



# MESSIAH MESSENGER

March 15 - March 22

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

## THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

### **Sunday, March 15th**

9:00am	Worship
10:15am	LL & Adult Ed.
1:00pm	<i>Fellowship Hall Reserved</i>
5:00pm	Youth Group - Food & Gaga!

### **Tuesday, March 17th**

7:30am	Youth Group - Breakfast @ Makers
8:30am	Moms in Prayer
9:00am	WELCA Quilting

### **Wednesday, March 18th**

5:30pm	Community Meal
6:00pm	GLOW!
7:00pm	Lenten Worship

### **Sunday, March 22nd**

9:00am	Worship
10:15am	LL & Adult Ed.
10:30am	Youth Group Brunch Fundraiser

*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!!**

**We are the body of Christ gathered in this place! As we come together for worship, we encourage you to reach out for personal needs, community needs, or ministry needs.**

At the end of each pew you will find a **Fellowship Pad**. Please fill this out and hand it to the person next to you so that we can learn each other's names & connect with you!

In the back of each pew you will find these resources:

- **Doodle Pad (green)**—especially for our younger worshippers
- **Prayer Card (yellow)**—please fill out if you have prayer concerns to be kept confidential or to share with the congregation. These can be placed in the offering plate.
- **Ministry Opportunity Cards (white)**—Check out ways you can join in ministry here at Messiah. If you fill a card out, please place it in the offering plate as we give our time, talents, & treasures to God.
- **Electronic Giving Cards (multicolored)**—if you give offerings through our Electronic Giving means, please feel free to place one of these cards in the offering plate as it passes you.

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

Cassandra Hahn, *daughter of Randy and Pauline Hahn*  
Clark Swantek, *Great Nephew of Dan & Dixie Ziegler*  
Dale McBride, *Elaine Graves Brother-in-law*  
David Grothen, *Cousin of Mark Jobman*  
Dennis Einsphar, *Harold Junker's Brother-in-Law, cancer*  
Deryl Danielson, *VA Hospital Care, Grand Island*  
Ed Rathje, *throat cancer and knee replacement recovery*  
Elaine Graves, *St. Elizabeth's in Lincoln*  
Janie Griffith, *Jeff Griffith's mother*  
Joni Oswald, *Cancer*  
Kerragen Jensen, *ankle surgery*  
Ken Werner, *recovery from surgery*  
Lenette Gleason, *friend of Craig & Diana Shaffer*  
Linda Rasmussen, *recovery after knee replacement*

Lois Plate, *mother of Glen Obermeier—Good Samaritan, GI*  
Marlene Mersch, *ongoing health struggles*  
Martha Saddler, *Jane VanderTuig's friend, cancer*  
Nancy Doris, *Niece of Dave & Cheryl Fricke*  
Nick Herringer, *brain cancer*  
Randy Drew, *father of Stacy Groetzinger, cancer*  
RoseAnn Meyer, *Charlene Coon's friend*  
Robin Shanks, *former member, cancer*  
Shari Krejci, *Aurora teacher, cancer*  
Shelley Carlstrom, *Shelbie & Abby Collingham's mother, Breast Cancer*  
Susan Obermier, *friend of Tammy Chaney, Car accident*  
Sue Schultz, *wrist surgery recovery*  
Tammy Craig, *Harold & Marj Junker's daughter, breast cancer*

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

Duane Ericksen, members of United Lutheran Church, Hampton  
Hayes Bryan Springer, son of Whitney (Bowman) & Zach Springer, *friends of Ellie Cervený*

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

PFC Rebecca Bicknase, daughter of Walter & Cheryl Bicknase  
Cody Schultz  
Carson Zimmermann, great-grandson of JoAnn Landenberger  
Major Daryl Thul, Chaplain, stationed in Iraq, friend of Pastor Sarah & Pastor Miles

**Serving Us in Worship**  
**THIS WEEK 3/15/20 @ 9am**

Ushers	Rick & Cara Penner
Youth Ushers	Connor Smith Courtney Oswald
Reader	Mike Stewart
Acolytes	Parker Smith Cooper Reeson
Musician	Beth Johnson
Greeters	John & Kellen Farris
Sound Booth	Roger Scott
Video Recorder	Bill Arndt
PowerPoint	Daniel Helzer
Worship Asst.	Kenny Howland

**Serving Us in Worship Wed.**  
**THIS WEEK 3/18/20 @ 9am**

Ushers	
Youth Ushers	Cooper Reeson Caleb Ruch
Reader	Parker Smith
Acolytes	Keegan Chaney Hayden Farris
Musician	Beth Johnson
Greeters	Koby, Quinton, Tyson, Naela, Alexa
Sound Booth	Roger Scott
Video Recorder	
PowerPoint	
Worship Asst.	Megan Dam

**Serving Us in Worship**  
**NEXT WEEK 3/22/20 @ 9am**

Ushers	Mike & Diane Stewart
Youth Ushers	Hayden Groetzinger Wyatt James
Reader	Steve Vrana
Acolytes	Caleb Ruch Naela Merrihew
Musician	Mary Roehrs
Greeters	Steve & Marilyn Vrana
Sound Booth	David Olson
Video Recorder	Diana Shaffer
PowerPoint	Craig Shaffer
Worship Asst.	Ellie Cerveny

**WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE DURING LENT**—Join us please! Community Meal from 5:30-pm-6:30pm, GLow! From 6:00pm-7:00pm, Worship from 7:00pm-7:30pm. **Our Lenten offerings** from worship & our meal will be divided evenly between the Hamilton County Backpacker Program & the Hamilton County Ministerial Association's campaign with R.I.P. Medical Debt. Please take a look at the additional insert to learn more about the **HAMILTON COUNTY MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION'S CAMPAIGN TO END MEDICAL DEBT FOR NEBRASKANS!**

**LWR PERSONAL CARE KITS AS LENTEN FOCUS**—Remember our Lenten focus of LWR Personal Care kits! Please join us in this important ministry by bringing these items and placing them in the marked boxes in the narthex!

1st Week of Lent	2/26—3/8	Dark-colored, Bath-size towel (approx. 52" x 27")
2nd Week of Lent	3/8—3/15	Bar soap, any brand, in original wrapping (4-5 oz.)
3rd Week of Lent	3/15—3/22	1 adult toothbrush in original pkg. (multiple packs are okay)
4th Week of Lent	3/22—3/29	1 sturdy WIDE-TOOTH comb
5th Week of Lent	3/29—4/5	1 metal nail clippers with nail file
Holy Week	4/5—4/12	Twine, bias tape, or thick ribbon (used to tie kits)

**YOUTH GROUP BRUNCH MEAL— SUNDAY MARCH 22nd!** Our High School Youth Group invites you to enjoy a delicious brunch feast following worship on Sunday, March 22nd. They'll be serving waffles, bacon, sausage, baked goods from *The Maker's*, bagels & more! In addition to the delicious food there will be a raffle including fun items from local stores, crafters, & restaurants. This is our High School Youth Group's main fundraiser of the year and we hope that you'll come support them on the 22nd! Tickets to attend will be \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids 12 & under. Raffle tickets will be 14 tickets for \$10 or 1 ticket for \$1. There will be no pre-sale of tickets this year. You can purchase tickets for brunch & for the raffle on the 22nd when you arrive for the event. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go toward coming youth group events & Mission Trips. This summer our youth are traveling to Denver, CO for their mission trip. In 2021 they'll be travelling to Minneapolis, MN for the ELCA Youth Gathering. *If you would like to donate an item for the raffle, please speak with Pastor Miles!*

**OUR ANNUAL SEDER MEAL will take place on Wednesday, April 8th at 6:30pm.** All members and friends and all ages are invited to this night of remembering the first Passover night which the disciples were celebrating with Jesus on the night before he was handed over to Roman officials. We will begin right at 6:30pm, so please plan accordingly. **If you will be attending, please sign up on the counter of the Information Center by Sunday, March 29th.** Those who attend share in preparing and bringing our dinner items and these recipes and needs will be communicated with you after Sunday, March 29th.

**MESSIAH MINISTRIES: HAMILTON COUNTY BACKPACK PROGRAM**—This year, we'll be focusing on one item for the Backpack Program: **canned fruit (15 oz.cans of peaches, pears, or fruit cocktail)**. The Backpack Program uses 250 cans of fruit throughout the year! You are always welcome to bring other items for either program & the Food Pantry if you would like to.

**COMMUNITY EGG HUNT! Saturday, March 28th at 2:00pm**—Join us and invite your friends, family, and neighbors to join us too! We'll have eggs hidden for those 5th grade and under in areas marked especially just for them. We're handling the eggs just a little differently this year though! Instead of filling eggs we'll be filling prize bags. Kids will turn their eggs in to receive a prize bag. Please bring your donations of goodies to the church by Sunday, March 22nd. Here's some ideas of things you can bring: popcorn (individual bags), fruit (oranges, apples), Snack packs (individual bags), coins, candy.

**ALL WORSHIP LEADER VOLUNTEERS! Youth Ushers, Ushers, Sound Booth, Video, ProPresenter, Worship Assistants, and Communion Steward volunteers:** we have upcoming meetings to touch base and go over duties as some things have been added or removed from your duties. Our goal is to support you all and give thanks for your leadership during worship services! Please do everything you can to attend the meeting for your position as this will be best with everyone present. Thank you! ***If you have ever considered volunteering for any of these positions or wondered what responsibilities are held by these positions, please join us at these meetings! There is no requirement for you to volunteer afterward, but you are welcome to if you would like!***

Ushers & Youth Ushers:	Sunday, March 29th from 10:30am-11:00am
Sound Booth, Video, and ProPresenter Volunteers:	Sunday, April 5th from 10:30am-11:00am
Communion Assistants & Worship Assistants:	Sunday, March 29th from 10:15am-10:25am <i>OR</i> Sunday, March 29th from 10:15am-10:30am
Acolytes (current 6th & 7th graders):	Sunday, April 26th at 10:30am