

Messiah Lutheran Church

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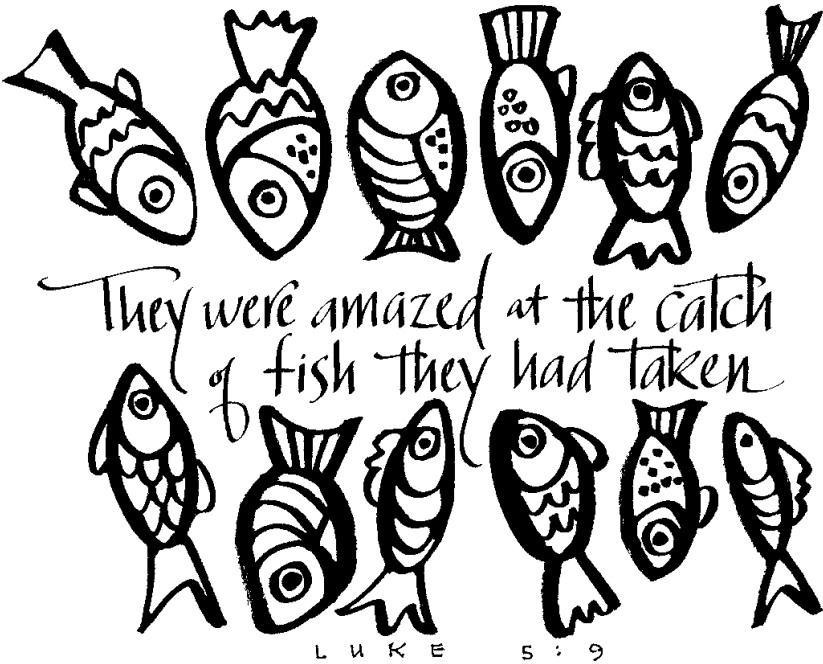
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Ministers: Every Member



February 07, 2010
Proclaiming GRACE

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

As We Gather

With Psalm 136 we say, "give thanks to the Lord because He is good, because His mercy endures forever!" Give thanks to the One who does miraculous things- creating, providing-leading-guiding- and yes, give praise and thanks to the God of heaven because His mercy is ours forever. Jesus says, Follow me, and I will make you fish for people How might you best serve the Lord? Shout to the Lord and sing songs of praise and thanksgiving today and evermore.

MESSIAH MESSENGER

Messiah Lutheran Church, 500 Baytree Road, Valdosta, GA.
Announcements and news for the week of Feb 7 – Feb 14, 2010
EVENTS THIS WEEK

Welcome in the Name of Jesus Messiah! In baptism God calls us! In Holy Communion Christ feeds us and sends us to the world like fisherfolk. "Follow me," says Jesus, "and I will make you fish for people." Something to think and pray about: 95% of all church members have never led anyone to Christ.

TODAY	Sunday Classes	9:15	am
	5 Sunday after Epiphany		10:30
			am
	Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday (Super Bowl)		
MONDAY	Joyful Noise Lunch	11:45	am
	Applebee's Perimeter Road		
	Church Council Feb. meeting	7:00	pm
WEDNESDAY	Choir practice	7:30	pm
THURSDAY	Craft group	9:00	am
	LifeLifter	11:00	pm
	Baytree AA Group	7:00	pm
FRIDAY	Florida Pastors (PALS Group) meet in the Pinetree House		
SATURDAY	Florida Pastors (PALS Group) meet in the Pinetree House		
	Baytree AA Group	7:00	pm
NEXT SUNDAY	Sunday Classes	9:15	am
	Transfiguration Sunday	10:30	am

WE ARE DEVOTED TO OFFERING OURSELVES, OUR TIME, OUR RESOURCES

2010 Budget Goal	\$ 141,636.00
Goal per week	\$ 2,724.00
2010 Goal to Date	\$ 13,619.00
Offering for 2010 Budget – as of 1/31/10	\$ 11,871.00

Offering for 1/31/10	\$ 1,466.00
Weekly average for 4 weeks	\$ 2,374.00
Designated Offerings:	
Building Fund	\$ 5.00
Pine Tree House Debt Reduction Fund 2010	\$ 100.00
Pine Tree House Debt RF In memory of Vern Lane	\$ 500.00

“You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.” 2 Corinthians 9: 11

Pinetree House Property Loan Balance as of 1/21/10 \$79, 673.24

ALTAR FLOWERS are a warm reminder of God’s blessings and a gift for you from Pernel Jones in memory of “my husband Charles Jones” and from Norene Olsen in memory of Doris Olsen’s 95th birthday. *Thanks for the gift of flowers to brighten this day and to glorify the Lord who richly blesses you! Please use the registry in the hallway across from the nursery to sign-up for flowers.*

WE ARE DEVOTED TO PRAYER Acts 2: 42

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS Mildred Evans, Dorothy Hauge (2/7); Trey Williams (2/11); Gary Klement (2/12). Missed *on this list? Please leave a note in the church office with name and birth date.*

ARMED FORCES AND THEIR FAMILIES Corey Christians, Afghanistan, 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

Charles Kluball, Fellowship Home
Vi & Clarence Heidemann, homebound

NEW JOYS & ON-GOING CONCERNS:

Doris Olsen (age 95 this week) ICU Norene Olsen stepmother
Baby girl born to Corey & Jolleen Christian’s son and wife, Jeremy and Heather, premature birth but doing well
Ed Benavides, cataract surgery pending and other health issues related to kidneys.

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
Linda Brightwell	cancer	Tina Wright	friend/co-worker
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
John Harris	multiple health concerns	Jan Bristow	friend
Sally Carson	tests	Jack/Joanne Hostetler	daughter
Steven Bridges	leukemia	Lisa Tinney/Dana Black	friend
Edgar Vizcarondo	cancer	Rae Hubbard	friend

Ira & Louise Whatley	cancer	Nancy Stewart	
Charli Butler (6mth)	chemo treatments	Wendy Tweeter	friend of parents
Nancy Golden	liver failure	Teri Williams	friend
Denny Brown	cancer	Carrie Meyer	friend's dad
Rev. Thomas Mendenhall		Marjorie Fix	pastor in K former member
Warren Gee	prostate cancer	Susan Keller	brother
Richard	heart disease	Dr. Brad Meyer	nurse's child
McKenzie Brownlee	(age 2) leukemia AML	Carrie Meyer	grandmother
Betty Hesemann	(age 90)	Nancy Stewart	in MI
Karen Hoover	bone cancer	Nancy Stewart	sister-in-law MI
Jo Ann Freeland	hospital	Don Sullins	friend
Terry Luecke(?)	tumor in back removed	Dorothy Hauge	friend
Elizabeth Manley		Dorothy Hauge	sister
Ruth Cornelius		Linda Klement	friend
Eddie Baxley	recovering from surgery	Pernell Jones	neighbor
Eddie Harvey	recovering from back surgery	Gary/Linda Klement	waitress
Erleen Carter	recovering from colon surgery		
Tatum	treatment for brain tumor		

WE ARE DEVOTED TO WORSHIP Acts 2: 42

Organ/Piano	Kay Vincent
Choir Director	Marjorie Fix
Liturgy Assistant	John Mitchell
Acolyte	Zach Moxley
Reader/Communion Assistants	Bo and Cherylene Miller
Presenter of the children's message	Cindy Sweeney, Pr. Richard
Greeters	Margaret Rupp, Mildred Evans
Nursery	Nancy Stewart
Ushers	Dick Rockey, Jeff Willis
	volunteers
Altar preparation/Chancel care	Valerie Behnke
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.....	
Dick Rockey, president	Sandy Adams, v- pres/secretary
Gary Klement, co- financial secretary	Lisa Tinney, co-financial secretary
John Mitchell, treasurer	Jeff Moxley, stewardship
Cindy Mitchell, youth	Lisa Vincent, property
Jolleen Christians, evangelism	Norene Olson, worship
	Dana Black, Christian Ed

WE ARE DEVOTED TO SERVICE

	Feb 14 Transfiguration Sunday	Feb 21 1st Sun Lent	Feb 28 2nd Sun Lent
Reader:	M Lorden	K Lane	C Sweeney
Com Assist:	L Lorden	N Olsen	M Mitchell
Acolyte:	N Kraushaar	M Gannon	N Meyer
Chancel:	R Pieplow	K Sheeley	J Jansen
Nursery:	M Foutz	J Christians	D Willis
Greeters:	B Zipperer F Sparks	D Rockey D Rockey	C Sweeney A Sweeney
Ushers:	J Hostetler J Hostetler B Behnke V Behnke	D Kluball B Kluball C Sweeney M Mitchell	J Kraushaar Z Kraushaar T France M Dauphinais

Grace and Peace from Pr. Richard

God bless everyone for all your care during Cyndy's recovery. We've been overwhelmed by gifts of love, support and help when we needed it. Thank you and we are in good hands. + + + **Souper Bowl of Caring** . . . More than 20 years ago, the Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group: "**Lord, as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat.**" Messiah youth have been a part of this movement for many years. Every dollar donated goes to our 2010 Souper Bowl of Caring charity of choice. Messiah's Thrivent chapter members have approved up to \$200 from Thrivent Financial for Lutheran's Care in Community Funds for this activity. Please give generously today. + + + LWML voted Tuesday to donate love offerings from Jan & Feb coffee, and mites from Jan, Feb & Mar meetings to Haiti disaster relief. + + + My game prediction: SAINTS WIN!

LENT BEGINS, ASH WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 17

Chili Supper at 6:00 pm, LWML Div. 3

Evening Prayer Service 6:45 pm

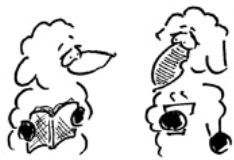
WEDNESDAYS IN LENT SERVICE THEME: **Words that Last Forever!**
Christ had no epitaph. Buried in a borrowed tomb, no words were emblazoned across his grave. Instead, during the final hours of his life, Christ mapped out his way of suffering with seven famous last words- tiny touchstones along his way of sorrows- remembered and recited throughout the ages. These last words have a lasting impact, even now, for us.

SUNDAYS IN LENT SERVICE THEME: **The Sign of Jonah**
Jonah... for Lent? Sounds fishy, but it's a natural fit. When people asked Jesus for a sign, he said, "I will give you only the sign of Jonah." We will explore the meaning of "The Sign of Jonah" as we follow Jonah on his journey ... and Jesus on his way to the cross.

THERE IT IS, THE
WHOLE GOSPEL,
IN JUST A HANDFUL
OF VERSES.



YEAH - PAUL DOESN'T
WANT THEM TO
FORGET THE BASICS
OF THE FAITH.



MAKES ME WONDER
WHY I'M CARRYING
AROUND THE REST
OF THIS BIBLE...



CONTEMPORARY 10.02.03

1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-11