

# Messiah Lutheran Church

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I WISH the LORD  
WOULD GIVE HIS SPIRIT to ALL  
HIS PEOPLE. SO EVERYONE  
COULD BE A PROPHET

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September 27, 2009  
Proclaiming GRACE

**God's Riches At Christ's Expense  
Est. January 3, 1956**

## MESSIAH MESSENGER

Messiah Lutheran Church, 500 Baytree Road, Valdosta, GA.  
*Announcements and news for the week of Sept 27 - Oct 4, 2009*  
EVENTS THIS WEEK

TODAY	Sunday Classes 17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	9:15 10:30	am am
MONDAY	FL/GA District Pastors Conference begins at noon Jax, FL		
WEDNESDAY	FL/GA District Pastors Conference ends at noon Choir Practice	7:30	pm
THURSDAY	Thursday Craft & Lunch Group Baytree AA Group	9:00 7:00	am pm
SATURDAY	Baytree AA Group	7:00	pm
NEXT SUNDAY	Sunday Classes 18 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost LWML SUNDAY	9:15 10:30	am am

**WE ARE DEVOTED TO OFFERING ... "God's Love, Our Response"**

2009 Budget Goal	\$ 134,486.00
Goal per week	\$ 2,586.00
2009 Goal to Date	\$ 98,278.00

Offerings for 2009 Budget – as of 09/20	\$ 100,829.00
Offering on 09/20	\$ 2,138.00
Weekly average for 38 week	\$ 2,653.00

Designated Offerings:

Building Fund	\$ 50.00
Pine Tree House Debt Reduction Fund	\$ 0.00

*"Let your light shine before others that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven" Matthew 5: 16*

**Pinetree House Property Balance as of 9/18/09 \$80,719.77**

Non-designated contributions for the Pinetree House are used toward monthly payment of interest (\$370)and principle. Thank you for your gifts.

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS are a gift and a warm reminder of God's love to bloom where you are planted by Ed & Kathy Sheeley in honor of Jesse's birthday (9/27), and by Bruni Hudson in memory of her father's, Heinz, 75<sup>th</sup> birthday and in honor of her parent's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary while her mother, Thea and sister are visiting from Germany. Thanks for the gift of flowers to enhance our worship, and to**

*glorify the Lord our God. To order flowers, please use the registry located on the stand in the hallway toward the fellowship hall.*

**WE ARE DEVOTED TO PRAYER                      Acts 2: 42**

**CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS** Bernice Boughton, Jesse Sheeley (9/27); Daryl Sparks, Noah Whitten (9/28); Karin Boles (9/29); Bo Miller, Sean Spencer (10/1). Missed *on this list? Please leave a note in the church office with name and birth date.*

**ARMED FORCES AND THEIR FAMILIES** The deployed from MAFB (several squadrons) Cheston Morgan, Afghanistan, Verla George’s grandson in the Army. Keith Missildine, (Navy, New Jersey), Brian Sparks (Navy, R.I.), Kevin Sparks (AF, Florida)

**NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING PATIENTS/SHUT-INS**

Mike Laigoia, Fellowship Home  
 Charles Kluball, Fellowship Home  
 Vi & Clarence Heidemann, homebound  
 Mildred Evans undergoing rehab at home  
 Margaret Rupp convalescing after gall bladder surgery

**NEW JOYS & ON-GOING CONCERNS:**

Mary Kinchen, gall bladder; Jack Hostetler, skin cancers, Jacquie Condon, Kathy Lane’s mother under Hospice Care;  
 Carrie Meyer requests prayer for her friend’s father in Kansas, Denny Brown, cancer  
 Dorothy Hauge reports that her friend, Gloria DeMillo who suffered with a blood clot in lung is in good condition and can be removed from the prayer list. Thanks be to God.  
 For flood victims in the Southeast, especially Atlanta area  
 Marjorie Fix requests prayer for Rev. Thomas Mendenhall, pastor of Our Redeemer Lutheran, Hutchinson, KS, who has fought colon cancer and recently had sections of his liver removed.

**LIST OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

Name	Concern/joy	Requested by	Relationship
June Orrison	cancer	Gloria Cook	cousin
Belinda Judy	brain tumor	Dorothy Hauge	friend
Virginia Anderson	Alzheimer’s	Betty Zipperer	sister
Roy McDanielle	lung disease	Duane Hauge	friend
Ricky Harrell	needs kidney transplant	Erin Jansen	uncle
Elizabeth Rabon	cancer	Erin Jansen	grandmother
Linda Brightwell	cancer	Tina Wright	friend/co-worker
Diane McNamara	breast cancer	Pat Simpson	niece
Maebeth Gerisch	nursing home care	Ed Gerisch	wife
Melanie McDonald	brain seizures	Mary Kinchen	cousin
Vickie Johnson	health issues	Dana Black	mother
Bobby Joe Johnson	health issues	Dana Black	step-father
Alyssia Ventura	MS	Silke/PatrickDeeley	daughter
Jake Tillman’s grandson	(12) leukemia	Don Sullins	friend
John Harris	multiple health concerns	Jan Bristow	friend
Christopher Stone	pt recovery	Pat Simpson	grandson
Sally Carson	tests	Jack/Joanne Hostetler	daughter
Ella Derr		John Mitchell	friend
Mike Ellis	diagnosed with leukemia	Bo Miller	friend
Joan Adams	post surgery complications	Ellen /John Mitchell	friend
Steven Bridges	leukemia	Lisa Tinney/Dana Black	friend
Edgar Vizcarondo	cancer	Rae Hubbard	friend
Jeff Griffin	colon cancer	Don Sullins	friend
Robert	health issues	Duane Hauge	brother
Billy Langdale	circulation problems	Pernell Jones	neighbor
Ira & Louise Whatley	cancer	Nancy Stewart	parents of a friend
David	cancer in throat	Nancy Stewart	son
Marilyn	kidney disease	Linda/Gary Klement	friend

Charli Butler (6mth)	chemo treatments	Wendy Tweeter	friend of parents
Gerri and daughter	liver disease and cancer	Linda/Gary Klement	friends
Nancy Golden	liver failure	Teri Williams	friend

## WE ARE DEVOTED TO WORSHIP Acts 2: 42

Organ/Piano	Marjorie Fix
Choir Director	Marjorie Fix
Worship Assistant	John Mitchell
Reader/Communion Assistants	Ellen Mitchell
Children's Message	Cindy Sweeney, Tage France
	& others
Acolyte	Nick Meyer
Greeters	Cindy Sweeney, Alina Sweeney
Nursery	Montine Foutz
Ushers	Jack & Joanne Hostetler
	Robert & Valerie Behnke
Altar preparation/Chancel care	Ellen Mitchell
Sound tech	Volunteer
Custodians	Bob & Valerie Behnke
Altar linen	Fran Sparks
Flower service	Helen Whitten
Flower beds	Whitten family
Grass cutting	Fred Daniels 245-0483
Floor Maintenance Smith's Janitorials	Laverne Smith 229 387-6060
Church Council.....	
Kay Vincent, president	Sandy Adams, v- pres/secretary
Gary Klement, co- financial secretary	Lisa Tinney, co-financial secretary
Kathy Lane, treasurer	Jeff Moxley, stewardship
Cindy Mitchell, Christian E	Bo Miller, property
Jolleen Christians, evangelism	John Mitchell, worship
	Dana Black, youth

## WE ARE DEVOTED TO SERVICE

	<u>Oct 4</u> <b>LWML Sun</b>	<u>Oct 11</u>	<u>Oct 18</u>
<b>Reader:</b>	C Pieplow	E Sheeley	L Welch
<b>Com Assist:</b>	J Sparks	K Sheeley	J Welch
<b>Acolyte:</b>	Z Moxley	C Christians	M Gannon
<b>Chancel:</b>	K Sheeley	L Tinney	P Simpson
<b>Nursery:</b>		K Boles	J Christians
<b>Greeters:</b>	P Jones P Simpson	N Stewart A Janney	R Behnke V Behnke
<b>Ushers:</b>	M Foutz K Boles	G Vincent L Vincent	E Sheeley J Sheeley

J Christians  
S Adams

C Christians  
N Williamson

B Miller  
J Moxley

## **GRACE & PEACE FROM PASTOR RICHARD**

Pastors in the FL-GA District will gather in Jacksonville, Sept. 28-30, for the Fall Pastoral Conference under the theme: "Culturally Relevant in Light of the Cross." This is an important gathering for the welfare of each pastor and the well-being of each congregation as we work together in God's Kingdom for the sake of the Gospel." + + + The mission and ministry of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) will be observed as LWML Sunday next week. The special service will urge us to "Look to the Hills God Reigns" based on Ps. 121: "I lift my eyes to the hills and on Is 52: 7 "How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say... YOUR GOD REIGNS!

## **CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?**

Having trouble hearing the speakers in church? We now have a solution from ADVANCED HEARING SOLUTIONS. Please ask the greeter or usher for a receiver and an ear bud or headset. Carefully read the instructions and warnings when using. PLEASE NOTE CAUTION FOR THOSE WITH PACEMAKERS. If you find the receiver helpful, you may want to consider purchasing your own ear bud or headset for \$16. The church has purchased 4 receivers and 2 ear buds and 2 headsets. Additional items can be purchased as needed. The cost of the complete system including 1 transmitter was \$924.48 and was purchased with undesignated memorials.

## **WEDDING INVITATION**

*John & Diane Schmidt invite you to the service of Christian Marriage uniting Jessica Schmidt and Michael Hudgins on Saturday, October 3, 5 00 pm, at Messiah Lutheran Church. If you would like to participate in a "wedding blessing" you may do so by signing the card on the table below the mailboxes and placing a monetary gift in the envelope today.*

## **Signs and wonders**

Sign outside a church in Kentucky: "If you need help, ask God.

If you don't, thank God."

Sign outside Winter Park, FL, Christian Church:

"Looking for a sign? This is it. Come on in."

- from Joyful Noise Letter

## **HOW TO LIVE AND SHARE CHRIST'S LOVE**

Join those who desire to grow in their skill of sharing Christ's love on Sunday, Oct. 11, 7 pm at the home of Pr. Richard and Cyndy Pieplow.  
-Jolleen Christians, Church Council, Evangelism

WOW! WHO ARE THESE GUYS? WHERE DID THEY COME FROM?

IT DOESN'T MATTER...

THEIR CREDENTIALS AREN'T IMPORTANT. ALL THAT MATTERS IS THE NAME OF JESUS THAT THEY CARRY.

BADGES?! WE DON'T NEED NO STINKIN' BADGES!

WHY DO I EVEN BOTHER.



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