

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

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - MARCH 10, 2019 10:30 AM



These forty days called Lent are an opportune time to return to the God who rescues; to receive the gifts of God's grace; to believe with the heart and confess with the mouth the wonder of God's love in Jesus; and to resist temptation at every turn.

This is no small pilgrimage on which we embark. It is a struggle Jesus knew. It is a struggle Jesus shares. The nearness of the Lord, in bread and wine, water and word, will uphold and sustain us.

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.



**Today, please join us for
LunchFEST
following the
10:30 am service.**

Support Committee will be serving lunch
Please join us for fun, laughter and fellowship!

Today

9:15 am	- Adult Education	Fellowship Centre
9:30 am	- Friendship Class	Basement Audit.
10:30 am	- Sunday School	B024
10:30 am	- Worship Service	Sanctuary
11:45 am	- LunchFEST	Fellowship Centre

MLW Circles

Faith Circle, Wed. Mar 13, 7:00 pm, Signe Harder
Friendship Circle, Thu. Mar 14, 2:00 pm, Deer Meadows
Gentleness Circle, Thu. Mar 14, 9:30 am, Marion Midbo
Grace Circle, Wed. Mar 13, 9:30 am, Elaine Olson
Joy Circle, Tue. Mar 12, 7:00 pm, Carol Roy
Love Circle, Thu. Mar 14, 2:00 pm, Annette Hawkins
Praise Circle, Thu. Mar 14, 9:30 am, Eleanor Kopperud

Next Sunday is Food Bank Sunday

The need is always there!!

Please continue to overflow the grocery cart in the Narthex with gifts for the Food Bank.



**All donations are
greatly appreciated!!**

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: Tim Schultz, Jody Schultz, Taylor & Jada Schultz, Gwen Scott, Paula, Mary & Matthew Searle; Marjorie Servold. We also pray for our Bishops Susan Johnson and Larry Kochendorfer, Pastor Brian Rude, Deer Meadows and those involved in the worship ministries of our congregation, including our choirs, praise bands, chancel care, ushers, greeters, lectors, audio-video technicians, communion preparation and serving.

MONDAY, MARCH 11

Committee Minutes due for Council Reporting

- 10:30 am - Lectio
- 11:00 am - Audrey Hitman Funeral
- 2:00 pm - Refugee Centre
- 5:00 pm - Witnessing Committee
- 7:00 pm - Camerata

TUESDAY, MARCH 12

- 10:00 am - Staff Meeting
- 7:00 pm - Lenten Service @ Messiah

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13

12:00 pm - Announcements Due

THURSDAY, MARCH 14

- 10:30 am - Handbells
- 3:00 pm - Kuimba Youth Choir
- 6:45 pm - Confirmation
- 7:00 pm - Messiah's Choristers

FRIDAY, MARCH 15

- 10:45 am - Drum Lessons

SATURDAY, MARCH 16

- 8:45 am - Men's Bible Study

Next Sunday's Bible Readings

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

Psalm 27

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Luke 13:31-35

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

Food Bank Sunday

- 9:15 am - Adult Education
- 9:30 am - Friendship Class
- 10:30 am - Sunday School
- 10:30 am - Worship Service
- 11:45 am - Coffee Fellowship
- 2:00 pm - Chris Shuman & Lowell
Dahlman Wedding Shower

MLW General Meeting

Saturday, March 30 at 9:30 am

Light brunch and a special presentation by
Stacey Strilchuk, the Executive Director of
Primary Care Network.

What are your Pastors up to... please pray

Monday: Pastor Bev's day off

Friday: Pastor Calvin's day off

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

Pastor Bev will be presiding at the
Audrey Hitman funeral.

Pastor Calvin will be leading the
service at Crown Place.

Both will be attending Committee
meetings, writing a report for Church
Council and attending the Lenten
service we are hosting here at
Messiah.

Sunday School

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

*"Music speaks the most universal
of languages, one by which the
soul is freely, yet indefinitely
moved; but it is then at home."
Robert Schumann*

Today: Regular Sunday School classes take place downstairs following the Children's Time at the beginning of the worship service. Visiting children are welcome!

Sunday Morning Adult Class

Today: Medical Assistance in Dying presented by Jennifer Willes, RN

March 17: Out of the Darkness - A Redemption Story presented by Rob and Kirsti Luz. They will share their testimony of faith, redemption and healing following a diagnosis for Rob of PTSD and Major Depressive Disorder as a 10 year veteran of the RCMP.

March 24: Loss Through the Eyes of Ruth presented by Pastor Rick Bergh. Pastor Rick will continue to guide us in exploring the myriad of losses that we need to notice as we companion each other in grief. This session is not continuation of the workshop on March 23. Please join us even if you were unable to attend Saturday's workshop.

March 31: Living a Life of Happiness in Times of Adversity presented by Ron Baier, after 35 years of teaching is now managing the Safeway seafood department. Ron has been battling a pituitary tumour for 27 years. He will talk about the power of prayer, faith, having a positive attitude and experiencing moments of Grace.

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

ROLE	10:30 AM
GREETERS	Ivar & Carole Saugen
USHERS	Carol Roy, Jackie Lovely
LECTOR	Annelise Westby
SCREENS/AUDIO/VIDEO/CAMERAS	Nathan Pinno, Steve Lindberg, Jayla Lindberg
PAPER PACK	Ken & Arlene Skriver
SNOW SHOVELLING	Gord Myrehaug, Don Saltvold

The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart.

Augustana Setting

GATHERING

Prelude & Welcome

The Life of the Community of Faith - Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Kyrie page 3

Absolution

Song 769 *If You But Trust in God to Guide You*

Greeting page 5

Prayer of the Day:

O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

WORD

Children's Time *Kelly Moseson*

First Reading - Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Psalms 91 - Song 787 *On Eagle's Wings*

Second Reading - Romans 10:8b-13

Special Music *Handbells & Kassia Hohm*

Gospel - Luke 4:1-13

Sermon - Pastor Calvin Skriver

Song 325 *I Want Jesus to Walk With Me*

Apostles' Creed

PRAYERS

Prayers of the People

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lord' Prayer (*sung*) page 19

Sharing the Peace

Offering *Jane Gusdal & Kyra Gusdal*

Offertory Prayer page 16

SENDING

Blessing (*sung*) page 23

Song 618 *Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer*



Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.