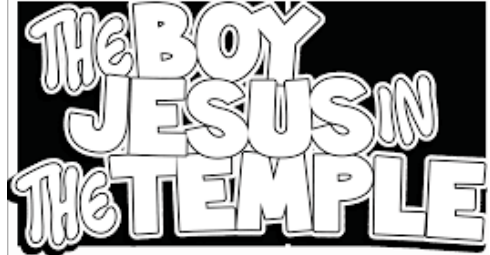


*We Welcome You to Worship and Fellowship
here at Messiah Lutheran Church*

FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS - DECEMBER 30, 2018, 10:30 AM

On the first Sunday of Christmas we find the boy Samuel and the boy Jesus, both in the temple, both growing in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and humankind.

We too return to the house of God “to sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.” God has gifted us with a savior.



As the festival continues, “let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.” It is Christmas, still.

***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.

Please join us for



**following the 10:30 am service
in the Fellowship Centre
with hosts Marilyn Hoveland, Eleanor Kopperud.**

Today

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

Sanctuary
Fellowship Centre



*Happy New Year
from Messiah's Staff*

*Church office will be Back Open
January 2, 2019*

9:00 am - noon, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

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: Andrew & Tina Olson, Donald Olson, Elaine Olson, Everald & Holly Olson, Greta Olson. We also pray for our Bishops Susan Johnson and Larry Kochendorfer, Pastor Brian Rude and Bethany Meadows and those called to be a minister for our congregation: Calvin Skriver and Bev Swanson.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 31

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 1
NEW YEAR'S DAY**

Office Closed

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2

**Last day to donate scarves, mittens,
toques & socks to the Mitten Tree.**

12:00 pm - Announcements Due

THURSDAY, JANUARY 3

FRIDAY, JANUARY 4

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5

8:45 am - Men's Bible Study

SUNDAY, JANUARY 6

9:15 am - Adult Education

9:45 am - Friendship Class

10:30 am - Sunday School

10:30 am - Worship Service

11:45 am - Coffee Fellowship

Next Sunday's Bible Readings

Isiah 60:1-6

Psalms 72:1-7, 10-14

Ephesians 3:1-12

Matthew 2:1-12

2018 Donations



Please note that the office will NOT be open between Christmas Eve and New Year's Day. If you wish to make a

donation to be receipted in 2018, you will be able to donate in the offerings on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day or on December 30. You will also be able to drop off your offering to the office by 3:00 pm on December 21 – or the mail needs to be clearly postmarked 2018.

**MLW Bible Study Briefing will
be on Monday, Jan. 7, 7:00 pm
in the Fellowship Centre**

What are your Pastors up to... please pray

Mondays: Pastor Bev's day off

Fridays: Pastor Calvin's day off

**Along with regular pastoral
ministry and care:**

Pastor Calvin & Pastor Bev will be attending the Epiphany Cluster meeting.

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*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

Sunday School

Today: No Sunday School

Sunday School will resume on January 6

Sunday Morning Adult Class

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

Today: No Adult Class

January is World Mission Month

Jan 6: Sam and Dolores Wuermli from Calgary sharing the mission and work of Wycliffe Bible Translators in our technological world.

Mark Your Calendar!!!

Music Through the Centuries

*Featuring the Pipe Organ
of Messiah & Tova Olson*

...with guest artists

*Keysha Swanson, Colden Palo,
Juanita Hohm, Charlene Brown,
Michelle Kennedy Hawkins,
Carolyn Olson, Lucas Brown & ...*

Saturday, March 9, 2019, 7:00 pm



Monetary view to Nov. 30, 2018 (58% budget year)



Income	\$218,411
Designated	\$29,798
Expenses	\$273,385
Net income	\$-25,176

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

ROLE	10:30 AM
GREETERS	Adam & Astrid Miller
USHERS	Grant & Doris Skippen
LECTOR	Dave Stolee
WORSHIP SCREENS/AUDIO/VIDEO	Caleb Hawkins, Chris Hohm, Kassia Hohm, Lowell Dahlman
PAPER PACK	Mary Broen, Shirley Peters
SNOW SHOVELING	Don Myrehaug, Milt Gilbertson

Above all, clothe yourself with love.

GATHERING

Prelude & Welcome

The Life of the Community of Faith - Announcements

Opening Hymn 274 *On Christmas Night*

Confession and Forgiveness

Hymn 286 *Your Little Ones, Dear Lord Are We*

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Shine into our hearts the light of your wisdom, O God, and open our minds to the knowledge of your word, that in all things we may think and act according to your good will and may live continually in the light of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

Children's Time

First Reading - I Samuel 2:18-20, 26

Psalm 148..... *The Olson Sisters*

Second Reading - Colossians 3:12-17

Hymn 291 *Let Our Gladness Have No End*

Gospel - Luke 2:41-52

Sermon - Pastor Calvin Skriver

Sermon Hymn 272 *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*

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PRAYERS

Prayers of the People

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lord's Prayer

Sharing the Peace

Offering 294 *In the Bleak Midwinter*

Offering Prayer

SENDING

Blessing

Sending Hymn 299 *Cold December Flies Away*

Go in peace. Share the joy of Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

THEREFORE, AS GOD'S CHOSEN PEOPLE, HOLY AND DEARLY LOVED, CLOTHE YOURSELVES WITH COMPASSION, KINDNESS, HUMILITY GENTLENESS & PATIENCE

BEAR WITH EACH OTHER AND FORGIVE ONE ANOTHER IF ANY OF YOU HAS A GRIEVANCE AGAINST SOMEONE FORGIVE AS THE LORD FORGAVE YOU AND OVER ALL THESE VIRTUES

PUT ON LOVE

WHICH BINDS THEM ALL TOGETHER IN PERFECT UNITY LET THE PEACE OF CHRIST RULE IN YOUR HEARTS

SINCE AS MEMBERS OF ONE BODY YOU WERE CALLED TO PEACE AND BE THANKFUL

COLOSSIANS 3:12-15