

We Welcome You to Worship and Fellowship here at Messiah Lutheran Church

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - SEPTEMBER 2, 2018 10:30 AM

Jesus protests against human customs being given the weight of divine law, while the essence of God's law is ignored. True uncleanness comes not from external things, but from the intentions of the human heart.

Last week Jesus told us "the words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life." Now James says God has given us birth by the word of truth. We, having been washed in the word when we were born in the font, return to it every Sunday to ask God to create in us clean hearts.



Welcome To All Visitors **This Morning**

Please visit our Welcome Centre at the back of the sanctuary for information about our congregation and to sign our guest book.

Communion at Messiah

We believe that in this joyous celebration, our crucified and risen Savior Jesus Christ is present with us in word and action. By his gracious love, Christ awakens faith, saves, forgives, unites, gives life, comforts and strengthens us for service.

Please Note: Gluten free bread/ gluten free wafers as well as regular wafers are available. Due to dietary needs, grape juice is available as well as wine. After communion, glasses are placed in a basket at the side of the pews.

Please join us for



following the 10:30 am service
in the Fellowship Centre
with hosts Ivar & Carole Saugen, Art & Ann Reiten.

Today

10:30 am	- Worship Service	Sanctuary
11:45 am	- Coffee Fellowship	Fellowship Centre



Sunday morning service is broadcast on Cable 10, 310 & 610.
Rebroadcast
Tuesday at midnight
& Wednesday at 2:00 pm.

The previous Sunday's service is rebroadcast on Sundays at 7:00 pm.

Our services are now LIVE streamed on YouTube. Search for MessiahCamrose.



Previous Sunday's services may be found on our website at messiahcamrose.ca, Worship Service tab.

IN OUR WEEKLY PRAYER CYCLE

Each week we hold in special prayer
some of the people and ministries of Messiah.

This week we pray for: Annette Huseby, Keilah, Kohen & Kayson Jacobson, Aaron Jensen, Adele Jensen, Dan & Helga Jensen. We also pray for our Bishops Susan Johnson and Larry Kochendorfer, the Assistant to the Bishop Pastor Julianne Barlow, Pastor Brian Rude and our partners in ministry at Lutheran Campus Ministry at Augustana and Canadian Lutheran Bible Institute, and their faculties and staff.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 Labor Day—Office Closed

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

10:00 am - Staff Meeting
7:00 pm - Worship Committee

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

7:00 am - Matins & Muffins
12:00 pm - Announcements Due

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

12:00 pm - All Staff Meeting

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

2:30 pm - Witnessing Committee

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

8:45 am - Men's Bible Study

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

9:15 am - Adult Education
9:45 am - Friendship Club
10:30 am - Sunday School
10:30 am - Worship Service
11:45 am - LunchFEST

Blessing of the Backpacks, NEXT SUNDAY



At this service, students and teachers will be prayed for as they begin a new school year. (all ages of education, in our public schools, colleges and universities) **We encourage you all to bring your backpack to church that morning!**



CHAIR FUND UPDATE
THE NEW BASEMENT CHAIRS
ARE NOW FULLY FUNDED!
THANK YOU!

Next Sunday's Bible Readings

Isaiah 35:4-7a
Psalm 146
James 2:1-10, 14-17
Mark 7:24-37

What are your Pastors up to... please pray

Mondays: Pastor Bev's day off

Fridays: Pastor Calvin's day off

MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Sharing Jesus Christ
with All People*

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Church Office Hours

Monday to Friday
9:00 am - Noon
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Junior Youth

Lawn Games... if weather permits followed by a campfire on Saturday, September 22 from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm. Stay tuned for where to meet. All pre-teens welcome!!!

Sunday School

Next Sunday: Children are invited to bring their **backpacks** to church on Sunday, September 9th! The Children's Message will include a "Blessing of the Backpacks" after which time they will proceed downstairs to register for Sunday School and take part in **Sunday School Kick-Off!** Visiting children are welcome!

Sunday Morning Adult Class

Time: 9:15 am - 10:15 am
Place: Basement Auditorium

September 9: Pastor Calvin facilitates the first session using the **NOOMA** (πνευμα) video series in which Christian teacher Rob Bell provides us with plenty to think about, discuss and question in a presentation entitled, **Rain: "Things don't always work out the way we want them to."**

Sunday, September 16: The second session in the **NOOMA** series will be facilitated by Pastor Bev. Video title TBA.

Come see what NOOMA is all about! The videos do not have to be seen consecutively so come to them all or come when you can. Check it out!

Thank you to the many people who are assisting us in our worship service today.

ROLE	10:30 AM
GREETERS	Eleanor Kopperud, Elaine Olson
USHERS	Art & Gail Pfeiffer
COMMUNION PREPARATION	Carol Roy
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	David & Darlene Dahle, Carmen Person
LECTOR	Dave Stolee
WORSHIP SCREENS/AUDIO/VIDEO/ CAMERAS	Chris Hohm, Rosanna Hohm
PAPER PACK	Mary Broen, Shirley Peters

Each of us falls short. We need God. God is near.

Setting Ten

GATHERING

Prelude & Welcome

The Life of the Community of Faith - Announcements

Hymn 520 *Dearest Jesus, at Your Word*

Confession and Forgiveness page 94

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Glory to God page 204

Prayer of the Day

O God our strength, without you we are weak and wayward creatures. Protect us from all dangers that attack us from the outside, and cleanse us from all evil that arises from within ourselves, that we may be preserved through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

Children's Time

First Reading - Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

Psalm *Sung by Tova Olson & Michelle Kennedy Hawkins*

Second Reading - James 1:17-27

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Gospel - Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Sermon - Pastor Calvin Skriver

Hymn 793 *Be Thou My Vision*

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

*Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.*

Sharing the Peace

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Offering

Offering Prayer

Great Thanksgiving page 206

Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Supper

Lamb of Godpage 208

Sending of Communion to the Lodges

Hymn 801 *Change My Heart, O God*

Hymn *Create in Me a Clean Heart*

Hymn 814 *Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am*

Table Blessing

SENDING

Blessing

Hymn 824 *This Is My Father's World*

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.