



# MESSIAH MESSENGER

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HE IS  
RISEN

"WHY DO YOU SEEK THE LIVING AMONG THE DEAD?"

## *Worship Schedule*

**Sunday 10:30 am**

Services are broadcast on YouTube, search for MessiahCamrose or find a link anytime on our website [messiahcamrose.ca](http://messiahcamrose.ca).

We also broadcast live 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](mailto:office@messiahcamrose.ca).

## *Office Hours*

Monday to Thursday  
9:00 am to Noon & 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm  
(Closed for lunch from 12:00 to 1:00 pm  
& Closed Fridays)

## *Easter Services*

*Maundy Thursday, March 28, 6:00 pm*  
*Good Friday, March 29, 7:00 pm*  
*Easter Vigil, Saturday, March 30,*  
*7:00 pm, Augustana*  
*Easter Sunday, March 31,*  
*Breakfast 9:00 am*  
*Worship 10:30 am*

## Pastor's Ponderings



One of the things I love about being a pastor is the variety that comes with the job. I think of some of my evenings over the last month — listening attentively at the council meeting wearing my administrative and visioning hat; the next trying to teach a group of energized and loud young people about the Second Article of the

Apostles' Creed (that's the one about Jesus!); the next preaching at an Ecumenical Lenten service where we shared a love feast meal of Moravian Sweet Bread and chocolate milk. This diversity is what makes being called to this vocation such an honour. Each week I get the joy of eating with our friends at Martha's Table, the thoughtfulness of pondering policies like the Code of Conduct for staff members, and the privilege of listening to your grief over aging or changes in life or the death or illness of a beloved one.

As we turn from Lent to Easter, it reminds me that it's already been a year that I have been with you. I think about how overwhelmed I was in those first weeks trying to remember all of your names, and how much I have practiced and forgotten and learned them again. I am privileged to have learned not just your names, but also to share in some of the stories of your lives. I have reminded myself that I told you early on that I was on the long-term plan with you, which gave me permission to not do it all in the first weeks, or months, or even the first year. What a relief!

As I ponder the variety in my role as pastor, I also ponder the variety of ways that you serve and give at Messiah. Shortly after arriving, I also learned that there was so much happening that I couldn't possibly be involved in everything. I see the faithfulness of those who show up to committee meetings each month, or who do odd-jobs around the church building, or give their time at Martha's Table or ensure that coffee is put on for fellowship times. But there's also so much that happens out of sight — there are schedules and rotations for jobs that I never see — but I am still so grateful for what you do.

It does take a whole team at Messiah — offering counters and letter stuffers and sound technicians and staff members and food preparers — and pastors, too.

Our readings in the Easter season will shift to the stories of the church, as the Risen Jesus calls God's people into life together. Paul writes to the Thessalonians: "We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labour of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Thessalonians 1:3). We usually think of faith, hope and love as the big three, but here Paul mixes it up a little and says it's faith, love and *hope*.

I see these gifts in our life together — and I give thanks to God for you — your faith in showing up and serving, your labour of love and care for others in our church and community, and that in spite of change and uncertainty, what I have noticed most of all is a sense of hopefulness at Messiah at what Christ is doing among us.

I am so grateful for your support and care given to me and my whole family in welcoming us into your lives.

I am grateful for your willingness to try some new things over this last year — the Narrative Lectionary and the community partnership around the warming hub, come to mind.

I am grateful for your flexibility as we grow into our collaborative relationship with New Norway and Bashaw.

I am grateful for the sense of joy in renewal at how God is leading us into the future.

I am grateful for your forgiveness where I have messed up.

And I am grateful for your continued prayers as we grow in faith together.

I pray that you would continue to be strengthened in faith, love and *hope*: your work of faith, labour of love and steadfastness of hope in our Risen Lord Jesus, who is indeed making all things new.

Peace be with you all,  
Pastor Jeff Decelle  
[jeff@messiahcamrose.ca](mailto:jeff@messiahcamrose.ca)  
403-502-1940





We are heading into the last week before Easter. By the time you read this we will be celebrating Easter. But truly... Easter is everyday for us... is it not?

Even as we travel through lent, we already know the end of the story. We know that Christ is risen indeed!

We live in the full forgiveness offered by the cross and the power of the resurrected hope every day. The church seasons are really times of reflection and remembering and they help us touch different parts of our souls... and so we change the color of the banners in the church, we celebrate different seasons and important days in the church year, while all of this is wrapped in the constant gift of a life of forgiveness and resurrection.

So what does it mean to be a resurrection people? How do we live and lean into this power? What a good thing for us to ponder in this season of the church.

"We do not live as people without hope", the scriptures tell us.

I think there are so many things tied up in the resurrection that it would be hard to name them all in this brief writing. But perhaps I might ask you to ponder this personally; what does it mean for YOU to be a "resurrection person"? What is it about your faith and your life in the Lord that is solid and true and brings you living water and new life every day? Take some time to meditate on this question a bit.

I think one of the most powerful resurrection verses is found in Isaiah 43: 19. I absolutely love this verse. And it is my resurrection verse to reflect on personally this year. (much of the year actually but I am being intentional about it this season of Easter)

"Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert" (esv)

What powerful words of life and of hope!!

You see... we don't always FEEL like there is hope. I sure don't. This world is not looking very hopeful at the moment. At times we are dealing with things that feel more like death and darkness than light and life. Life is so full of every kind of experience and feeling. I find hope in remembering that in the midst of it all, our God is springing up new life and loves to make ways for us in the desert; paths of love and light that we cannot even imagine. We truly are a "resurrection people!"

The thing we need to remember is that our God is always doing a new thing in us every moment. God is bringing life and healing and God is making ways for us when we are in the deserts of life and rivers of living water to quench our thirst.

I am not sure what you are living with in your life at the moment. (I only know what some of you are dealing with.) I know it is not always easy at all... and yet sometimes it really is so beautiful. Life is such a mix. Isn't it?

No matter what, our God is a "Resurrection God" always there making ways for us and springing up new life in the midst of struggle and in the midst of all our moments.

Indeed... " I am doing a new thing... it springs forth!"

Let's ponder this truth together this season.

Please join me in this reflection.

I also want to invite you to let me know if you would like a visit or just want to ponder these or any other things of your life and soul with me, give me a shout. I would love to hear from you and sit down with you and ponder and pray together.

...in the love and light of the resurrection...

Pastor Bev

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Dear Beloved of God –

*May grace and peace be yours  
in abundance (1 Peter 1:2a).*

When I was a child my favorite playground was the cemetery. Our farmyard was right across the road from the graveyard and my siblings and I spent hours playing

hide and go seek, making hideouts in the hedge which used to border the cemetery, and walking from grave stone to grave stone reading who had died and when. We did not intend any disrespect. As children we had not yet learned the hard rules of life and death.

Sooner or later, for all of us, this learning happens. Confronted with the dark realities of death, cemeteries seem more like prisons than playgrounds, holding our hopes captive; locking away our dreams, slamming shut the door on the future. Visits to the graveyard are accompanied by cries of anguish rather than shouts of delight and joy.

Ask Mary Magdalene. After surviving the unthinkable horror of that Friday, on the first day of the week in the early morning darkness, she was dealt the crowning blow, one more profound event in the long string of atrocities. The stone was rolled away; the tomb empty; the body gone.

Only a short time ago Mary and the other disciples had been playing follow-the-leader with Jesus, running through the graveyard, thumbing their noses at death. Remember Lazarus? He had been rotting in the grave for four days, yet walked right out when Jesus called, "Lazarus, come out!"

Back then, Jesus had dared them to imagine a different world, a world where masters wash servants' feet; and the winner is the one who comes in last; a world where the myth of scarcity was proven false by a 5,000-plate banquet served from the contents of a little

boy's lunchbox with more leftovers than the Tupperware could contain; a world where, instead of survival of the fittest, wolves and lambs were sitting side-by-side at the table, and homelessness was unheard of.

Then, they had been like children playing in the cemetery. But now, the graveyard was a stark reminder of captivity, of bondage to the powers of death, defeat, despair – and even more, now the tomb was open and the body gone!

And as she wept in the cemetery, the one she had mistaken for the gardener called her name, "Mary." And lifting her head, peering through watery eyes, she recognizes Jesus – and she moves from weeping to witnessing – she runs as fast as her feet will carry her – and she can barely get the words out – barely catch her breath – as she proclaims, "I have seen the Lord."

Weeping to witnessing. Death to life. Defeat to victory. Despair to hope.

I believe Mary's testimony not because I have seen the risen Christ, but because of her witness. I believe in life and victory and hope – even in a cemetery – on the basis of this witness: of Mary who sees the risen Christ with her own eyes and breathlessly announces, "I have seen the Lord;" of Thomas who believes when the risen Christ offers to let him touch his hands and wounded side; of the unnamed disciple – perhaps John – who enters the tomb and sees and believes.

I believe in resurrection because of the witness of these – and of many others: the witness of my Grade Seven Sunday School teacher who told me of new life forty plus years ago and who modeled the resurrection in her daily life; I believe because of the witness of a Roman Catholic community on the edge of Mexico City, who in worship and ministry celebrate and live the triumph of the resurrection; I believe because I have seen this past year the witness of those who have walked with loved ones

through their dying and death, and who confidently proclaimed the truth of the resurrection in the midst of their own tears and sorrow; and I believe because of your witness to me, when nourished by the Word and sacrament – the bread and wine – Christ's body and blood – you have been moved to incredible acts of love and service to one another and to all the world.

In my living – in the very real anguish of a graveyard – through the hope of resurrection – I know too the shouts of delight and joy heard in a cemetery. And I dare to imagine a

different world – a world set free for love, justice, peace: where masters wash servants' feet; and the winner comes in last; and all are fed; all are at home – and where the cemetery becomes a playground once again.

*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).*

In Christ Jesus –  
Shalom,  
+ Larry



## Watts Family Update

Hi all friends at Messiah in Camrose,

We have just now said goodbye to our dorm girls, all of them heading back across Africa to their families. After our three-month term, they return to where their families serve as missionaries in Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Mozambique, South Africa, and beyond. We had some great things happen this term - which we'll get to in another letter next week - but first...



### We'll be in Canada for April!

Our first trip back since our compassionate leave in 2020, we've got a LOT of catching up to do. So many family and friends to spend quality time with trying to make up for all the important things we miss living in East Africa.

We'll arrive in time to celebrate Easter with our home church which is a great treat for us.

We'll be sharing stories of what God is doing here in East Africa:

**in Camrose, AB at Messiah Lutheran Church on Sunday, April 14 (9:15-10:15 am Adult Class, and during the 10:30 am Worship Service)**

We are also very excited to be able to attend Jonah's graduation from Trinity Western University (BSc Computer Science) at the end of April before we head back here to Kenya.

We can't wait to see many of you - and be able to share in person the stories of what God is doing here in Kenya - through the partnership you have in this work.

Please pray for smooth movements through customs, and health as we're feeling a bit dragged to the end of the term.

Join us in praising God for this chance to get back to our home church, see family and friends, and be able to share with our ministry partners.

Hopefully, we'll see a lot of you in the next few weeks!!

The Watts Family: George, Susan, Jonah, Matea, Micah & Alma

## COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

### March 2024

In this season of Lent, as in all seasons, we are challenged to stay with the promise of God that he would be with us always and with that remember to love the earth and all its inhabitants, walk humbly and love as Jesus did.

There are three member-at-large vacancies on Council as well as several on the standing committees. How can you help?

The deadline for proposals for how to use the funds from our investment with Charitas (ELFEC) is March 31, 2024. To date one proposal, for a summer children's choir, has been submitted.

The Synod convention has been re-scheduled to June 22-24 at King's College in Edmonton. Council approved Joy Berg and Jacob Decelle (youth) as our Messiah delegates.

The Renewal 125 committee has chosen the weekend of October 10-12, 2026 for a special celebration of Messiah's 125 years of ministry. The theme for the weekend will be *Renew, Rejoice, Reconnect*.

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, June 9 at 12:30 pm, following a light lunch.

Gail Stolee  
Church Council Secretary



*Thank you to Signe Harder for the beautiful Palm Sunday bulletin board and the many others carefully done in our Church.*

# NEWS BRIEFS



Canadian Lutheran  
World Relief

## LENTEN APPEAL CONTINUING

Around the world, there are so many vulnerable people whose lives have been turned upside-down due to events beyond their control, not least of all for those facing hunger and food insecurity.

The Lenten appeal to help alleviate hunger will continue into April. A gift of just \$40 will provide assistance for five families.

**These gifts ear-marked for hunger relief will be matched 4:1 by the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.**



Call 1-800-661-2597 or visit [www.clwr/lent](http://www.clwr/lent).

### *Pastoral Acts*

#### *Funerals:*

**Harold Bjorge**



#### *Memorials:*

**Harold Bjorge  
Audrey Nielsen**

### *Communion from Home*

We invite you to join in sharing Holy Communion from home on communion Sundays beginning Easter Sunday. We encourage you to prepare in advance by having bread (gluten-free as needed), and wine or grape juice available to be shared. You may also prepare your communion table as you join us in worship.

Please see this video for some ideas:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fFRuc6Jyhyo>



**The Worship Volunteer Schedule for May, June, and July will soon be prepared. If you anticipate being away during these months please advise Dan Jensen at 780 672 3648 . If you have never volunteered, but wish to learn more about greeting, ushering, lecturing, preparing communion, and assisting with communion call Darlene Dahle 780 672 8488.**

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Preliminary reports for February show that offerings were the lowest of any month this fiscal year. But we know that it's not possible to make projections based on any single month. So far this year there has been a variation of \$9,605 between the lowest and highest month. March, April and the special Easter offering will determine how the year will end, and I am still hopeful we will end up with a balanced year. Thank you all for your faithful support of Messiah's ministry.

March brought an unplanned new expense, with the failure of the main camera used for our TV ministry. A replacement has been purchased, and because there was a significant saving by buying two, and in anticipation that one of the other cameras may fail soon, a second was ordered as well. The total cost was about \$5,300.

I think that in the past equipment for the TV ministry has been paid for with special designated donations. We are thankful for a special gift for this ministry of \$1,000 received earlier this year, and it will be used to cover part of the cost. Any other special offerings would be welcome. Otherwise it will show up as an unexpected expense in our financial statements.

The end of our fiscal year is in sight, and preliminary discussions about next year's budget are beginning. Please pray that we may know God's will for ongoing ministry in our congregation.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns about finances at Messiah.

Dave Stolee, Treasurer



## **Food Bank Sunday - April 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.

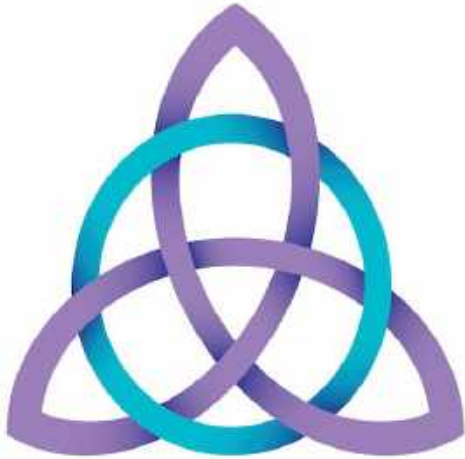
Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated and can be made online at [atbcares.com](http://atbcares.com) by entering **CAMROSE NEIGHBOR AID CENTER INC.** in the Find A Cause search area.





# Lectio...Journeying Through Prayer

**Mondays 10:30 AM (NO LECTIO ON APRIL 1)**



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.



**You are Welcome to join  
Pastor Bev for Worship Services  
at our collaborative parishes on  
the second and fourth Sundays  
of the month.**

*New Norway Bethesda 9:15 am.*

*Bashaw Zion Lutheran 11:00 am.*

## **Men's Bible Study**

**When? Saturday Mornings  
(NO STUDY ON MARCH 30)**

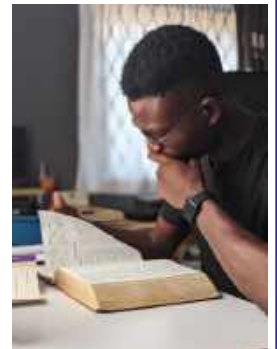
**9:00 to 10:15 am**

**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!!**

## **CURRENT FOOD BANK NEEDS:**

canned soup

canned beans (without pork)

canned proteins: tuna, salmon, meat

canned fruit

cereal (not highly sugared)

toilet paper



# Renew Rejoice Reconnect



**In celebration of Messiah's 125th Anniversary in 2026, the RENEWAL 125 Committee is requesting stories about how being a part of Messiah has impacted you or your family's life.**

**Please submit by email to [renewal125@messiahcamrose.ca](mailto:renewal125@messiahcamrose.ca) or by dropping off to the church office staff.**

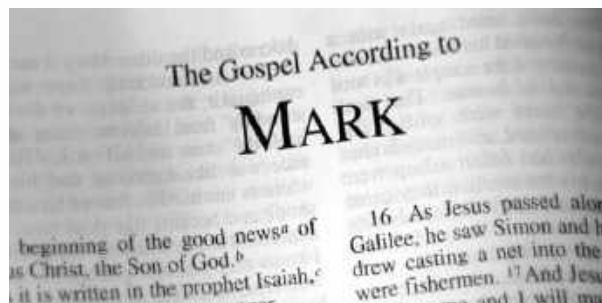
**(Please keep stories to 1/2 page but submit as many times as you like)**

**These stories will be shared in upcoming issues of the Messenger and/or church bulletin.**

**With thanks,  
Community Awareness Chair, Cathy Mowat  
Renewal 125**

MESSENGER BULLETIN BOARD

Eternity for Today devotional books for April to June 2024 are available in the office, or at the Welcome Desk at the back of the sanctuary, for a suggested donation of \$3.00.



Have you heard the good news?  
Join us for a reading of the Gospel of Mark on Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 3:00 pm at Bethel Lutheran. Mark is the earliest and shortest of the four gospels, and action oriented! Come and hear the whole story of Jesus at once, with refreshments to follow. There will be readers from Messiah, Bethel and the Church of God.



COME JOIN US FOR  
COFFEE FELLOWSHIP  
ON WEDNESDAY MORNINGS  
AT 10:00 AM  
IN THE FELLOWSHIP CENTRE



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that deposit directly,  
at the following email address:



[offering@messiahcamrose.ca](mailto:offering@messiahcamrose.ca)



**Easter Breakfast**  
**Sunday, March 31**  
**9:00 am to 10:00 am**  
**In the Fellowship Centre**  
**Pancakes and Sausages**  
**by Donation**



### Adult Class Schedule April, 2024

SUNDAY MORNING AT 9:15 AM in the Basement Auditorium



**Adult  
Classes**

March 31: Easter Sunday *No Class*

April 7: Witness at the Cross 4 *Pastor Jeff Decelle*

April 14: Mission Work in Kenya *George Watts*

April 21: Witness at the Cross 5 *Pastor Jeff Decelle*

April 28: Witness at the Cross 6 *Pastor Jeff Decelle*

May 5: *All Creation Sings* Hymnal Intro 2 *Joy Berg/Deanna Decelle*



# *Majesty & Glory*

## UBUNTU: COLLECTIVE Spring Concert

**SUNDAY  
APRIL 28  
3PM**


**MESSIAH  
LUTHERAN  
CHURCH**

**FREE  
WILL  
OFFERING**



# SHARING HOPE IN CRISIS

## ONE-DAY SEMINAR



### WHEN THEIR LIVES FALL APART, HOW WILL YOU RESPOND?

What should you say – or not say – when tragedy strikes someone you know? The Billy Graham Rapid Response Team offers a one-day seminar to help you share the love of Christ with your neighbors, co-workers, and friends in crisis.

*"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."*  
Psalms 46:1, NKJV

**DATE:** Saturday, April 27, 2024  
**TIME:** 8:30am – 3:30pm  
**LOCATION:** Grace Lutheran Church  
 5306 50 Avenue  
 Camrose, AB  
**COST:** No Charge  
**REGISTER:** [BillyGraham.ca/RRTraining](http://BillyGraham.ca/RRTraining)

**BILLY GRAHAM**  
Rapid Response Team

A MINISTRY OF THE BILLY GRAHAM EVANGELISTIC ASSOCIATION OF CANADA



# Camrose Camerata Choir

*Joy-Anne Murphy,  
conductor*

## Down by the Riverside

songs about water

Saturday, April 27, 2024, 7:00 pm

Camrose United Church  
4829 - 50 St., Camrose

Admission by donation.  
Call 780-672-3372 for more information

**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 at 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 (full size bottles), conditioner, pajamas (youth 10-17), slippers (adult & child), toothpaste & toothbrushes, twin sheet sets.**

**Items can be placed in the white wooden box at the back of the sanctuary labelled Women's Shelter.**

## **CONNECTING IN THE WORD**

**Check out our brief recorded inspirational messages with Pastor Bev! Go to [messiahcamrose.ca](http://messiahcamrose.ca) to connect to the link called "Connecting in the Word".**





"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

**We are forming a new group at Messiah Lutheran! This group is for people interested in learning more and doing more to care for God's creation – stewardship of the earth.**

We are doing many things that already contribute towards Creation Care. Part of this group's job is to take inventory of all that is being done and to provide possible new directions.

**Some items we might consider:**

- **More formal recycling program**
- **A composting program**
- **Gardens outside our church building**
- **Helping with the city tree-planting program**
- **Supporting each other in our home sustainability efforts**
- **Solar panels**



**Do you have new ideas? Do you want to help with any of these ideas? Please join our group!**



Meetings and action are planned to start in April. If you are interested in joining the Creation Care Group, or have any questions, please contact:

Rosanna Hohm ([rosannas@telus.net](mailto:rosannas@telus.net))



APRIL  
*Easter*  
**RIDDLES & JOKES**

Easter jokes and riddles to grow your child's listening and spoken language skills. Freebie from Listen With Lynn™

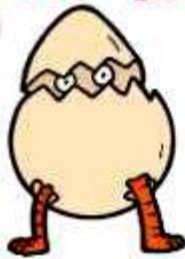
What do you call the Easter Bunny when he tells a good joke?  
 A funny bunny!



KNOCK, KNOCK.  
 WHO'S THERE?  
 EARS.  
 EARS WHO?  
 Ears a good spot to hide some eggs!



Why did the Easter egg hide?  
 He was a little chicken!



WHAT KIND OF STORIES DO RABBITS LIKE BEST!  
 Ones with hoppy endings!



How does the Easter Bunny travel?  
 By Hare-plane!



What kind of bean never grows in the garden?  
 Jelly beans!

How does the Easter Bunny stay fit?  
 EGG-ercise and Hare-robics!



How do you know carrots are good for your eyes?  
 Have you ever seen a rabbit wearing glasses?



Knock, Knock.  
 Who's there?  
 Juan.  
 Juan who?  
 Juan, two, three, four eggs in my basket



# Easter at Messiah



2014.04.20. Easter at Messiah.

We love to share the Good News of Jesus through these services.  
If you would like to contribute to the ministry, please call the church office at 709.222.2444 or email [info@messiahchc.com](mailto:info@messiahchc.com)



# Messiah Lutheran Church

## *Sharing Jesus Christ with All People*

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Senior Pastor Messiah: Jeff Decelle

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 (on leave)

### 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!**



**We 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](http://messiahcamrose.ca).**



**Previous Sunday's services may also be found on YouTube or on our website at [messiahcamrose.ca](http://messiahcamrose.ca) and under the Worship Service tab you will find "Worship Services Archived."**

### Messiah Messenger

Published 11 times a year  
September to July

Also available online at: [messiahcamrose.ca](http://messiahcamrose.ca)  
under the Communications tab.



























To request email delivery or to submit articles by email,

Write to: [office@messiahcamrose.ca](mailto:office@messiahcamrose.ca)  
Messenger Editor: Dena Grue

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

**Next Issue: May 2024  
Material due: April 22  
Delivery date: April 30**

# APRIL 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>March 31</b> <b>Easter Sunday</b> 9am - Easter Breakfast 10:30am - Communion 11:45am - Coffee Fellowship	<b>1</b> <b>Easter Monday</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	<b>2</b> 12pm - Martha's Table 1:30pm - Service Committee 	<b>3</b> 10am - Coffee Fellowship 4pm - Worship Committee 	<b>4</b> 10:30am - Handbells 12pm - Staff Meeting 6:45pm - Confirmation 7pm - Choristers 7pm - Support Committee @ Larson's 	<b>5</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	<b>6</b> 9am - Men's Bible Study by ZOOM 
<b>7</b> 9:15am - Adult Class 9:15am - Friendship Class 10:30am - Communion 10:30am - Sunday School 11:45am - Coffee Fellowship 2pm - Seasons Communion 	<b>8</b> 9:30am - Centra Cam Volunteers - Lectio 10:30am - Lectio 2pm - World Mission Prayer Group by ZOOM 7pm - Ubuntu Choir 	<b>9</b> 10am - Hillside Communion 12pm - Martha's Table 	<b>10</b> 10am - Coffee Fellowship 12pm - Staff Meeting 2pm - Grace Circle 7pm - Faith Circle 7pm - Learning Committee 	<b>11</b> 9:30am - Gentleness Circle 9:30am - Praise Circle 10:30am - Handbells 5:30pm - Witnessing Committee 6:45pm - Confirmation 7pm - Choristers 	<b>12</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	<b>13</b> 9am - Men's Bible Study by ZOOM 
<b>14</b> <b>Food Bank Sunday</b> 9:15am - Adult Class 9:15am - Friendship Class 10:30am - Sunday School 10:30am - Worship Service 11:45am - Coffee Fellowship 	<b>15</b> 9:30am - Centra Cam Volunteers - Lectio 10:30am - Lectio 7pm - Ubuntu Choir 	<b>16</b> 12pm - Martha's Table 7pm - Joy Circle @ Hillside 2:30pm Deer Meadows Communion 	<b>17</b> 9am - Quilting 10am - Coffee Fellowship 4pm - Church Council 	<b>18</b> 10:30am - Handbells 12pm - Staff Meeting 6:45pm - Confirmation 7pm - Choristers 	<b>19</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	<b>20</b> 9am - Men's Bible Study by ZOOM 
<b>21</b> 9:15am - Adult Class 9:15am - Friendship Class 10:30am - Communion 10:30am - Sunday School 11:45am - LunchFEST 3pm - Gospel of Mark Reading at Bethel 	<b>22</b> 9:30am - Centra Cam Volunteers - Lectio 10:30am - Lectio 7pm - Ubuntu Choir <b>Messenger Articles Due</b> 	<b>23</b> 12pm - Martha's Table 	<b>24</b> 10am - Coffee Fellowship 12pm - Staff Meeting 	<b>25</b> 10:30am - Handbells 6:45pm - Confirmation 7pm - Choristers 	<b>26</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	<b>27</b> 9am - Men's Bible Study by ZOOM 10am - CLBI Graduation 
<b>28</b> 9:15am - Adult Class 9:15am - Friendship Class 10:30am - Sunday School 10:30am - Worship Service 11:45am - Coffee Fellowship 3pm - Ubuntu Concert 	<b>29</b> 9:30am - Centra Cam Volunteers - Lectio 10:30am - Lectio 	<b>30</b> 12pm - Martha's Table <b>Messenger Delivery</b>	<b>1</b> <b>May</b> 10am - Coffee Fellowship 	<b>2</b> <b>May</b> 10:30am - Handbells 12pm - Staff Meeting 6:45pm - Confirmation 7pm - Choristers 	<b>3</b> <b>May</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	<b>4</b> <b>May</b> 9am - Men's Bible Study by ZOOM 