

MESSIAH MESSENGER

*Caring for and serving
others so all may share
in God's love.*

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**SEPTEMBER
2019**

Rides with "Gray Lady II" A Message from the Pastor

"Gray Lady II" and I probably do not have to inform you that it has been really hot outside in the Albuquerque area and most of New Mexico. In fact, quite a few towns around New Mexico set record highs on Monday, August 26, including Albuquerque. I gave my apologies to "Gray Lady II" for not having any garage space for her. The sun has just beating down upon her through all these sweltering days.

That Monday, I chose not to have Emerson with me because of the heat outside and the house is only kind of cool with the swamp cooler. She went to her day care which has refrigerated air. There is probably more entertainment for her, also, than I could provide. I missed her, but it was a good thing over all.

You, too, probably had to make considerations because of the heat. I know many of you have pets and I am sure they did not enjoy the heat. If they do not have shade and plenty of water, they are in dire straits. I noticed that even in our cooled house, our house cat "Maggie" seemed a little less energetic. We do not let her go outside.

As "Gray Lady II" and I drove around town those hot days we felt sorry for those who had to be working out in the heat. I do not know how roofers and pavement workers survive in such heat. I got overheated a bit one day just doing yard work. One can sure not leave a metal tool out in the sun and not grab it without gloves. Even getting a good night's sleep can be difficult in such weather.

Is not fans, coolers, air conditions of any type a gracious addition to our lives when it can be so hot. You may even call it a "wonderful thing." Do you not feel a sense of new life when you enter your cooled house from being outside in the heat? Are you not glad when you open your refrigerator and not find your food spoiled? Do not cool sheets feel good to you when you are ready to go to sleep? Do you not feel renewed?

In the Gospel of St. Luke, Jesus healed in chapters thirteen and fourteen two people in bad condition on the Sabbath. Quite an argument arose by those who felt they had the power from God and the people to protect the sanctity of the rules over the need of a person. And when we read the stories our focus usually falls on the battle between said folk and Jesus. But actually, for Luke, the story emphasis was on the "wonderful things that he (Jesus) was doing. (13.17)

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:30 a.m. - Worship Service

10:30 a.m. - Fellowship

WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays ~ 9:30 a.m.

COUNCIL MEETING

2nd Tuesday ~ 6:30 p.m.

MESSIAH LUTHERAN**CHURCH WOMEN**

2nd Saturday ~ 9:30 a.m.

SEW & SHARE

1st & 3rd Tuesdays ~ 9:30 a.m.

CRAFT CLASS

Every other Wednesday

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

MESSIAH BOOK CLUB

4th Saturday ~ 10:00 a.m.

RISING SUN CHRISTIAN**COMMUNITY**

Weekly Service

Sundays ~ 11:30 a.m.

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A Message from the Pastor (Continued from page 1)

He gave new life in his healing for those two ailing people and they arose to that new life with the praising of God. The people impressed by Jesus compassion and concern, rejoiced, and those who challenged Jesus were made ashamed. Jesus going to the cross is another of one of those "wonderful things" that out of his love and care made new life for all those who rejoice in, praise his name. Jesus un-daunting desire to make us whole again in our relationship with the Father by his sacrifice on the Cross and the following gift of the Resurrection, is a "wonderful thing." A gift we could never have attained for ourselves. It is free and refreshing. It is merciful and full of God's compassion and grace. We are not left to the earthly elements of the day but are in the hands of the ever-present God of the universe. Rejoice! Praise be to God for such a "wonderful thing."

May the Lord's peace be with you each and every day.

Pastor Doug

**2019 CHURCH COUNCIL****President:** Steve McHenry**Vice-President:** Dave Hartenberger**Treasurer:** Ellen Dobson**Financial Secretary:** Kristi Adams**Secretary:** Lee Danielson**Members-at-Large:**

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President: Hazel Mella

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MISSION LEAD LADIES

Growth: Lorraine Davis

Action: Charlotte Moritomo

Community: Dotty Dahl

Historian: TBD

WORSHIP NOTES - SEPTEMBER

September 1

Proverbs 25: 6-7
Psalm 112
Hebrews 13: 1-8,15-16
Luke 14: 1, 7-14

September 15

Exodus 32: 7-14
Psalm 15: 1-10
1 Timothy 1: 12-17
Luke 15: 1-10

September 29

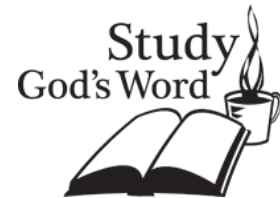
Amos 6: 15, 4-7
Psalm 146
1 Timothy 6: 6-19
Luke 16: 19-31

September 8

Deuteronomy 30: 15-20
Psalm 1
Philemon 1-21
Luke 14: 25-33

September 22

Amos 8: 4-7
Psalm 113
1 Timothy 1: 1-7
Luke 16: 1-13



WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE ~ SEPTEMBER

| | SEPTEMBER 1 | SEPTEMBER 8 | SEPTEMBER 15 | SEPTEMBER 22 | SEPTEMBER 29 |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| ASSISTING MINISTER | | Lee D. | Cassandra O. | | |
| LECTOR | Carol H. | Lee D. | Cassandra O. | Steve M. | Debra H. |
| USHERS | Bonnie Jo H. | Chuck D. | Amy H. | Bonnie Jo H. | |
| GREETERS | Dave H. | Lee & Chuck D. | Chad R. | Chad R.. | |
| COUNTERS | 1. Rosemary B. 2. Ron H. | 1. Lee D. 2. Chuck D. | 1. Cassandra O. 2. Ron H. | 1. 2. | 1. 2. |
| OPERATE POWERPOINT | Rosemary B | Chuck D. | Brian O. | | |
| FELLOWSHIP REFRESHMENTS | Ellen D. | Rally Day Potluck | Osterloh | Lorraine D. | Debra H. |
| FELLOWSHIP SETUP | | | | | |
| TRASH PICK-UP | Amy H. | Amy H. | Amy H. | | Amy H. |

Altar Guild: Kristi Adams, Irene Aldredge, Mary Emery, Hazel Mella

Flowers for the month of September provided by: Sep. 1: Sandi King; Sep. 8th: Open; Sep. 15: Ellen Dobson; Sep. 22: OPEN; Sep. 29: OPEN

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 1 9:30am Worship 10:30am Fellowship 11:30am RSCC Worship | 2 Labor Day OFFICE CLOSED | 3 9:30am Sew and Share Office Hours: 9-1pm | 4 9:30am: Bible Study 6:00pm Craft Club Office Hours: 9-1pm | 4 Office Hours: 10-12pm | 6 Office Hours: 9:00-12pm | 7 8-1: God's Work, Our Hands @ Storehouse |
| 8 9:30am Worship 10:30am Rally Day/Fall Kick-Off Potluck 11:30am RSCC Worship | 9 OFFICE CLOSED | 10 8:00am: Men's Bible Study 6:30pm: Council Mtg. Office Hours: 9-1pm | 11 9:30am: Bible Study Office Hours: 9-1pm | 12 Office Hours: 10-12pm | 13 Office Hours: 9:00-12pm | 14 9:30am: MLCW Bible Study and Meeting |
| 15 9:30am Worship 10:30am Fellowship . 11:30am RSCC Worship 6:30pm Confirmation (EAST) | 16 OFFICE CLOSED | 17 9:30am Sew and Share Office Hours: 9-1pm | 18 9:30am: Bible Study 6:00pm Craft Club Office Hours: 9-1pm | 19 Office Hours: 10-12pm | 20 Office Hours: 9:00-12pm | 21 |
| 22 9:30am Worship 10:30am Fellowship . 11:30am RSCC Worship 6:30pm Confirmation (EAST) | 23 OFFICE CLOSED | 24 8:00am: Men's Bible Office Hours: 9-1pm | 25 9:30am: Bible Study Office Hours: 9-1pm | 26 Office Hours: 10-12pm | 27 Office Hours: 9:00-12pm | 28 |
| 29 9:30am Worship 10:30am Fellowship . 11:30am RSCC Worship 6:30pm Confirmation | 30 OFFICE CLOSED | | | | | |

What's Happening

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE COMMITTEE

Rally Day/Fall Kick-off on September 8th. We will enjoy fun, food and fellowship with Potluck. Please RSVP on the Sign-up sheet, and indicate the kind of food you can supply.

MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN

MLCW meeting, Saturday, September 14, beginning at 9:30 am

WOMEN OF ELCA GATHERING:

Event will be held on September 20 through 22nd at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Albuquerque. It will be entitled ***“Unsolved Mysteries”***, based on Ephesians 4: 4-6. The Presenter will be Carolyn Good. The cost will be \$60.00., which covers program costs, meals, presenter fees and childcare. More information and registration form is available in the Narthex.

MEMBER UPDATE: Copies of our updated Directory are available on the table in the Narthex. Feel free to take one.

*Women's Bible Study is
Saturday, September 14,
at 9:30am.*

Men's Bible Club
September 10 & 24th.



Happy Birthday!

9/3: Tom A.
9/4: Irene A.
9/5: Autumn D.
9/9: Hazel M.
9/13: Jackie D.
9/13: Linda D.
9/20: Suzanne B.

*Wednesday Morning Bible
Study!
9:30 am
Learn the weekly
Scriptures
All are welcome!*

Messiah's Outreach Projects

Messiah continues it's support to the community this summer with numerous projects that include Backpacks for schools and Polo Shirts for students, and continued donations of food. With the fall kick-off, there will be other continued projects, and some new projects. Watch for details! Get involved.



This school year, Messiah has put together 48 backpacks for students in need. They were delivered to schools for distribution to students in need. They were filled with basic supplies that will be needed in class.



Messiah Lutheran Church Women donated \$200.00 worth of Polo Shirts to Tomasita Elementary School. They were able to purchase 40 dark blue shirts in sizes ranging from small to large.

For the Love of Our Neighborhood...

September 2019 ~ EXCITING NEWS FOR US AND OUR NEIGHBORS

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TRASH AND NEEDLE CLEAN-UP

We appreciate all our volunteers whom take time to keep our church property nice looking and inviting. We also want you to be safe. We have purchased three tongs for picking up trash and needles so please do not pick up with your hands. The tongs and Sharps Container are located in the upper cupboards across from the bathroom in the old kitchen just outside the reading room. When picking up discarded hypodermic needle, put the needle in the Sharps Container. It opens by matching up the white arrows. The procedure is to place Sharps Container on the ground (do not hold it), then pick up needle with designated tongs, stand a little away from container and drop into container. When you can see the needle(s) are securely laying on the bottom, close tightly the container and then put back in cupboard. Thank you.

SWAPMEET

We have decided to postpone the Swap Meet for this summer and have set a date and time for next summer so we can get an earlier start for preparations. The date will be Saturday, August 1, 2020, from 8:00am to Noon. We will be having it in our parking lot. We are hoping to have a few more things possibly with the event.

STUDENT AND YOUTH MINISTRY

CONFIRMATION EAST: Messiah will be having Confirmation East classes for any one inquiring about the background of the Bible and Lutheranism. The classes will be at Messiah on September 15, 22, and 29, 2019, beginning at 6:30 pm. These classes will be directed at our middle school and high school youth, as well as, anyone else interested. Please bring your favorite Bible to these classes. The classes will run approximately an hour and a half.

OTHER OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

- * We continue to collect food for local families and individuals in need, Let's keep our blue bins in the Narthex full, Distribution method is as requested.
- * The barrels are also waiting for your generous donations for the Storehouse.
- * Trunk or Treat will be held on October 30. Watch for details.



FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

2019 YTD: 1/1-8/24: Income: \$65,278 Expense: \$59,017 Net: \$6,261

2018: YTD: 1/1-8/25: Income: \$69,334 Expense: \$57,291 Net: \$12,043

PRAYER GUIDE

Please keep in your prayers our family and friends who are in need of our prayers this month. Prayer requests can be made by contacting the church office.

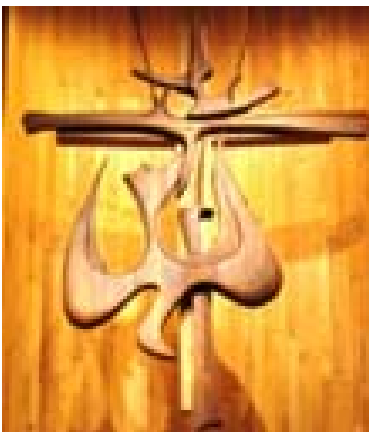
Bill Baker
Barbara & Carlo Bachechi
Al Burmeister
Danielle Currier
Mary Emery
Rodney Justice (Rosemary Butler's brother)
Marian & Ron Kulju
Joseph Patrick Lawler, III
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SERVING IN THE MILITARY
Mat t Braund
Allen J. Tetreault (KAFB)
Daniel Vickers (Navy, Eloise Kesatie's grandson)
Micah Kesatie (Army Reserves, Eloise Kesatie's grandson)

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