

*We Welcome You to Worship With Us In-Person, by Eastlink TV
or online via YouTube, here at Messiah Lutheran Church*

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost - August 22, 2021 10:30 am



These are changing times. As we discern the will of God in our lives, our church and this world, we are encouraged in Ephesians to look to God for guidance, help and wisdom. It is important to pray constantly for one another and for our church as we move into this time of transition and of asking for God's will for our church and this world going forward. In our Joshua text we are reminded of the faithfulness of God throughout history and in our lives. We can be assured that this same God will continue to be faithful. What assurance this is in these days.

Welcome! If you are a visitor, please sign our guest book at the back of the sanctuary.

At this time, we encourage optional masking and congregational singing but would like to maintain physical distancing.

You are welcome to join us for worship either in-person or virtually from your own home.



We will continue to broadcast on Eastlink Channels 10, 310 & 610 Sunday morning at 10:30am. The Wednesday rebroadcast will be discontinued for the summer and re-evaluated in the fall. Let us know if you watch on Wednesday!

Our services are also on YouTube. Search for MessiahCamrose. There is a link for service on our website



messiahcamrose.ca. Previous Sunday services are found on YouTube or on our website at messiahcamrose.ca under the 'Worship' tab. There you will find 'Worship Services Archived'.



If you know someone who does not have access to Eastlink TV or the internet, but they have a DVD player, please contact the office at 780-672-3444 and we can make arrangements to deliver a DVD of any of the services to them!

Giving Thanks for Pastor Calvin's Ministry

Following the Worship Service today, we will be sharing messages of thanks in the Sanctuary with refreshments to

**follow in
the
Fellowship
Centre.**



**Thank
You**

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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: Carvel and Dale Skaret, Dolores Skaret, Hans and Joan Skinstad, Grant and Doris Skippen, Calvin and Lori Skriver. We also pray for our Bishops Susan Johnson and Larry Kochendorfer, the Assistant to the Bishop Pastor Prema Samuel, Rev. Brian Rude in his retirement transition, ministry among refugees in Camrose, Lutheran Bible Translators and Seasons Retirement Community and those who provide social services, including Neighbor Aid, Meals on Wheels, Martha's Table, the Open Door, Camrose Women's Shelter, Habitat for Humanity and Meals on Wheels.

The ELCIC and CLWR are asking for prayers and donations to assist Haiti following the earthquake and tropical storm. There are several ways to donate. You can make a designated offering donation for "CLWR Haiti Crisis" in an offering envelope OR call CLWR at 1-800-661-2597 to donate by credit card OR go online at <https://clwr.org/Haiti> OR mail a cheque made payable to CLWR to CLWR, 600-177 Lombard Avenue, Winnipeg, MB R3B 0W5. Please indicate that your contribution is to "Haiti Crisis."

for more info visit retreatofourown.ca

Retreat of Our Own 2021

a theological reflection retreat for Lutheran & Anglican learners at KURIAKOS

September 10 - 12

VALUING CREATION: THE ECONOMICS OF SAVING

WITH
REV. DR. TIM WRAY

Registration is now open for the **2021 Retreat of Our Own!** This year's retreat will be held in person at Kuriakos, **September 10-12**, following Covid-safe guidelines in effect in September. The speaker, Rev. Dr. **Tim Wray**, will explore the intersections of climate change, farming, theology, and salvation in his theme, "Valuing Creation: The Economics of Saving." This retreat is open both to lay people and clergy; attendees tend to be Lutheran, but this is not a requirement. More information about the Retreat, including registration instructions, can be found on the Retreat of Our Own website, <https://www.retreatofourown.ca/>. Questions may be directed to the organizers, Joe Stolee (joestolee@shaw.ca, 403-478-9684) and Pamela Giles (pamelagiles@shaw.ca, 306-717-1209).

We are able to accept E-transfers set up from your online banking that will deposit directly at the following email address:



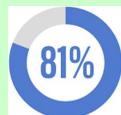
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ROOF FUND UPDATE:

The revised goal is \$92,341

Received as of August 15:

\$75,124



SUMMER OFFICE HOURS



**Please note that for the month of August
the Church office will have these hours:**

Monday 8:00 am - Noon & 1:00 - 4:00 pm
Tuesday 8:00 am - Noon & 1:00 - 4:00 pm
Wednesday CLOSED
Thursday 8:00 am - Noon & 1:00 - 4:00 pm
Friday 8:00 am - Noon ONLY

The Support Committee is looking for volunteers to assist with evening lock up checks of the Church. It requires a commitment of one evening per week and takes about 20 minutes to complete. Contact the office if this is something you can assist with at 780-672-3444. If you would like more details on this opportunity to serve, speak with Ron Foshaug.

Next Sunday's (August 29) Bible Readings



Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

Psalm 15

James 1:17-27

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

Wednesday Morning Coffee Fellowship

August 25 at 10:00 am

we will meet on the
front lawn of the
Church.



**Bring your own
coffee cup!!**

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

ROLE	10:30 AM
GREETERS	Ron and Loretta Foshaug
USHERS	Brian and Leann Reinhart
LECTOR	Jonathan Hawkins
SCREENS/AUDIO/CAMERAS	Rosanna Hohm, Neil & Charlene Brown, Lowell Dahlman

To whom shall we go?

GATHERING

Prelude & Welcome

The Life of the Community of Faith -
Announcements

Gathering Song *Here I Am To Worship*

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

God of love, your word feeds your people with life that is eternal. Be with us in these times of transition as we discern your will going forward. Help us to look to you, praying at all times for your guidance and wisdom in our lives. We pray this, trusting in your faithful presence in all we say and do through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WORD

Children's Time - Kelly Moseson

First Reading - Joshua 24: 1-2a, 14-18

Epistle Reading - Ephesians 6:10-20

Song *Open My Eyes That I May See*

Gospel - John 6:56-69

Homily - Pastor Bev Swanson

Sermon Song 574 *Here I Am, Lord*

Nicene Creed



PRAYERS

Prayers of the People

God of love and mercy,
hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer

Sharing the Peace

Offering

Offering Prayer



SENDING

Blessing

Sending Song 638 *Blessed Assurance*

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



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