

# MESSIAH MESSENGER

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

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

It was an eerie Friday morning when "Gray Lady II" and I got up and ready for another day. Apparently, Arizona had some wild fires burning and the prevailing winds were from the west. It was still dark when I went out to the driveway to get our copy of the Albuquerque Journal. So everything looked like any other Friday morning in mid-to-late June.

The two different colored trash receptacles were out in front of most of the homes in our neighborhood. The blue ones for recycling and the black for trash; neatly placed up against the curb, five feet apart. Our trash gets picked up early in the morning and the recycling in the afternoon. All was as it was supposed to be.

Mary had her coffee and I had loaded up "Gray Lady II" with the stuff I needed for the morning. By now, it was day light and yet as I was putting my briefcase in the back seat I had not looked at the Sandias or noticed the filtering effect of the smoke against the sun. That was to come.

While driving on Coors Bypass, heading to All Saints Lutheran Church to do some preparation for the weekend and next week, I still paid little attention to the mountains, as I was more concerned about the traffic. It was not until I got into the church making my way to their library did I full take in what the smoke was doing to our region. I looked out from the library windows and took in the sight that the Sandias were not visible. I was sure they were still there, hidden by the smoke, but I could not make them out. Just amazing what something out of our area of life can affect us.

The weather person Thursday, had foretold me that this was to unfold, but passed it off. People with breathing issues were told to stay inside and be cautious of the air quality and its risks. No concern to me. Most dramatically the encroachment of smoky air could have negative effects on an otherwise normal Friday in June.

"Gray Lady II" and I were going to do our best to carefully get through the day. It did prompt me to ponder how we deal with a change of effect to our daily living and assumptions. As "Gray Lady II" and I were on our way from ASLC to get fuel for her (I did not want her to become famished with an empty tank of fuel.), and then go to play tennis, I posited her with a question, "How do we react, especially to a positive change in our daily life, to an overwhelming variation to our thoughts, conceptions, routines and/or practices?"

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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 &amp; 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.

**RIISING SUN CHRISTIAN****COMMUNITY**

Weekly Service

Sundays ~ 11:30 a.m.

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**Director of Music**

Tony Carson

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**Building & Grounds**

Carlo Bachechi

**Church Office**

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She reminded me about the positive alteration to people when the promised Holy Spirit blew upon them on the Day of Pentecost. A crowd from different places, religious views, languages and philosophies, meet up doing their everyday business and activities. And in a flash of a moment the Holy Spirit washed away the various smoke screens which had blinded and puzzled them prior to fully being able to see the fulfillment of the magnificent promise from the Lord. Their lives would never be the same.

Sadly, there were still some holding strongly held on to their haze covered views. Yet, those greatly affected, were energized with faith; they started sharing with each other how this new vision of god's grace and power was to be in their lives. No longer would their world be filled with skepticism and sinful blindness, but energized to not only believe but to be desire filled to bring the message of Jesus' saving power, the victory of the Cross and Resurrection over sin and death to all. Our Lord be praised for this eye opening power of faith given to us by the promised intrusion and help of His Holy Spirit in our lives each day.

Christ has risen! He has risen indeed!

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:**

Cassandra Osterloh

Debra Hoyt

Carlo Bachechi

Rosemary Butler

**MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH****WOMEN OFFICERS****President:** Hazel Mella**Secretary:** Irene Aldredge**Treasurer:** Dotty Dahl**MISSION LEAD LADIES****Growth:** Lorraine Davis**Action:** Charlotte Moritomo**Community:** Dotty Dahl**Historian:** TBD

*Women's Bible Study  
is Saturday, July 13,  
at 9:30am.*



# CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

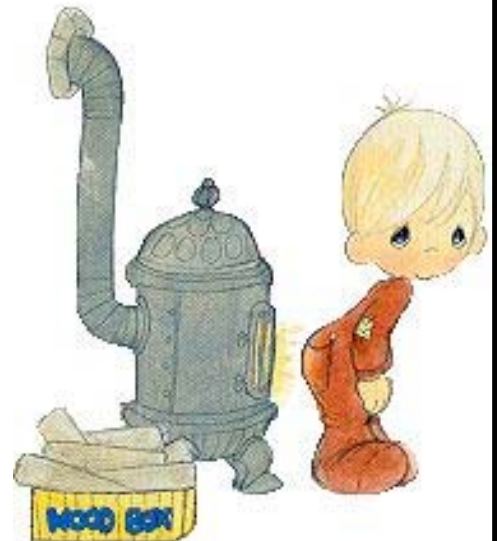
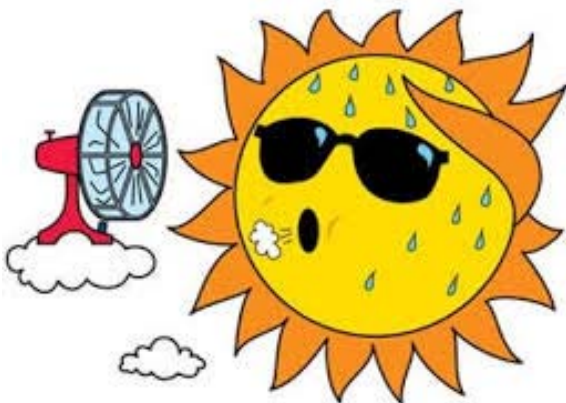
Church Council has called a Special Congregational Meeting  
To be held on July 14, 2019

Immediately following 9:30 service

In the Fellowship hall

**To discuss the need for a  
NEW HEATER AND AIR CONDITIONER SYSTEM  
&  
Ways for us to pay for it.**

All congregation are strongly  
Encouraged to attend. If unable to attend, please  
Consider emailing any input you may have  
Via: [office@messiahbq.org](mailto:office@messiahbq.org)



# WORSHIP NOTES - JULY

## July 7

Isaiah 66:10-14  
Psalm 66: 1-9  
Galatians 6: 1-16  
Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

## July 21

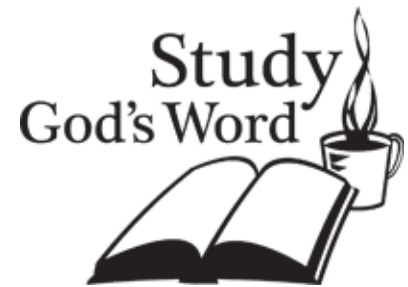
Genesis 18: 1-10a  
Psalm 15  
Colossians 1: 15-28  
Luke 10 38-42

## July 14

Deuteronomy 30: 9-14  
Psalm 25 1-10  
Colossians 1: 1-14  
Luke 10: 25-37

## July 28

Genesis 18: 20-32  
Psalm 138  
Colossians 2: 6-19  
Luke 11: 1-13



## WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE ~ JULY

	JULY 7	JULY 14	JULY 21	JULY 28
<b>ASSISTING MINISTER</b>	Ron K.	Cassandra O.	Steve M.	
<b>LECTOR</b>	Gene D.	Cassandra O.		
<b>USHERS</b>	Gene & Rosie D.	Chad R.		
<b>GREETERS</b>	Gene & Rosie D			Chad R.
<b>COUNTERS</b>	1. Ron K. 2.	1. Cassandra 2.	1. 2.	1. 2.
<b>OPERATE POWERPOINT</b>				
<b>FELLOWSHIP REFRESHMENTS</b>	Pot Luck		Tracy G.	
<b>FELLOWSHIP SETUP</b>	Aldredge	Aldredge	Aldredge	Aldredge
<b>TRASH PICK-UP</b>	Amy H.	Amy H.	Amy H.	Amy H.

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

*Flowers for the month of July provided by: July 7: Aldredge; July 14: Adams, July 28 Hauge*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 9:30am: Sew & Share	3 9:30am: Bible Study	4	5	6
		<i>Office Hours: 9-1pm</i>	<i>Office Hours: 9-1pm</i>	<i>Office Closed</i>	<i>Office Hours: 9:00-12pm</i>	
7 9:30am Worship 10:30am Barbeque/Potluck 11:30am RSCC Worship	8	9 8:00am: Men's Bible Study 6:30pm: Council Mtg.	10 9:30am: Bible Study 6:00pm Craft Club	11	12	13 9:30am: MLCW Bible Study and Meeting
Loose Change For Hunger	<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	<i>Office Hours: 9-1pm</i>	<i>Office Hours: 9-1pm</i>	<i>Office Hours: 10-12pm</i>	<i>Office Hours: 9:00-12pm</i>	
14 9:30am Worship 10:30am Fellowship Hour <b>Congregation Mtg.</b> 11:30am RSCC Worship	15	16 9:30am Sew and Share	17 9:30am: Bible Study	18	19	20
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21 9:30am Worship 10:30 Fellowship Hr. 11:30am RSCC Worship	22	23 8:00am: Men's Bible Study	24 9:30am: Bible Study 6pm: Craft Club	25	26	27
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28 9:30am Worship 10:30am Fellowship Hour Music and Worship Mtg. 11:30am RSCC Worship	29	30	31 9:30am: Bible Study			
	<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	<i>Office Hours: 9-1pm</i>	<i>Office Hours: 9-1pm</i>			

# What's Happening

## CONGREGATIONAL LIFE COMMITTEE

Our summer social events include:

**Independence Day celebration Barbecue and Potluck:** Will be held on **July 7th**, following church Service. Hamburgers and Brats will be provided and grilled by Ron Kulju (thank you Ron). Everyone else brings the sides and desserts. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

**Ice Cream Social on August 11**, following the service. We provide the Ice Cream, you bring some toppings of your choice.

**You can help with this Committee!** We are always looking for new faces to help with the planning and running our activities. If you have some ideas or are willing to help, please plan to attend our next meeting., on **August 18**, following Church. We will be planning our Rally Day Activity for September.

## MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN

MLCW meeting, Saturday, July 13, 2019, beginning at 9:30 am

## SWAP MEET

We have decided to postpone the Clothing Swap Meet and Give-a-way 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.

## 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.

**Men's Bible Club**  
July 9 and July 23 at  
8:00am.



Happy Birthday!  
7/9: Ellen D.  
7/13: Carlo B.  
7/14: Kristi A.  
7/20: Bonnie Jo H.  
7/27: Dylan H.

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

# **For the Love of Our Neighborhood...**

## **JULY 2019 ~ EXCITING NEWS FOR US AND OUR NEIGHBORS**

**July 2019 ~**

### **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.

### **STUDENT AND YOUTH MINISTRY**

- A) Vacation Bible School was held at the end of June at St. Luke in co-ordination with Messiah and St. Paul. It was wonderful and the Rainbow Trail counselors, with the help of good assistance by the volunteers, made it run smoothly. We had 17 campers and 8 pre-school campers. A special thank you to Thade, Tristen, and Dylan Hauge, Rosemary Butler and Dave Hartenberger.
- B) We are in the process of getting ready for our Backpack ministry to the area schools. A thank you again to Chuck Danielson for overseeing this big project. If you would like to make a contribution to this great project please leave a notated offering at the office or in the offering plate.
- C) We are also looking at some other ways of helping the area schools, such as "Polo" shirts which are used by Tomasita Grade School as uniforms. Donations would be graciously accepted.

### **THRIVENT MEMBERS**

Those of you who have Thrivent for Lutheran products have a great opportunity to provide extra cash to ministry idea within the community. We would like to have a meeting in the near future for all said members to come up with a strategic plan for using our "Action" dollars. More will be explained at the meeting. Others also are able to be Associate members for a cost of \$19.95(?) a year. Product holders can receive for community ministry use \$250 twice per year and Associate members \$250 once per year.

### **MESSIAH SPECIAL GIFT OPPORTUNITIES**

**\*Loose Change for Hunger:** The First Sunday of each month, we will collect your loose change to send to World Hunger.

**\*Fifth Sunday:** Donations of food items are collected to fill backpacks for students (and others in need).

**\*Storehouse barrels:** Donations of food, clothing and quilts (Sew and Share) are collected throughout the year for the Storehouse. Place your donations in the barrels in the Narthex.

**\*Peanut Butter collection:** Messiah buys approximately 8-10 jars of Peanut Butter twice a month for the Storehouse.



## **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  
Dr. Rev. Lincoln Leer  
Kenneth Wilson

Helga Lindner  
Robert Maranville  
Arlene Mickelson  
Charlotte Moritomo  
***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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CEASING**



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