

# August 2025 Messiah Messenger

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#### A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHURCH COUNCIL PRESIDENT:

Grace, mercy and peace to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

Dear Messiah Family,

As we step into the heart of August, a month that bridges the energy of summer with the quiet preparation of fall, we are reminded of the importance of staying faithful and steadfast in our calling.

Galatians 6:9 encourages us:

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."

In this season, it's easy to feel the weariness of long days, unmet goals, or simply the weight of ongoing responsibilities. Yet, we are reminded that every act of love, every quiet prayer, every unseen effort matters. We may not always see the results immediately, but God promises that our faithful work will bear fruit in His perfect timing.

Let this be a month of encouragement, perseverance, and expectant hope. Keep planting seeds of kindness, truth, and grace—you are making a difference.

Thank you all for everything that you do. You are so loved and appreciated.

Love in Christ, Liann Dennis Messiah Council President



### Ice Cream Social 2025

Thank you to all who attended and helped out! We had 24 attendees and enjoyed a variety of ice creams, including Lynn Greener's homemade delights!







































## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!



1 ~ Paul Shin, 4 ~ Guy Gourlay,
Christopher Retzlaff, Jacqlyn Melita,
5 ~ Zachary Furrer, 6 Michael Bayles,
Linda Unger, 7 ~ Rachel Dennis,

8 ~ Anna Noakes, 9 ~ Heather Schmidke, Amberly Smith,
10 ~ Patricia TeNyenhuis, 11 ~ Tonja Detwiler, 12 ~ Justin McGrady,
Nicholas Gross, 13 ~ Joshua Carey, 14 ~ Alexander Gross, Jacob Baum,
15 ~ Christina Gross, Caiden Hassell, Sophie Galasso,
16 ~Anne Marie Jones, Mary Sackett, Deanna Tarquinio,
19 ~Genevieve Moravick, James Liszanckie IV,
20 ~Ashlynn McCabe, Eric Scianna, Joseph Anderson, Emma Clontz,
21 ~ Sharon Van Dyke, Astrid Larsen, 22 ~ Rachel Fournier,
Travis Collins, 25 ~ Julia Evans, 26 ~ Esther Shin, 27 ~ Dylan McCabe, 30 ~
Dona Rutowicz, Hannah Bronleben, 31 ~ Marcie Marcinowski, Derek

## **Upcoming Events:**

Andersen, Felicity Hyams, Emma McCabe.

We have many fellowship opportunities!
Stay connected this summer with your Messiah family.

**West Meadow Beach Night** - Friday, August 1st at 5:30pm. Bring your own chair, food and drink and just enjoy the beautiful sunset with your Messiah family. Weather permitting.

**Annual Church BBQ** – Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup> after the service. We had so much fun with our Octoberfest Theme, that we've decided to do it again! So get your lederhosen ready and join in the fun! Remember to sign up!

**Blessing of the Animals** – Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm. Bring your pets for a blessing and enjoy some light refreshments. We would like to thank Pastor Deberny who will administer the blessing at this event! SCPD will be there with their canines as well!

Trunk or Treat Vendor Fair – Sat., Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> 12:00 – 4:00 pm Join us for a safe alternative to Trick or Treating. Games, fun, and lots of candy! *We need church members to volunteer to decorate their trunks and hand out candy.* Looking for Food Trucks and Vendors. If you know of anyone or are attending a vendor fair, hand out our vendor form. They can be found on the table in the narthex or on our website.

Join in the fun!

## Vacation Bible School

## Come with us to the True North this year!

VBS will be held from August 25-29th.

To make this happen, we need you.

We need volunteers for the following areas:

decorating, teaching, music, providing and serving snacks, facilitating games

If you have talents in any of these areas, or would like to develop some, we need you!!

In order to decorate and transform Messiah into a True North Forest, we need trees!!

If you have an artificial Christmas tree to lend to us, we would be very grateful!

All trees will be labeled with the name of donor, so it will be returned to you!

If you would like to help us decorate, or be involved in any way,
please contact Nancy Murphy or Liann Dennis as soon as possible.

Register your children to attend – Forms are in the Narthex!







### **College and Military Care Packages**



From Us To you

We are asking the congregation's help in donating the below items for our College/Military Care Packages. All items should be individually wrapped.

There will be a bin in the narthex to put them in.

We will need them by August 31st.

Here is the list of items:

Goldfish Crackers Cheez-its Chips Cheetos
Dunkin Donut K Cups Tea Mac and Cheese Cups

Ramen Noodle Cups - Chicken or Beef

Cookies - Oreo's, Chocolate Chip Granola Bars

Popcorn

#### Messiah Reaching Out

The Stewardship Committee will be collecting blank cards to send out to members who are homebound or fighting an illness.

We will also send greetings to baptism families, college students,



military families, and others to let them know that we are thinking about them and are praying for them. Please contact the church office at (631) 751-1775 or talk to Tracey Donohue if you would like to help. Join us as we send caring thoughts to our members who might be in need of cheering up!

## **Community News and Events:**

St. James Luteran Church is planning a bus trip to Sights & Sounds in Lancaster, PA featuring "Noah"

October 1 – October 2 \$369 pp, dbl. occ.



### Package includes:

- 1 night lodging
- 1 Breakfast
- 1 Dinner
- Bird-in-Hand Farmers' Market
- Performance of *Noah* at Sight & Sound Theater with Preferred Seating at 11:00 am
- Guided Tour of Amish Countryside
- and much more,...

For info, please call the church office at 631-751-1775

## Mission of the Month ~ August, 2025 OSNAS (Our Savior New American School)

Our Savior New American School began in 1992 as a mission to Our Savior Lutheran Church. OSNAS is a classical Christian school seeking to honor Jesus Christ in everything they do.

We are blessed to support them with prayer and financial gifts. To donate, please make checks payable to Messiah Lutheran Church, and write "OSNAS" in the memo line, or for cash donation, write "OSNAS" on your envelope.

Thank you, as always for your kind generosity!

## The Lutheran Women's Mission League

LWML (Lutheran Women's Missionary League) collects items all year long for School Kits, Personal Care Kits and Baby Care Kits.

Stores are starting to carry school supplies on sale. We need lots of 70 Sheet Spiral Notebooks. Four notebooks go in every pack.

Target has them on sale for 35 cents each.

Items for school kits:

70 Sheet Lined Spiral Notebooks
Centimeter Rulers (can also have inches on it)
Manual Pencil Sharpeners
Unsharpened #2 Pencils
2-1/4 Inch Erasers
Black or Blue Ballpoint Pens
16 to 24 Count Box of Crayons
Drawstring Bag (no logos)

#### Other kits:

**Personal Care Kits**: dark bath towels; bars of soap; adult toothbrush w/cover; sturdy combs; and metal nail clippers.

**Baby Care Kits**: cotton t-shirts (6-24 months); Long or short sleeve gowns or sleepers without feet; swaddling blankets (36-52" squares); cloth diapers; jackets, sweaters or sweatshirts w/cap or hood (9-24 months); socks (9-24 months); bars of gentle soap (ex: ivory); diaper pins; and dark hand towels.

Thank you!



#### Altar Flowers

If you wish to provide flowers at the altar, we ask for a donation of \$40 (or more)

for two bouquets.

Bouquets may be taken home after the late service, or donated to the homebound or nursing home patients.

Please write your name on the Flower Calendar in the Narthex and complete a flower donation envelope along with your payment. Please include the sentiment that you would like printed in the bulletin. Thank you!



Please join our Prayer/Special Needs Chain and intercede for those needing prayer throughout the course of the week.

It is such a wonderful way to support our church family and those we love.

If you are interested in participating, please contact the church office at (631) 751-1775 or info@messiahny.org to provide your contact information. Thank you!



## **Altar Guild**

Please consider joining the Altar Guild! Watch announcements and emails for our next meeting. Please contact the church office for more details.

> + Soli Deo Gloria + the Messiah Lutheran Altar Guild



Would you like to come to church, but are in need of transportation?

Please contact the church office at (631) 751-1775

We may be able to arrange a ride for you!

#### **PARISH EDUCATION:**





Sunday School registration is on Sunday, Sept. 14 at 9:00 am.

#### **MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY**

Midweek Bible Study is on hiatus and will resume in the Fall.
Watch announcements for dates!





#### **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

Women's Bible Study is on hiatus and will resume in the Fall.
Watch announcements for dates!

## **CONFIRMATION CLASS**

Confirmation Class for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders is on hiatus and will resume in the Fall. Watch announcements for dates!





The Call Committee has completed the first stage of the process, the Congregational Self Study.

The study was submitted to the Bishop, and he later met with us to get to know us better, and to determine the best situation for us going forward. As more information becomes available, we will continue to keep everyone updated. Please feel to speak with Carl Caminske, Call Committee Chair, or any member of the committee if you have any questions.

Please prayerfully consider filling out a MY GIVING GOAL PLEDGE CARD for 2025. Your pledges help us with budgeting and help support the ministries we provide her at Messiah, but they also help you in your own giving. Your support helps us do all the great things we do at Messiah, and can help us do even more!

Cards can be found on the little table in the narthex by the grotto. Please complete card and place it in the box. Thank you!

#### Find Us on Social Media!



On the Messiah Facebook page, you will find information about church services, health updates, and devotionals and meditations.



And don't forget to subscribe to Messiah **YouTube** page! Here you'll find archived videos of streamed services, messages from the pastors, devotionals and other video resources.

Follow our pages today! You can find links to both our Facebook and YouTube pages on our website, www.messiahny.com.

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