



Hosanna!

March 19 & 20, 2016

Saturday Worship..... 6:30 pm
Saturday School/Bible Class..... 7:45 pm
Sunday Worship 9:00 am
Sunday School/Bible Class 10:15 am

Today's worship setting is printed in the blue service folder.
Large-print copies of both the service and the hymns are
available at the guest registry.

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Welcome to Messiah Lutheran Church & School

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This Week at Messiah Lutheran Church

Sunday, 3/20

Palm Sunday

9:00 am Worship Service (Usher #12, Counters E)

10:15 am Sunday School/Young Adults/Bible Class

9:45 am Dove West 10:30 am Care Partners

10:30 am Dove South 11:00 am Heritage

12:00 noon Orchard Hills 1:00 pm Oakwood Apartments

1:30 pm Our House 2:15 pm Lake Hallie

7:00 pm Group Information Class

Monday

No MLS/ILC School – Resume Tuesday March 29th

Tuesday

9:00 am Men's Koffee Klatsch

Wednesday

No Afternoon Catechism

Thursday

1:00 pm Maundy Thursday Communion Service (Usher #1)

6:30 pm Maundy Thursday Communion Service (Usher #14)

Friday

9:45 am Dove West Good Friday Service

1:00 pm Good Friday Service (Usher #1)

6:30 pm Good Friday Service (Usher #16)

Saturday, 3/26

6:30 pm Easter Service (Usher #7)

No Bible Class/Sunday School

Sunday, 3/27

7:00 am Easter Sunrise Service (Usher #18)

Fellowship Brunch

9:00 am Easter Service (Usher #12, Counters F)

No Sunday School/Young Adults/Bible Class

9:45 am Dove West 10:30 am Care Partners

~~10:30 am Dove South~~ 11:00 am Heritage

12:00 noon Orchard Hills 1:00 pm Oakwood Apartments

1:30 pm Our House 2:15 pm Veterans Home

No Group Information Class

SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK

March 19/20	Palm Sunday	Usual weekend schedule (with Sunday School and Bible Class)
March 24	Maundy Thursday	1 and 6:30 pm (with communion)
March 25	Good Friday	1 and 6:30 pm
March 27	Easter Sunrise	7:00 am
March 26/27	Easter Weekend	Sat. 6:30 pm and Sun. 9:00 am

Sunrise Service is different from the weekend service and is followed by the Easter Brunch (No Sunday School or Bible Class next weekend)

Our Weekend Bible Class: Our weekend Bible Class continues its study of *"The Christ of the Gospels"*, focusing on the events of Tuesday of Holy Week and the remaining portion of the "Olivet Discourse" of Jesus.

The Sunday Evening Informational Class meets this Sunday, March 13, from 7-8 pm. We will begin chapter 10, "The Second Table of the Law."

In His Word will be recessed until March 29th.

All are invited to the Easter brunch immediately following the sunrise service Easter Sunday. Eggs, French toast, pancakes, juice and coffee will be provided. Those planning to attend are asked to bring baked goods or fruit. A **sign-up sheet** will be in the narthex. As in past years, we welcome donations of eggs and juice (any flavor, preferably pre-mixed). We ask that all donations be placed in the kitchen refrigerator by the evening Good Friday service. After that, donations are no longer necessary. Any questions can be directed to Rebecca Zimmerman at zimmermanjre@charter.net.

Help needed for our "Helping Hands" Fund – This fund is used to help people, especially members, who find themselves in special need, often as a result of sickness or unemployment. In the last month about \$1500 went to help three families in the congregation. The fund is now at \$0. We know already of some pressing needs. Gifts to this fund may be made by using your regular offering envelopes or via e-give or with a check which has "Helping Hands" on the memo line.

Galations 6:10 *"Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith."*



Service Preview for the Upcoming Weekend



GOD'S WORD SERVING US:

Weekend Sermon – Easter homily based on the Resurrection accounts of the four Gospels

Bible Class – *Not held*

CHRISTIANS SERVING US:

Maundy Thu. 3/24 1:00pm: Usher Team 1

Ron Roehl
Don Skinner

Rich McGeorge
Marty Beekman

Maundy Thu. 3/24 6:30pm : Usher Team 14

Dave Rodebaugh
Eric Kelly
Seth Schaller
Dave Schrader

Dan Kelly
Jon Kelly
Paul Meyer

Good Friday 3/25 1:00pm: Usher Team 1

Ron Roehl
Don Skinner

Rich McGeorge
Marty Beekman

Good Friday 3/25 6:30pm: Usher Team 16

Fred Radichel
Josh Beekman
Tim Raith
Adam Schmid

Darin Oster
Tom Beekman
Tom Williams

Easter Sat. 3/26 1:00pm: Usher Team 9

Ben Thurow
Paul Tiefel III
Seth Williams
Jason Zimmerman

Tim Williams
Vic Wente
Scott Wuerch
Steve Lentz

Easter Sunrise 3/27: Usher Team 18

Charles Wittorp
Brent Rutz
Barry Schlegelmilch
Luke Wittorp
Jordan Rutz

Sam Rodebaugh
Jeff Rutz
Sam Wittorp
Nate Rodebaugh

Easter Sunday 3/27: Usher Team 20

Aaron Thompson
Christopher Stratton
Andy Buck
Dave Cavanaugh

Stefan Sonnenfeld
Sam Buck
Jim Sydow
Nathan Buck

If you are unable to serve on this date, please arrange for a substitute.

The head usher is Ron Porath – (715) 835-2741, rlporath@aol.com

Greeters, 3/27 – Ross Roehl, Quam

If you are unable to serve on this date, please arrange for a substitute.

The head greeter is Kevin Hulke – (715) 832-5140, KHULKE@cvtc.edu

Counters for the week following 3/27 – Team F

Andy Buck, Mark Franson, Josh Gurgel

Thank you for your service!



Messiah bumper stickers are again available on the kiosk in our narthex.

Both adhesive and magnetic versions are available. When placed on your car, they

direct people to Messiah's web site, where they can find a wealth of information about our Savior and the true path to eternal life. Please take as many as use can use, at no charge.

★ **A Sunday School Superintendent** is needed for the upcoming summer and fall sessions. Contact Pastor Naumann or Tim Williams.

★ = Volunteer
Needed

There are several Messiah Home Bible Studies which are now actively meeting. Our members are invited to participate in any of these, or organize a home study yourself. Study materials on various books of the Bible, along with a leader's guide, are available. Those who have attended these home Bible studies have benefitted both from greater insights into God's Word, as well as the close Christian fellowship that comes with a smaller-group setting. Here is the schedule for the studies which are now meeting:

Group Name	Location	Next Meets	Next Up
"Messiah Area"	Gary & Susan Meyer 2405 River View Dr Eau Claire	Sun April 3 7:00 PM	<i>Philippians Part 5</i>
"West Side – South and Downtown"	Charles & Connie Wittorp 530 Putnam St., Eau Claire	Mon March 21 6:00 PM	<i>Romans Chapter 2</i>
"ILC Area A"	Paul & Anne Koch 3425 Morgan Ave., Eau Claire	Sun March 20 6:30 PM	<i>Romans Chapter 1</i>
"ILC Area B"	Ross & Lynette Roehl 509 Ingram Drive, Eau Claire	Sun March 20 4:00 PM	<i>Romans Chapter 6</i>
"ILC Area C"	Ruth Gullerud 347 Heather Rd., Eau Claire	Sun March 20 4:30 PM	<i>Jude Part 2</i>
"Altoona Area" <u>childcare provided</u>	Jon & Sam Kelly 1111 Daniels Ave., Altoona	<i>Resuming in April</i>	
"Loves Creek South"	Greg & Kathy Boldon 6209 Graff Road, Eau Claire	Sun April 10 7:00 PM	<i>Philippians Part 6</i>

If you would like more information about attending or beginning a home Bible study, contact Pastor Naumann at 715-864-3465, or brucenaumann@gmail.com.

CLC News – The Rev. Neal Radichel, pastor of Luther Memorial Lutheran, Fond du Lac WI, has returned the call to become associate pastor at Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN.<> Church of the Lutheran Confession, North Port FL, has called its pastor, the Rev. Mark Weis, to be the full-time pastor of a dual-location congregation. "We hope, with the blessings of God, to establish a place for regular Sunday worship and Bible study in the Cape Coral/Ft. Myers area, while continuing to have regular services at our existing North Port location. For at least the time being, this would be a single congregation operating in two locations." He has accepted the call.<> Ascension Lutheran, Tacoma WA, has called the Rev. Matthew Ude, who is currently serving as foreign missionary to India.

Below is the schedule for the ILC Tour Choir for their spring tour. It is reprinted here for two reasons. Perhaps you know of family or friends along the way that could be invited to the concert in their area. Secondly, your prayers for good health, good weather, and the Spirit's blessing on the Gospel that is sung are both needed and appreciated.

2016 Tour Choir Concert Schedule

Sunday, March 13	Millston, WI	10:00 am
Saturday, March 19	Morris, MN	1:00 pm
Saturday, March 19	Watertown, SD	7:00 pm
Sunday, March 20	Rapid City, SD	7:00 pm
Monday, March 21	Cheyenne, WY	7:00 pm
Tuesday, March 22	Loveland, CO	7:00 pm
Wednesday, March 23	Lakewood, CO	7:00 pm
Thursday, March 24	Valentine, NE	7:00 pm
Friday, March 25	Okabena, MN	7:00 pm
Saturday, March 26	Red Wing, MN	7:00 pm
Sunday, March 27	Inver Grove Heights, MN	9:00 am
Sunday, April 3	Eau Claire, WI	6:30 pm

Next Thursday (and after each of the three services next weekend.) we will be celebrating the Lord's Supper. As an aid to self-examination we offer the following: *"As I desire to approach Your table, precious Savior, make me worthy and acceptable, mindful that Your grace alone gives me the privilege to partake of this blessed Sacrament. I have sinned, I have been discouraged, I have given way to needless worries, I have questioned Your promises, I have had a doubtful mind. I confess all these and other shortcomings and ask You to receive me nevertheless and to blot out all my sins against You and all people. Create in me a clean and pure heart, a greater faith, and the grace to walk with You in that way which leads to life eternal. Draw me to Yourself with Your constraining love, and send me on my way rejoicing because of the forgiveness and peace which I have received at Your table of love and grace. Preserve me in this union with You and the fellowship of those with whom I have shared this blessed meal. Continue to be with me and all Your people until journey's end, most gracious Savior and Lord. Amen."*



(taken from My Prayer Book Concordia Publishing House, c. 1980, p.89)

In the Hospital: The surgery for Ron Porath last Monday in Rochester was considered successful by the doctors. It involved the removal of a large tumor along with his right lung. He is recovering and hopes to return home this week. Cashton Nicolai was hospitalized a week ago and is slowly recovering at home. **Messiah Shut-ins:** Lou Bailey (Dove West), Edna Callies (W180 N8071 Town Hall Road Menomonee Falls, WI 53051), Dale and Shirley Johnson (832 Kari Dr.), Connie Larson (2902 Terry Lane), Linda Larson (4843 Southridge Ct. #8), Ruth Peterson (Orchard Hills), Mary Beth Schierenbeck (Grace Woodlands), Mavis Thelen (418 N. Barstow), Helen Ude (Dove West), and Shelly Williamson (Bellevue, IA).

*We sing the praise of Him who died, Of Him who died upon the cross;
The sinners' Hope let men deride, For this we count the world but loss.*

*The cross!--it takes our guilt away, It holds the fainting spirit up,
It cheers with hope the gloomy day, And sweetens ev'ry bitter cup.*

*It makes the coward spirit brave And nerves the feeble arm for fight;
It takes all terror from the grave And gilds the bed of death with light.*

TLH 178:1,3,4



Fruits of Faith Last Week, Mar. 12 & 13

Weekend Worship: (Sat. 214 - Sun. 224) 438

Communion: (Sat. 24 – Sun. 32) 56

Lenten Service Mar. 16: (1:00 pm 117 – 6:30 pm 324) 443

Bible Class: (Sat. 23 - Sun. 67) 90 Sunday School: (Sat. 1 – Sun. 59) 60

Group Information Class: 4 Young Adults: 9

Dove West: 45 Dove South: 6 Oakwood: 6 Our House: 5

Care Partners: 11 Orchard Hills: 10 Heritage: 22 Veterans Home: 10

Messiah’s Weekly Offering Information

Offering Summary	Need/week	3/13/16	Year-to-Date
Messiah Home Budget	11596.00	11277.56	121978.77
CLC Missions (CBP)	3365.00	2522.75	33185.99

In memory of...
Arvid Gullerud

20.00 CLC Missions (CBP)

Daily Bible readings for home devotions, March 21-26, '16

Mon Zechariah 9:9-10 describes Jesus' arrival in Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, starting the countdown that ended on Easter Sunday. The *daughters of Zion/Jerusalem* represent God's children, whom the Father cherishes as his darling daughters, who lament what people do against their dear Father. Jesus had warnings for them about stormy days ahead (Luke 23:28).

Tues Luke 19:28-40 Did the disciples catch on that they were standing in the doorway between Old and New? Yes, for the Holy Spirit prompted them to rejoice and praise God in the words of Psalm 118 (37-38)—and not get drowned out by the dissonance of others (39). [The cobblestones and masonry would shriek aloud at a later time, when Jerusalem got destroyed.]

Wed Philippians 2:5-11 lays out the entire set of salvation miracles: The Son of God, eternal and almighty, became mortal (6-7), humbling Himself and being humiliated (4). *Therefore* (for this very reason) the Father put Jesus back at the TOP, where He belonged (9). Within these few verses the Holy Spirit specifies His origin, His mission, and His exaltation. Wonderful!

Maundy Thursday: Hebrews 10:5-18 The heavenly Father prepared a human body for His Son, Jesus (5) for the specific purpose of canceling the Levitical set-up of animal sacrifices via His own self-sacrifice (5-10)—which did the job that all the others couldn't (11-12), to atone for sins/sinners (13-15). In the Lord's Supper we concentrate on His great accomplishment for us.

Good Friday John 19:17-30 After noting some externals such as the setting on Golgotha, Pilate's refusal to capitulate (19-22), and the soldiers' gambling (22-24), John gets specific about himself in Jesus' family circle (25-27). At about 3:00 p.m. Jesus expired. All according to blueprint (28-30). Amen!

Sat 1 Peter 3:18-22 We make a brief detour from Golgotha, where Jesus *brought us to God* via His death – to a scene nobody on Earth could witness: Jesus' Descent into Hell. "What was He doing there?" we ask. Answer: In His glorified body Jesus appeared in Satan's prison in order to demonstrate (visibly, vocally) that He was the Master over Satan, death, and hell. That hellish place was filled with souls who disbelieved God (the great majority perished in the Flood), but Jesus did not descend to their level in order to grant them a reprieve. Since the wages of sin is death, "It is appointed for humans to die once, but after this [the next event for them will be] the judgment" (Hebrews 9:27). Therefore we deduce that Jesus appeared in Hell to proclaim His divine, dominant authority—not to evangelize.

How awful to be damned, without hope, and past rescue!

NOW is the day of salvation via Jesus' blood and righteousness.

Worship Folder

Palm Sunday March 19 & 20, 2016

The Sixth Weekend in Lent

Messiah Lutheran Church & School

Pre-service Devotion: Psalm 24 ¹The earth is the LORD's, and all its fullness, The world and those who dwell therein. ²For He has founded it upon the seas, And established it upon the waters. ³Who may ascend into the hill of the LORD? Or who may stand in His holy place? ⁴He who has clean hands and a pure heart, Who has not lifted up his soul to an idol, Nor sworn deceitfully. ⁵He shall receive blessing from the LORD, And righteousness from the God of his salvation. ⁶This is Jacob, the generation of those who seek Him, Who seek Your face. Selah ⁷Lift up your heads, O you gates! And be lifted up, you everlasting doors! And the King of glory shall come in. ⁸Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, The LORD mighty in battle. ⁹Lift up your heads, O you gates! Lift up, you everlasting doors! And the King of glory shall come in. ¹⁰Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, He is the King of glory. Selah

Hymn 725 "No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet"

From the tan *Worship Supplement*

Pastor: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



C: A - - men

Pastor: Beloved in the LORD! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, asking Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the LORD.



C: Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD.



C: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Pastor: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

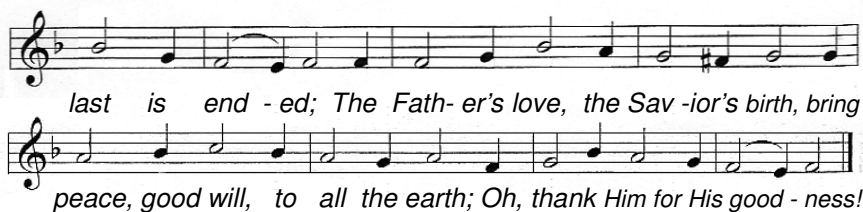
People: O most merciful God, Who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.



Pastor: The Introit
(from Psalm 22:19,21,1)

C: Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, forevermore. Amen.
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.
All glo - ry be to God on high, Who has mankind be -
friend - ed! To us no harm shall now come nigh; the strife at



Pastor: The Lord be with you.



Pastor: Prayer for the Day



The Epistle Reading – Philippians 2:5-11

⁵ Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, ⁷ but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. ⁹ Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, ¹¹ and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Pastor: The Gradual

(From Psalm 22:1,6,19,22,31)



The Gospel Reading – Luke 19:28-40



²⁸ When He had said this, He went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.
²⁹ And it came to pass, when He drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mountain called Olivet, that He sent two of His disciples, ³⁰ saying, "Go into the village opposite you, where as you enter you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Loose it and bring it here. ³¹ And if anyone asks you, 'Why are you loosing it?' thus you shall say to him, 'Because the Lord has need of it.'" ³² So those who were sent went their way and found it just as He had said to them. ³³ But as they were loosing the colt, the owners of it said to them, "Why are you loosing the colt?" ³⁴ And they said, "The Lord has need of him." ³⁵ Then they brought him to Jesus. And they threw their own clothes on the colt, and they set Jesus on him. ³⁶ And as He went, many spread their clothes on the road. ³⁷ Then, as He was now drawing near the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works they had seen, ³⁸ saying: " 'Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the LORD!' Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" ³⁹ And some of the Pharisees called to Him from the crowd, "Teacher, rebuke Your disciples." ⁴⁰ But He answered and said to them, "I tell you that if these should keep silent, the stones would immediately cry out."

Pastor: Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it!



The Apostolic Creed

I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sunday morning: Lift High the Psalms of Praise (Messiah Youth)

Hymn 161 *“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”*

From the red Lutheran Hymnal

The Sermon Text – Zechariah 9:9-10

⁹ “Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; He is just and having salvation, Lowly and riding on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰ I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim And the horse from Jerusalem; The battle bow shall be cut off. He shall speak peace to the nations; His dominion shall be ‘from sea to sea, And from the River to the ends of the earth.’

Sermon Theme: The most special King brings the most special Kingdom

- I. The King: The greatest yet humble; just and loving, willing to help
- II. The Kingdom: Peace with God for every sinner the world over

Preaching This Weekend: Pastor Paul Tiefel



C: Create in me a clean heart, O God, And re-new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Your presence,
And take not Your Ho-ly Spi - rit from me. Restore un - to me the
joy of Your salvation, And uphold me with Your free Spir - it. A-men

Hymn 162 "Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty"

From the red *Lutheran Hymnal*

The Offering

Offering Response – Hymn 788:1

From the tan *Worship Supplement*



Prayer – The Lord's Prayer

The Benediction

C: A – men, a – men, a – men.

Hymn 724 "Jesus, Remember Me"

From the tan *Worship Supplement*

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