

Come, Follow Me!



Down from the Mountain

MESSIAH

Today's Theme: Come, Follow Me! Down from the Mountain

Peter, James, and John had a mountaintop experience. They followed Jesus up a certain mountain and caught a glimpse of his glory. It was so glorious, Peter wanted to stay on that mountain and bask in the awesomeness. But Jesus had to go down the mountain and carry out his mission. He was determined to take up a cross and suffer. We follow Jesus down from the mountain, and we follow him to his cross where we see him take up and take away our sins!

Welcome to Messiah

Restrooms are located in the fellowship hall. Exit the sanctuary turn right, and go through the double doors.

Kids' Church. Children ages 3 through grade 5 are invited to Kids' Church which takes place during the 10:30 a.m. service. You can drop them off starting at 10:20 a.m. at Family Ministry Center. They'll join you in church for the last portion of the service.

Quiet room. Children are always welcome in worship and we love hearing their little voices. However, if needed, a quiet room is located in the fellowship hall. Turn right when exiting the sanctuary and the quiet room will be on the left.

Ushers are available in the entry way to answer any additional questions you may have.



Connect with us!

We invite everyone to fill a connection card. Scan the code above or sign the guestbook in the lobby.

WE WORSHIP THE LORD

Call to Worship

We worship in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Christians in the early church wanted to confess who God, and specifically Jesus Christ, really was. The Nicene Creed has served as a statement of our Christian faith ever since. Today, we see Jesus at his transfiguration revealed as true God from true God. We remember that Jesus came down from heaven (and he came down from that mountain) for us and for our salvation. So we confess.

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Speak, O Lord

CW 633

- 1 Speak, O Lord, as we come to you
to receive the food of your holy Word;
take your truth, plant it deep in us,
shape and fashion us in your likeness,
that the light of Christ might be seen today
in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
all your purposes for your glory.
- 2 Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
holy reverence, true humility;
test our thoughts and our attitudes
in the radiance of your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see
your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail,
let their truth prevail over unbelief.
- 3 Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds,
help us grasp the heights of your plans for us,
truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
that will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on your promises,
and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till your Church is built,
and the earth is filled with your glory.

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Baptism of Avalynn Jay Corning (10:30 a.m.)

Prayer

The Word

First Reading

2 Kings 2:1–12a

¹When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven in a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ²Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; the LORD has sent me to Bethel."

But Elisha said, "As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.

³The company of the prophets at Bethel came out to Elisha and asked, “Do you know that the LORD is going to take your master from you today?”

“Yes, I know,” Elisha replied, “so be quiet.”

⁴Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here, Elisha; the LORD has sent me to Jericho.”

And he replied, “As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you.” So they went to Jericho.

⁵The company of the prophets at Jericho went up to Elisha and asked him, “Do you know that the LORD is going to take your master from you today?”

“Yes, I know,” he replied, “so be quiet.”

⁶Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.”

And he replied, “As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them walked on.

⁷Fifty men from the company of the prophets went and stood at a distance, facing the place where Elijah and Elisha had stopped at the Jordan. ⁸Elijah took his cloak, rolled it up and struck the water with it. The water divided to the right and to the left, and the two of them crossed over on dry ground.

⁹When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me, what can I do for you before I am taken from you?”

“Let me inherit a double portion of your spirit,” Elisha replied.

¹⁰“You have asked a difficult thing,” Elijah said, “yet if you see me when I am taken from you, it will be yours—otherwise, it will not.”

¹¹As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. ¹²Elisha saw this and cried out, “My father! My father! The chariots and horsemen of Israel!”

The prophet Elijah never tasted death but instead was taken directly to heaven. On the Mount of Transfiguration Elijah appeared with the glorious Son of God who would taste death. .

Oh, How Good It Is

CW 731

1 Oh, how good it is
when the fam'ly of God
dwells together in spirit,
in faith and unity.
Where the bonds of peace,
of acceptance and love
are the fruits of his
presence here among us.

Chorus

***So with one voice
we'll sing to the Lord,
and with one heart
we'll live out his word,
till the whole earth sees
the Redeemer has come,
for he dwells in the
presence of his people.***

2 Oh, how good it is
on this journey we share
to rejoice with the happy
and weep with those who mourn.
For the weak find strength,
the afflicted find grace
when we offer
the blessing of belonging. **(Chorus)**

3 Oh, how good it is
to embrace his command
to prefer one another,
forgive as he forgives.
When we live as one
we all share in the love
of the Son with the Father
and the Spirit. **(Chorus x 2)**

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Message

Mark 9:2–9

He came down, for us!

Jesus gives Peter, James, and John a glimpse of his true glory.

²After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. ³His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them.

⁴And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

⁵Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.” ⁶(He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.)

⁷Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: “This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!”

⁸Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus.

⁹As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble (10:30)

1 Did you feel the mountains tremble?
Did you hear the oceans roar
When the people rose to sing of
Jesus Christ, The risen One?

2 Did you feel the people tremble?
Did you hear the singers roar?
When the lost began to sing of
Jesus Christ, the saving One?

Pre-Chorus
And we can see that,
God, You're moving;
A mighty river
through the nations,
And young and old
Believe in Jesus.
Fling wide, you heavenly gates;
Prepare the way of
the risen Lord.

Chorus

*Open up the doors.
Let the music play.
Let the streets resound
with singing
Songs that bring Your hope,
Songs that bring Your joy,
Dancers who dance
upon injustice.*

3 Do you feel the darkness tremble?
When all the saints
join in one song,
all the streams flow as one river
To wash away our broken-ness?

Pre-Chorus 2

And here we see that,
God, You're moving;
A time of jubilee is coming,
When young and old
Believe in Jesus.
Fling wide, you heavenly gates;
Prepare the way of
the risen Lord.

Chorus x 2

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Offering

We give thanks to the Lord with our offerings. If you are our guest today, please do not feel obligated to give an offering. Members of Messiah give generously and freely out of thanksgiving to the Lord and in support of Messiah's mission to preach the good news of Jesus Christ in Nampa and to the ends of the earth.

Christ Begins

Choir will sing first 3 verses, congregation to join in on Verse 4.

CW 385

- 1 We stand and we watch on the bank, wide-eyed.
Water runs and all heaven opens wide,
and a voice like thunder replies. **(Refrain)**

Refrain

***Here's my Prophet, my Priest, my King,
a light in the dark, Christ steps in;
here's my Savior, my God, my King,
the time has come, Christ begins.***

- 2 Mary's whispering, but it's not the time.
Yet six jars are filled with the finest wine.
Tell me, who is this by our side? **(Refrain)**
- 3 See the sun outshined on the hill and hide.
Clothes like lightning white, heaven opens wide,
and a voice like thunder replies. **(Refrain)**
- 4 We stand, gathered round on the mountainside.
Watch the closing clouds hide him from our eyes;
with a voice united we cry: **(Refrain)**

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Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Amen.



Give online.

If you are interested in giving an offering online, you can scan the code above.

Go, My Children, with My Blessing (8:30 a.m.)

CW 930

- 1 Go, my children, with my blessing,
never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you;
you are my own.
In my love's baptismal river
I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing,
you are my own.

- 2 Go, my children, sins forgiven,
at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you,
what I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son's story;
here you touched him, saw his glory.
Go, my children, sins forgiven,
at peace and pure.

- 3 Go, my children, fed and nourished,
closer to me;
grow in love and love by serving,
joyful and free.
Here my Spirit's power filled you;
here his tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished,
joyful and free.

- 4 I the Lord will bless and keep you
and give you peace;
I the Lord will smile upon you
and give you peace;
I the Lord will be your Father,
Savior, Comforter, and Brother.
Go, my children; I will keep you
and give you peace.

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Shout to the Lord (10:30 a.m.)

My Jesus, my Savior,
Lord, there is none like You.
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love.

My comfort, my shelter
Tower of refuge and strength.
Let every breath all that I am.
Never cease to worship You.

Shout to the Lord all the earth, let us sing.
Power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name.

I sing for joy at the work of Your hands.
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You. ***(Repeat song)***

Nothing compares to the promise I have in You

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LOOKING AHEAD

February 12	Bible Information Class.....	6:30 p.m.
February 13	Ministry Council Meetings.....	6:30 p.m.
February 14	Preschool Church.....	9:00 a.m.
	Afternoon Bible Study	1:30 p.m.
	Ash Wednesday Soup Supper/Service (Youth) ...	5:30 p.m.
February 15	Preschool Church.....	9:00 a.m.
	Men's Bible Study	6:30 p.m.
February 19	No Preschool	
	Bible Information Class.....	6:30 p.m.
February 20	No Preschool	
	Small Group Meeting.....	6:00 p.m.
February 21	Afternoon Bible Study	1:30 p.m.
	Lent Soup Supper/Service.....	5:30 p.m.
	High School & Middle School Hangout.....	7:00 p.m.
February 24	Board of Directors Meeting.....	9:30 a.m.
February 25	Bible Information Class.....	6:30 p.m.
February 28	Afternoon Bible Study	1:30 p.m.
	Lent Soup Supper/Service.....	5:30 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Superbowl Subs

Don't forget to pick up your subs today!

Lenten Services/Soup Suppers begin on Ash Wednesday, February 14

Join us for midweek Lent services Wednesdays at 6:30. Each service will consist of a reading that recounts Jesus' final steps, a short message, a few songs, and prayer. Each service will typically last about 30 minutes. Pastor Gran along with pastors from our sister churches, Cross of Christ and Peace in Jesus, will rotate among the congregations each week so share a message.

Our Theme for midweek Lent services is "God on Trial." This series takes us back to the moments when God was literally on trial before humankind in the person of Christ. In these inspired episodes, we find forgiveness for us and all people, love for our enemies, strength for our faith, and courage to testify to the truth.

Join us before the services each week for a soup supper. There are sign up sheets in the Fellowship hall to bring something if you would like to.

The following groups will be hosting the soup suppers on these dates:

- February 14- Youth Group
- February 21- Admin Council
- February 28- Sunday School Teachers and BoD
- March 06 - Women's Group
- March 13 - Men's Group
- March 20 - Ministry Council

Basket Raffle is coming up!

We have approximately a dozen youth who will be attending the WELS International Youth Rally this June in Colorado. Funds raised will help with travel expense. If you'd like to host or donate a basket, contact Melissa Hammack (208) 695-7672 or mmsh74@gmail.com. If you need an idea, she has a list. You can do one by yourself, team up with someone or another family, a group effort (example – Men's Group, Preschool, etc.) and/or it's a great way to spotlight your business! Please confirm ASAP that you'd like to help and which theme you plan on doing. This is a great fundraiser for the youth! We don't want a lot of duplicate themed baskets. Baskets must be in the Fellowship Hall no later than Easter, Sunday March 31. Baskets will be displayed the following Sunday, April 7th and raffle tickets will go on sale that day as well. Raffle will be held Sunday May 5 after late service.



MESSIAH

Our Mission

Knowing Jesus, Sharing his Love.

Our Core Values

Servant Heart. *"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord" (Colossians 3:23).*

A Caring Community. *"Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers" (Galatians 6:10).*

Anchored in the Word. *"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God" (Colossians 3:16).*

Adaptable. *"But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect" (1 Peter 3:15).*

Outreach Focused. *"Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation" (Mark 16:15).*

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Christ's Love, Our Calling.

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Worship Schedule

8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Worship
9:30 a.m. Bible Class/Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Kids' Church