



Welcome to Messiah

We are a community of grace where we live out Jesus' commandment to love God with our whole heart and to love our neighbors as ourselves. We also seek to be a welcoming community for all people. This includes people of every race, ability, sexual orientation and gender identity, ethnic background, economic grouping, religious affiliation, and political persuasion. We do this simply because God created all people in God's own image and Christ Jesus came so all people might have abundant life. We may not always be perfect, but this is our intention--all are welcome!

19th Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am - October 19, 2025

Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING HYMN

#583 "Take My Life, That I May Be"

Refrain/Estribillo

To - ma, oh Dios, mi vo - lun - tad, y haz - la tu - ya, na -
Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord,

da más; to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón;
to thee; take my mo - ments and my days;

To stanzas *Last time*
y tu tro - no en él ten - drás. ten - drás.
let them flow in cease - less praise. less praise.

1 *Que* mi vi - da en - te - ra es - té
1 Take my hands and let them move
2 Take my sil - ver and my gold,
3 Take my voice and let me sing
4 Take my will and make it thine;

con - sa - gra - da a ti, Se - ñor;
at the im - pulse of thy love;
not a mite would I with - hold;
al - ways, on - ly for my King;
it shall be no lon - ger mine;

que a mis ma - nos pue - da guiar el im -
take my feet and let them be swift and
take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry
take my lips and let them be filled with
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall

Refrain/Estribillo
pul - so de tu a - mor.
beau - ti - ful for thee.
pow'r as thou shalt choose.
mes - sag - es from thee.
be thy roy - al throne.

The presiding minister will read the sections in plain text. **You are invited to read the bold portions.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

Amen.

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin
in the presence of God and of one another.

Merciful and loving God,
we are your stiff-necked people.

We trample on the needy.

We grumble about your grace to others.

We turn away from the poor.

Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.

**Rejoice over us as ones who were lost
and have been found.**

Amen.

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful.

Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.

You who were lost have been found.

In the name of ✠ Jesus, your sins are forgiven! **Amen.**

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

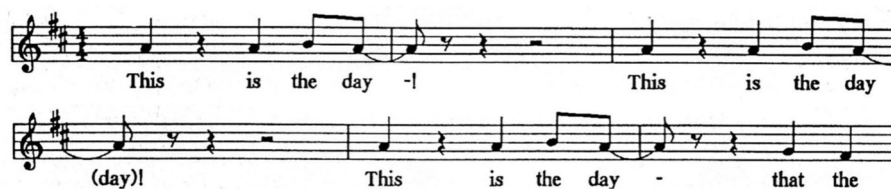
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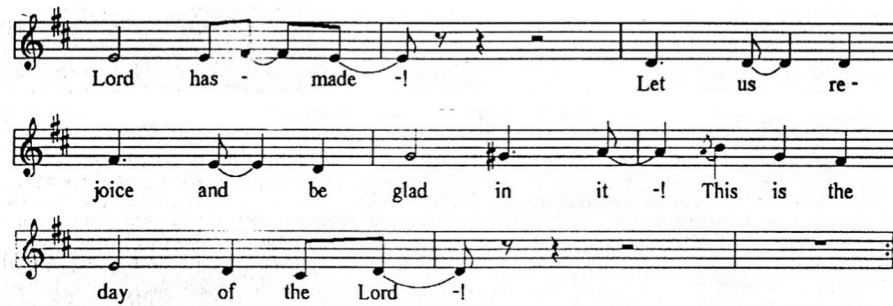
#154 "Kyrie"



HYMN OF PRAISE

"This is the Day"





PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Genesis 32:22-31

²²The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 3:14—4:5

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵and how from childhood you have known sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

^{4:1}In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not put up

with sound teaching, but, having their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires ⁴ and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵ As for you, be sober in everything, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"Jazz Alleluia"

Please
stand as
you are
comfort-
able in
body or
in spirit.

1 Al - le-lu-ia, A-men! Let us hear the Word of the

7 Lord. Sing it o-ver a - gain. Let us

13 hear the Word of the Lord! Shout for joy, let the

19 earth re - joice. Sing to-ge-ther with one great voice!

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GOSPEL

Luke 18:1-8

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ² He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³ In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.' ⁴ For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " ⁶ And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷ And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸ I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ!

Please
be
seated

SERMON

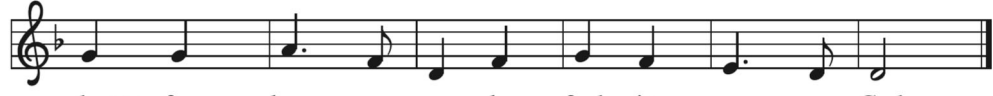
Refrain — All



There is a long-ing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to re -



veal your - self to us. There is a long-ing in our



hearts for love we on - ly find in you, our God.

Leader or All



1 For jus - tice,	for free - dom,	for mer - cy:
2 For wis - dom,	for cour - age,	for com - fort:
3 For heal - ing,	for whole - ness,	for new life:
4 Lord, save us,	take pit - y,	light in our



hear our prayer.	In sor - row,	in grief:
hear our prayer.	In weak - ness,	in fear:
hear our prayer.	In sick - ness,	in death:
deep - est night.	We call you;	we wait:



Refrain

be near; hear our prayer, O God.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Please
stand as
you are
comforta-
ble in body
or spirit.

We believe in God above us,
maker and sustainer of all life,
of sun and moon, of water and earth, of all people.
We believe in God beside us, Jesus Christ,
the word made flesh, born of a woman, servant of the poor,
tortured and nailed to a tree.
A man of sorrows, he died forsaken.
He descended into the earth to the place of death.
On the third day he rose from the tomb.

He ascended into heaven, to be everywhere present,
and His kingdom will come on earth.
We believe in God within us,
the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire,
life-giving breath of the Church,
Spirit of healing and forgiveness,
source of resurrection and of eternal life.
Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

We pray for the church universal. O God, who unites the church across the globe, bring unity and peace to a world divided by hatred and opposition. Turn our hearts toward the gospel of Jesus Christ. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

We pray for creation. O God, who made heaven and earth, draw us to the beauty of the whole creation. Turn us toward a right relationship with the entire cosmos. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

We pray for all nations, states, cities, and towns. O God, you rule over all the earth. Grant our elected officials humility in their decision-making for the sake of the entire world. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

We pray for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. O God, who heals and strengthens, our help comes from you in times of need. Support, comfort, and heal those who suffer, especially... God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

O God, who guides our congregations, encourage us to share the good news of Jesus Christ. Nurture our relationships with the community, that we serve and advocate for those who come to us in need. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

We offer thanksgiving for the faithful departed. O God, whose promises never end, we thank you for all the saints who have shown us the way of your Son, Jesus Christ. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Please be
seated

Please stand
as you are
comfortable
in body or
spirit.

SPECIAL MUSIC

OFFERING PRAYER

Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right —

our joy and our calling—

... we lift our hearts and join the ancient hymn:

5 Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord,

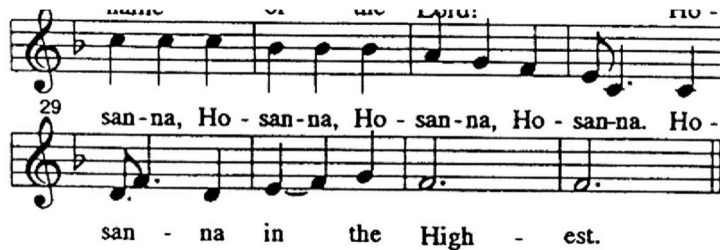
9 God of Power and might.

13 Hea - ven and earth are full of your glory, Ho -

17 sa - na in the High - est.

21 Bles - sed is he who comes in the name, the

25 name of the Lord! Ho -



...So we remember.
We remember his life,
his death,
his rising from the grave.
We proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

... Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor are yours,
now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMNS

“Lamb of God”

Please be
seated.

p
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins
of the world, have mer - cy
ff on us. *mp* Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the

world, have mer - cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

#814 "Take, Oh Take Me As I Am" *sing three times*
#770 "Give Me Jesus"

BENEDICTION

Please stand
as you are
comfortable in
body or spirit.

Benediction:
*God blesses us
and sends us in
mission to the
world.*

Go forth into the world in peace.
Be of good courage.
Hold fast that which is good.
Render to no one evil for evil.
Strengthen the fainthearted.
Support the weak.
Help the afflicted.
Show love to everyone.
Love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit;
and the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

"Your Grace Is Enough" by Matt Maher

VERSE

♩ = 116 G G/B C

1. Great is Your faith - ful - ness, O God;
2. Great is Your love and jus - tice, God of Ja - cob;



You wres - tle with the sin - ner's rest - less heart.
 You use the weak to lead the strong.



You lead us by still wa - ters in - to mer - cy and noth - ing can
 You lead us in the song of Your sal - va - tion, and all Your peo -

PRE-CHORUS



keep us a - part. So, re - mem - ber Your peo - ple, re -
 ple sing a - long.



mem - ber Your chil - dren, re - mem - ber Your prom - ise O God.

CHORUS 1



Your grace is e - nough, Your grace is e - nough Your grace is e - nough,

PRE-CHORUS



for me. Your Re - mem - ber Your



peo - ple, re - mem - ber Your chil - dren, re - mem - ber Your prom - ise O God.

CHORUS 1



Your grace is e - nough, Your grace is e - nough Your

CHORUS 2

47 G D C G

grace is e - nough, for me. Yeah, Your grace is e - nough;
grace is e - nough;

52 D Em7 C G

heav - en reach - es out to us. Your grace is e - nough
I'm cov - ered in Your love. Your grace is e - nough

56 D C C

for me. God, I sing: Your for me. _
for me, _

ENDING

G Dsus Em7 C G

66 Dsus Em7 C G

SENDING

Go in peace. Do not lose heart.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Welcome to Messiah Lutheran Church



Children belong in worship!

Worship kits and a nursery space is available. God rejoices in the joyful noise of children and so do we!



God calls us to welcome everyone!

Messiah seeks to be a welcoming community and to share the love of God with our neighbors. If you are new, please introduce yourself to our pastors.



Worship should be accessible!

Hearing devices (and T-Coil) and large print bulletins are available. We invite you to sit or stand as you are comfortable. All gender and family restroom facilities are available on the first level, please see signs in the Narthex.



All are welcome at Jesus' table!

During communion grape juice and gluten-free options are available. Those not wishing to commune may come forward for a blessing. Those not able to come forward may receive communion in their pew, please notify the usher.



God calls us to pray!

Private prayer requests may be made by writing them on the back of the Welcome Card. If you would like to be added to the prayer list or receive a pastoral care visit, please contact the church office.

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Liturgists:	Pr. Molly Hunter
Assisting Minister:	Molly Luty
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Communion Assistants:	Addy Davis, Sandy Lindberg, Marina Shinkarenko
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Pianist:	Jacob Schmeltzer
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