaven and earth.**  
P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**  
P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

- C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**  
P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C **Amen.**

## † SERVICE OF THE WORD †

### Psalm

*Psalm 126; antiphon: v. 5*

- <sup>1</sup>When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,  
we were like those who dream.  
<sup>2</sup>Then our mouth was filled with laughter,  
and our tongue with shouts of joy;  
then they said among the nations,  
"The LORD has done great things for them."  
<sup>3</sup>The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad.  
<sup>4</sup>Restore our fortunes, O LORD,  
like streams in the Negeb!  
<sup>5</sup>Those who sow in tears  
shall reap with shouts of joy!

<sup>6</sup>He who goes out weeping,  
bearing the seed for sowing,  
shall come home with shouts of joy,  
bringing his sheaves with him.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen  
<sup>5</sup>Those who sow in tears  
shall reap with shouts of joy!

Kyrie

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C Lord, have mercy;  
Christ, have mercy;  
Lord, have mercy.

Gloria in Excelsis

P 204

C 1 To God on high be glory  
And peace to all the earth;  
Goodwill from God in heaven  
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!  
We praise and bless You, Father;  
Your holy name, we sing—  
Our thanks for Your great glory,  
Lord God, our heav'nly King.

2 To You, O sole-begotten,  
The Father's Son, we pray;  
O Lamb of God, our Savior,  
You take our sins away.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus;  
Receive our heartfelt cry,  
Where You in pow'r are seated  
At God's right hand on high—

3 For You alone are holy;  
You only are the Lord.  
Forever and forever,  
Be worshiped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit  
Alone are Lord Most High,  
In God the Father's glory.  
"Amen!" our glad reply.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

O God, the helper of all who call on You, have mercy on us and give us eyes of faith to see Your Son that we may follow Him on the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

## Old Testament Reading

*Jeremiah 31:7-9*

<sup>7</sup> Thus says the LORD:

“Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,  
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;  
proclaim, give praise, and say,  
‘O LORD, save your people,  
the remnant of Israel.’

<sup>8</sup> Behold, I will bring them from the north country  
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,  
among them the blind and the lame,  
the pregnant woman and she who is in labor, together;  
a great company, they shall return here.

<sup>9</sup> With weeping they shall come,  
and with pleas for mercy I will lead them back,  
I will make them walk by brooks of water,  
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble,  
for I am a father to Israel,  
and Ephraim is my firstborn.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

*Hebrews 7:23-28*

<sup>23</sup> The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, <sup>24</sup> but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. <sup>25</sup> Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

<sup>26</sup> For it was indeed fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, innocent, unstained, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. <sup>27</sup> He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people, since he did this once for all when he offered up himself. <sup>28</sup> For the law appoints men in their weakness as high

priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### **Alleluia and Verse**

**C** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**C** These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

**C** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

### **Holy Gospel**

*Mark 10:46-52*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>46</sup>They came to Jericho. And as [Jesus] was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the roadside. <sup>47</sup>And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” <sup>48</sup>And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” <sup>49</sup>And Jesus stopped and said, “Call him.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart. Get up; he is calling you.” <sup>50</sup>And throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. <sup>51</sup>And Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” And the blind man said to him, “Rabbi, let me recover my sight.” <sup>52</sup>And Jesus said to him, “Go your way; your faith has made you well.” And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him on the way.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

### **Nicene Creed**

**C** I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
 and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
 and was made man;  
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
 He suffered and was buried.  
 And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
 and ascended into heaven  
 and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
 And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the  
 dead,  
 whose kingdom will have no end.  
 And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the Lord and giver of life,  
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
 who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
 who spoke by the prophets.  
 And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
 and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
 and the life † of the world to come. Amen.

### Children's Message

#### Sermon Hymn

“When Peace, like a River”

LSB 763

- 1 When peace, like a river, attendeth my way;  
 When sorrows, like sea billows, roll;  
 Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,  
 It is well, it is well with my soul. Refrain
- ref It is well (It is well)  
 with my soul, (with my soul),  
 It is well, it is well with my soul.
- 2 Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,  
 Let this blest assurance control,  
 That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate  
 And hath shed His own blood for my soul. Refrain
- 3 He lives—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought;  
 My sin, not in part, but the whole,  
 Is nailed to His cross, and I bear it no more.  
 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! Refrain
- 4 And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight,  
 The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,

The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend;  
Even so it is well with my soul. Refrain

Sermon                    “Faith: *Makes You Well*”

Mark 10:52

Prayer of the Church

Offering

## † SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT †

Preface

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P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

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C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer

C **Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name,  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven;  
give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses**



as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.

## The Words of Our Lord

### Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
C Amen.

### Agnus Dei

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C 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

### Distribution

#### Distribution Hymn “Just as I am, without One Plea”

LSB 570

1 Just as I am, without one plea  
But that Thy blood was shed for me  
And that Thou bidd’st me come to Thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

2 Just as I am and waiting not  
To rid my soul of one dark blot,  
To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

3 Just as I am, though tossed about  
With many\_a conflict, many\_a doubt,  
Fightings and fears within, without,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

4 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;  
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,  
Yea, all I need, in Thee to find,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

5 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
Because Thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am; Thy love unknown  
Has broken ev'ry barrier down;  
Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

“Amazing Grace”

LSB 744

1 Amazing grace—how sweet the sound—  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found,  
Was blind but now I see!

2 The Lord has promised good to me,  
His Word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures.

3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares  
I have already come;  
His grace has brought me safe thus far,  
His grace will lead me home.

4 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail  
And mortal life shall cease,  
Amazing grace shall then prevail  
In heaven's joy and peace.

5 When we've been there ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we'd first begun.

**Nunc Dimittis**

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**C 1 O Lord, now let Your servant  
Depart in heav'nly peace,  
For I have seen the glory  
Of Your redeeming grace:  
A light to lead the Gentiles  
Unto Your holy hill,  
The glory of Your people,  
Your chosen Israel.**

2 All glory to the Father,  
All glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit,  
Forever Three in One;  
For as in the beginning,  
Is now, shall ever be,  
God's triune name resounding  
Through all eternity.

### Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

### Benedicamus

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P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

### Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

C Amen.

### Closing Hymn

“Seek Ye First”

LSB 712

- 1 Seek ye first the kingdom of God,  
And His righteousness.  
And all these things shall be added unto you!  
Allelu, alleluia!
- 2 Ask and it shall be given unto you,  
Seek and ye shall find,  
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you,  
Allelu, alleluia!
- 3 Man does not live by bread alone,  
But by ev'ry word  
That proceeds from the mouth of the Lord,  
Allelu, alleluia!

**The Worship Service Sunday Morning  
October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

<b>Preacher</b>	Rev. Joshua Schmidt	
<b>Liturgist</b>	Rev. Michael Redeker	
<b>Elders</b>	Ray Seeley, Peter Chaney	8:00am
	John McDowell, Matt Bonnell	10:30am
<b>Organist</b>	Marilyn Smith	
<b>Acolyte</b>	Elle Diedrich, Cal Diedrich	8:00am
	Will Vrbas. Elijah Vrbas	10:30am
<b>Ushers</b>	Darrell Clark, Dean Hollatz	8:00am
	John O'Connor, John Sigle	
	John Feliciano, Alan Weber	10:30am
	Tom Moore, Matt Meyer	
<b>Greeters</b>	Karen Mead	8:00am
	Beth Weber & Lupita Pena	10:30am
<b>Videographer</b>	Chris Hayes	8:00am

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Divine Service, Setting Four from Lutheran Service Book

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## Announcements October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**PASTOR APPRECIATION** - Did you know that October is Pastor Appreciation Month? We have been blessed to have two wonderful servants serving us here at Messiah. Our pastors give so much of themselves to us every day. Their door is always open to us during our good and bad times. Please take the time to let these servants of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ know how much you appreciate them.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE POSITION**- The annual election of congregational chairmen and board members will be held at the November congregational meeting. If you are interested in serving on Church Council we need Elders, Evangelism, Parochial Ed. (School Board), Christian Ed. (Sunday School Board), Stewardship, & Board of Finance members. Contact the office at 970-245-2838 if you are interested in serving.

**MOVING**- Dear Messiah Lutheran Church and School family. We are moving to Granbury, TX to live closer to our son, Tyler and daughter-in-law, Amanda. We became members of Messiah after Tyler attended VBS and then became a Kindergarten student at Messiah. The schooling that he received was excellent. We have also been truly blessed to belong to the Messiah Family for all these years and hope to visit y'all and other family and friends here. God's Blessings to all! Jon & Carol Palmer

**SCHOOL NEWS** - Our Messiah students will be singing at our Unity Sunday Services throughout the year. Check out the school's Facebook page for pictures of the happenings at Messiah.

**CANDY, PRIZES AND MORE** - Many items are needed to make our first Oktoberfest a success. Please take 1 or more cards from the bulletin board found in the Narthex. Return items to the office by October 25<sup>th</sup>. THANK YOU!

**OKTOBERFEST**- OKTOBERFEST IS COMING TO MESSIAH!!! We know you *loved* Trunk-OR-Treat and *can't get enough* of our Reformation Dinner---so, why not put them together?!? Germanfest will be down in the Fellowship Hall, where we eat sauerkraut, brats, strudel, and reflect on Martin Luther's German heritage. *Make sure to bring a German dessert for our **German dessert contest***. Fun, games, and candy will be through-out the gym with a carved pumpkin contest, costume contest (best Disney, Medieval, and superhero costumes), and sack race. Outside, we will have a Bump-N-Jump as well as a campfire to make s'mores. Hope you can join in for our first ever Oktoberfest Celebration!!! October 31<sup>st</sup> 12PM-4PM here at Messiah.

**LADIES GUILD** will have an executive board meeting on November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 7:00pm in the library.

**HUMAN TRAFFICKING 201**: Where do we go from here? Labor and sex trafficking happens everywhere. It happens right here in Mesa County! This workshop is a planning session to discover where we can get involved. It will be Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 10:00am to 12:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**YES YOU CAN-** As we begin to get back into the "normal" routine, please check out the "YES, I CAN" bulletin board in the Narthex. "Yes You Can" be a Greeter! "Yes You Can" set-up for Communion! "Yes You Can" be an Usher! And once again, "YES You Can" provide altar flowers!" Please consider serving your church by saying "Yes I Can"! Should you have questions, please contact Beth Weber, 970-361-0794. You can email prayer requests to <Beth Weber> [weber4342@acsol.net](mailto:weber4342@acsol.net).

**NEW SERVICE-** There's always SOMETHING new at Messiah!!! Join us the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month for our BRAND NEW service in the gym:

**Noon-1PM-** FREE lunch with Fellowship and Discussion

**1PM-2PM-** Worship together in the Gym (a Service of the Word--No Communion)

**2PM-3PM-** After time to study and open gym.

**THE PREGNANCY CENTER-** The Pregnancy Center is now comfortably settled into their new location at 2478 Patterson Road. Their current baby needs are: baby hats and socks, winter sleepers size 12-month boys and girls, baby towel and washcloth sets, baby lotions, shampoos, and stuffed animals. And, of course, there is always the ongoing need for disposable diapers, wipes, safety items such as electrical plug covers, corner covers, cabinet locks, baby bathtubs, car window sunscreens, thermometers, baby bottles, teething rings, and pacifiers etc. The Center is always very appreciative of your donations.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD-** It's time to fill a box with surprises for less fortunate children around the world. Last year Messiah families shipped 57 boxes! We were told that fewer boxes come in for BOYS or GIRLS for age 10-14 than the younger children. Of course, all boxes are welcome. To learn more, go to: [samaritanaspurse.org/occ](http://samaritanaspurse.org/occ). You can choose to track your box which requires a different label or use the regular label/envelope inside your box. POSTAGE IS STILL \$9.00 per box. Make checks payable to Samaritan's Purse. All boxes, regardless of which label you use, need to be turned in to Messiah's office by SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15th. Wherever your box "lands" that child exists today. PRAY FOR YOUR CHILD NOW. 🙏

**USHERS-**There is a sign-up sheet for 10:30 Service Ushers posted on the bulletin board in the narthex. Your help is greatly appreciated. If you are able and wish to help, please contact me, Matt Meyer, at 402-750-9705. You can also chat with me before or after 10:30 Service. I would enjoy meeting you if we haven't been introduced! Thank you and God bless.

**GREETERS-** Thank you to all of you who have signed up to be greeters and to all future greeters. There are still Sundays available. Help be a welcoming smile to all members and visitors to Messiah. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Narthex next to the Communion Help sign-up sheet.

**BULLETIN BOARDS-** Our church bulletin boards outside of the sanctuary and across from Ms. Mead's office have been and will continue to be updated. If you have

something that you would like to put on any of the bulletin boards, please contact the church office or Beth Weber 970-361-0794.

**UNDERSTANDING OUR BELIEF**— Every Tuesday, at 6:00PM, Mr. Scott Mauser is hosting a class on apologetics, discussing how to share what we believe in truth, love, gentleness, and respect. These classes are over at the Alpha and Omega Institute 1011 N 10th St, Grand Junction, CO 81501. Hope you can make it!

**CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR AND LUNCH**- It's coming back this year on December 11<sup>th</sup> from 9-3. Oh, we can't forget the Cookie Walk from 9-11 (or until the cookies are gone). If you are interested in being a vendor, registration forms are available in the office. Need more information? Contact Lois MacDonald (aka Nana Lois) at 970-245-4749 or 970-201-7338. The craft show is a fundraiser for school scholarships. The cookie walk and lunch go to our youth going to the National Youth Gathering in Houston in July 2022.

**TWO CHANCES TO SERVE CMU**- We have two spots remaining, November 28th, and December 5th, to serve college students dinner over at Four Winds. Let Pastor Schmidt know if you would be willing to take on and organize the task!!! We serve buffet style with 4-5 volunteers serving food. This allows for more interactions with the students. Some volunteers choose to wear masks, and that is great. We are falling in line with whatever CMU is doing, and they are not requiring masks at the moment. Students are sitting inside and outside. We also need to provide the food.

**JOIN THE QUILTING LADIES**- We welcome anyone who is interested in joining our quilting group. We are not only making quilts, we are also having fun, making friends and learning from each other. No sewing experience is needed. We meet every Tuesday at 9:00am to sew and assemble quilts. Please come and join us!

**COMMUNION VOLUNTEERS** needed for 2022! Please consider serving our Lord and your church by volunteering to help with communion. Sign up in the narthex on the bulletin board. If you need to be trained or have questions, please contact Laura Ryden at (970) 260-6766

**PRAYER REQUESTS**- *"But when you pray, go to into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you," (Matt. 6:6).* Prayer requests for you, family with permission, or by a pastor, may be sent to Beth Weber at [weber4342@acsol.net](mailto:weber4342@acsol.net).

**GIFT PLANNING**- A builder needs the right tool to perform his work. God's people need the right tools to make the right gifts, the right way, from their estates to family and ministry. Maybe the Lord has quietly prepared you to make a gift that is not future, but today. Is there an asset that has appreciated in value over the years just waiting for your direction to support a ministry today? Your Messiah Gift Planning Counselor can lead you through a process to plan what you want to do, and how to do it. Contact Jason Jones at [Jason.Jones@lfnd.org](mailto:Jason.Jones@lfnd.org) or call him directly at (970) 988-0305.

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS-** Hebrews 7:27 - “He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people, since he did this once for all when he offered up himself.” The great sacrifice of Jesus upon the cross covers the sins of all mankind. When that sacrifice was made, Jesus proclaimed: “It is finished.” No sacrifice of ours is needed to cover our sins. And yet St. Paul tells us to be “living sacrifices,” and Jesus tells us to “lay your offering at the altar.” So sacrificial giving goes on, but now its purpose is transformed by the one sin-atonement sacrifice of Christ. Now our giving and serving are sacrifices of thanksgiving, gifts of self in serving others for Christ’s sake.

**THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS-** Thrivent members, do not forget to direct your Choice Dollars® to the church general fund or to the school scholarship fund. You have two easy options to direct your Choice Dollars: Online at [www.thrivent.com](http://www.thrivent.com) or by calling 800-847-4836

**MESSIAH’S RADIO MINISTRY-**Sunday mornings at 8:30am -9:00am on 1100AM/KNZZ radio station. It is followed by The Lutheran Hour at 9:00am. If you would like to be a sponsor for our radio ministry, contact the church office, 970-245-2838.

**October Income-**

Week of October 15-21	\$10,346.44
Weekly need	\$19,174.63
Month to date	\$43,534.95
Monthly need	\$83,090.08



## Calendar for the Week

Sunday	8:00am 9:30am 10:30am	Divine Service/Communion/Facebook Live/ Adult Bible Study/Sunday School/Facebook Live Divine Service/Communion
Monday	----- 1:30pm 3:15pm 5:30pm	Book Fair Office Staff Meeting School Staff Meeting Galatians Small Group in Multipurpose Room
Tuesday	----- 9:00am 4:00pm 5:30pm 6:00pm	Book Fair Quilt Ladies/Fellowship Hall Jr. High Youth Group Sr. High Youth Group Board of Evangelism
Wednesday	----- 8:00am 11:00am 6:00pm	Book Fair <b>WEEKLY BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINE</b> Wednesday Bible Class/Isaiah/Zoom Wednesday night service/Communion
Thursday	----- 6:30am 11:15am 6:30pm	Book Fair Galatians Small Group at Sunrise Café <b>Early Release-</b> Parent Teacher Conferences Pastor Redeker's Online Bible Class-Galatians Bible Study
Friday	----- ----- ----- -----	Book Fair <b>NO School-</b> Parent Teacher Conferences Pastor Redeker's Day Off Pastor Schmidt's Day Off
Saturday	-----	Volleyball Tournament in Delta Bill Heddles
Sunday	----- 8:00am 9:30am 10:30am ----- 12:00pm-	Reformation Divine Service/Communion/Facebook Live/ Adult Bible Study/Sunday School/Facebook Live Divine Service/Communion Book Fair OKTOBERFEST