

Messiah Lutheran Church

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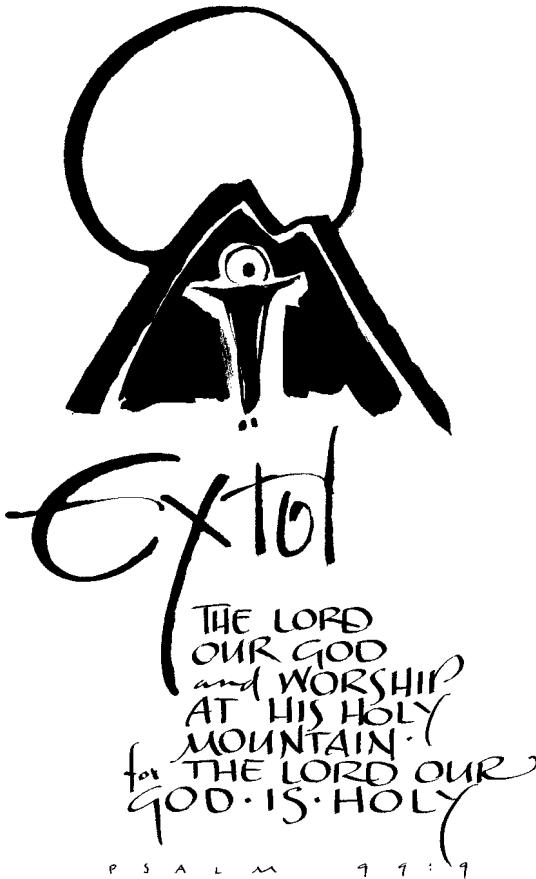
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February 14, 2010
Proclaiming GRACE

**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 Feb 14 – Feb 21, 2010
EVENTS THIS WEEK

Welcome in the Name of Jesus Messiah! Things are not always what they seem! Bread and wine can become a means where we meet God. We, too, are changed in our encounter with grace. How will we reflect our Lord's glory as we begin our Lenten walk?

TODAY	Sunday Classes	9:15	am
	Transfiguration Sunday		10:30
	Valentine Day Luncheon LWML 2 and Relay for Life team		
	President's Day		
MONDAY	Lenten Supper	6:00	pm
WEDNESDAY	Menu: chili		
	Ash Wednesday Service	6:45	pm
	Theme: Words that Last Forever! "FORGIVE!"		
	Choir practice	7:30	pm
THURSDAY	Craft group	9:00	am
	LifeLifter	11:00	pm
	Baytree AA Group	7:00	pm
SATURDAY	Baytree AA Group	7:00	pm
NEXT SUNDAY	Sunday Classes	9:15	am
	1st Sunday in Lent	10:30	am
	Theme: THE SIGN OF JONAH: "God is Calling"		

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	\$ 16,343.00
Offering for 2010 Budget – as of 2/07/10	\$ 16,485.00
Offering for 2/07/10	\$ 4,614.00
Weekly average for 5 weeks	\$ 3,297.00
Designated Offerings:	
Building Fund	\$ 120.00
Pine Tree House Debt Reduction Fund 2010	\$ 150.00

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING \$339.13.

Thrivent Financial Care in Community fund: \$ 200

TOTAL RAISED FOR THE COMMUNITY SOUP KITCHEN.... \$539.13

"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

WE ARE DEVOTED TO PRAYER Acts 2: 42

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS Dick Rocky (2/16) 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:

Ed Benavides, cataract surgery pending and other health issues related to kidneys.
Verla George continuing to heal from shingles infection
Herman Turcotte, Ellen Mitchell’s father, upper respiratory infection
Karin & Bill Boles grandson, Jacob, doing well after tubes in ears implanted and adenoids 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
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
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
Warren Gee	prostate cancer		former member
Richard	heart disease	Susan Keller	brother
McKenzie Brownlee	(age 2) leukemia AML	Dr. Brad Meyer	nurse’s child
Betty Hesemann	(age 90)	Carrie Meyer	grandmother
Karen Hoover	bone cancer	Nancy Stewart	in MI
Jo Ann Freeland	hospital	Nancy Stewart	sister-in-law MI
Elizabeth Manley		Dorothy Hauge	friend
Ruth Cornelius		Dorothy Hauge	sister
Eddie Baxley	recovering from surgery	Linda Klement	friend
Eddie Harvey	recovering from back surgery		
Erleen Carter	recovering from colon surgery	Pernell Jones	neighbor

Tatum

treatment for brain tumor

Gary/Linda Klement waitress

WE ARE DEVOTED TO WORSHIP Acts 2: 42

Organ/Piano	Kay Vincent
Choir Director	Marjorie Fix
Liturgy Assistant	John Mitchell
Acolyte	Nathaniel Kraushaar
Reader/Communion Assistants	Kathy Lane and Norene Olsen
Presenter of the children's message	Cindy Sweeney, Pr. Richard
Greeters	Betty Zipperer, Fran Sparks
Nursery	Montine Foutz
Ushers	Jack & Joanne Hostetler
	Bob & Valerie Behnke
Altar preparation/Chancel care	Pr. Richard
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	vacant, stewardship
Cindy Mitchell, youth	Lisa Vincent, property
Jolleen Christians, evangelism	Norene Olson, worship
	Dana Black, Christian Ed

WE ARE DEVOTED TO SERVICE

	<u>Feb 21</u> 1st Sun Lent	<u>Feb 28</u> 2nd Sun Lent	<u>Mar 7</u> 3rd Sun Lent
Reader:	M Lorden	C Sweeney	N Olsen
Com Assist:	L Lorden	M Mitchell	K Roberts
Acolyte:	M Gannon	N Meyer	C Christians
Chancel:	K Sheeley	J Jansen	P Simpson
Nursery:	J Christians	D Willis	J Jansen
Greeters:	D Rockey D Rockey	C Sweeney A Sweeney	D Kraushaar J Kraushaar S Kraushaar

Ushers:	D Kluball	J Kraushaar	E Sheeley
	B Kluball	Z Kraushaar	J Sheeley
	C Sweeney	T France	B Miller
	M Mitchell	M Dauphinais	J Moxley

Grace and Peace from Pr. Richard

Happy Valentine's Day! We have two choices for Valentine's Day: 1) fly away by private jet to a romantic meal in Bali, or 2) plunk down a few bucks for the church's luncheon. + + + Welcome New Members: Jeff and Darlene Kraushaar, and children, Summer, Zackery, and Nathaniel who transferred their membership from St. Paul Lutheran Church, Miami, FL. Address is: 3919 Stratford Circle, 31605, and phone # 245-3872. + + + As announced last Sunday, congratulations to Craig Willis upon his engagement to Anna Zipperer who plan to marry by October. + + + Congratulations to the John Schmidt family upon grandson Justin Browning's, signing a football scholarship with Valdosta State University. Justin was recruited by several schools and chose VSU. Obviously we are all proud of him. + + + Congratulations to Stephen Sparks who was one of 6 nominees for the award of Wing Civilian Professional of the year at Moody AFB. (see picture and details on the bulletin board in fellowship hall.) + + + Rhys and Sean Spencer were pictured in the paper with Troop #468 Lakeland featuring 100 years of scouting. + + +

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.



ALTAR FLOWERS are a warm reminder of God's blessings and a gift for you from John and Diane Schmidt in memory of their son, **Keith**.

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.

HELP WANTED

Can we get enough people interested to monitor a table at The Azalea Festival on March 13 & 14? Please contact Jolleen Christians 588-4270