

resurrection **REALity**

What a Friend
We Have In Jesus!

MESSIAH

Resurrection Reality: What a Friend We Have In Jesus!

A true friend shows up when you need him the most. It's hard to lose a friend that is so close and so dependable. Think of how the disciples felt when Jesus was arrested, crucified, died, and was buried. They lost such a close and dependable friend. When his friends went to the tomb early on Easter morning, the grief was still so raw. So many times he was there for him, but then he wasn't, so they thought. But not even death could stand in the way of Jesus being there for his friends!

Jesus lives! He was there when we needed him the most and he still comes through as the best and kindest friends. He calls us friends and shows us what it means to love and befriend those around us. What a friend we have in Jesus!



Connect with us!

We invite everyone to fill a connection card.

Scan the code above or sign the guestbook in the lobby.

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.

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

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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Confession and Forgiveness

God invites us to worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us confess our sins and ask for his mercy.

Father, I confess that I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserved your punishment, But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: Lord, have mercy.

God, our merciful Father has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

Amen.

Prayer

The Word of God

Reading

1 John 4:7–11,19–21

Friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

⁷Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. ¹⁰This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. ²¹And he has given us this command: Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister.

God Love the World So That He Gave (8:30 a.m.)

CW 570

- 1 God loved the world so that he gave
his only Son the lost to save
that all who would in him believe
should everlasting life receive.
- 2 Christ is the solid rock of faith,
who was made flesh and suffered death.
All who confide in him alone
are built on this chief cornerstone.
- 3 God would not have the sinner die;
his Son with saving grace is nigh.
His Spirit in the Word declares
that we in Christ are heaven's heirs.
- 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son
forgives the sins that you have done.
You're justified by Jesus' blood;
baptized, you are a child of God.
- 5 If you are sick, if death is near,
this truth your troubled heart can cheer:
Christ Jesus saves my soul from death;
this is the anchor of my faith!
- 6 Glory to God the Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To you, O blessed Trinity,
be praise now and eternally!

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All Hail, King Jesus (10:30 a.m.)

All hail King Jesus.
All hail Emmanuel,
King of Kings,
Lord of Lords,
bright Morning Star.

And throughout eternity
I'll sing Your praises,
and I'll reign with You
throughout eternity.

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*The living Lord gives
us this command.
Remain in his love
so that we might
also love each other.*

Gospel

John 15:9–17

⁹“As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commands and remain in his love. ¹¹I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. ¹²My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. ¹³Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command. ¹⁵I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. ¹⁷This is my command: Love each other.

Message

John 15:9-17

What a Friend!

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.**

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.



Give online.

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

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.

The Lord's Supper

Words of Institutions

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Distribution

The ushers will invite communicant members forward, one pew at a time. Visitors, we respectfully ask that you refrain from taking the Lord's Supper until you have spoken with the pastor.

How Deep the Father's Love for Us (10:30 a.m.)

CW 523

- 1 How deep the Father's love for us,
how vast beyond all measure,
that he should give his only Son
to make a wretch his treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss.
The Father turns his face away
as wounds which mar the Chosen One
bring many sons to glory.

- 2 Behold the Man upon a cross,
my sin upon his shoulders.
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held him there
until it was accomplished;
his dying breath has brought me life.
I know that it is finished.

- 3 I will not boast in anything:
no gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom.
But I will boast in Jesus Christ:
his death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from his reward?
I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart:
his wounds have paid my ransom.

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Prayer After Communion

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.
Amen.

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CW 721

- 1 What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
ev'rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit,
oh, what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
ev'rything to God in prayer!
- 2 Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged—
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness—
take it to the Lord in prayer.
- 3 Are we weak and heavy laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge—
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do your friends despise, forsake you?
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you;
you will find a solace there.

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LOOKING AHEAD

May 05	Basket Raffle.....	11:30 a.m.
May 07	Small Group Meeting.....	6:00 p.m.
May 08	Afternoon Bible Study.....	1:30 p.m.
May 12	Mother's Day	
May 14	Admin/Ministry Council Meeting.....	6:30 p.m.
May 15	Preschool Church.....	9:00 a.m.
	Afternoon Bible Study.....	1:30 p.m.
	Highschool/Middle School Hangout.....	7:00 p.m.
May 16	Preschool Church.....	9:00 a.m.
May 18	Board of Directors Meeting.....	9:00 a.m.
May 19	Confirmation Sunday	
May 22	Preschool Year End Program.....	10:00 a.m.
	Afternoon Bible Study.....	1:30 p.m.
May 23	Preschool Year End Program.....	10:00 a.m.
May 29	Afternoon Bible Study.....	1:30 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Basket Raffle is TODAY!

Basket raffle will be held today after late service.
Proceeds will help youth travel to this summer's youth rally.

Memorial Service for Myron Ludwig

Myron Ludwig passed away October 26th 2023. At his request, his family will have a wall service and celebration, and they would like to invite Myron's church family to the following:

Wall Service: May 10th 2024 @1:00 PM-Wall location C-E-141 and Idaho State Veterans Cemetery (Boise 10100 N. Horseshoe Bend Rd. Boise, Idaho 83714).

Celebration: May 10th 2024 @ 2:00PM-6:00PM; immediately following his wall ceremony.(Stone Crossing 9600 W. Brookside Lane Boise, Idaho 83714; approximately 4 miles from Veterans Cemetery)



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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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