

MESSIAH MESSENGER

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Worship Schedule Sunday 10:30 am

In-person worship: masking and physical distancing are mandatory at this time.

Services are broadcast on YouTube, search for MessiahCamrose or find a link on our website messiahcamrose.ca.

We also broadcast on Eastlink TV channels 10, 310 and 610 on Sunday at 10:30 am

Please call if you have any questions or concerns call the office at 780 672 3444 or email office@messiahcamrose.ca

Office Hours

Monday to Friday
9:00 am to Noon
1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
(Closed for lunch from 12:00–1:00 pm)

Church Foyer

Will be open during the noon hour and offerings can be placed through the mail slot on the inside office door.

Minister's Message



This is the Day that the Lord Has Made

I went away for a couple of days... to take a break and to be present with myself and with God. I do this from time to time to get some balance and to be still. What I found, as usual, was that nature stills my soul and ushers me into God's presence. I also found that it takes me a bit of time to come into that stillness fully. As I do, I feel like I am dropping slowing into this beautiful place where I am met by the Lord. I find in that place that a lot of the 'stuff and busyness' of this

world falls away for a bit. There is something about this space that is so healing and so captivating. Here I am met by God... in this "still" place. Here I am welcomed into that inner sanctuary with God.

There is something about being in the present moment that allows us to let the past and the future fall away and there we find that we are able to enjoy the relationship with our God; our time with God.

We actually need to practise being in the stillness with God because it doesn't come naturally for us. It does not come easily. We tend to live either in the past or in the future rather than in the moment we are given, the moment we are in is where we can find that stillness that we so crave. Sometimes we run from these still moments because we get too occupied with other things in life when this is the relationship that fills us and gives us the strength to live our moments.

In our Zoom connection devotional, the other night, we watched a video with children singing together "This is the Day that the Lord has Made". We all noticed how they were so engrossed in that moment. They were connected to one another and to themselves and to God. They looked "free". We have much we can learn from children because they normally do this so easily while we struggle to get a handle on it.

As we enter into the stillness in this present moment, we too are more able to be connected to ourselves, one another and to our relationship with God.

But this does not come overnight. It takes some practice. So, I invite each of you to join me in making a practise of dropping into the presence of God on a daily basis and perhaps many times a day for just a brief moment.

Here are some things to remember:

You don't have to have a long time to do this. It can be a short bit of time in the day or maybe many times a day, where you just drop into that stillness to give thanks and to listen.

- There is peace found when you stop and just touch in with the Lord because there you will find that you are loved and held.

- Sometimes a scripture verse to meditate on can help you or just put on a piece of music that stills you.
- Don't wait for the perfect moment. There are no perfect moments to be with God. Any moment will do and any place will do just fine.
- There is no perfect way to do this. Just bring you and you will be met by God in a very real way.
- This takes practise which means it takes a bit of time for it to become our norm.
 But as you take moments in the midst of your day, you will find it will become more and more usual.
- Set aside some times where you can just know that those moments will be for you and God. Pick a time that works best for your life and your schedule. There is no right or wrong way to do this or right or wrong time.
- The Lord is waiting there to welcome you and will be delighted that you have stopped to spend time with him. I picture our Lord saying to each of us as we come close, "Oh there you are... It is so good to see you. I am so glad you stopped to be with me!"

As I ease back into my work this week, I find I am renewed from this time with God and with myself. I hope to make this stillness in the present moment a practise for all of my days.

Psalm 118:24 speaks to this where it says, "This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it!" I think when we get too full and occupied in our days we do not appreciate as easily the day that our God has given to us or the moments where God wants to reach into our day with love and presence.

Let's together take some time each day to just still our hearts and practise being in the presence of God, perhaps many times each day.

Psalm 46:10 Be still and know that I am God.

The Lord be with you... We are growing together.

Pastor Bev

Contact me at 780-678-7830 cell or email bev@breatheopenlove.com





Synod of Alberta and the Territories

Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada



Dear Beloved of God -

The Sabbath pattern - six days of work, followed by one of rest - is woven deep into the fabric of the Bible - it is seen, fundamentally, as a gift! The root word means to cease, to desist. The idea is not that of relaxation or refreshment, but cessation from activity. The first story of Hebrew and Christian Scriptures climaxes on the seventh

day, the first time there was a seventh day. Having created everything, God rests, and blesses this day, and makes it holy.

Later, God teaches the people of Israel to share in the blessing of this day (Exodus 16). After bringing them out of Egyptian slavery into the wilderness, God sends them manna, commanding them to gather enough each morning for that day's food alone. Mistrusting, they gather more than they need, but it rots. On the sixth day, however, they are told to gather enough to last for two days. Miraculously, the extra does not rot, and those mistrustful ones who go out on the seventh morning to gather more food find none. God is teaching them, through their own hunger and nature's provisions, to keep the Sabbath, even before Moses receives the commandments on Sinai.

When those commandments come, the Sabbath commandment is the longest and, in some ways, the most puzzling. Unlike any of the others, it takes guite different forms in the two passages where the Ten Commandments appear (Exodus 20:8-11 and Deuteronomy 5:12-15). Both versions require the same behavior - work on six days, rest on one - but each gives a different reason. What is wonderful is that each reason (remembering and observing) arises from a fundamental truth about God's relationship to humanity. Together, these two renderings of the Sabbath commandment summarize the most fundamental stories and beliefs of the Scriptures: creation and exodus, humanity in God's image and a people liberated from captivity. In both remembering and observing, the Sabbath is understood to be gift.

The Christian community continued to treasure the Sabbath commandment, along with the other nine commandments from Sinai. They also came to believe that its meaning had changed with the new creation God began with Christ's death and resurrection. The holy day from now on, therefore,

was not the seventh but the eighth, the day on which the future burst into the present.

As you know, at its September 2021 meeting Synod Council approved my proposal for a sabbatical leave, October 25, 2021 through January 24, 2022 with a few days of holiday preceding the sabbatical and a few days of holiday following the sabbatical. In effect I will be away October 20, 2021 through January 27, 2022...for a time of remembering and of observing.

Those who have served recently on Synod Council will recall that during the March 2020 Bishop's Performance Review I was encouraged by Council to consider taking a sabbatical beginning early winter 2020. However, given the reality of the Covid pandemic, the upcoming 2020 Synod Convention and the reality of planning for an on-line event, and the anticipated hiring of synod staff, Office Administrator, in the summer of 2020, I determined to set aside this encouragement.

I thank the Synod Council, and you, the Synod of Alberta and the Territories, for this gift, and I invite your prayers for The Rev. Prema Samuel, Assistant to the Bishop for Congregational Life, who will serve as Commissary while I am away; Marla Berg, Office Administrator; and other synod staff; Synod Officers – Deacon Karen Wedman, Keith Scheidt and Paul Ellison; and the Area Deans: The Revs. Jeff Decelle, Kevin Powell, Julianna Wehrfritz-Hanson, Matthew Lyseng and Trish Schmermund.

I also welcome your prayers for Cathy and me during this time of sabbatical.

Know that I will continue to uphold you in prayer.

And, as I have shared before, and will continue to do so: Beloved of God, as people of faith, continue to be humble and gentle with one another. Honour each other. Make space for lament. Welcome moments of joy. Help each other live into hope. Learn from this journey in the coronavirus wilderness and let the learning lead us forward. Trust that God is at work in this time and look for the new things God is doing even now.

In Christ Jesus – Shalom.

+Larry

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,

so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13

Greetings and Reflections on the 120th Anniversary Service

Thank you for your timely invitation to check out the Thanksgiving Service from Messiah!

Because of Covid restrictions we will not be travelling but staying home here in Grande Prairie.

Thanks again for your invitation;

Blessings to you all!

Pastor Vern & RoseAline Begalke





Thank you for letting Diane and me know about the anniversary service. We were pleased to be able to take part online.

God bless,

Pastor Kenn Ward

As I watched the service, Thanksgiving Sunday, I was overwhelmed with gratitude. 120 years, 65 of those I have been a member. 3 months after Ordean and I were married we joined Messiah.

All our children have been baptized, confirmed and married here and Ordean's funeral was held here (mine will be next) such is the cycle of life.

I am thanking God for all the Blessings Messiah has brought into my life.

Lavona Broen



PSalm 107 1

A Thanksgiving Message to the Members and Community of Messiah Lutheran Church On the Occasion of the 120th Anniversary

Dear Friends in Christ.... You are my friends. I do call you "friends." Many friends have gone home. Some of you will perhaps remember, but think, "I was just a child then..."

Nevertheless, I understand the scriptures and know them to be true... Philippians 1:3,4,5 – "Every time I think of you, I thank God for you. I have joy in my heart every time I ask God to help you. I thank God for the joy we share in telling the good news from the very first day until now."

I do give thanks for you, because in my twelve years with you I was blessed beyond measure. You gave me wonderful opportunities and memories. The experience with you honed skills that enriched my ministry that followed, over another twenty years.

I give thanks <u>for</u> you. I give thanks <u>with</u> you. And that is the message I want to share with you. Helen and I worshipped with you virtually on October 10. The space, the music, the people were haunting. How wonderful to remember the stages of formation and expansion. And Pastor Bev did a wonderful job eliciting all that you and I are thankful <u>for</u>. God has blessed you well, beyond expectations. Your lives are full.

But more than your fullness, I want to give thanks with you for all the ministry you gave away! From your abundance, you shared so much with so many, multiplying your ministry throughout the community. Let me remind you of some of it; let this serve as a template for generosity and compassion that still may flow from your hearts and hands and homes....

Camrose Emergency Services Chaplaincy. A tragedy at St. Mary's hospital required an emergency response. Messiah was called to help. We did the best we could. God blessed our words. But we learned we needed more training. So St. Mary's and Camrose United and Messiah arranged for training in Critical Incident Stress Management. At the basic and advanced level. Remember when it was necessary to close some rural hospitals? This Team was dispatched to enable lament, express grief and regret, process anger and hopelessness, and bring some comfort and peace. For three years, Pastor Brian, from Camrose United offered chaplaincy with the police services, while I was chaplain to the emergency responders. A unique ministry. Seeds of compassion that bore much fruit.

HIV-AIDS ministry. The AIDS crisis was expanding. In this time of pandemic, we forget there have been other frightening times when we were unprepared. But Messiah worked with Camrose health services to provide instruction for health care workers, day care workers, dental offices, and schools. An AIDS Support Group was established in Edmonton. We welcomed persons living with HIV into the congregation. Yes, we were safe. They were safe. And we even accompanied some to their eternal home. God was with us.

Long before I arrived, Messiah had been providing ministry to the Camrose Women's Shelter. Wonderful care and respite for women and children! But what could be done for the men? This was in the mid eighties. There was almost no literature yet on the care and treatment of men who act abusively. If there were no care for men, with gentle acceptance of their personhood, but strict disapproval of their behavior, women and children might leave the shelter, return home, only to have destructive patterns continue. Working with Community Services funding was arranged to hire a female social worker; Messiah offered space and pastoral care. A pilot was designed and refined. Eventually programming was created for two-stage response. The government at that time mandated a weekend for anger management. Our program, Changing Ways, required ten and twelve weeks to teach and model healthy male-female relationships, explore feelings beyond good, bad and mad, hold people accountable for behaviors between sessions and practice, practice, practice. Stage two would move beyond behaviors to address underlying attitudes of male privilege, patriarchy and the male wound. Without this deeper work, wounded men would continue to wound. This programming, under a new name and new leadership would continue for more than seventeen years.

Unexpectedly, the skills and insights developed here contributed to the development of procedures and protocols for interventions in congregations where rostered ministers acted abusively. Sadly Needed. Generously provided.

Additionally, workshops on dating relationships and dating violence were held at the Camrose Comp.

Stephen Ministry. A program equipping Messiah members to care for others in supervised one -to-one relationships. Again, Messiah gave this away, sharing training with the Roman Catholic and United congregations in Camrose.

Messiah has been a generous congregation, intent on giving ministry away. And like any healthy farm, the diversity of efforts and "seeds" meant a diversity of "crops" and bountiful harvests. Look at the partnerships far afield with World Missions. Look at the partnerships closer at hand: Camrose Lutheran Bible Institute, Camrose Lutheran College/Augustana University, The Bethany Group, Lutheran Campus Ministry.

How many members served our ELCIC at the local, conference, synodical, and national level? Members becoming leaders, shaping leaders!

Think. Count. How many Messiah members in the last two decades have been called into diaconal and rostered ministry? Give thanks <u>for</u>. Give thanks <u>with</u>.

I mention St. Mary's Hospital again. How many members visited patients and spent time with staff? Again, in the spirit of kinship and partnership, St. Mary's and Messiah shared in training and supervising leaders for Bereavement Groups.

Giving ministry away. Consider the retreat ministries you have offered, opening them beyond the congregation: Father and Son; Silent retreats; Marriage Enrichment; Men's Retreats in partnership with Kuriakos; "The Creative Art of Christian Grandparenting"; Couples Retreats at Wilderness Ranch. Each of these and so many other efforts by this congregation have reached out and welcomed in.

How many decades has Messiah offered television ministry to the community? How many techs and volunteers have contributed long hours and, if they didn't have it, developed the expertise? How many times at the coffee shop, did someone come up to one of your pastors and say something like, "I watch your services on TV. Could I talk with you a few moments?"

How many hours, over how many years, has Messiah given compassion and care, insight and direction to individuals and families in crisis – or just seeking spiritual direction? How many ministers has Messiah intentionally called with specific training, experience and dedication to this particular ministry?

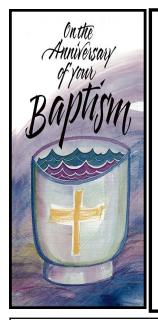
You have been a generous people. You have worshipped a generous God.

At an anniversary it is natural to look back, remember and give thanks. But I urge you to look ahead. How will you continue to call to discipleship, to equip the saints, through all your partnerships with CLBI, AUC, E. Central Conference, Bethany, the businesses and industries of Camrose and beyond?

Christ promised after his resurrection to go on ahead of his disciples. There was little time to look back. So I urge you to dream, imagine, become all that Christ has in mind for you. Be generous with your spirit, as Christ is generous with his Spirit.

For all that has been, "Thank you." For all that will be, "Amen!"

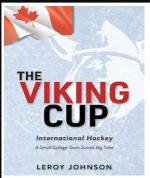
Pastor Dave Saude



We recognize the monthly Baptismal Anniversaries of the children in the *Splash* program:

Finn Skriver – Nov 3 Drew Nester – Nov 11

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.



Available for pre-order at Fox and Fable in Camrose by calling 587 386 009 or on their website. \$36 Softcover \$45 Hardcover Pickup after Dec 11 How does a small college in a rural Alberta city of just over 12,000 people become host to the finest hockey players in the world? Now called University of Alberta - Augustana Campus, Camrose Lutheran College and the community embraced the potential of the Viking Cup in 1980, opening their doors to the world of hockey through this unique international exchange program. Outside, the Cold War was raging but barriers seemed to melt as the love of hockey played on. By the time the Cup had its last hurrah in 2006, the NHL had drafted more than 400 players from its ranks.

The Viking Cup, memoirs and stories of the program's founder, is a joyful account of an important chapter of Canada's hockey history.

The Learning Committee kindly asks for... Two volunteers for the Library

Main tasks: 1) Shelve returned books, about once a month

2) Sort and catalogue donated books, ~4 times a year

A quiet, behind-the-scenes role for two dependable people!

Please let Lori in the office know of your interest.

Submitted by Dave Rogers, Learning Committee chair. Questions? 780-226-6836

Our Two Refugee Families are Coming Soon

The Witnessing Committee has formed a Refugee Sub-committee to oversee the arrival of, and assistance to, our two refugee families.

One single gentleman arrives November 5th, and the second family of four arrives November 18th.

Living accommodations are being sought, and household furniture is in storage waiting to be moved. We have a group of volunteers to assist the committee with doing leg work, but would welcome anyone else to join. Both families have relative connections in Camrose.

Please pray for these two families transitioning to a new country, a new community, a new environment, and a new home. We give thanks to our Lord for sharing His love to our new neighbors. For further questions or want to volunteer, please contact Yvonne Myrehaug at 780 679 3727 or Erhard Pinno at 780 672 1629.

All Saints Sunday is November 7



If a close family member has died and you would like that person remembered by name and to light a candle at that service, please email office@messiahcamrose.ca or call 780-672-3444.

As of our publication date, we remember in our prayers those who have died since last All Saints Sunday and those who have been brought forth by loved ones: Lloyd Grove, Harvey Forre, Walter Busenius, Grete Olson, Gary Radtke, Alice Sandahl, Clint Adams, Hulda Anderson, Irene Hohm, Dwayne Roth, Greta Roth, Verna Lindholm, Douglas Hawkins, Marion Bennett, Marion Burnstad, Norma Branes, Donald Anderson, Agatha Harder, Judy Brown, John Wight, Elvera Millang, Bernice Bolding, Willis Bolding, Dick Clemens, Sherlyn McKay, Jens Jensen, Grant Skippen, Ken Midbo, Ben Macdonald.

We will also light a candle remembering all those you hold in your heart.

Pastoral Acts (up to October 29)

Funeral Willis Bolding

Marriage **Erhard Pinno** & Glenys Smith



Baptism Bonnie Pool

Transfer Out Calvin & Lori Skriver to Scandia Lutheran Church



Grateful Grannies 2021 Christmas Market

Farmers' Market, Duggan Mall Saturdays, 10:00-1:00 pm November 27th until December 18th

We will have a wonderful array of handcrafted items including Grinch trees, Scandinavian gnomes, quilted and knitted items, cards, jewelry, and of course our AIDS angels.



Thank you for continuing to support our cause as we seek temporary measures to ensure everyone's safety.



All proceeds will go to the **Grandmothers to Grandmothers** Campaign of the Stephen Lewis Foundation in support of the AIDS/HIV crisis in Africa

Sunday School

Sunday School will be held on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.

This month it will be

November 7 4 21

Sunday School





Senior High Girls Youth

Hello Everyone! We are a youth group for grades 10-12. In the past couple months we have been getting together for meals, baking, learning more about God's Word and spreading encouragement to the community.

We meet Tuesdays from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Please contact us at (403) 415-5142 for additional information and meeting locations or if you are interested in joining us!

We would love to see you there!

Boys Youth Group

Boys youth events will take place every second Friday evening: November 5, November 19 and December 3 from 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Come out for boys youth nights of pizza and hanging out playing games and foosball.

Food Bank Sunday - November 14

Food Bank donations are still needed and can be left in the grocery cart in the Church foyer during the week or at the back of the sanctuary on Sunday mornings or dropped off directly to the Neighbor Aid Food Bank located at

4524 54 Street in Camrose,

Monday to Friday from 9:00 am - Noon & Tuesday to Thursday 1:00-4:00 pm.

Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated and can be made online at <u>atbcares.com</u> by entering

CAMROSE NEIGHBOR AID CENTER INC.

in the Find A Cause search area.







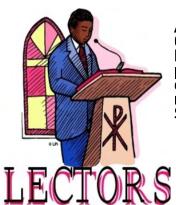


Greeters

Volunteers Needed

As we have returned to a regularly scheduled worship service, Loretta Foshaug is preparing a schedule of volunteers to greet, usher, read the lessons and prepare for and serve communion. Thanks Loretta!

If you would like to volunteer for one of these roles, please phone or email the office (780-672-3444; office@messiahcamrose.ca). If you want to learn more about a particular volunteer opportunity, contact Loretta directly at (780-672-6852).



Another opportunity to serve is taking Holy Communion to the residents at Seasons Retirement Community. Prior to the pandemic this happened following the first communion service of each month. For more information call Pastor Bev Swanson.

Thank you.

Darlene Dahle

Worship Committee Chair



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

offering@messiahcamrose.ca



SNOW SHOVELERS NEEDED



It's almost that time again!

If you are able to take a turn this winter please give us a call at the office.

780 672 3444

Council Highlights

Great news! We have received information from CLWR that the refugees we have been waiting for for two years or more will be arriving in November. The first, a single man, comes November 7 and the family of four is scheduled to arrive November 30. We pray that their travel goes smoothly and that they will feel truly welcome among us. Now, we need to make ready and that means forming a committee to plan for their arrival and help them settle in. If this is something you would like to do, please call Shirley Loewen or Pastor Bev.

Steps are underway to complete the transfer of our endowment funds to ELFEC, as discussed and agreed at the congregational meeting on October 17, 2021. This move is anticipated to provide increased returns and more flexibility on the use of the funds.

Financial Update

Thank you to all the members who attended the special congregational meeting on October 17. With your approval we now have a signed agreement with ELFEC (Evangelical Lutheran Foundation of Eastern Canada) for the investment of Messiah's Ministry Endowment Fund. By the time you read this the \$120,967 in the Fund will have been transferred to them. The decision on how the use the income from this Fund is decided yearly at the annual meeting, based on suggestions received from members. We expect that the income from the Fund will be greater than we have been receiving from holding it in Guaranteed Investment Certificates.

We now have financial reports for the first five months of our financial year that began May 1. Members will recall that the budget approved at the annual meeting had a deficit of \$47,038. It was noted at the time that this is what our finances would look like if we continued doing things as we have in the past, and that changes would need to be made. There had been deficits in each of the previous five years, and this could not continue. A special budget task force was created to look for ways to balance the budget. Pastor Bev undertook to begin working with the congregation on a longer-term discernment process. Then unexpected change came with Pastor Calvin's departure at the end of July. This had a major impact on the budget.

Church Council has been watching the budget carefully. We are happy to see that donations continued strong over the summer, and we are hopeful that members will continue to contribute generously. As of the end of September the deficit is about \$36,500, but at this stage we are gaining ground each month. If we continue with only one pastor for the rest of the year, and if offerings continue as strong as they were over the summer, I am hopeful that we can end the year with no deficit.

These are stressful and challenging times for everyone, and we hope and pray that soon we may be able to return to more in person contact and fellowship.

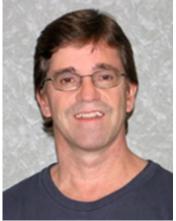
Please call me if you have questions or concerns about Messiah's financial situation.

If I don't know the answer I'll try to find it.

Dave Stolee, Treasurer



Greetings from Rev. Brian Rude



Cotober 3, 2021

Dear friends of Messiah ELC:

World Mission Group--Ray & Norma Blacklock, Pastor & Mrs. Eriksson, Nora Gilbertson, Connie Landstrom, Cece Watts, Erhard Pinno; Dr. David Dahle; Pastor Calvin Skriver:

How time flies when you're "retired"--one full month already (and I just tried out my most tempting retirement hammock for the first time yesterday). I'd like to thank you for your most gracious and affirming words, shared one month ago at my ABT Synod retirement event, which I enjoyed in the ool, yet while well-accompanied by you and several dozen s and friends. I felt well-hugged, in spite of the 1,000s of kms g. Such memories! Such an overview! Thank you so much. In Lutherans with COVID-21 (clergy and lay), and a /ID-21, are keeping me home, and my Chinese vaccine is anada, but I do have hope that I will see you in person again jer.

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\$ solitude of my cool pool, yet while well-accompanied by you and several dozen other family members and friends. I felt well-hugged, in spite of the 1,000s of kms of physical distancing. Such memories! Such an overview! Thank you so much.

Numerous Salvadoran Lutherans with COVID-21 (clergy and lay), and a housemate with COVID-21, are keeping me home, and my Chinese vaccine is keeping me out of Canada, but I do have hope that I will see you in person again before too much longer.

Stay healthy, stay hopeful. God's blessings to you in all aspects of your lives.

Paz,

Brian





THANK YOU

The total amount of money that was given in connection with our special CLWR service was \$1650.00. Thank you to all who contributed at this time and to all who regularly support the work of CLWR. The needs never end.

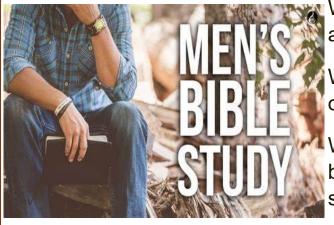
GIFTS FROM THE HEART



When November arrives, we start to think about Christmas. Christmas is a time for giving and also a time for us to give thanks for our many blessings. CLWR's "GIFTS FROM THE HEART" provides opportunities to "purchase" gifts that honour our family and friends, but also provide special help to those around the world who have such great needs.

Watch for the new catalogue that will be arriving shortly in book form or on line.

Men's Bible Study Has Started Again



When? Saturdays, from 9:00 to 10:15 am

Where? Via ZOOM (call the church office for the link.)

What? To study the lessons which will be highlighted at the next day's worship service.

Reading Material? Copies of the lessons are provided ahead of time.

Leaders? Some men take turns as leaders, others join in as they wish.

All Men Are Welcome!!

MESSIAH'S AUDIO-VISUAL TEAM NEEDS HELPERS

We need help - please consider joining Messiah's Audio-Visual Team!

1) Screen Operators

Skills needed: concentration, mouse and keyboard operation.

2) Camera Operators

Skills needed: multi-window use, attention to visual detail, mouse and keyboard operation.

3) Sound Board Operators

Skills needed: attention for aural detail.

If you don't have the skills listed, really the main thing we need is someone with a strong desire to learn and serve. We will provide training.

Please contact Rosanna if you are interested or have any questions: rosannas@telus.net.





CAN WE HELP

There is a group of people at Messiah who are available at no cost to help with or do tasks for you...



changing light bulbs, fall clean up outside.



or giving rides!

If there is small job that you would like help with or would like done, please phone Messiah Lutheran Church at 780-672-3444 and leave a message with the receptionist. You will receive a call back to set up a time to get together & make a plan.





Sectio... Journeying Through Prayer Has resumed on Monday mornings.

This group is for those of you who love to sit together in silence and hear the Word, sharing together how this word reaches into your hearts and souls.

Gather with us in the Nursery every Monday morning at 10:30 am.

This is not a closed group.

You may come and go as your schedule allows.

All are welcome. Masking and physical distancing are required.

For more information call Jane at 780-672-7982.



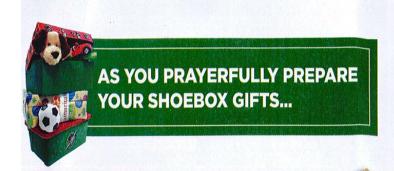
2021 National Collection Week is NOVEMBER 15 – 21

You may pick up your shoeboxes at the church office foyer or at the back of the sanctuary and return your filled boxes by

Sunday, Nov. 14

Or, you may pack your shoeboxes online and follow them at PackaBox.ca.





lease remember that your shoebox may be the only gift a child ever receives. So, plan to pack quality items that will last.

PRAY: Most importantly, pray for the child who will receive your gift. Including a personal note and photo makes a big impact.

shoebox: Get a standard size shoebox to pack for a boy or girl.

INCLUDE A \$10/BOX DONATION:

Donate online
(SamaritansPurse.
ca/OCC), or by
cheque or cash
donation. Please
make one combined donation
for multiple shoeboxes. Taxdeductible receipts will be
issued for donations of \$20
or more.

"WOW" ITEM: Select a quality "wow" toy such as a doll, soccer ball with pump, or stuffed animal.



other GIFTS: Pack your box or boxes full with other fun toys, hygiene items, and school supplies. For additional gift suggestions, visit SamaritansPurse.ca/OCC

shoebox gift to a local drop-off location during National Collection Week, Nov. 16-22. To find a drop-off location near you, visit SamaritansPurse.ca/OCC, or call 1.800.303.1269.



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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!



Sunday morning in-person worship resumed June 20.

We will continue to broadcast on Eastlink channels 10, 310 & 610.

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



Previous Sunday's services may also be found on YouTube or on our website at messiahcamrose.ca and under the Worship Service tab you will find "Worship Services Archived."

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		7:00 Devotional by Zoom		6:45 Confirmation by Zoom	5:30 Boys Youth Group	FALL BACK
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