



**OUR  
GREATEST  
NEEDS**

*WATER FOR THE THIRSTY*



GROW IN THE WORD. GO WITH THE WORD.

# MESSIAH

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP!



### Connect with us!

We invite everyone to fill a connection card.

Scan the code above or use the printed card located in each pew.

Thank you for joining us today for worship. We pray that you are uplifted by the Word of God shared in today's service and that you are encouraged by one another.

We extend a special welcome to our guests. We are glad that you are here and we look forward to getting to know you!

**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. 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.

### Today's Theme:

## OUR GREATEST NEEDS: WATER FOR THE THIRSTY

Everyone has a deep spiritual thirst. In our heart of hearts, we all long for everlasting life. Trying to satisfy that deep thirst with worldly things is a strategy doomed for failure. We look to the One who has promised, "Whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst." Jesus meets our greatest needs. He alone gives living water that satisfies those who are spiritually parched. He alone grants eternal life.

# 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**

## As the Deer

1 As the deer pants for the water,  
So my soul longs after You.  
You alone are my heart's desire,  
And I long to worship You.

### *Refrain*

*You alone are my strength, my shield;  
To You alone may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart's desire,  
And I long to worship You.*

2 You're my friend, and You are my brother,  
Even though You are a King.  
I love You more than any other,  
So much more than anything. **(Refrain)**

3 I want You more than gold or silver,  
Only You can satisfy.  
You alone are the real joy-giver  
And the apple of my eye. **(Refrain)**

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## Prayer

# The Word

## First Reading

## Exodus 17:1–7

*The children of Israel wanted to stone Moses because they were thirsty. So God, in his grace, gave this underserving people water from a stone.*

<sup>1</sup>The whole Israelite community set out from the Desert of Sin, traveling from place to place as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. <sup>2</sup>So they quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.”

Moses replied, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you put the LORD to the test?”

<sup>3</sup>But the people were thirsty for water there, and they grumbled against Moses. They said, “Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to make us and our children and livestock die of thirst?”

<sup>4</sup>Then Moses cried out to the LORD, “What am I to do with these people? They are almost ready to stone me.”

<sup>5</sup>The LORD answered Moses, “Go out in front of the people. Take with you some of the elders of Israel and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. <sup>6</sup>I will stand there before you by the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it for the people to drink.” So Moses did this in the sight of the elders of Israel. <sup>7</sup>And he called the place Massah and Meribah because the Israelites quarreled and because they tested the LORD saying, “Is the LORD among us or not?”

## Gospel

## John 4:5–26

*Jesus calls a Samaritan woman to faith, providing living water for her thirsty soul.*

<sup>5</sup>So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. <sup>6</sup>Jacob’s well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon.

<sup>7</sup>When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, “Will you give me a drink?” <sup>8</sup>(His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.)

<sup>9</sup>The Samaritan woman said to him, “You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?” (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.)

<sup>10</sup>Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water.”

<sup>11</sup>“Sir,” the woman said, “you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? <sup>12</sup>Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did also his sons and his livestock?”

<sup>13</sup>Jesus answered, “Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup>but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”

<sup>15</sup>The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water so that I won’t get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water.”

<sup>16</sup>He told her, “Go, call your husband and come back.”

<sup>17</sup>“I have no husband,” she replied.

Jesus said to her, “You are right when you say you have no husband. <sup>18</sup>The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true.”

<sup>19</sup>“Sir,” the woman said, “I can see that you are a prophet. <sup>20</sup>Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem.”

<sup>21</sup>“Woman,” Jesus replied, “believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. <sup>22</sup>You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup>Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. <sup>24</sup>God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.”

<sup>25</sup>The woman said, “I know that Messiah” (called Christ) “is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us.”

<sup>26</sup>Then Jesus declared, “I, the one speaking to you—I am he.”

## There Is a Fountain

CW 401

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| 1 | There is a fountain filled with blood<br>drawn from Immanuel’s veins,<br>and sinners plunged beneath that flood<br>lose all their guilty stains:<br>lose all their guilty stains,<br>lose all their guilty stains,<br>and sinners plunged beneath that flood<br>lose all their guilty stains. | 4 | E’er since by faith I saw the stream<br>your flowing wounds supply,<br>redeeming love has been my theme<br>and shall be till I die:<br>and shall be till I die,<br>and shall be till I die,<br>redeeming love has been my theme<br>and shall be till I die.                       |
| 2 | The dying thief rejoiced to see<br>that fountain in his day;<br>and there have I, as vile as he,<br>washed all my sins away:<br>washed all my sins away,<br>washed all my sins away,<br>and there have I, as vile as he,<br>washed all my sins away.  | 5 | When this poor lisping, stamm’ring<br>tongue<br>lies silent in the grave,<br>then in a nobler, sweeter song<br>I’ll sing your pow’r to save:<br>I’ll sing your pow’r to save,<br>I’ll sing your pow’r to save,<br>Then in a nobler, sweeter song<br>I’ll sing your pow’r to save. |
| 3 | Dear dying Lamb, your precious blood<br>shall never lose its pow’r<br>till all the ransomed Church of God<br>be saved, to sin no more:<br>be saved, to sin no more,<br>be saved, to sin no more,<br>till all the ransomed Church of God<br>be saved, to sin no more.                          |   |   |

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*He knows our thirst and how to quench it.*

**My Worth Is Not in What I Own (10:30 a.m.)**

CW 753

- 1 My worth is not in what I own,  
not in the strength of flesh and bone,  
but in the costly wounds of love  
at the cross. (v. 2)
- 2 My worth is not in skill or name,  
in win or lose, in pride or shame,  
but in the blood of Christ that flowed  
at the cross. **(Refrain)**

**Refrain**

*I rejoice in my Redeemer—  
greatest treasure, wellspring of my soul.  
I will trust in him, no other;  
my soul is satisfied in him alone.*

- 3 As summer flow'rs we fade and die;  
fame, youth, and beauty hurry by.  
But life eternal calls to us  
at the cross. (v. 4)
- 4 I will not boast in wealth or might,  
or human wisdom's fleeting light.  
But I will boast in knowing Christ  
at the cross. **(Refrain)**
- 5 Two wonders here that I confess:  
my worth and my unworthiness.  
My value fixed—my ransom paid  
at the cross. **(Refrain)**

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

**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.*

## 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.**

## It Is Well with My Soul (8:30 a.m.)

CW 850

- 1 When peace like a river attendeth my way,  
when sorrows like sea billows roll—  
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,  
it is well, it is well with my soul. **(Refrain)**

### *Refrain*

*It is well with my soul,  
it is well, it is well with my soul.*

- 2 Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,  
let this blest assurance control,  
that Christ hath regarded my helpless estate  
and hath shed his own blood for my soul. **(Refrain)**
- 3 My sin—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought—  
my sin, not in part, but the whole,  
is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more:  
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! **(Refrain)**
- 4 And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,  
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll;  
the trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend;  
even so, it is well with my soul. **(Refrain)**

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## Living Waters (10:30 a.m.)

1 Are you thirsty  
Are you empty  
Come and drink these living waters  
Tired and broken  
Peace unspoken  
Rest beside these living waters

2 Christ is calling  
Find refreshing  
At the cross of living waters  
Lay your life down  
All the old gone  
Rise up in these living waters

### **Chorus**

***There's a river that flows  
With mercy and love  
Bringing joy to the city of our God  
There our hope is secure  
Do not fear anymore  
Praise the Lord of living waters***

3 Spirit moving Mercy washing  
Healing in these living waters  
Lead your children  
To the shoreline  
Life is in these living waters

4 Are you thirsty  
Are you empty  
Come and drink these living waters  
Love forgiveness  
Vast and boundless Christ  
He is our living waters

### **Ending**

***There our hope is secure  
Do not fear anymore  
Praise the Lord of living waters***

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## In our Prayers

- Jeanette Peters with ongoing health issues

## Looking Ahead

March 14	Ministry Council Meeting .....	6:00 p.m.
	Admin Council Meeting .....	7:00 p.m.
March 15	Afternoon Bible Study .....	1:30 p.m.
	Lent Soup Supper-Youth Group.....	5:30 p.m.
	Lent Service .....	6:30 p.m.
March 17	Happy St. Patrick's Day	
March 19	Choir practice	
March 21	Small Group Meeting .....	6:00 p.m.
March 22	Afternoon Bible Study .....	1:30 p.m.
	Lent Soup Supper-Ministry Council.....	5:30 p.m.
	Lent Service .....	6:30 p.m.
March 26	Choir practice	
March 27-31	Preschool Spring Break	
March 28	Board of Directors Meeting .....	6:30 p.m.
March 29	Afternoon Bible Study .....	1:30 p.m.
	Lent Soup Supper-Admin Council.....	5:30 p.m.
	Lent Service .....	6:30 p.m.
April 1	Easter Canvassing.....	9:00 a.m.
April 2	Choir practice	
April 4	Small Group Meeting .....	6:00 p.m.
	Worship Team Meeting .....	7:00 p.m.
April 5	Afternoon Bible Study .....	1:30 p.m.
April 6	Maundy Thursday Worship.....	6:30 p.m.
April 7	Good Friday Worship .....	6:30 p.m.
April 9	Easter Sunday	
	Early Worship.....	8:30 a.m.
	Easter Breakfast .....	9:30 a.m.
	Worship & Kids Church .....	10:30 a.m.

# Announcements

## **Special Choir for Easter**

*Would you like to sing in a special choir on Easter Sunday?*

Come to the front of church after late service today and meet with the worship team by the piano to learn more. We will practice after the late service on Sunday March 19, 26, and April 2.

## **Neighborhood Canvas**

Join us on Saturday, April 1, as we go and meet our neighbors. We will meet at church at 9:00 a.m. for refreshments and training. By 11:00 a.m. we'll go to surrounding neighborhoods. A head of time, postcards will be sent out. At the door, we can ask if people have received the postcard, introduce ourselves and church and let the conversation go from there. Consider serving in this way. At first it might seem intimidating, but it's exciting to stretch out of our comfort zones see the way God can bless our conversations!



## **Messiah has talent!**

A couple of weeks ago, we introduced a new Time and Talent Survey at Experience Messiah. It gives you (and each member of your family) a chance to consider your God-given abilities and how you might offer them in service to Him.

You can complete the survey online by scanning the QR code in the margin. If you filled out a paper copy, please place it in the basket in the lobby.

## **Midweek Lent Services, Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.**

## **Lent Soup Suppers, Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m.**

The following groups will help serve:

- March 15 - Youth Group
- March 22 - Ministry Council
- March 29 - Admin Council

## NOTES



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**M**essiah Lutheran Church is a family of Christians of all ages and backgrounds.  
At Messiah, we are dedicated to...

- ◇ **Gathering** together to hear and learn God's Word
- ◇ **Encouraging** one another in our daily lives
- ◇ **Reaching** out to our community in Christian love
- ◇ **Welcoming** everyone who walks through our doors

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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