



# MESSIAH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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### ***Messiah's Mission Statement***

"We, the members of Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church, desire to praise our Lord, nurture the churched and reach out to the unchurched in and around the Bellevue area, so that all may believe in Christ and receive the gift of eternal life."

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### **Our Order of Worship**

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**Hymns:** 441 - 382 - 538

**Psalm:** 90, page 99

**Today's message:** based on Malachi 4:1-2a

### **“THE GREAT DAY OF THE LORD”**

I. Is a day of burning

II. Is a day of healing

### **First Lesson:** Malachi 4:1-2a

“Surely the day is coming; it will burn like a furnace. All the arrogant and every evildoer will be stubble, and that day that is coming will set them on fire,” says the LORD Almighty. “Not a root or a branch will be left to them. <sup>2</sup> But for you who revere my name, the sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its wings.”

### **Second Lesson:** Hebrews 9:24-28

<sup>24</sup> For Christ did not enter a man-made sanctuary that was only a copy of the true one; he entered heaven itself, now to appear for us in God’s presence. <sup>25</sup> Nor did he enter heaven to offer himself again and again, the way the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year with blood that is not his own. <sup>26</sup> Then Christ would have had to suffer many times since the creation of the world. But now he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to do away with sin by the sacrifice of himself. <sup>27</sup> Just as man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment, <sup>28</sup> so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many people; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

### **Gospel Lesson:** John 5:19-24

<sup>19</sup> Jesus gave them this answer: “I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does. <sup>20</sup> For the Father loves the Son and shows him all he does. Yes, to your amazement he will show him even greater things than these. <sup>21</sup> For just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, even so the Son gives life to whom he is pleased to give it. <sup>22</sup> Moreover, the Father judges no one, but has entrusted all judgment to the Son, <sup>23</sup> that all may honor the

Son just as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father, who sent him.

<sup>24</sup> “I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life.”

### **RESPONSIVE PRAYER:**

O merciful Father, You are a refuge for us in time of trouble. **As long as You are with us, we will not be moved.** Our hearts are glad and our souls rejoice because in You we have true security. **All praise and thanks to You, our loving heavenly Father.**

The day of the Lord will be a day of thanksgiving for all believers. **On that day the fire of Your judgement and love will blaze brightly.** Oh, how we hope for that day to come swiftly! But we know there are troubled times yet to come. **Comfort us with Your presence in Your Word.** Guide us and strengthen us as we fight the good fight of faith. **May all our loved ones keep their faith so that we can spend eternity together in heaven.** Bring also many more into Your family, for You have paid for their sins as well as our own.

O Holy Spirit, keep us in God’s grace until the day of judgement. **Protect those who declare Your Word.** Give us insight into the ways we can stand firm and move us to encourage one another as we see the Last Day coming. **Help Your Church carry out its mission of bringing the Gospel to the world.**

Bearing our personal burdens, we come in silent prayer to lay them at Your feet.

*Silent prayer*

Watch over the helpless. Comfort the lonely. Heal the sick and restore to us the joy of Your salvation. In Jesus' name we join in praying - **“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.”**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are placed in loving memory of Herman Baudhuin by Greg & Marla Dessart. May God comfort us with the sure hope of a blessed reunion on the Last Day.

**FOOD COLLECTION FOR ST. PAUL'S PANTRY** From today until the Sunday after Thanksgiving we'll be collecting non-perishable foodstuffs for St. Paul Lutheran Church's food pantry. Your donations will help feed the less fortunate in our city. Please bring your donations to church and place them in or by the wicker baskets in our entryway. May the Lord move your heart to help others!

**THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE** is set for 9:00am on Thanksgiving Day, November 25<sup>th</sup>. There will be no evening service that day. Please make plans to thank the Lord for all His blessing on that day!

**ART CONTEST** The Education Committee is looking for your help to spruce up the education wing of our facility. We are looking for biblical designs to display on a feature wall and additional wall art on canvas. Contest details are available on the information center in the narthex.

**ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT** will be held on December 5th at 6:30 pm. Please join us for an evening of fellowship, beautiful music and delicious dessert as the women of Messiah and their friends prepare their hearts for Advent. Doors open at 6:00 with the program starting at 6:30. There is no charge for this event. Invitations will be available November 7<sup>th</sup>.

**ABC HOSTESS OPPORTUNITIES** Do you enjoy decorating? Volunteer to be a table hostess and we will reserve a table for you! Many partner with one or two others to host a table. Hostesses provide table settings, holiday decorations and candles for a table of 6 to 8 ladies. It requires only a few hours of your time for planning and decorating. If you want to sit with a group of 4 or more we encourage you to host a table for guaranteed seating.

If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Jill Schultz at [jills54935@gmail.com](mailto:jills54935@gmail.com) or 920-784-5459.

**FAMILY CHRISTMAS NEEDS YOU** Can you assist with volunteering? Do you have a family friendly game or two that you can lend to church? You can sign up in the activity hall or online at [bit.ly/messiahfamilychristmas](http://bit.ly/messiahfamilychristmas).

**FAMILY CHRISTMAS** Messiah's Evangelism Committee is holding a family Christmas event on December 11<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 2pm. We will have a chili cookoff, cookie decorating, hot chocolate & apple cider, a short movie in the sanctuary (Lord willing, with our new video system), games for the family, family photo opportunity and farm animals.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS SERVICE** is being planned for Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:45 & 10:15 am.

**FACEMASKS?** If you are more comfortable wearing a face mask in worship, please do so! We're happy you are here and want to worship with us.

**Our Response to God's Gifts:**

Thursday - 59  
Sun. early - 104  
Sun. late - 81

Total: 244

Offerings: \$ 7,890.00

Technology upgrade budget: \$37,880  
Given to date: \$32,093.70  
Amount still needed: \$ 5,786.30

**ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK:**

Tuesday 3:30: Ladies craft group  
Wednesday 5:30: Catechism class  
Thursday 6:30: Worship service with **Communion**  
Sunday 7:45: Worship service with **Communion**  
9:00: Sunday school  
9:15 Bible classes  
10:15: Worship service with **Communion**

**Serving Sunday in the Lord's house**

Usher team: 7:45: Team #9 Chris Dolch's team  
10:15: Team #2 Doug Voigt's team  
Cleaning: K. Krueger, Flink, Jeanquart , Kaminski,  
Kraschnewski

**Serving next week in the Lord's house**

Usher team 7:45: Team #1 Gary Dekeyser's team  
10:15: Team #4 Rob Zeratsky's team  
Cleaning Kiley, J. Keen, R. Koronkiewicz, B. Koronkiewicz