

MESSIAH MESSENGER

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Worship Schedule

Sunday 10:30 am

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.

New Fall Office Hours

Beginning Friday, October 6 we are experimenting with having the office closed Fridays.

Open Monday to Thursday

9:00 am to Noon

& 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

*Sharing Jesus Christ
with All People*

Pastor's Ponderings



Can you believe it's been six months already? How the time flies!

We recently had a "tell Pastor Jeff your name" Sunday, because although I've been doing pretty well at learning your names — there are a lot of you! It's still helpful to remind me who you

are, especially if you are not wearing a name tag. And thanks for your continued grace if I happen to mix you up.

My family and I have received such a warm welcome into Messiah's community life, so thank you for that, it is good for us to be among you and with you in ministry.

I lift up the word "experiment" as a way of living into an unknown future. And as God's people in the church at moment, we are at a crossroads. We don't quite know what church life will look like in the coming years, but we are pretty certain it may not look the same as it did over the last decades. Ways of organizing our ministry that have served us well in the past, may not carry us into the future.

It takes some of the pressure off of trying new things if we go into them with curiosity. We can wonder how they will turn out, rather than pinning all our hopes on their success, or being angry at ourselves, or at each other, if they don't work out. The nature of an experiment is that it can go many ways — failure or success — and we have the opportunity to grow and learn no matter how they turn out.

Let me give you some examples of experiments we are trying.

The Narrative Lectionary is an experiment in a different way of reading and hearing the stories of the bible in worship. My hope is that over the course of the next few months you will have a better sense of the flow of the story in the whole bible — Old and New Testaments, and also have way to understand some of the more difficult stories of the bible that we usually skip over. Will it work? We won't know until we weave our way through.

We need to be wise with our use of administrative staff resources, and so we are experimenting with closing the church office on Fridays beginning in

October. Friday tends to be the quieter day for scheduled activities at Messiah. My hope is that having the office closed will give our staff some uninterrupted work time to catch up on ongoing projects. We will see in December how it turned out, and then decide how to proceed from there. Will there be some adjustments for everyone? Of course. But we can see how it goes!

You called me as part of a collaborative experiment with the New Norway and Bashaw congregations. How do we partner with rural congregations to share resources and engage in ministry together? I'm not directly involved with the rural churches, but there is some staff time involved as we all work together to support Pastor Bev's shared ministry. I have encouraged a spirit of neighbourliness as we have to sometimes juggle our Messiah staff schedules to fit with Pastor Bev's juggling of her own time. This experiment is not just about what we share with the country churches, but also asking what gifts do we receive from these smaller congregations, and how do we grow relationships together? How will this model of ministry turn out? We will see!

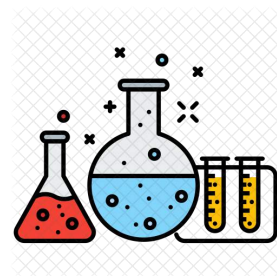
There are many more experiments out there! How do we best care for our unhoused neighbours who have been taking up residence in our alley over the last few weeks? How do we give youth more involvement in our community life? How do we best use our resources in maintaining our large facility?

The good news is that we don't need to have all the answers to these questions, or to even come up with the right thing to do. We have permission to try something new and then see how it goes.

I go back to that word from Romans 8 — that **nothing** can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus — not death nor life, nor height or depth, nor that whole long list that Paul gives...and I would add, **nor success or failure**. There's our permission to experiment: because no matter what, God's love for us in Jesus Christ is a sure thing!

Many blessings to you beloved ones of God at Messiah!

Pastor Jeff Decelle
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Pastor's Ponderings



Every Day is Thanksgiving

As you know, I have been travelling to the country and what a time of year to be out driving or walking or sitting in nature!! The colors in the leaves of the trees and the rolling landscape with the crops is just stunning; breath taking really. There are colors of gold and red and green... like a masterpiece. It is like I drive over a hill or around a bend and there is a new masterpiece to view! I have been trying to be very present to the lovely gift of nature and to God's presence this time of year. It is lovely. It reminds me of the love of God that paints such a landscape for us and creates such beauty for us to enjoy. It fills my heart with joy.

This time of year is one where we take a moment to give thanks for all of God's gifts and one of the most beautiful is creation... and at this time of year the colorful landscape. At this time of year and on a day like today, it is not hard to give thanks to our great creator.

Psalm 150:1 says:

"Praise the Lord. Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in the mighty heavens." and then vs 6 says, **"Let everything that has breath praise the Lord."**

The scripture is full of reminders to give praise to God and this is not just at a certain day or a certain time of year. There is something very healthy for us about giving our God the thanks and praise that is rightfully God's every day. It actually lifts our hearts and minds which often has an affect on how we feel.

But some days giving praise and thanks to God is much harder because of life's struggles and circumstances. What do we do then?

It is harder to give thanks and praise on a day where nothing is going well or after something very sad happens to us or when we are in struggle. Sometimes it feels like we just can't.



The scripture says in **Thessalonians 5:16-17** **Rejoice always. pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks..."**

How can we give thanks in all things? Sometimes it is next to impossible. I do not think this means to give thanks for everything but give thanks to God for God's amazing presence and faithfulness IN all things.

No matter what is going on in our lives, even when we don't feel like it, we can still turn our hearts toward our Lord and say, "Thank you for your amazing gifts and most of all thank you for being here with me in this moment and in all moments." You see, God is always worthy of our praise no matter what is happening for us because God is ever there loving us and caring for us always.

Let us pray together...

Lord thank you for all your amazing gifts especially for your stunning creation and the gift of your unconditional love and forgiveness. Thank you also that you are ever and always with us each and every moment, even in the hardest ones. We are so grateful. Amen.

Have a Blessed Thanksgiving!

And Remember ... every day is a day to give thanks!

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Synod of Alberta and the Territories

Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada



Dear Beloved of God –

“Mission relationships cannot be made warm in the microwave of quick encounters,” Rev. Natanael Lizarazo shared with our Synod Delegation during our journey to our Companion Partner, The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Colombia (IELCO), this past summer.

Our journey was an opportunity to experience, embrace, and engage the contexts and ministries of IELCO; to build relationships (and to re-connect) with our siblings in Christ in Colombia; and to seek an expanding global understanding of faithful discipleship through the Colombian Lutheran context.

The journey itself deepened relationships and the on-going connection between IELCO and our Synod and was anything but a “quick encounter.” It reflected our mutual accompaniment.

Rev. Lizarazo wrote: You may ask what difference the mission engagement of the Synod of Alberta and The Territories makes in Colombia given the magnitude of such an overwhelming situation. My friends, the difference is real, it is a healing difference, a difference which is greatly celebrated and appreciated. Like the story of the starfish dying on the beach, we cannot simply be overwhelmed by the numbers to the point we

become immobilized to act in the tangible ways God leads us. As Mother Theresa says, “we can indeed be moved to do small things with great love.” In the end, this is what really matters. Thank you indeed for walking alongside with us in God’s mission. Our beloved sisters and brothers in the Good Shepherd in Soacha (a senior’s ministry supported by our Synod) are a living testimony; though they have lost everything materially speaking, they are still spiritually rich in faith, hope and gratitude! These spiritual realities are indeed fruitful seeds for the healing and transformation of Colombia.

Thank you to all who prayerfully accompanied our Synod Delegation. Thank you to the delegation participants for an openness to experience, embrace and engage. Thank you to IELCO for the welcome, hospitality, love and prayers.

“Gratitude is the memory of the heart,” shared Rev. Lizarazo. As I continue to journey and to reflect upon our Delegation’s experience, I find myself speechless with gratitude.

More information regarding our Companion Partner can be found, available in English, at: ielco.org and <https://albertasynod.ca/our-ministries/fulfilling-our-mission/ministryteams/global-missions/colombia/>

In Christ Jesus –
Shalom,
+Larry



Pastoral Acts

Funerals

Orville Rupertus

Peter Olesen
(private graveside service)



Special Gifts

Memorials:

Orville Rupertus

What's Up with the Christ Candle?

Maybe you've noticed the Christ candle, also called the Paschal candle, off to the side of the sanctuary over these last few weeks? You may have wondered why it's been left unlit. Or you may not have noticed at all. Now that I've pointed this out you might look more closely the next time you're at worship.

Paschal is from the Latin word for Easter, which is where the tradition of this large candle originates. Parishes would bless and light a new paschal candle each year at the Easter Vigil service, celebrating the presence of the Risen Christ. A new candle each year could be a very costly tradition if we practiced this at Messiah! We are fortunate that Tova has for many years made our paschal candle using leftover wax from our altar candles.

In light of this Easter tradition, instead of calling it the Christ candle, we could call it the Risen Christ candle, and so we use it at moments in our worship life and church year that especially proclaim Jesus' resurrection:

We light it each Sunday in the fifty day long Easter Season from Easter Day until the Day of Pentecost;

We place the candle near the baptismal font at baptisms, lighting it to celebrate a new beloved one in Christ called with us to "let their light shine;"

We place the candle near the casket or urn at a funeral, lighting it to proclaim the hope of the resurrection in the face of death.

It's also true that different churches have different traditions around this candle...is it lit every time we gather for worship? Is it lit when we have holy communion? Is it lit only on Easter and Christmas? Depending on the place, the answer to each could be "yes."

I think what's important is to be thoughtful and intentional. I like its tradition as the Risen Christ Candle and so to save it and light it at those moments that celebrate the resurrection, especially.

What do you think?

Pastor Jeff



NEWS BRIEFS



Canadian Lutheran
World Relief

HELP FOR WOMEN IN THE WEST BANK

CLWR is seeking support for a transformative project that embodies qualities we hold dear as Lutherans: courage, strength, perseverance, and compassion. In the West Bank Palestinian, women face numerous barriers to education and training. This is especially true of those with disabilities. Also, Covid-19, made things more difficult. The pandemic forced schools to close, disrupting the education of thousands of women pushing them further into hardship and poverty.

The **Gender-Responsive and Inclusive Technical and Vocational Education and Training (GRIT)** project in the West Bank is an opportunity to change lives. High unemployment rates plague the region, and women encounter significant barriers in accessing training and employment opportunities.

Within these inspirational women lies tremendous capability, tenacity and hope. Through the **GRIT** project, women can be empowered to reach their potential. But they need help. **A gift of just \$50 will help with the costs of training and educating a woman, providing training equipment and contributing towards a scholarship.**



Gender-Responsive and Inclusive Technical and Vocational Education and Training in the West Bank

Treasurer's Report

Four months into our new budget year I am happy to report that Messiah's financial situation is encouraging and improving.

You may recall that the budget for this transitional year was for a deficit of over \$40,000. We knew that this could be covered by using the surplus from last year, but recognized that this could not continue. Last month we reported the good news that offerings have been increasing, and that the deficit for the first three months was only \$3,204. August was an encouraging month as well, with a surplus of \$1,471, reducing the deficit to \$1,733. We give thanks for the generous offerings that are bringing us closer to a balanced budget.

We recognize that some expenses like utilities are lower in the summer, that offerings and some expenses can be unpredictable, and that it is not possible to predict how the year will end. But while there may be surprises ahead, but we can be happy and thank God for the year so far.

The Support Committee and Council are also looking ahead at major capital costs. Roof repairs will be a significant cost in the next few years. We are fortunate to have a start on funding this from the Norma Branes estate and other designated gifts. The timing is not certain, and for now the funds reserved for this project are invested in GICs.

The sound and video systems are vital to Messiah's ministry, and ongoing replacement of components and upgrades will be necessary. These costs are also not part of the regular operating budget. Special gifts for the roof fund and the video/sound systems are a way of ensuring we will be able to meet these needs when the time comes.

We thank God for the generous support that allows our congregation to continue ministry in Camrose and beyond.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns about Messiah's financial situation.

Dave Stolee, Treasurer



The Adult Sunday Morning Class returns!!

9:15 AM in the Basement Auditorium



Oct 1: *Dr. Joy Berg presents "Then Sings My Soul: the Church's song through time and place." God's people have almost always sung their praise and prayer—when we hear the context around that Song, it becomes more relevant to us, as well! The first session will be a "romp" thru the centuries of hymn singing,*

*the second on **Oct 15:** a look at Global hymnody.*

*(Note **no class on Oct 8** - Thanksgiving Weekend)*

TABLE GRACE

What is your favorite table grace, maybe one you learned as a child, maybe one from your heritage?

We would like to feature these and maybe learn something new, too.

Please send your contributions to Signe Harder to my email address at jonhardr@telus.net. Check out the bulletin board in basement hallway, going into the auditorium.



COME AND SEE WHAT 'S BEEN ADDED SINCE LAST MONTH!

Music at Messiah

Thursday
HANDBELLS
AT
10:30 - 11:30 AM



Thursday
CHORISTERS
AT
7:30 - 8:30 PM

LunchFests and Potlucks



Potluck

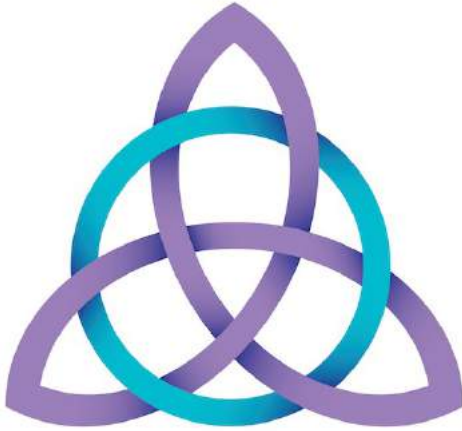
November 19, 2023
February 18, 2024
April 21, 2024

LunchFest

October 15, 2023
January 21, 2024
May 12, 2024
June 9, 2024

Lectio...Journeying Through Prayer

Mondays 10:30 AM



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 basement Lounge 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.

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

*Next Quilting
Wednesday Morning*

October 18

At 9:00 am

In the Fellowship Centre



Men's Bible Study Has Begun

When? Saturday Mornings

9:00 to 10:15 am

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

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

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

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

All Men Are Welcome!!

(No Study on Saturday, Oct 7)



Food Bank Sunday - October 8

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

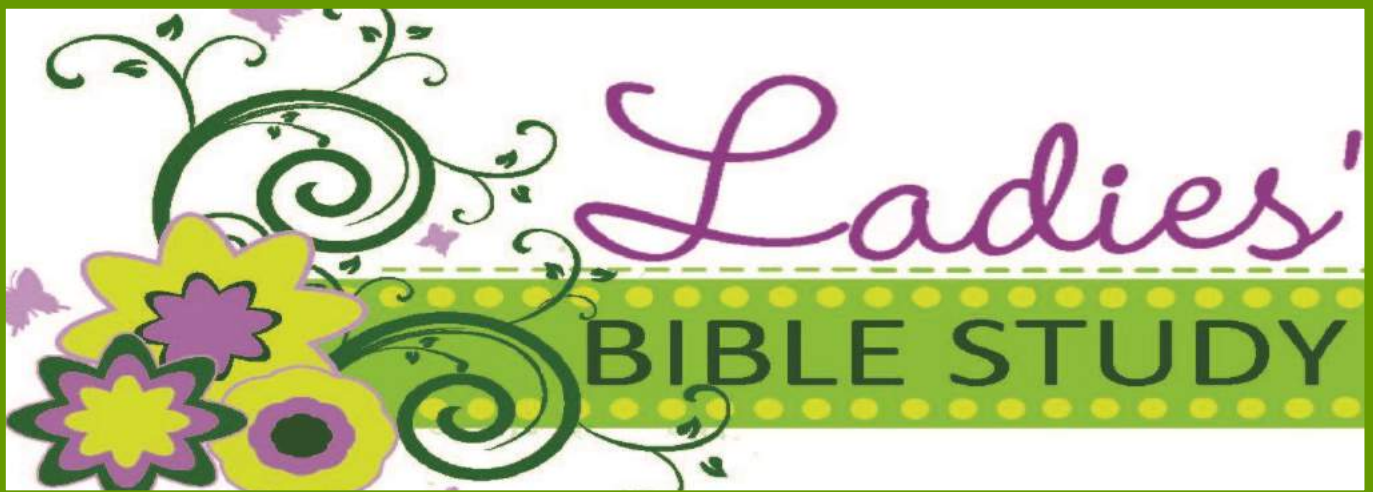
& Tuesday to Thursday 1:00-4:00 pm.

Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated and can be made online

at atbcares.com by entering **CAMROSE NEIGHBOR AID CENTER INC.**

in the Find A Cause search area.





Ladies'

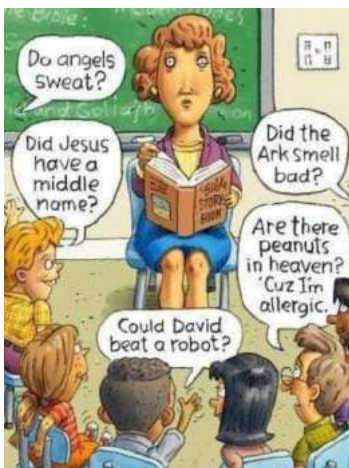
BIBLE STUDY

Messiah Ladies Bible studies began again in Sept., the second week of each month. If you would like to join one of the five groups, call the leaders to get the specific meeting places for October.

Joy - Tues 7 pm	Shirley Loewen	678-5599
Grace - Wed 2 pm	Erna Litzenberger	679 6863
Faith - Wed 7 pm	Diane Scarisbrick	672-9132
Gentleness - Thurs 9:30 am	Marion Midbo	608-2156
Praise - Thurs. 9:30 am	Marilyn Hoveland	672 6358



**WE ARE CELEBRATING
 GOD'S CREATION WITH A
 BLESSING OF PETS ON SUNDAY,
 OCTOBER 15 AT 4:00 PM.
 PLEASE BRING YOUR PETS ON A
 LEASH OR IN A CARRIER.**



**A SPECIAL
 THANK YOU TO
 OUR SUNDAY
 SCHOOL
 TEACHERS**



Council Highlights for September 2023

Council held its first meeting of the new program year on September 20. With all that there is to look forward to, it was good to be reminded of the words of Psalm 31:24 *Be strong and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the Lord* and Romans 8:26 *Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, the Spirit intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words to express.* May we be guided, energized and reassured by these words.

Service Opportunity - Lyndel Kasa, Executive Director of Camrose and District Family and Community Support Services made a presentation outlining research on some of the priority social needs in our community. These include Mental health, Financial security, Transportation, Food security, Housing security, and Employment.

She went on to propose two ideas for Messiah to consider. One concerned culturally sensitive food access needs. The other focused on the needs of people sleeping unsheltered during extreme cold.

These are projects that involve a variety of partners and sources of funding and are overseen by the Camrose Helps Foundation which is the foundation arm of CDFCSS.

Council referred these items to the Service and Support committees and Pastor Jeff for further consideration and discussion.

Reports on the recommendation of Pastor Jeff, who is reviewing all aspects of administration of Messiah, the office will be closed on Fridays from October to December. Friday is usually a very quiet day. The change will provide our office coordinator time to work uninterrupted on some projects and cut down on some of the need for extra office coverage. This will be re-evaluated after three months. As part of his leadership in our congregation and with staff, Pastor Jeff is emphasizing the "spirit of neighborliness" in work and relationships.

Pastor Bev is enjoying her work in Bashaw and New Norway and is finding many interconnections between the three congregations. The Collaboration Agreement called for a six month review. President Dahle will convene a meeting with representatives from each congregation for this purpose.

Renewal 125 will mark the 125th anniversary of Messiah. A committee under interim chairperson LeRoy Johnson will include Pastor Jeff Decelle, Joy Berg, Donny Loewen, Leann Reinhart, Darlene Dahle, Signe Harder, Cathy Mowat, and Wyatt Mowat. Please let any of these people know your good ideas!

Pastor Jeff will craft a new notice for the Sunday bulletin reminding people that because the service is broadcast, they may appear on camera. Such notice is required by provincial privacy regulations.

Gail Stolee, Council Secretary



Online Ministry

The Worship Committee would like to find ways to enrich our online ministry. We have an opportunity to make some one-on-one connections with individuals who watch our worship services regularly and may have prayer requests or would like to know more about our congregation.



Do you have any ideas?

Would you like to help?

Please call Darlene Dahle at 780 672 8488

Or email dahledar@gmail.com

ATTENTION HEARING AID USERS



Hearing Loop
Switch hearing aid to T-coil

We are equipped with T-Coil in the sanctuary. Contact your hearing aid provider to see if your hearing aid is T-coil compliant. If so, obtain the instructions for activating it.
The Support Committee



What is this?
It's a QR code.
What is it used for?

It's used by smart phone users for a

“Quick Response” to access information from the internet. Why does Messiah have one? So that people can just aim the camera on their smartphones and go directly to Messiah's website instead of searching for it on the internet. Just point your camera and touch the link.



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



Eternity for Today

devotional books for

Oct to Dec 2023

were **delayed in shipping**

but should soon be available in the office, or at the Welcome Desk at the back of the sanctuary, for a suggested donation of **\$3.00**.

A NOTE ABOUT 2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES



First off – everyone's offering number will change in 2024. The physical envelopes will be available by the end of December.

I was hoping to have time to ask you all about preferences, but alas, time and intentions did not align.

What I have done is looked at the patterns of your giving and what you have shifted to over the last few years and ordered accordingly. There's a little leeway for changes of mind or if I misread your preference from your giving pattern, not to mention new people.

And we do have a big supply of old envelopes if you want to supplement your envelopes for special purposes – like if you give monthly to IELCO (Columbia Lutheran School Scholarships) and want extra envelopes, we can easily put your number onto a batch of old ones and we'd even be recycling. It is easier for the counters if you use separate envelopes, so when we can accommodate things like that, we certainly will.

Sheila Becker
Bookkeeper

Snacks for Sunday School

Snacks are needed for Sunday School: Granola and fruit bars; little bags of chips/crackers; Cookie snack packs (1or 2) per pack; Juice boxes or Kool-aid Jammers. Please drop them off at the Office or the Sunday School Gathering Area with a little note or label saying "for Sunday School" and your name.





FALL YOUTH RETREAT

OCTOBER 13 - 15

GRADES 8 - 12

We're putting all the fun of summer camp into one awesome weekend! Make new friends, re-connect with old friends, grow deeper in your relationship with God.

Check-in on Friday at 7pm

Cost: \$120 per camper



Confirmation

Collaborative Confirmation will start with a parent and student BBQ at 6:00 pm on

Thursday, September 28 at

Bethel Lutheran Church.

Classes begin Thursday, October 5 at 6:45 pm in the Upper Youth Room at Messiah.

Contact the office or one of the Pastors if you have a child that is Confirmation age! 780 672 3444

WEDNESDAY MORNING COFFEE AT 10 AM

WILL CONTINUE INTO THE FALL!!

Come join us outside or in the Fellowship Centre.

(No ZOOM gathering unless by request.)

We invite the Wednesday "Tim's" coffee group to join us.



Reminder: If family members or loved ones are in the hospital, please let the church office know so we can make a pastoral visit.

The hospital no longer releases this information to Pastors.

NAME

TAGS... Having a name tag on is a nice way to greet other worshippers. Please wear one if you have one! You will find supplies to make one at the Welcome Centre.



CAMROSE NEIGHBOR AID Needs Your Help

Volunteer drivers to take clients into Edmonton for speciality medical appointments. Call Neighbor Aid for more information 780-679-3220 or drop by and pick up a volunteer form. 4524 – 54 St. Camrose



Camrose Women's Shelter Society

The Camrose Women's Shelter has provided an updated list of current needs: body wash, shampoo, conditioner, kids shampoo, thick feminine pads, pajamas all sizes. Items can be placed in the white wooden box at the back of the sanctuary labelled Women's Shelter.



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.



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“PACK A SHOEBOX AND IMPACT A COMMUNITY FOREVER”

PRAY – for each Child and Shoebox

GO – buy items to fill your Shoeboxes

SEND – to a Child and change a life Forever

Valued Church partner,

Last year our goal was 2022 shoeboxes and you answered by inspiring your churches (and our community) to pack 2295 boxes!

This year, our goal is ... (*drum roll) **2500 Shoeboxes !! LET'S GO!**

Collection Week is coming up fast! Nov. 13-19, drop-offs are received at Century Meadows Baptist Church and so we will be collecting the boxes here at Messiah until Sunday, November 12.

Boxes are available at the Welcome Center or Office during the week.



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Pastor: Bev Swanson
(serving 1/2 time at Messiah
and 1/2 time at Bashaw/New Norway)

Administrative Coordinator: Lori Mokry
Part-Time Administrative Assistant: Shirley McFall
Audio Visual Ministry Coordinator: Lowell Dahlman
Bookkeeper: Sheila Becker
Custodians: Carolyn & Lloyd Olson
Music Ministry Coordinator: Tova Olson

Messiah Church Council

David Dahle, President
Agnes Hoveland, Vice-President
Gail Stolee, Secretary
Dave Stolee, Treasurer

<u>Members at Large:</u>	<u>Liaising With:</u>
Dena Grue	Worship Committee
LeRoy Johnson	Learning Committee
Mary Broen	Support Committee
Max Lindstrand	Witnessing Committee
Carolyn Andersen	Service Committee

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!



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Members, staff, committees and groups are encouraged to submit articles so that we are aware of what is happening in our congregation.

Next Issue: November
Material due: October 23
Delivery date: October 31

OCTOBER 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <p>9:15am - Adult Class</p> <p>9:15am - Friendship Class</p> <p>10:30am - Communion</p> <p>10:30am - Sunday School</p> <p>11:45am - Coffee Fellowship</p> <p>2pm - Seasons Retirement Communion</p> 	<p>2</p> <p>9:30am - Centra Cam Volunteers</p> <p>10:30am - Lectio</p> <p>2pm - World Mission Prayer Group by ZOOM</p> <p>7pm - Ubuntu Choir</p> 	<p>3</p> <p>10:30am - Meals on Wheels Deliveries</p> <p>12pm - Martha's Table</p> <p>1:30pm - Service Committee</p>  <p><i>Clean, Simple</i></p>	<p>4</p> <p>10am - Coffee Fellowship</p> <p>7pm - Faith Circle by ZOOM</p> 	<p>5</p> <p>10:30am - Handbells</p> <p>10:30am - Meals on Wheels Deliveries</p> <p>12pm - Staff Meeting</p> <p>6:45pm - Confirmation</p> <p>7:30pm - Choristers</p> <p>7:00pm Support Committee</p> 	<p>6</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Food Bank Sunday</p> <p>10:30am - Worship Service</p> <p>11:45am - Coffee Fellowship</p> 	<p>9</p> <p>Thanksgiving Holiday</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> 	<p>10</p> <p>10am - Hillside Communion</p> <p>12pm - Martha's Table</p> <p>2:30pm - IPC Directory Photos</p> <p>7pm - Joy Circle @ Hillside</p>  <p><i>Clean, Simple</i></p>	<p>11</p> <p>10am - Coffee Fellowship</p> <p>12pm - Staff Meeting</p> <p>2pm - Grace Circle @ Carole Saugen's</p> <p>7pm - Learning Committee</p> 	<p>12</p> <p>9:30am - Gentleness Circle @ Bernice Elgert's</p> <p>9:30am - Praise Circle @ Shirley Peter's</p> <p>10:30am - Handbells</p> <p>6:45pm - Confirmation</p> <p>7:30pm - Choristers</p> 	<p>13</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>14</p> <p>9am - Men's Bible Study by ZOOM</p> 
<p>15</p> <p>9:15am - Adult Class</p> <p>9:15am - Friendship Class</p> <p>10:30am - Communion</p> <p>10:30am - Sunday School</p> <p>11:45am - LunchFEST</p> <p>4pm - Pet Blessing</p> 	<p>16</p> <p>9:30am - Centra Cam Volunteers</p> <p>10:30am - Lectio</p> <p>7pm - Ubuntu Choir</p> 	<p>17</p> <p>12pm - Martha's Table</p> <p>2:30pm - Deer Meadows Communion</p>  <p><i>Clean, Simple</i></p>	<p>18</p> <p>9am - Quilting</p> <p>10am - Coffee Fellowship</p> <p>4pm - Church Council</p>  	<p>19</p> <p>10:30am - Handbells</p> <p>12pm - Staff Meeting</p> <p>6:45pm - Confirmation</p> <p>7:30pm - Choristers</p> 	<p>20</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>21</p> <p>9am - Men's Bible Study by ZOOM</p> 
<p>22</p> <p>9:15am - Adult Class</p> <p>9:15am - Friendship Class</p> <p>10:30am - Sunday School</p> <p>10:30am - Worship Service</p> <p>11:45am - Coffee Fellowship</p> 	<p>23</p> <p>9:30am - Centra Cam Volunteers</p> <p>10:30am - Lectio</p> <p>7pm - Ubuntu Choir</p> 	<p>24</p> <p>12pm - Martha's Table</p>  <p><i>Clean, Simple</i></p>	<p>25</p> <p>10am - Coffee Fellowship</p> <p>12pm - Staff Meeting</p> 	<p>26</p> <p>10:30am - Handbells</p> <p>6:45pm - Confirmation</p> <p>7:30pm - Choristers</p> 	<p>27</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>28</p> <p>9am - Men's Bible Study by ZOOM</p> 
<p>29</p> <p>9:15am - Adult Class</p> <p>9:15am - Friendship Class</p> <p>10:30am - Communion</p> <p>10:30am - Sunday School</p> <p>11:45am - Coffee Fellowship</p> 	<p>30</p> <p>9:30am - Centra Cam Volunteers</p> <p>10:30am - Lectio</p> <p>7pm - Ubuntu Choir</p> 	<p>31</p> <p>12pm - Martha's Table</p>  <p><i>Clean, Simple</i></p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>