



The Messiah **Messenger**

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What Missions Shall We Support?

Right now, our Action Teams are working diligently to develop their Ministry Plans for 2017. Strange as it sounds, they are already looking forward to next year and making plans, cultivating volunteers, and setting budgets to ensure that they have the resources they need to “Seek the Lost; Grow the Found.” We’ll present their plans to the people of Messiah at our Voters Meeting in November. But they aren’t the only ones who have a say in the budget process; you can have a greater voice.

Messiah Lutheran Church has as its goal to give 10% of our offerings to mission efforts outside our church. 5% is given to our Michigan District to support mission churches and outreach ministries all throughout our state. 2% is given the Mid-Michigan Lutheran School Association as our commitment to Lutheran education here in the greater Lansing area. As an association church, we are obligated to an annual fee and this offering meets that obligation.

That leaves 3% that is not spoken for and this is your chance to speak for it. In November, the Voters will choose 3 different ministries, missions, or charities, each of whom will receive 1% of our offerings over the course of the next year. In order to do this, we need your help in two major ways.

First: we need worthy causes to support. Is there a ministry in our area that is close to your heart, one for which you pray regularly? Tell us about it. Is there a mission field, locally or abroad, that moves your spirit more than others? Tell us about it. Is there a charity in the area that you feel needs our support? Tell us about it.

I’m asking for you, the members of Messiah, to submit to me a brief summary of a cause that you’d like to see us support. I’m looking for a short paragraph, about half a page, that explains what your chosen ministry or charity does and how that fits with our mission to “Seek the Lost; Grow the Found.” I will compile these summaries into one document and they will be presented to the voters prior to the Voters Meeting in written form.

Second: come to the November Voters Meeting and vote. Each voting member will be allowed three votes and the three causes that receive the most votes will receive 1% of our offerings in 2017. You must be present to vote; there will be no proxy or absentee votes allowed.

Our November Voters Meeting is about more than just budgets. It's about ministry. It's about the ministry that we do inside our church: to, for, and with the saints of God in this place. It's also about the ministry that we do outside of the church: the missions, ministries, and charities that we support in their work. This is your chance to have a say in how Messiah will further God's Kingdom inside and outside our walls. This is your chance to make your voice heard; I hope you take full advantage of it.

Seeking and growing,

Pastor Tom

YOUTH HAVEN HAYRIDE AND BONFIRE

Mark your calendars for Sunday, October 9 at 4:00 p.m. Hotdogs, s'mores and drinks will be supplied by the Fellowship team. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex.



MESSIAH'S CHOIRS

Both the adult choir and MC2 will begin rehearsals on October 4th. If you wish to join either one, this is a great time start.

PRAYER PAL DINNER

This year's Prayer Pal Dinner will be held on October 28 from 6-8 p.m. at the Holt Delhi Cafe. A sign up sheet is in narthex. If you would like to participate next year, please put a star by your name. If you have any questions you can contact Sherri Large at 713-6427. Thank you .



Youth at Messiah is comprised of the High School and Head 2 Heart programs. We develop relationships with Christ & each other through Discipleship, Service, and Fellowship.

Head 2 Heart (Any Student ENTERING Grades 6-8)

This is the program that leads to Confirmation

Schedule–Wednesday's from 6:30 to 8:30pm in Youth Room

- October 5 – Lesson
- October 12 – Fellowship Activity
- October 19 – Lesson
- October 26 - Lesson



Confirmation Sunday – October 30 @ 11 am Service

- Celebrate the confirmands with a piece of cake at the Potluck just prior to Trunk or Treat

High School Youth (Students ENTERING Grades 9-12)

Youth Haven Hayride and Bonfire on October 9 @ 4:00pm

- We will be joining with others from Messiah and heading out to Youth Haven Ranch for a Hayride and Bonfire.
- Hotdogs, s'mores and drinks will be supplied by the Fellowship team.
- We will meet at church at 3:30pm and drive out together!
- Please RSVP to Sara (sara.vanderbilt@hotmail.com or 615-557-6792) and let me know if you plan to attend.



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October 2016

	10/2/2016	10/9/2016	10/16/2016	10/23/2016	10/30/2016
8:30 AM					
Elder	Mike Wagner	Scott Greene	Ned Gottleber	Gene Wilson	Ernie Schuette
Acolyte	Kenzie Greene	0	0	Kenzie Greene	Tyler Rutter
Reader	Ellen Biergans	Janet Robson	Diane Bennett	Maggie Schultz	Janet Robson
Usher	Dave Biergans	0	Don Schneeberger	0	0
Screens	Meredith Foster	Meredith Foster	Sherrri TerBush	Craig Cumbow	Sherrri TerBush
Altar Guild	Team A3	Team A4	Team A5	Team A2	Team A3
11:00 AM					
Elder	Jerry Smith	Jon Wulff	Jeff Rutter	Jerry Smith	Tom Large
Acolyte	Charlie Gietzel	Bethany Schlattman	Carson Mills	Bethany Schlattman	Audrey Harmon
Reader	Jessica Bonkoski	Sherrie Nunheimer	Jessica Bonkoski	Teresa Carl	Krista Ried
Usher	Zach Gietzel	Dale Nunheimer	Ron Switzer	Paul Schlattman	0
Screens	0	Cheryl Schlattman	0	Cheryl Schlattman	0
Altar Guild	Team A3	Team A4	Team A5	Team A2	Team A3

9/23/16 10:49 AM



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Christina Listermann 1	Sherri Large 13
Mary Larrison 3	Kristine Garcia 16
Craig Cumbow 4	Christy Spear 16
Rachel Krause 4	Betty Zietlow 17
Margaret Schultz 4	Caroline Listermann 18
Diane Bennett 5	Kimberly Blodgett 19
Sharon Chamberlain 6	Jackulyn Roberts 20
Richard Jenkins 6	Meredith Foster 21
James Keat 6	Nathan Andrews 25
Michael Wagner 6	Michael Laur 25
Lyla Criscuolo 7	Donald Schneeberger 25
William Dolton 7	Larry Russell 26
Audrey Harmon 7	Bethanne Bailey 27
Doris Ericks 8	Betty Bonney 29
Elaine Jackinchuk 9	Orene Fulghum 30
Brian Nielsen 10	Stephen Meyer 30
Janet Robson 11	Bethany Schlattman 31

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Brian & Sue Jennings 10/8/1988	James & Amy Geyer 10/17/1998
Jeff & Colleen McDonald 10/8/1977	Will & Sally Hartenburg 10/17/1998
Gary & Julie Smith 10/9/1964	Scott & Erin House 10/22/2005
Jack & Mary Ellen Lucas 10/10/2010	Chris & Teri Morris 10/23/2004
Don & Joan Schneeberger 10/12/1974	Scott & Leslie Gifford 10/25/2003
Andrew & Melanie Cascaddan 10/16/2004	



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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8:30a Worship 9:45a Bible Study and Fellowship 9:45a Kingdom Quest 11:00a Worship	3 7p Confirmation Interviews GSR	4 6:15p MC ² 6:30p Crossways 7p Choir	5 6:30p Head 2 Heart GSR	6 7p Elders Meeting GSR	7	8 9:30a First Place 4 Health GSR
8:30a Worship 9:45a Bible Study and Fellowship 9:45a Kingdom Quest 11:00a Worship 4:00p Youth Haven Hayride	10 7p Planned Giving Board Meeting GSR 7p Trustee AT Paul	11 6:15p MC ² 6:30p Crossways 7p Choir	12 6:30p Head 2 Heart Fellowship Evt Youth Room	13 6:30p Education AT Paul 7p Fellowship Paul	14	15 9:30a First Place 4 Health GSR
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