



# MESSIAH MESSENGER

April 28 - May 5

*Powered by God's grace to live God's love in the world!*

## THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

### Sunday, April 28th

9:00am — Worship

10:15am — Family Sunday

School Activity

10:15am — Year of the Bible

2:00pm — Community Choir

Cantata Performance at UMC

6:00pm — Year of the Bible

### Tuesday, April 30th

8:30am -- Moms in Prayer

9:00am -- WELCA Quilting

### Wednesday, May 1st

6:30pm -- Confirmation

7:00pm -- Youth Group

### Thursday, May 2nd

Pastors at CJH

### Friday, May 3rd

Pastors at CJH

### Sunday, May 5th

SENIOR SUNDAY

9:00am -- Worship

10:15am -- Sunday School  
(Last day of Sunday School)

10:15am -- Year of the Bible

6:00pm -- Year of the Bible

7:00pm — Baccalaureate  
Service at MS Theater

*Please let Pastor Sarah or Pastor Miles (or the church office) know if there are ways that we can walk with you in your journey of faith!*

*If you or a family member has a personal need and could use a visit, please make sure Pastors are aware!*

## Welcome!

May this time of worship strengthen your faith and desire to serve the Creator who loves us with everlasting love in Christ Jesus.

**Children** are welcome in this worship service, and encouraged to participate in any way they are able to. Teach the children sitting around you how to use their hymnals, bulletins, follow the screens, and sing & speak loudly! We value the noise made by our children!

**Visitors**, we are especially glad to see you.

**Please come again!!**

As disciples of Christ, we encourage you to CONNECT with ministry opportunities here at Messiah!

Please fill out a CONNECT sheet today. After you've recorded your name(s) and pertinent information, please turn these sheets over and think about the ways in which you can use the gifts and talents given to you in the ministry here at Messiah.

CONNECT sheets can be placed in the offering plate as we give our gifts of time, talent, and treasure to God.

## CONNECT

### **In Our Thoughts and Prayers...**

Allen Castens, Betty Thomas, Bev Smith, Brandon Perry, Bryce Sweeney, Caleb Friesen, Cassandra Hahn, Cele Sullivan, Cheryl Holland, Colton Chandler, Connor Jacobs, Courtney Schnabel, Dale Vanderford, Dennis Baseman, Deryl Danielson, Don Schaffert, Hannah Miller, Jackson & Colton, Janet Lagocki, Kale Mooney, Kellen Farris, Kinzlee Grigsby, Lenette Gleason, Lois Plate, Lynn Schaffert, Marlene Mersch, Matt Ziegler, Nick Herringer, Sandy Dickison, Scott Barker, Shari Krejci, and Tammy Craig.

### **We pray for the family & friends of these individuals as they grieve:**

William V. Kuehner - Father of Bill Kuehner  
Julie Broer - Friend of Herb & Jean Peters

### **We pray for these individuals & their family & friends as they serve in our military:**

Josh Steinwart, John Nicola and Marc Groetzing

*Please contact the church office with updates for the prayer list.*

**Serving Us in Worship  
TODAY 4/28/19 @ 9am**

**Serving Us in Worship  
Next WEEK 5/05/19 @ 9am**

Ushers	George Chaney Charly James	Ushers	Ed & Claudia Rathje
Youth Ushers	Cassidy Knust Elena Kuehner	Youth Ushers	Daniel Helzer Kellen Farris
Reader	Steve Vrana	Reader	Gen Weiss
Acolytes	Drew Knust Connor Smith	Acolytes	Hayden Groetzinger Lexi Jones
Musician	Mary Roehrs	Musician	Beth Johnson
Greeters	Bud & Luana Wall	Greeters	Dick & Barb Berthold
Sound Booth	Rick Penner	Sound Booth	Roger Scott
Video Recorder	KC Pawling	Video Recorder	Craig Shaffer
PowerPoint	Noah Ziegler	PowerPoint	Alex Johnson
Worship Asst.	Dixie Ziegler	Worship Asst.	Megan Dam



**Vacation Bible School  
@ Messiah**

July 15, 16, & 17  
5:30pm-8:30pm

We're excited to try something new this year with an **evening VBS** for kids PreK-5th grade! 6th graders are invited to help as Crew Leaders and adults as Station Leaders!

We will have **supper** offered each night at 5:30! Monday and Tuesday evening will be held at Messiah and Wednesday will be at Cole Park.

**We need YOU to make this happen!**

Please consider volunteering, and sign up for your spot in the Information Center. Sign-ups for snack needs will be coming soon too.

Pick up a registration form for your students in the Information Center as well or sign-up online.

**Church Staff**

**Senior Pastor:**

Pastor Sarah Ruch

**Pastor of Children, Youth,  
& Family Ministries:**

Pastor Miles Ruch

**Office Manager:**

Pam Tyma

**Custodian:**

Carrie Swanson

**Church Email:**

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**EASTER CANTATA:**

Our Community Interfaith Choir (members of churches throughout the Aurora area) have been working hard on this year's Easter Cantata titled, "The Easter Story". Please join us for their performance, which promises to be fantastic. **TODAY April 28th at 2:00pm at the Aurora United Methodist Church.**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER RECOGNITION:**

Sunday School Teacher Appreciation will be **TODAY** during worship! There will be a student & family event during Sunday School that day. The last day of Sunday School activities will be next week, Sunday, May 5th.

**GRADUATE RECOGNITION:**

On May 5th (*next Sunday!*) we'll celebrate the accomplishments of Riley Griffith, Ethan Wert, and John Helzer as they prepare for high school graduation. Join us as we celebrate them during worship and with a cake reception after.

**MESSIAH LUTHERAN QUILTERS DISPLAY:**

Check out the quilt hanging in the hallway to the Fellowship Hall today! This is a quilt made by our Messiah Quilters that will be sent to local ministries or Lutheran World Relief. They'll be displaying their quilts throughout the year, allowing us all to see this ministry our quilters do! Thank you quilters!

**CALLING ALL PLASTIC BAGS!**

Our WELCA ladies will be working on a new ministry, crocheting sleeping mats for the homeless and others in need. This is a fantastic ministry that allows us to be stewards of God's creation as we reuse and recycle our plastic bags and stewards of God's people as we care for one another. We invite you to start bringing your plastic bags for the ladies to use in this project. Each mat will take 500-700 plastic bags, so please help us collect! You can place your bags in the marked container in the Narthex.

**BAPTISM**

Celebrate with us one who is washed by the water and God's Word and will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, marking her as a Child of God forever.

**Teagan Nicole Jansen**

**Baptism: May 12, 2019**

**Daughter of Messiah members *Melissa & Andrew Jansen***

**THANK YOU**

*Thank-you SO much to WELCA of Messiah for their generous gift of \$ to "Showers of Blessings for St. Ed" flood victims. It was a very kind and caring thing to do and was greatly appreciated!! My brother was overwhelmed by the support given to my hometown of St. Edward. Your kindness has touched many lives! God Bless You!! Connie Nick*

**Our High School Youth Group will be hosting a Bake Sale TODAY, April 28th following worship! All proceeds will go toward their Mission Trip to Chicago this Summer! They are almost to their fundraising goal for this event, so please plan on supporting them as you are able!**



**In addition to the bake sale items, the students will have Fair Trade items for you to try as they will be selling Fair Trade coffee, tea, and chocolate in the future!**