



## MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Lutheran Church-  
Missouri Synod

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Sunday School &  
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9:30am

Sunday Worship  
8:00am, 10:45am

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*<sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a penny?  
And not one of them will fall to the ground  
apart from your Father.*

*<sup>30</sup>But even the hairs of your head are all numbered.*

*<sup>31</sup>Fear not, therefore;  
you are of more value than many sparrows.*

(Matthew 10)

**FOR OUR VISITORS....**




**Welcome! We encourage you to follow along** with either the printed service, or with the hymnal. The page numbers for the hymnal are posted at the front of the sanctuary and on the next page. We realize it can take a while for newcomers to become familiar with our liturgy, so please feel free to ask someone near you for assistance—he or she would be happy to help.

**We love children in our church!** But if your little one gets fussy you may use the **cry room** that is located at the north end of the hallway behind the sanctuary on your right. You are able to see and hear the worship service from there. We also have "**Quiet Bags**" available for children to use during the service. Please ask an usher or elder if you need assistance. The Quiet Bags are returned after the service.

**The Lord's Supper** is celebrated in our services today. In this supper, our Lord Jesus Christ graciously feeds the humble sinner with His true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. Scripture clearly teaches that anyone who eats and drinks the body and blood of Christ without discerning that body and blood receives a judgment rather than a blessing from God (1 Cor. 11:29). Therefore, out of a Christian concern for souls, we require a thorough instruction in the teachings of the Lutheran Church before participating in this Sacrament. Participation at the altar is also a testimony of unity of faith with all others who partake (1 Cor. 10:17). Since unity at the altar presupposes unity in doctrine and confession (Acts 2:42), we kindly request that **only those who are in confessional fellowship** with the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod participate. This includes active members in good standing of all sister Missouri-Synod congregations.



We recognize that **Closed Communion** is a sensitive issue for many and have a brochure to explain it more thoroughly. It is available in the narthex or from an usher. If you have any questions or concerns, you are welcome to speak with our pastor. However, **we welcome** both children and adults who are not communicant members of the Lutheran Church to come to the altar during communion for a pastoral blessing. Please indicate the request for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest.

 Follow the QR code to visit our "**Virtual Guestbook**" and tell us about yourself and your visit with us.

***This bulletin is available in large print upon request.***

# Divine Service—Setting Three—LSB 184

**Hymns:**

897, 750, 665

**Hymns During Distribution:**

725, 659

**Sermon Title:**

*"Fear Not"*

**Scripture:**

Matthew 10

**Prelude**

FREUET EUCH, IHR CHRISTEN ("O Rejoice, Ye Christians, Loudly") - Theodore Beck  
 WEN NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT ("If You But Trust in God to Guide Thee") - settings by Christian Reichardt and J. S. Bach, BWV 642

**Postlude**

WEN NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT ("If You But Trust in God to Guide Thee")-  
 Johann Christian Heinrich Rinck



***Delivered from Sin and Death,  
 You Now Live before God in the Righteousness of Christ***

The outcome of sin is death, *"but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord"* (Rom. 6:23). He has set you free from the slavery of sin and has brought you *"from death to life"* (Rom. 6:13). No longer are you under the condemnation of the Law, but you live *"under grace"* (Rom. 6:14). Such is your courage in the face of *"those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul"* (Matt. 10:28). For though *"you will be hated by all"* and maligned by the world for the name of Christ (Matt. 10:22, 25), you abide in the care of your Father in heaven, who numbers *"even the hairs of your head"* and values you more *"than many sparrows"* (Matt. 10:30-31). By the Word of Christ, you have become like Him, your Teacher and Master in whom you endure to the end, and *"will be saved"* (Matt. 10:22, 25). For He is with you *"as a dread warrior,"* who has overcome your enemies (Jer. 20:11). By the righteousness of faith, He delivers your heart, mind, body and life *"from the hand of evildoers,"* and He brings you into the land of the living (Jer. 20:12-13).

**Serving in God's House Today**

		8:00 a.m.	10:45 a.m.
<b>Organist:</b> Miguel Ruiz			
<b>Altar Guild:</b> Nikki O'Dell Linda Phillips Brenda Thowe Laurie Ward	<b>Head Elder:</b>	Roland Towers	David Loeffler
	<b>Head Usher:</b>	Chris Nietenhoefer	Paul Cigainero
	<b>Acolytes:</b>	Luther Kirby	Matthias Loeffler
<b>Counters:</b> Kenneth Pedersen Carol Lemmon	<b>Crucifer/ Altar</b>	Joseph Kirby	Nathan Munoz

*The flowers that adorn the altar this morning are given by Irene Pence & Sarah Pence to the glory of God and in loving memory of David Pence.*

## Introit

Psalm 56:1-4, 10-13



<sup>1</sup>Be gracious to me, O God, for man tramples | on me;\*

all day long an attacker op- | presses me;  
<sup>2</sup>my enemies trample on me | all day long,\*  
for many attack me | proudly.

<sup>3</sup>When I | am afraid,\*

I put my | trust in you.

<sup>4</sup>In God, whose word I praise,  
in God I trust; I shall not | be afraid.\*  
What can flesh | do to me?

<sup>10</sup>In God, whose | word I praise,\*

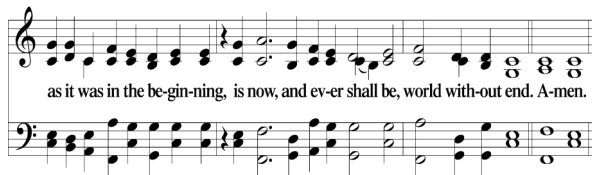
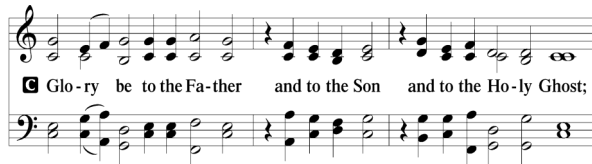
in the LORD, whose | word I praise,

<sup>11</sup>in God I trust; I shall not | be afraid.\*  
What can man | do to me?

<sup>12</sup>I must perform my vows to you, | O God;\*

I will render thank offerings | to you.

<sup>13</sup>For you have delivered my soul from death,  
yes, my feet from | falling,\*  
that I may walk before God  
in the | light of life.



## Collect of the Day

O God, because Your abiding presence always goes with us, keep us aware of Your daily mercies that we may live secure and content in Your eternal love; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## Gradual *Sung by the Kantor* Psalm 145:3, 5b, 6b

*Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised,  
and his greatness is unsearchable.  
On your wondrous works, I will meditate,  
and I will declare your greatness.*

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS: June 21-July 4

21: Prov. 24:1-22  
John 19:1-22

22: Prov. 25:1-22  
Prov. 26:1-28  
John 19:23-42

23: Prov. 27:1-24  
Prov. 28:1-29:27  
John 20:1-18

24: Prov. 30:1-9, 18-33  
John 20:19-31

25: Prov. 31:10-31  
John 21:1-25

26: Josh. 1:1-18  
Acts 8:1-25

27: Josh. 2:1-24  
Acts 8:26-40

28: Josh. 3:1-17  
Acts 9:1-22

29: Josh. 4:1-24  
Acts 9:23-43

30: Josh. 5:1-6:5  
Acts 10:1-17

1: Josh. 6:6-27  
Acts 10:18-33

2: Josh. 7:1-26  
Acts 10:34-48

3: Josh. 8:1-28  
Acts 11:1-18

4: Josh. 10:1-25  
Josh. 10:28-22:34  
Acts 11:19-30

## THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

TODAY 06/21 - 8:00AM - DIVINE SERVICE—STREAMING LIVE  
- 9:30AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL—STREAMING LIVE  
- 10:45AM - DIVINE SERVICE

MONDAY 06/22

TUESDAY 06/23

WEDNESDAY 06/24 - 6:00PM - CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING—RECEPTION ROOM

THURSDAY 06/25

FRIDAY 06/26

SATURDAY 06/27

### SPECIAL VOTERS' MEETING

There will be a Special Voters' Meeting **next Sunday, June 28th, at 12:15** in the Fellowship Hall to discuss the possible call of a new Kantor. This will be a brief meeting, and as it is a special meeting, all discussion will be limited to this one topic.

Please refer to the President's Corner update in the Look Ahead for more information.



Happy Father's Day to all of Messiah's wonderful dads!

May your day be truly blessed.

### THANK YOU!

A very special thank you to all who donated their time and talents, as well as food, craft items, or money, in order to make our VBS a great success. Your contributions are invaluable and greatly appreciated.

### Lutheran Young Adult Mixer—August 1st

Are you a Lutheran young adult interested in meeting other Lutheran singles? Our Redeemer Lutheran in Dallas invites you to an evening of conversation, fellowship, and fun in a relaxed setting at DFW Fowling!

Whether you're hoping to make new friends or explore the possibility of a future relationship, this event provides an opportunity to meet other Lutheran singles who share a common confession of faith.

Please visit [punchbowl.com/parties/lcsmixer](http://punchbowl.com/parties/lcsmixer) for more information and to register.

# Please keep in your prayers...

**Selina Doughty**, friend of the Pinkston family, and Selina's family in the loss of her cousin, **David Grissom**, to cancer.

**We continue to pray for our members and loved ones battling cancer:** Trudy Harper, Karen Bentle, Mandy Demick, John DiCesare, Tim Speight, Rob Bentley, Randy Gay, Denny Knutson, Joan Beach, Linda Pancake, Wayne Kirkland, Ken & Carolyn Blume, Gaelina Strader, Sarah Jarrett, Mike Vandergriff, Rev. Ernie Bernet, Janie Peter.

**...also those with other illnesses and trials:** Adam Greer, Connie Wesley Ramsey, Wendell Wahlstedt, Carole Cohen, Family of Dan Gholston, Terry Swender, Michael Hanson, Aaron Koppelberger, Bruce Lage, Marilyn Curry, Nikki McLeroy, Marilyn Kivit, Brian Cade's mother, Abby Carpenter, Ron Klingbeil, Vicky Krolczyk, Matt Hinde, Lee Masoian, Alli Burk, Amy Lyon, the Lewis family, Chelsea Lage, Grant Smith, William Johnstone, Marlene Eaton, Wes Liles, Patsy Smith, Shelby Renfro, Connie Worley Ramsey, Brooke Lage, The Lowry Family, Sandy McDougal, Jacob Brewer.

**...and those who are unable to worship with us regularly:** Susan Copen, Carolyn Blume, Don & Marilyn Curry, LaVina Goedecke, Ron and Barbara Busse, Ronald and Brenda Patterson, Marvin Wilken.

**...all of our college students in and out of state:** Ashley Brewer, Jacob Brewer, Colby Carter, Seminarian David Christensen, Maranda Crutchfield, Dorian Crutchfield, Ethan Johnson, Clara O'Neil, Daniella Osorio, Aidan Richmond, Davis Richmond, Mia Salgado, Max Tonniges, Charlie Umayam, Audrey Weber, Emily Weber, Morgan Chryst, Matthew Palmer.

**We remember all those serving our country, particularly our members and loved ones in the military:** Carly Schwarzenburg, Jesus Aranda, Hannah Kajer, Nicolas Towers, Tony Bourassa, Tyler Burk, David Cantrell, Cassie Gessling, Joseph Kajer, Seth Kirch, Andrew Latham, Andrew Lowry, Hannah Pinkston, Brandon Towers, Frank Wilde, Chaplain Peter J. Williams.

## **We also pray for...**

- Our Braille ministry, that the Word will continue to reach the blind or visually impaired around the world.
- Messiah's educational ministry, especially our Academy, Preschool, Sunday School, and our Catechumens.
- Fellow Messiah members, married couples and children, young couples, singles, Pastor Chryst, and Pastor Christiansen.
- The voters, church council, and leaders of Messiah Church and School as they deliberate on the work the Lord has given His people to do.
- Our brothers and sisters in Christ around the world being persecuted for their faith.
- The spread of the Gospel around our nation and world and the work of our missionaries and relief workers.
- Rev. Dr. Michael Paul and his work in Taiwan.
- The Swaddling Clothes ministry and those who come seeking assistance.
- Those studying at seminary, including David Christensen (4th Year), Tanner Sawall (4th Year), Abram Egger (1st Year), and Vicar Peter Williams, as they prepare to serve in the Holy Ministry.
- Prayers for peace in the Middle East and Ukraine.

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MLCA Summer Hours: Tue-Thurs, 9:00am—2:00pm.  
Church Office Hours: Mon-Fri, 9am-3pm



**MLCA is hiring.** The academy is in need of an **Algebra/Geometry teacher** for the 2026-2027 school year. This is a **part-time position, consisting of approximately 10 hrs/week.**

To apply, you may send your resume to [schooloffice@mlcatexas.org](mailto:schooloffice@mlcatexas.org), or for more information you may call the school office at **817.431.5486.**

**Symposium on 1 and 2 Kings—Christ Lutheran Church in Lubbock, TX** is hosting a 3-day Symposium (August 3-5) on 1 and 2 Kings, featuring Dr. Walter A. Maier III, Professor of Old Testament and Concordia Seminary in Fort Wayne, IN.

Dr. Maier authored the Concordia Commentary series on Kings and is probably the foremost LCMS scholar of these texts. He holds a Ph.D. in Old Testament and Hebrew from Harvard University and has taught at CTSFW since 1989.

The symposium includes Matins, Vespers, and an opening night dinner.

Please visit <https://tinyurl.com/ym47s2sc> for details and to register.



**A Life Thought in the Church Year for June 21 - 4th Sunday after Pentecost – “Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions” (Romans 6:12).**

Our world has been a culture of death since sin entered through Adam. We seek to make our passions our gods. We make our hobbies, careers, lifestyles, plans, and happiness all gods. But what happens when God throws us an unexpected gift? Will we rejoice, or will we destroy? That gift may be a spouse, it may be a child, it may be a friend in need, or it may be time with a dying family member. But will we stop and enjoy the time God gives, or will we hurry the “inevitable” and seek to destroy what God has given? Cain was warned that he must rule over sin and he didn’t, thus the blood of his brother cried out from the ground. Seek God’s gift of Life so that He may bless you

with His grace and mercy and you may live with Him eternally.



**LCMS Stewardship Ministry—Romans 6:13 - “Present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life,**

**and your members to God as instruments for righteousness.”** Everything we have — even our own existence, our very selves — is a gift from God to be used for His purposes. God has called you to be His own and has given you tasks to perform in home, in church and in society. How will you serve Him today?



**IN-DEPTH SERIES ON THE CRUSADES... Issues, Etc.** is a radio talk show and

podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can listen to a series of interviews on the Crusades with Dr. Thomas Madden, medieval historian and author of “The Concise History of the Crusades” at [issuesetc.org/crusades](http://issuesetc.org/crusades).



**On The Line (OTL)** is a podcast

dedicated to revolutionizing how Lutheran theology is communicated, featuring interviews with leading experts in theology, culture, and the Christian faith, offering confessional Lutheran insights. OTL has also developed Memento 70, with the purpose of helping men to reclaim the ancient rhythm of Scripture, prayer, discipline, and brotherhood as life-giving habits rooted in Christ. Use the QR codes below to visit OTL (left) or Memento 70 (right)



**WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: Last Sunday: 8:00am: 117 10:45am: 107 Total: 224**  
 Sunday School: — **OFFERINGS FOR THE WEEK: \$9,209.29** (includes online giving to Gen. Fund)

**WEEKLY OFFERINGS NEEDED TO FUND THE CURRENT YEAR BUDGET: \$ 19,549.00**

**You may use this QR code for your convenience if you would like to give to Messiah. It will direct you to our Vanco System for electronic giving.**



## THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

### Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 20:7-13

<sup>7</sup>O LORD, you have deceived me,  
and I was deceived;  
you are stronger than I,  
and you have prevailed.  
I have become a laughingstock all the day;  
everyone mocks me.

<sup>8</sup>For whenever I speak, I cry out,  
I shout, "Violence and destruction!"  
For the word of the LORD has become for me  
a reproach and derision all day long.

<sup>9</sup>If I say, "I will not mention him,  
or speak any more in his name,"  
there is in my heart as it were a burning fire  
shut up in my bones,  
and I am weary with holding it in,  
and I cannot.

<sup>10</sup>For I hear many whispering.  
Terror is on every side!  
"Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"  
say all my close friends,  
watching for my fall.

"Perhaps he will be deceived;  
then we can overcome him  
and take our revenge on him."

<sup>11</sup>But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior;  
therefore my persecutors will stumble;  
they will not overcome me.  
They will be greatly shamed,  
for they will not succeed.  
Their eternal dishonor  
will never be forgotten.

<sup>12</sup>O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous,  
who sees the heart and the mind,  
let me see your vengeance upon them,  
for to you have I committed my cause.

<sup>13</sup>Sing to the LORD;  
praise the LORD!  
For he has delivered the life of the needy  
from the hand of evildoers.

### Epistle

#### Romans 6:12-23

<sup>12</sup>Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. <sup>13</sup>Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. <sup>14</sup>For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. <sup>15</sup>What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! <sup>16</sup>Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of

the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? <sup>17</sup>But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, <sup>18</sup>and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. <sup>19</sup>I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

<sup>20</sup>When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. <sup>21</sup>But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. <sup>22</sup>But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. <sup>23</sup>For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

### Holy Gospel

#### Matthew 10:5a;21-33

<sup>5</sup>These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them...  
<sup>21</sup>"Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, <sup>22</sup>and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. <sup>23</sup>When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

<sup>24</sup>"A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. <sup>25</sup>It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

<sup>26</sup>"So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. <sup>27</sup>What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. <sup>28</sup>And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup>But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. <sup>31</sup>Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. <sup>32</sup>So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven.