



Messiah Lutheran Church | Sunday, August 07, 2022



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WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

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.

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.

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.

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

Today's Theme:

Focused living properly values heavenly treasure

As Jesus walked this earth and especially as he neared Jerusalem for his final journey he was focused. Focused on his mission. Focused on carrying out his Father's will. Focused on saving you! The life we live in Christ is focused. We're no longer wandering aimlessly because Jesus gives us purpose and his word focuses us on doing his Father's will.

Last week Jesus warned us against overvaluing earthly wealth. This week Jesus warns against undervaluing heavenly treasure. Last week, Jesus exposed the folly of greed. This week, Jesus exposes the folly of worry, even when faced with the prospect of having a shortage of earthly wealth. Jesus refocuses us by pointing to creatures that do not labor or toil, yet are daily fed and clothed. Even more Jesus points to our Father who promises to give us the heavenly treasures of his kingdom.

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

I Am Trusting You, Lord Jesus (8:30 a.m.)

CW 816

- 1 I am trusting you, Lord Jesus,
trusting only you;
trusting you for full salvation,
free and true.
- 2 I am trusting you for pardon;
at your feet I bow,
for your grace and tender mercy
trusting now.
- 3 I am trusting you for cleansing
in the crimson flood;
trusting you to make me holy
by your blood.
- 4 I am trusting you to guide me;
you alone shall lead,
ev'ry day and hour supplying
all my need.
- 5 I am trusting you for power;
you can never fail.
Words which you yourself shall give me
must prevail.
- 6 I am trusting you, Lord Jesus;
never let me fall.
I am trusting you forever
and for all.

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Where Your Treasure Is (10:30 a.m.)

CW 828

Refrain

Where your treasure is, there your heart shall be.

All that you possess will never set you free.

Seek the things that last; come and learn from me.

Where your treasure is, your heart shall be.

- 1 What do you gain from all your worry,
what you should eat or what to wear?
There is no peace in stress or hurry.
Do you not know that you are held within God's care? **(Refrain)**

- 2 Look at the ravens high above you.
They do not work their whole life through,
and yet God feeds them and protects them.
So how much more will God protect and care for you? **(Refrain)**

- 3 Behold the lilies in their splendor.
In grace and beauty are they dressed,
and yet so soon their bloom is faded.
So how much more will those who look to God be blessed? **(Refrain)**

- 4 O little flock, do not be frightened;
yours is the kingdom of the Lord.
Give your possessions to the needy;
obtain a treasure in God's heaven safely stored. **(Refrain)**

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Prayer

The Word

First Reading

Hebrews 11:1–3,8–16

¹Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. ²This is what the ancients were commended for.

³By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

⁸By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going.

⁹By faith he made his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹And by faith even Sarah, who was past childbearing age, was enabled to bear children because she considered him faithful who had made the promise. ¹²And so from this one man, and he as good as dead, came descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sand on the seashore.

¹³All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance, admitting that they were foreigners and strangers on earth. ¹⁴People who say such things show that they are looking for a country of their own. ¹⁵If they had been thinking of the country they had left, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶Instead, they were longing for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them.

Gospel

Luke 12:22–34

²²Then Jesus said to his disciples: "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. ²³For life is more than food, and the body more than clothes. ²⁴Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than birds! ²⁵Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to your life? ²⁶Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest?"

²⁷"Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. ²⁸If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today, and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! ²⁹And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. ³⁰For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

³²"Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will never fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

The gift of faith allows us to see that treasure that is found in the city whose architect and builder is God.

Jesus assures us we have a Father in heaven who knows what we need better than we do.

What Is the World to Me (8:30 a.m.)

CW 717

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| 1 What is the world to me
with all its vaunted pleasure
when you and you alone,
Lord Jesus, are my treasure!
You only, dearest Lord,
my soul's delight shall be;
you are my peace, my rest.
What is the world to me! | 3 The world is like a cloud
and like a vapor fleeting,
a shadow that declines,
swift to its end retreating.
My Jesus shall remain,
though all things fade and flee,
my everlasting rock.
What is the world to me! |
| 2 The world seeks after wealth
and all that money offers,
yet never is content
though gold should fill its coffers.
I have a higher good,
content with it I'll be;
my Jesus is my wealth.
What is the world to me! | 4 What is the world to me!
My Jesus is my treasure,
my life, my health, my wealth,
my friend, my love, my pleasure,
my joy, my crown, my all,
my bliss eternally.
Once more then I declare:
What is the world to me! |

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SERMON

LUKE 12:22–34

Your Father cares!

Cares Chorus (10:30 a.m.)

I cast all my cares upon You.
I lay all of my burdens
Down at Your feet;
And anytime I don't know
What to do,
I will cast all my
cares upon you
(Repeat)

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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.

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

Confession and Forgiveness

As we prepare to receive the Lord's Supper, God instructs us to examine ourselves. Therefore, we confess our sins and hear our Savior's words of forgiveness.

Lord, we have strayed from your ways. We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts. We have offended you and sinned against you. We have done those things that we should not have done, and we have not done those things we should have done. Have mercy on us, Lord! Forgive us and restore us according to your promises in Jesus Christ.

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

Words of Institution

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.

What Is This Bread (10:30 a.m.)

CW 665

- 1 What is this bread?
Christ's body risen from the dead:
 this bread we break,
 this life we take,
was crushed to pay for our release.
O taste and see—the Lord is peace.

- 2 What is this wine?
The blood of Jesus shed for mine;
 the cup of grace
 brings his embrace
of life and love until I sing!
O taste and see—the Lord is King.

- 3 So who am I,
that I should live and he should die
 under the rod?
 My God, my God,
why have you not forsaken me?
O taste and see—the Lord is free.

- 4 Yet is God here?
Oh, yes! By Word and promise clear,
 in mouth and soul
 he makes us whole—
Christ, truly present in this meal.
O taste and see—the Lord is real.

- 5 Is this for me?
I am forgiven and set free!
 I do believe
 that I receive
his very body and his blood.
O taste and see—the Lord is good.

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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.

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (8:30 a.m.) CW 617

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

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This Is the Day/He Has Made Me Glad (10:30 a.m.)

This is the day, this is the day
That the Lord has made, that the Lord has made.
I will rejoice. I will rejoice
And be glad in it, and be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord has made,
We will rejoice and be glad in it.
This is the day, this is the day
That the Lord has made.

I will enter His gates
With thanksgiving in my heart,
I will enter His courts with praise.
I will say, "This is the day
That the Lord has made,
I will rejoice for
He has made me glad."

He has made me glad,
He has made me glad;
I will rejoice for
He has made me glad.
He has made me glad,
He has made me glad;
I will rejoice for
He has made me glad.

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SERVING AT WORSHIP

Pastor	Justin Gran
Accompanist	Rhonda Henke
Song Leader	Randy Keyes
Communion Assistants	Ned Nelson (8:30 a.m.) Brad & Scott McCain (10:30 a.m.)
Ushers	Dennis Frank (8:30 a.m.) Bill Trask (10:30 a.m.)
Sound/Lighting	Kim Thomas
Video streaming	Hayden Bingaman

IN OUR PRAYERS

- A safe and fun week for all youth at Camp Christos

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

Sunday	Worship..... 8:30 a.m. Bible Class & Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship & Kids Church.....10:30 a.m. Campers leave for Camp Christos
Tuesday	Ministry Council Meeting 6:00 p.m. Admin Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Afternoon Bible Study..... 1:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

LOOKING AHEAD

August 14	Worship..... 8:30 a.m. Bible Class & Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship & Kids Church.....10:30 a.m. Thrivent coffee hour following late service Church Picnic @ Liberty Park..... 1:00 p.m.
August 16	Small Group Meeting..... 6:00 p.m.
August 17	Afternoon Bible Study..... 1:30 p.m. Teen Fire Pit..... 7:00 p.m.
August 21	Worship..... 8:30 a.m. Bible Class & Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship & Kids Church.....10:30 a.m.
August 24	Afternoon Bible Study..... 1:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
August 28	Worship..... 8:30 a.m. Bible Class & Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship & Kids Church.....10:30 a.m.
August 30	Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 p.m.
August 31	Afternoon Bible Study..... 1:30 p.m. Preschool Open House.....3:00-8:00 p.m.
September 1	Preschool Open House.....3:00-8:00 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thrivent – The Power of Membership

Our local Thrivent office – Front Street Associates will be hosting a Power of Membership table following both services on August 14th. Grab a treat and learn how Thrivent helps members amplify their impact both at church and in the community!

Summer Church Picnic

Next Sunday, 8/14, starting at 1p.m. in Liberty Park (behind Nampa Rec Center). Sign up to bring food/drinks online or in the Narthex. Anyone wanting to join in some softball please bring your glove, ball and a bat. There is also a volleyball pit if someone would like to bring a volleyball.
Text Ken Hagen 507-235-6578 or Kyle Rayworth 208-971-1190 with questions.

Fall Sunday School

Regular Sunday School is around the corner. If you are interested in teaching or helping in any way, please contact Jenny Wockenfuss.

Labor Day Weekend Worship - September 4 at 9:30 a.m. only.

On Sunday, September 4, we will have just one service at 9:30 a.m. at the church. No Bible Study, Sunday School or Kids Church. Many will already be in McCall for the church camp out and others drive up for the day to join campers for a special worship service. The outdoor worship service will be at Ponderosa State Park at 10:30 a.m. There will be a potluck lunch at noon. Whether you're camping or not, all are welcome to join!

Everyone Outreach

Save the date: September 24-25—It's a 2 day event. Saturday 8 a.m. to Noon and Sunday Noon to 4 p.m. Everyone Outreach is designed to help our congregation build a culture of outreach so that every ministry and every member is thinking about and participating in outreach. The workshop and extended support program includes memorable activities, thought provoking discussions and a process to keep outreach in focus and track engagement. The bigger the group, the bigger the impact we can have, so please consider attending.



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Messiah 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