



MESSIAH MESSENGER

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Worship Schedule Sunday 10:30 am

*In-person worship:
masking and physical distancing
are required 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

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.



DISCERNING TOGETHER

We have begun meeting with groups of you to discern where the Lord would like us to move going forward. It has been exciting to hear how you all think and feel and what is important for you in this faith community. It is also really good to hear the Spirit speaking into our lives as we pray and discern.

Our staff met this week and it was such a wonderful time of connecting and of dreaming and hearing God's voice in our midst.

I will be offering a process for your personal discernment in this Messenger as well, so that those of you who are not part of a group and want to just do this individually, can take part. As a reminder, perhaps some of you not currently part of a group can join a group, please contact the office.

There are a few things I want to mention about discernment that many of us might not be aware of. I want to share those here. They are not in order of importance but please carefully consider which ones specially connect with you.

1. Discernment is all about learning to hear God's voice both individually and as a group. As we listen we will find themes and points that as a community we might wish to pay attention to. I can already hear some of these themes becoming clear. We look at what was, what is and we can dream, be curious, wonder, use our imagination as we listen.
2. Discernment is not a process that can be put in a box. It is a time of liminal space... of "not knowing" and trusting that God indeed knows. In this way we get out of God's way and practice to be open.
3. As we listen we hear with our heart, our mind, our body and our gut. We hear both individually and as a community. Often the voice of the community will affirm what we have discovered on our own. 'All parts of our being' are a part of this process.
4. Contrary to popular belief, discernment is not always a quiet process. However, as we are still it is often easier to hear God speak. Psalm 46:10, "Be still and know that I am God." We can practise stillness even as we are in conversation...if we come from a place of deep listening within us.
5. Anything we discern will always line up with scripture. It will never go against God's word. It is important to hear God's word along side of our discernment.
6. We will not always hear God correctly. Sometimes we can wonder if what is coming up for us is God's voice or our own thinking. Sometimes that is hard to decipher. As a community however, we can feel the safety of others speaking into our process as well. As we practice discerning and hearing God in this way... we will hear God. We also discern as a group what is of God. The Spirit will be most often consistent with the whole.
7. Discernment is a way of life. Jesus lived in discernment in each of his interactions with people. And he always looked to his Heavenly Father for

wisdom and guidance. One of our participants from our Discernment planning group, retired Pastor Vincent Eriksson called us to remember that, "Your Heavenly Father knows these things."

8. There is no perfect way to discern and listen to God. Follow the way that works for you. There is not a right or wrong way. It is actually "perfect" in its "imperfection." Just enter in to the presence of God and listen.
9. Discernment takes trust and openness. God knows. We need not worry. God will lead.
10. Together we will find that discernment is a really enjoyable process if we relax and lean into it.

It is my desire that being in this process and learning a bit about discernment will not only lead us as a church to grow and expand but also will help us to be a discerning people... living out all our days in constant prayer, looking to God for guidance and wisdom.

If you have any questions about any part of this process... please give me a call. I would love to sit down and talk with you or talk about it on the phone.

When we invite one another into discernment we are essentially inviting one another into deep listening to God and into constant prayer.

1 Thessalonians says this, "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."

Let us be a praying church! Let us be a listening and discerning people! And let us trust God as we open to what God wants us to be as a faith community.

When the formal part of this process 'comes to a close', it is my hope that we remain constantly open to the Spirit.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him and he will direct your paths", Proverbs 3:5-6.

Praying with you. Discerning with you. Trusting with you.

Pastor Bev

Contact me at 780-678-7830 cell
or email

bev@breatheopenlove.com



IDEAS FOR YOUR OWN PERSONAL DISCERNMENT TIME:

Here are some thoughts and ideas for you. Regardless if you are already part of a group discernment or not, and now are wishing to enter your own personal time of discernment; here are some ways you can join in this process. We would love to have input from your personal discernment. This is for everyone who participates in our worship in person or online. Join us!!! Please share your discerned thoughts.

We don't want to miss a single thing that the Spirit is wanting us to hear.

So please send into our office your ideas to office@messiahcamrose.ca

If you would like to join a group and are not already a part of one, I invite you to a choice of two **Tuesday evening Zoom times: Feb 15 OR Feb 22 at 7 pm.** Please join us!

If you need the zoom link please connect with our office so we can make sure you can participate. Call **780-672-3444**

Here are some ideas for your personal discernment time. Everyone is individual. So you will listen to God in the ways you are more comfortable.

If you have already been a part of a group, continue your discernment on your own and let the Spirit deepen what comes to you and share it with us.

If you need a quiet still spot then perhaps set aside a time each day where you will not be disturbed and where you are comfortable and can listen.

You might wish to begin your time with the lighting of a candle or another symbol that opens you to that time.

You may find you listen better while walking. Do what works best for you. Just be intentional.

Include a time of listening to scripture and of course open with a prayer that invites the Spirit to speak to you.

For some of you some quiet music might invite you into that sacred space of listening to God.

Write down what the Spirit brings to you, so it will not be forgotten and can be shared.



The wonderings and questions that our Discernment Team (after many hours of discernment) brought to us to ponder on, to wonder on and to focus on are these:

1. How do we help one another to explore and deepen our relationship with Jesus/God?
2. What makes Messiah Lutheran Church special and unique? (what can we celebrate about our faith community and the church in this world as a whole?)
3. What attracts or draws you to be a part of your faith community and what do you think would attract or draw others?
4. How do we live out our faith in this world at this time perhaps in new and creative ways? (Think outside of the box... outside of what we normally do and include thoughts about the use of our space, our worship, our outreach... etc.) Dream a little and be curious. God will open us.

I am excited about us listening to God in this time and what will come out of this time of discernment. And I am hoping that we live as Jesus did and find discernment and listening to God to be a way of life for each of us and for us as a community.

Blessings to you as you join in this process of Discernment.

Pastor Bev

SUGGESTED READING MATERIAL ON DISCERNMENT

I have been asked by some of you what books you might try to read to understand more about discernment. It is not necessary to read to do this process. But if you are so inclined, the following are some books on Discernment I can recommend to you. There are many of course. But I will just mention these few:

Hearing with the Heart - Debra Farrington

The Way of Discernment - Elizabeth Liebert

The Soul of Discernment - Elizabeth Liebert



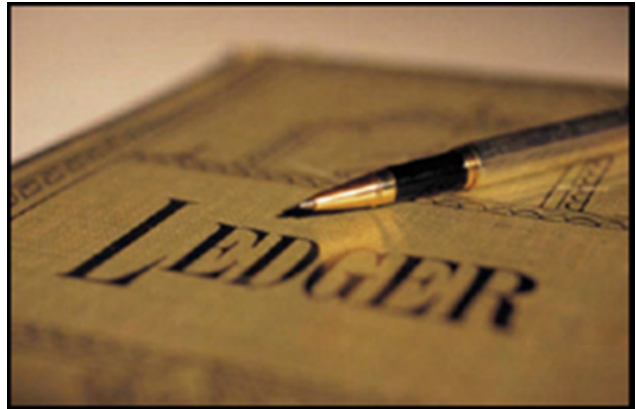
Financial Update

We now have financial reports for the first eight months of our financial year. Like so many things around us our financial situation has gone through significant change.

Members will recall that the budget approved at the annual meeting had a deficit of \$47,038. We all recognized that some changes would be needed. We began the year with deficits each month, but with having only one pastor, since the end of July, the deficit has been reducing

Here is a listing of what the deficit was at the end of each month for the year to date:

May	-9,832
June	-18,443
July	-43,367
August	-36,830
September	-36,509
October	-28,343
November	-30,312
December	-10,070



There has been a significant variation in offerings by month, and there doesn't yet appear to be any clear pattern. But it has been encouraging to see generous offerings continue. Here is the amount by month, including regular envelope offerings and contributions from people without envelopes:

May	23,562
June	28,801
July	28,534
August	30,225
September	22,540
October	30,681
November	23,940
December	35,450



Offerings in December were higher than in November, and the Christmas offering was \$11,856. This resulted in a significant reduction in the deficit last month. I expect we will be able to end the year with a balanced budget.

Soon we will begin the process of preparing a budget for the 2022-2023 year that will begin on May 1. Please pray with us that we may discern God's will for Messiah as we move ahead in ministry.

Please call me if you would like any additional information or if you have any questions about our financial situation.

Dave Stolee, Treasurer

Council Highlights for January 2022

Our devotional reminded us that God's plans are always much bigger than our own. They move us from individualism towards community and away from division towards unity. We do not know God's plan for Messiah right now; but if we remain open, through faithful prayer, thoughtful study and humble listening, we may discern God's will for us. What a wonderful thing!

Plans for holding discernment sessions with groups and committees are moving forward. If you are not currently a member of a small group, but want to be included, don't hesitate to contact Pastor Bev (780-672-3444) and she will arrange for you to participate.

As you know, Messiah was approached some time ago about a joint ministry with the congregations in Bashaw and New Norway, neither of which is in a position to retain a full-time pastor. The main thrust would be to split the services of one pastor between the three congregations with Messiah gaining one half-time person. This is an exciting possibility, but until we have a better sense of our ongoing financial picture, the feasibility of such an arrangement remains in question. Council hopes to have a concrete proposal for the congregation to consider sometime this spring. Meanwhile, please pray for insight into what we should do. Where is God leading us in this matter?

Five years have gone by in the blink of an eye. Ordinarily, it would be time to embark on a new pictorial directory, but because of the complications of Covid, it was decided to defer this for a year. Nonetheless, it is important that if you have moved, or changed/ added phone numbers, that you let the office know.

Be prepared for an important call from Agnes Hoveland or Marie Brager in the near future. They will be inviting you to consider serving on a Committee or Council in a way that suits your gifts and interests. Of course, you can always volunteer! Being involved builds relationships and helps us to grow in our faith.

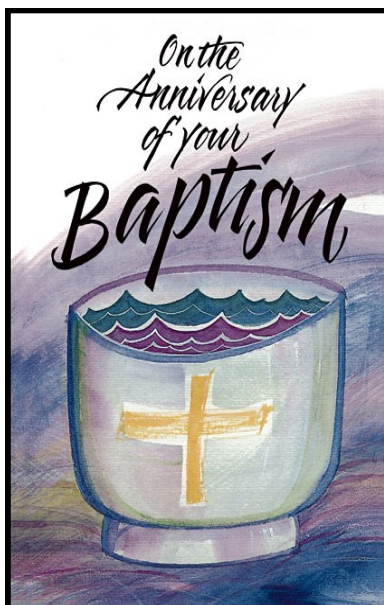
Prior to each Council meeting (normally held on the third Wednesday of the month) a package with the agenda, committee reports, etc. is provided in the rack at the back of the sanctuary. You are encouraged to check it out. It is inspiring to see all that is going on despite the restrictions of Covid. The next Council meeting will be February 16.

Thank you so much for all the loving support you have given to me and my family following the death of my husband, Laverne Hoveland. Your prayers, good wishes, cards, phone calls and memorials have been much appreciated.

May God bless you all.

Marilyn





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

Liam Hatch - Feb 3
Jack Etty - Feb 9
Connor Cowan - Feb 12

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



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

This month they will be

February 6 and 20

Pastoral Acts:

Funeral

Laverne Hoveland

Wedding

Nicholas Brady
& Lily Goodbrand



Special Gifts:

In Honor of Sisters

Carolyn, Sharon & Ruth

Memorials

Gordon Fredrickson
Leona Fredrickson
Laverne Hoveland

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Messiah Lutheran Church of Camrose WORLD MISSION MONTH, January, 2022

The words of Peter to Jesus (John 6:59) NRSV:

"Lord to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life."

How do those words get shared around the world?

Each week in January, 2022, a different organization and person or persons serving with that organization will be featured.

Here is the focus for the final Sunday:

World Mission Prayer League

(The following is extracted from its website)

Mission Statement

We are a Lutheran community committed to know Christ, pray for the advance of his kingdom, share the gospel and ourselves with those who do not know him; and encourage Christians everywhere in this global task.

Vision

With faith in God's promises, we envision a time when God is glorified and all people participate in his Kingdom.

Aims

- that believers and communities of believers in the Americas and elsewhere live out their roles in the great commission.
- that populations with limited or no access to the gospel experience the love of Christ.
- that majority world partner churches and ministries are equal and respected collaborators in mission.

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For a full description of WMPL, readers would benefit from a reading of its website:  
[wmpl.org](http://wmpl.org)

The Executive Director of WMPL, Canada, is Charles Jackson  
WMPL's Canada address is 4837 - 52A St., Camrose, AB T4V 1W5

***Charles Jackson's Message for Messiah is on the following pages.***

World Mission Month is organized by the World Mission Group  
which reports to the Witnessing Committee.

The World Mission Group acknowledges with appreciation the full support of  
Pastor Bev Swanson, Music Ministry Coordinator Tova Olson,  
the Messiah Office Staff, and the Technical Broadcast personnel.

Questions or Comments may be directed to  
Ray Blacklock, Chairperson, World Mission Group, or its members:  
Nora Gilbertson, Vincent and Mary Ellen Eriksson,  
Connie Landstrom, Erhard Pinno, Cece Watts,  
Advisor Pastor Bev Swanson

***To God be the Glory!***

January, 2022

## Go - The Unfinished Task

Five, four, three, two, one, “\_\_\_”. What word for you comes after one? As a child growing up in the dawning space age it would be, “Blastoff”. For some of us it may be “Happy New Year.” For many it might be as simple as, “Go.”

At *World Mission Prayer League Canada*, we look for those who are willing to Go. All too often people think that only young people can go. One example is of a retired engineer who went and taught math and physics in a high school in Bangladesh for several years. Even after her second retirement back in North America many of her students continue to keep in regular touch with her as she has opportunity to share with them and pray for them.



Charles & Anita Jackson

Recently at a college missions’ festival several of the young people said they had thought about “going” as a “global worker” but they were not going into the ministry so they wouldn’t be able to follow that dream. WMPL has always considered our lay folks as our greatest strength. In most of the countries where WMPL works, a professional church worker would never get a visa. For people with skills to build the capacity of leadership, medical, agriculture, technology, etc. (you name the field), we can usually find a country that is looking for these skills.

Some folks think that they can’t “go” because they don’t have enough time. Though I personally would vouch for long-term ministry which would involve language learning and building relationships, there are plenty of opportunities for the skilled person who can give three months to two years. Someone can also go for less time than that and work alongside our full-time workers to support their ministry.

Do you still not think there is a place for you? There is the unique opportunity to go across culture-comfort zones, learn a language, and have opportunities to share the Good News of the Saviour, by simply “go-ing” across the street.

It is not just folks going to Pakistan who can minister to Pakistanis, there are probably folks from Pakistan in your community. Your prayers for the persecuted people in Afghanistan may move you to get to know a brand-new refugee family in your community. Those delightful children you used to see in the “mission slides” could come and play on your backyard swing-set with your own grandchildren.

For those of you who have worked with the immigrants or refugees in your community you know that this will definitely stretch you. People from other cultures, by definition may not do things “correctly by your standard”, but they may give you a new perspective on the right way to do things.



You may find yourself waiting a lot, when you thought that you had clearly said that they were expected to be ready at 5:30. You may find that their homes smell “funny” from the different foods that they eat. (It’s a good thing we didn’t invite them over for lutefisk!) You may find a lot of things just don’t work the same in the relationship, but if you push through you will rarely find much more committed, respectful, and loving new friends as when you befriend a person who has newly arrived in our country.

In *World Mission Prayer League* our focus is on people who have limited access to the gospel, in many of these locations to share about Jesus may invite persecution. To commit to follow Jesus for some it may very well be illegal and could land them in jail. For others it may mean that they are shunned from their family and community. We go to tell them about the God, their God and our God for there is only one, who loves them so much that He wants to set them free from condemnation and brokenness to restore their relationship with God and thereby be ambassadors of reconciliation to their communities. This is Good News that we all need to hear. This good news means that our girls can go to school because we value the gifts they have to offer to our society. It means that our young men will not be trained to kill those who don’t think in the same way that we do. Good News is good for us all or it is not good news.

What does this mean for how I share with people that come from a different culture and/or religious background? Anita and I had two international young men from overseas stay with us. Supper was an opportunity each day to do what my parents did for our family. We would come together, eat, laugh, and talk about what we had learned in the day. They knew that I was a pastor. I knew that they came from Muslim and Hindu backgrounds. But around the table we were all students seeking truth. Our commitment as students of life is to follow the truth wherever it takes us, and to not be afraid to challenge each other’s presuppositions or biases. If the Christian faith is valid, it will stand the test of questions put to it.

Did we always agree? Of course not. We come from different cultures, and generations, but we always honoured each other to listen, respect and not give up on each other. These two have long since gone back to the university in Edmonton, but we still invite them (and now their girlfriends) to come out to our place or go on road trips. They have helped us to feel a little bit of the joy of being parents as we desire to help them on the quest to find the truth and we hope to know the person of Truth.

I am looking forward to 2022. As I get older, I find that I am not as adventurous as I used to be. The news makes me a bit more afraid of venturing out. My faith in God looking after me encourages me to step into the things which I have always known that God wanted me to do. I hope it helps me to: Go, visit that new family across the street. Go, try a new restaurant and really get to know the family running it. Go, help somebody who struggles with their English to practice it with me. Go, visit the new family to our town and help them with the daily tasks, like opening a bank account, shopping for groceries, or preparing for winter.

This coming year I hope the messages you hear each Sunday equip you to Go and step into what God has for you. Yes, we still want us to pray and support those who have gone to the hard places overseas. However, their stories should inspire us to Go as well. It may not be as far as you think to visit a new country and make a new friend, for eternity.

*Charles & Anita Jackson*



2022 is the 50th year Meals on Wheels has been delivering meals in Camrose!

It started in 1971 with first delivery in 1972.  
It is thanks to volunteers who make this service possible in our community.

Here are the dates Messiah volunteers will deliver Meals on Wheels for the first half of 2022.



Feb 14 and 17  
May 16 and 19

Info from Camrose and District Support Services  
Messiah's Meals on Wheels Coordinator - Marie Brager

## Camrose Neighbor Aid Center

*Working with Churches & Community to help those in need.*

### Volunteer Drivers:



Neighbor Aid assists those who have no other means to get to specialty medical appointments in Edmonton. We are looking for volunteers to drive client(s) to appointments and back. Gas vouchers are provided. A police check will be required. You must be able to drive in the City of Edmonton. Call 780-679-3220 or drop by Neighbor Aid office.

## Happy Belated 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Wishes to Lois Larson!

The family of Dr. David and Lois Larson of Camrose, Alberta would like to honour and celebrate Mom/ Grandma's special milestone birthday which she celebrated on January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022!

Since an Open House celebration was currently not an option, feel free to send any and all belated birthday greetings COVID friendly-style.

Much love from family,  
Deb, Ally, Chris, Matt and London  
Scott and Tammy  
Todd, Jill, Aksel, Soren and Eva



*"Thank you for all the best wishes for my 80th birthday! Messiah friends are the best! Thanks so much for adding to my celebration. May God richly bless you."*

*Lois Larson*

### Senior High Girls Youth - Not meeting in February



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!

### Boys Youth Group for Gr. 8-12

#### **NOT MEETING IN FEBRUARY**

Boys youth events will take place Friday evenings

5:30 pm - 8:30 pm.

Come out for boys youth nights of pizza and hanging out playing games and foosball.



### **Food Bank Sunday - February 13**

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 [atbcares.com](http://atbcares.com) by entering

**CAMROSE NEIGHBOR AID CENTER INC.**

in the Find A Cause search area.



## MLW Update

Good morning ladies. This is Tuesday morning and the storm has passed. We are still in the Covid storm and we pray to God it will soon pass too.

It certainly has been a trying time. Hopefully we will continue to work on our Bible Study. One suggestion is pair up with someone from your circle and discuss important issues which arise from the study, by telephone. We need God's word to keep us from feeling too isolated.

In 2020, we gave a \$500 Bursary to C.L.B.I. This was given to student Jessica Bitzer in December, 2021. Jessica wrote a thank you card which says, "Thank you so much for your contribution to C.L.B.I. It is thanks to you that my fellow students and myself are able to be studying at C.L.B.I., immersed in community and the word of God".

We also received a note of thanks from Pastor Dean Rostad advising the Bursary has been a blessing to the ministry of C.L.B.I.

Letter received from the Lutheran Seminary with information and their magazine. One of the articles was a memory of Dr. Roger Nostbakken, written by Rev. Cam Harder.

A letter from Hospice Society with information and thanks for a donation from the garage sale, July 1st.

Acknowledgement from Canadian Lutheran World Relief for our \$1,000.00 donation last September.

We also gave \$200.00 to The Merry Christmas fund in December.

The most important part of MLW is our circles. May we soon be able to get together.

In the meantime, please discontinue any offerings to MLW, as we will be discussing the future of officers under our mandate and may not have an account.

Continue to remember our MLW in prayer as we begin to reorganize. This is called change, as it is very likely our organization will not be going back to the way we were.

Thank you everyone. Stay safe.

President: Mary Broen



**COFFEE FELLOWSHIP BY ZOOM**

**Wednesdays at 10:00 am**

**Phone the office for the Zoom link**

**780 672 3444**



# NEWS BRIEFS



Canadian Lutheran  
World Relief

## HEALTHCARE CRISIS IN VENEZUELA

A surge in COVID-19 infection rates has brought Venezuela's public healthcare system to its knees. Many people in the poorest districts of Caracas are unable to get the healthcare they need due to lack of resources and capacity, and their only option is to go to private healthcare which is hopelessly unaffordable. CLWR has identified a public health clinic in Caracas that, with our support, can increase its resources and capacity to help local people through this crisis.

**A gift of just \$15 will help provide healthcare for a person at the clinic.**

## FOOD AND FARMING CRISIS IN EL SALVADOR

In countries where extreme rain and/or drought are common, farmers need to be insured against crop loss. Unfortunately, these insurance policies are usually very expensive and often unfair to farmers. Extreme climatic conditions are becoming more frequent and are affecting farmers in El Salvador. Without adequate compensation, farmers have to cope by selling land and livestock, and by migrating to areas where they can work. With no means to improve production the following year, farmers find themselves locked in a cycle of struggle and poverty. A new program known as Index Based Climate Insurance uses objective, scientific models to monitor and determine if and when climate extremes are affecting crop production, and provides fast and fair compensation to those affected. **Just \$35 will cover a farmer's insurance and training for one year, protecting livelihoods and providing food security in El Salvador.**

## CONNECTING IN THE WORD

Check out our brief recorded inspirational messages with Pastor Bev! Go to [messiahcamrose.ca](https://messiahcamrose.ca) to connect to the link called "Connecting in the Word". Join us in this time of making safe connection with one another around God's word.



## Devotions for March 2022



We are assembling a devotional booklet with contributions from our Messiah family. It will contain readings based on the Bible texts from the daily lectionary.

The devotions will be sent out to our Messenger mailing list by a weekly email and a hardcopy will be assembled for those who do not receive email.

Thank you to all who are contributing!

The Worship Committee



### Donations of Used Stamps

**We are still collecting used stamps and would appreciate your donations.**

**You may drop them off at the church office or in the box at the Welcome Centre at the back of the Sanctuary and Shirley McFall will send them to the Canadian Bible Society.**

We are able to accept  
E-transfers set up from your online  
banking, that deposit directly, at the  
following email address:  
**[offering@messiahcamrose.ca](mailto:offering@messiahcamrose.ca)**

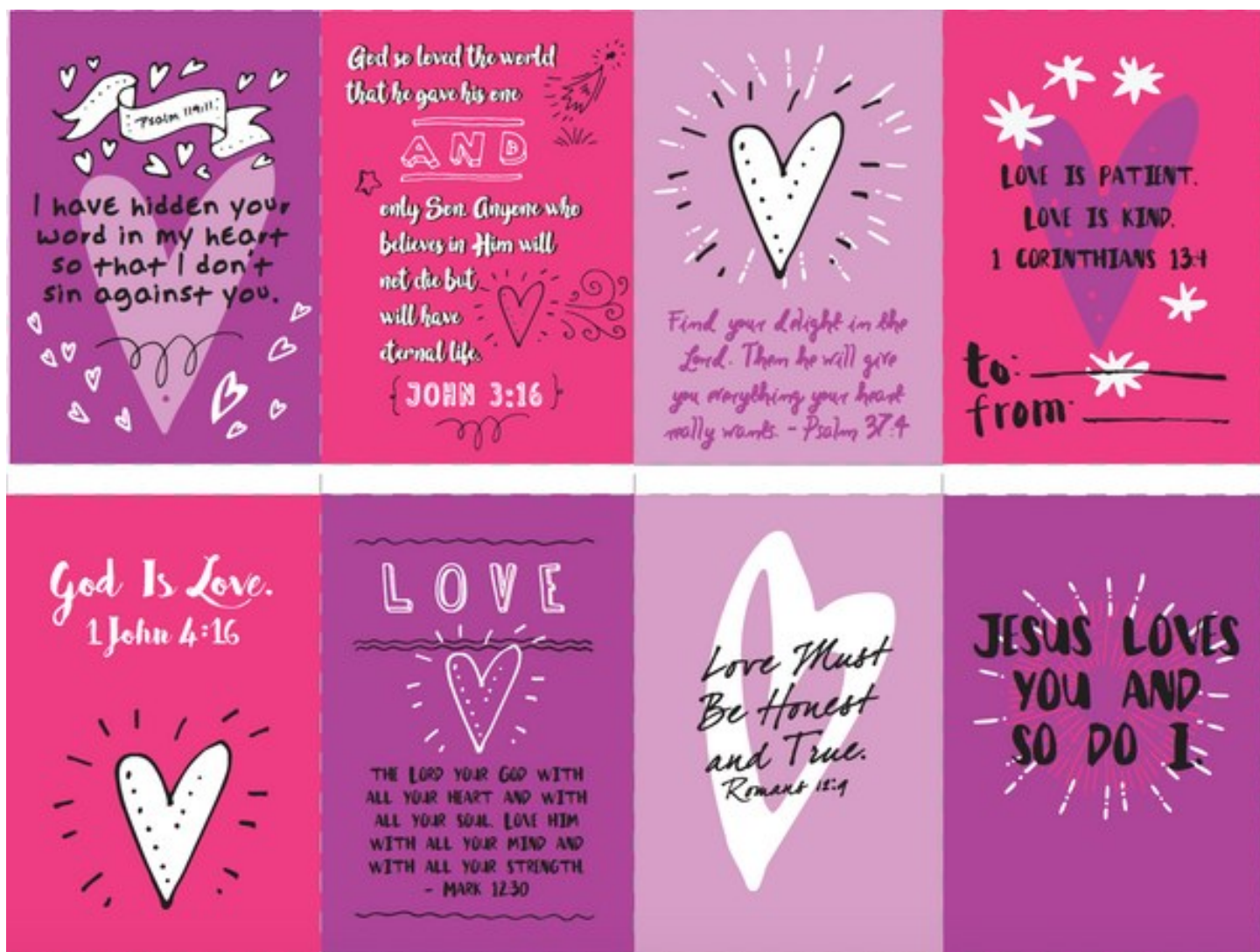


### SNOW SHOVELLERS NEEDED

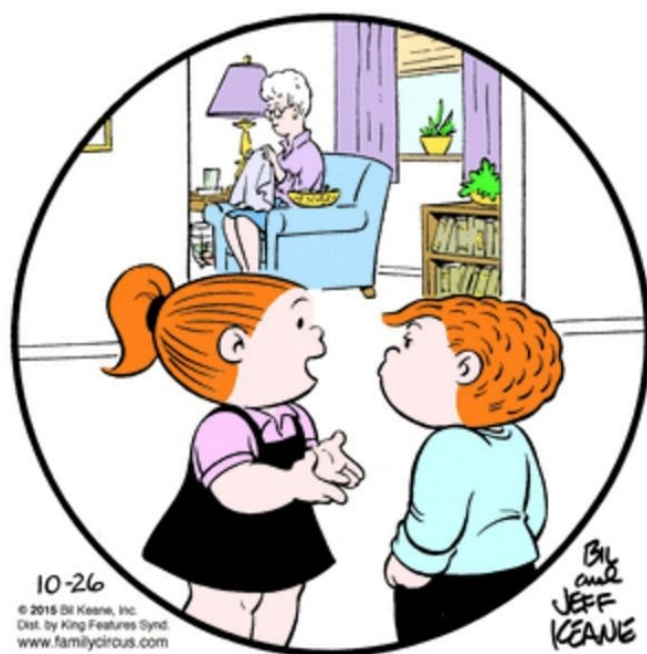


We need volunteers to shovel snow & put down ice melt, if needed, for the remainder of the season. Please contact us by email at [office@messiahcamrose.ca](mailto:office@messiahcamrose.ca) or call 780-672-3444 to volunteer.





"Mommy, was Joan of ark married to Noah?"



"The two places we know we're always welcome are church and Grandma's house."



## **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**

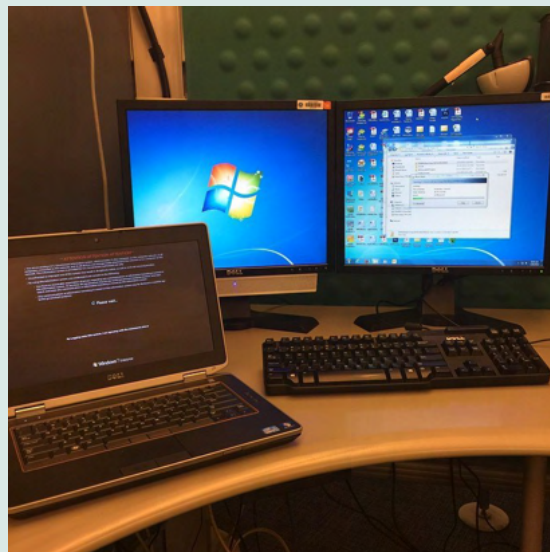
Skills needed: multi-window use, attention to visual detail, mouse and keyboard operation.

### **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](mailto:rosannas@telus.net).



## **CAN WE HELP?**

**There is a volunteer group of people at Messiah who are available to help you or do tasks for you...**



**To do small household tasks (e.g. move a heavy box, change a light bulb)**

**To run small errands for you around town, or  
Give you a ride to an appointment**



**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.**



# Messiah Lutheran Church

## *Sharing Jesus Christ with All People*

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| 6 Epiphany 5<br><br><br><br>10:30 Sunday<br>School<br>10:30 Communion<br>Service<br><br>     | 7<br>9:00 Service<br>Committee by Zoom<br><br>10:30 Lectio<br><br><br><br>2:00 World Mission<br>Group by Zoom<br><br> |                                                             | 9<br>9:00 Wednesday<br>Workers by Zoom<br><br>10:00 Coffee<br>Fellowship by Zoom<br><br><br><br>7:00 Faith Circle by<br>Zoom      | 10<br>11:45 Staff Mtg<br><br><br><br>5:30 Witnessing<br>Committee by Zoom<br><br>6:45 Confirmation<br>by Zoom                           | 11                                          | 12<br>9:00 Men's Bible<br>Study by Zoom<br><br>   |
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