# **Messiah Lutheran Church**

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# SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY February 23, 2014 – 10:30 a.m.

\*Please Stand as **YOU** Are Able

#### PEOPLE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER TODAY

**SHUT-INS**: Marian G., Reba S., Kitty W., Flo B., Ethel B., Virginia F., Jean M., Cassie S., Helen K., Sis S., Jane M., Fay M., Dorothy P., Ruth C., Ray B., Florence B.

**OTHERS**: Tammy W., Josh B., Karl and Margaret G., Sarah S., Jo-Anne B., Matt H., Chris A., Rick W., Avonel W., Clark S., Bob S., Jesse K., Billy H., Betty K., Mary Ann Z., Charlene A., Robert R., Rick V., Sally and Ray M., Fred M., Bonita G., Kim S., Victoria R., Allison G., Max E., Angie G., Craig C., Carol S., Donnie B.

#### **PREPARATION**

CHIMES: CALL TO WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** 

[A Time for Meditation and Prayer]

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTRODUCTION

In today's first reading we hear, "You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy." Yet we know we cannot achieve perfection. Our attempts to love neighbors and even our enemies fall short of what God desires for us. Yet in Jesus we see one who loved even those who persecuted and killed him. We are made holy in baptism, and forgiven at the table of God's mercy. As a people made holy by God, we go in peace to love as we have been loved.

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

#### C Amen

P Let us come into the light of Christ, confessing our need for God's mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection

- P Holy and faithful God,
- C we so often choose our own way instead of yours. We think we can evade your commandments. We have spoken in ways that kill, strayed with our hearts, betrayed friends, and hated enemies. We have broken our promises. Search us deeply and create us anew. Lift the heavy burden of our sin and free us to follow your way of life. Amen
- P "Call upon me," says the Lord, "and I will answer." Our God has come among us to loose every bond and set us free from all that weighs us down. Receive the forgiveness of all your sins in the name of + Jesus Christ, our crucified and risen Savior.
- C Amen
- \* SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE
  - P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
  - C And also with you.

Congregational sharing: "Peace be with you."

#### GATHERING

- \* ENTRANCE HYMN "The Church of Christ, in Every Age"
- \* GREETING
  - P The grace of Jesus Christ, the mercy of the Holy One, and the Spirit of the living God be with you all.
  - C And also with you.
- \* KYRIE (spoken responsively)
  - P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
  - C Lord, have mercy.
  - P For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
  - C Lord, have mercy.
  - P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.
  - C Lord, have mercy.
  - P For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
  - C Lord, have mercy.
  - P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
  - C Amen
- \* HYMN OF PRAISE (sung to the tune of "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee")
  - 1 Glory be to God in heaven; peace, good will to all the earth.
    Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth:
    we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
    Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.
  - 2 Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love.Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n above;

- on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand.
- 3 Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone, to you we call; Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all: Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright. For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!
- \* SALUTATION AND RESPONSE (spoken)
  - P The Lord be with you

- C And also with you.
- \* PRAYER OF THE DAY (spoken in unison)
  - P Let us pray...
  - C Holy God of compassion, you invite us into your way of forgiveness and peace. Lead us to love our enemies, and transform our words and deeds to be like his through whom we pray, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

#### WORD

The Holiness Code in Leviticus urges people to be holy since God is holy. Holiness is lived out in partiality for and consideration of the poor and the weak. We are to love our neighbors as ourselves.

FIRST READING

A reading from Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18

#### THE LESSON READS:

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying: 2Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy. 9When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap to the very edges of your field, or gather the gleanings of your harvest. <sup>10</sup>You shall not strip your vineyard bare, or gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the poor and the alien: I am the LORD your God. 11You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; and you shall not lie to one another. <sup>12</sup>And you shall not swear falsely by my name, profaning the name of your God: I am the LORD. 13 You shall not defraud your neighbor; you shall not steal; and you shall not keep for yourself the wages of a laborer until morning. 14You shall not revile the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind; you shall fear your God: I am the LORD. 15 You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. 16You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the LORD. 17You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. 18You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

Lector: Here ends the reading.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 119:33-40 (responsively)

L Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes. (Ps. 119:33)

## ALL Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes.

Jesus Christ is the foundation of the church and its ministry. We are God's temple because God's Spirit dwells in us, and we belong to Christ. Hence we are called to build wisely upon this sure foundation not for our own benefit but for others to experience Christ's benefits.

#### SECOND READING

A reading from 1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23

#### THE LESSON READS:

<sup>10</sup>According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. <sup>11</sup>For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ. <sup>16</sup>Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? <sup>17</sup>If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple. <sup>18</sup>Do not deceive yourselves. If you think that you are wise in this age, you should become fools so that you may become wise. <sup>19</sup>For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, "He catches the wise in their craftiness," <sup>20</sup>and again, "The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile." <sup>21</sup>So let no one boast about human leaders. For all things are yours, <sup>22</sup>whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future—all belong to you, <sup>23</sup>and you belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God.

Lector: Here ends the reading.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

\* THE VERSE (sung to the tune of "Rise, O Children of Salvation")
Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word. Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred. Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus declares an end to the law of vengeance. God's people will respond to evil with love and forgiveness.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup>Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, and I shall keep it to the end.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup>Give me understanding, and I shall keep your teaching; I shall keep it with all my heart.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup>Lead me in the path of your commandments, for that is my desire.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup>Incline my heart to your decrees and not to unjust gain.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup>Turn my eyes from beholding falsehood; give me life in your way.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup>Fulfill your promise to your servant, which is for those who fear you.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup>Turn away the reproach that I dread, because your judgments are good.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup>Behold, I long for your commandments; by your righteousness enliven me.

- \* GOSPEL: Matthew 5:38—48
  - P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter.
  - C Glory to you, O Lord. (sung)

### THE GOSPEL READS:

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>38</sup>"You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.' <sup>39</sup>But I say to you, Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also; <sup>40</sup>and if anyone wants to sue you and take your coat, give your cloak as well; <sup>41</sup>and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile. <sup>42</sup>Give to everyone who begs from you, and do not refuse anyone who wants to borrow from you. <sup>43</sup>"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' <sup>44</sup>But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, <sup>45</sup>so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. <sup>46</sup>For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? <sup>47</sup>And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? <sup>48</sup>Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ. (sung)

SERMON Pastor Esborn

\* HYMN OF THE DAY

- "Built on a Rock"
- \* APOSTLES' CREED (all)
  - I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
  - I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
  - I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

OFFERING OFFERTORY

[Please pass the Friendship Pad down your pew for all to sign and then back to the center aisle so everyone has the opportunity to read the names. We request that our guests also give us their home address. Thank you].

#### ANTHEM

\* SUNG OFFERTORY ('Create in Me')

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

#### \* OFFERING PRAYER

P God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### C Amen

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Guided by the light of Christ, who has been made known to the nations, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

#### A brief silence.

P Holy and perfect God, you call us to share your word of love even when it seems like foolishness to the world. Make your church bold to proclaim our hope in Christ. Lord, in your mercy,

#### C hear our prayer.

P You make the sun to rise and the rain to fall on all. Feed rich and poor, land and animals, with your abundance. Lord, in your mercy,

#### C hear our prayer.

P You call us to the ways of justice. Lead all who govern in the path of justice, so that those in need will not be forgotten. Lord, in your mercy,

# C hear our prayer.

P All in need belong to you through Christ. Strengthen weary caregivers. Comfort those who are sick and in pain (especially all of our shut-ins [both at home and in nursing homes], and for Tammy Walton, Dorothy Patterson, Josh Beitz, Karl and Margaret Guss, Sarah Shellenberger, Jo-Anne Brooks, Matt Hutchinson, Marian Gross, Chris Albright, Rick Waller, Sr., Avonel Waller, Clark Shirk, Bob St. Clair, Sr., Jesse Kint, Billy Holderman, Betty Karstetter, Mary Ann Zook, Charlene Aughey, Robert Reynolds, Rick Varner, Sally and Ray Miller, Fred Marshall, Bonita Gilson, Kim Shearer, Victoria Ricedorf, Allison Garver, Max Ernest, Angie Goss, Craig Cisney, Carol Spigelmyer, Sis Stetler and Donnie Beward). Lord, in your mercy,

#### C hear our prayer.

P Help this congregation trust that your Spirit dwells in us. Show us the way to be your holy people. Lord, in your mercy,

#### C hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P Sustain us, O God, until we gather with all your saints from every time and place (especially Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna and martyr) in your eternal protection. Lord, in your mercy,

# C hear our prayer.

P Radiant God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent, for the sake of the one who has made his dwelling among us, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior.

#### C Amen.

- \* THE LORD'S PRAYER ['trespasses'] (all)
  - C 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
  - P May the God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.
  - C A-men, A-men, A-men (sung)
- \* CLOSING HYMN "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

#### MEAL

- \* COMMUNION DIALOG (from Isaiah 55)
  - P Let us give thanks to the Lord.
  - C for through these gifts he comes to feed us.
  - P All you who are thirsty, come to the waters. You who have no money, come, receive bread, and eat.
  - C Come, without paying and without cost, drink wine and eat.
  - P Let us come to his table with joy,
  - C for we come as God's invited guests!
- \* EUCHARISTIC PRAYER
  - P O God most mighty, O God most merciful, O God our rock and our salvation, hear us as we praise, call us to your table, grant us your life.

When the earth was a formless void, you formed order and beauty. When Abraham and Sarah were barren, you sent them a child. When the Israelites were enslaved, you led them to freedom. Ruth faced starvation, David fought Goliath, and the psalmists cried out for healing, and full of compassion, you granted the people your life.

You entered our sorrows in Jesus our brother. He was born among the poor, he lived under oppression, he wept over the city. With infinite love, he granted the people your life.

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

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his death, we cry out Amen. [Amen.] Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen. [Amen.] Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen. [Amen.]

O God, you are Breath: send your Spirit on this meal. O God, you are Bread: feed us with yourself. O God, you are Wine: warm our hearts and make us one. O God, you are Fire: transform us with hope.

O God most majestic, O God most motherly, O God our strength and our song, you show us a vision of a tree of life with fruits for all and leaves that heal the nations. Grant us such life, the life of the Father to the Son, the life of the Spirit of our risen Savior, life in you, now and forever.

#### C Amen.

#### DISTRIBUTION

["INTINCTION" – dip your wafer in the wine. Come forward by the center aisle and return by the side aisle. All who wish to stand at the chancel rail after partaking for a time of silent meditation are invited to do so].

#### \* COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

#### C Amen

#### \* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Lord, it is good for us to be here, for we have tasted your glory in this holy meal. Continue your goodness as we go out from here. Open our eyes to see your face shining in every person, and send us to be your servants in every place, for you are the life and light of all, both now and forever.

#### C Amen

\* DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Christ is your light. C Thanks be to God!

#### **POSTLUDE**

NEXT WEEK'S LECTOR – Andrea Cameron NEXT WEEK'S ALTAR GUILD – Linda Clark NEXT WEEK'S ACOLYTES – Malin Kint & Marina Holderman

#### **WELCOME**

IF YOU WISH TO USE OR FOLLOW THE LITURGY MUSIC as we proceed through the service today, please use the green portfolios placed on top of the sound control system. In addition, headsets are available in the narthex for our sound enhancement system for the hearing impaired.

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME to worship at Messiah. We invite you to register your visit not only in the Friendship Pads, but also in the guest book provided in the narthex. If you are seeking a church home, please speak to the pastor. Our fellowship in Jesus Christ is open and extended to all persons who confess His Lordship over all life. Thank you for worshiping with us. We invite you to return. Visitors are invited to commune with us if they are baptized and, if with us in our faith, they trust Jesus' promise of the presence of the Body and Blood of Christ.

WE INVITE EVERYONE (members and visitors) worshiping with us today to sign the Friendship Pads during the Organ Offertory. If you are a visitor, please be sure to include your address when signing. Please also place a check mark in the box (beside your name) if you are communing today and have not as yet given us a record of your participation in the sacrament during this quarter. (A new quarter begins in January, April, July, and October). The pads are found on the aisle seat of each pew in the nave, and in each section of the Adult Sunday School Room.

ALTAR FLOWERS are presented to the Glory of God and in honor of the 105<sup>th</sup> birthday of Ethel Bossinger by her family.

PRAYER REQUESTS will be placed in the weekly bulletin for one month. If you wish to have someone included in the prayer list for more than one month, please call the church office.

THE DEADLINE FOR ALL ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SUNDAY BULLETIN IS THURSDAY NOON.

DIAL-A-PRAYER (436-2100) IS AVAILABLE 24 HOURS DAILY!

JUST A THOUGHT – Dionysius the Areopagite, Bishop of Athems (6<sup>th</sup> century): The simple, absolute and immutable mysteries of the divine Truth are hidden in secret. For this darkness, though of deepest obscurity, is yet radiantly clear; and, though beyond touch and sight, it more than fills our unseeing minds with splendors of transcendent beauty.

#### **CONGREGATIONAL NEWS**

PRAYER CHAIN – Any time you wish to add a name to our prayer list, please contact Stacie Kint at <a href="mailto:dskint@nmax.net">dskint@nmax.net</a>. If at any time you would like to receive emails with prayer requests, please also contact Stacie.

THRIVENT CHOICE – Thank you to everyone at Messiah who has designated choice dollars to Messiah. If you are a Thrivent member and have questions about Thrivent Choice please contact Stacie Kint at <a href="mailto:dskint@nmax.net">dskint@nmax.net</a> or 436-6341.

MESSIAH IS IN NEED of a new treasurer to replace Ken Eyler after his many years of service. If you would like details, please contact Executive Director Guy Dillman or Pastor Esborn.

NEW MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORIES with updated addresses and phone numbers are now available in the Adult Sunday School Room.

EASTER LILIES to decorate the church on Easter Sunday, may be placed in memory or in honor of someone or to the Glory of God. Cost will be \$10.00 for a plant with 4 to 7 blooms. You may call the church office at 436-6213 to place your order.

SYNOD ASSEMBLY DELEGATES – Two members of Messiah are needed to attend the annual Synod Assembly on June, 20-21 2014 at Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove. If you are interested in serving, please contact the pastor or the church office.

THE 2014 CAMPING BROCHURES and registration forms for Camp Mt. Luther are available in the church office or you may register online at <a href="www.campmountluther.org">www.campmountluther.org</a>. Please note that if you register online, you still need to get a health form signed by a doctor. Any young people planning to attend one of the church camps this summer are asked to get their registrations in before April 1st to avoid a late fee.

HELP AVAILABLE – If you or someone you know needs help with home repairs or yard work, there are volunteers in our community who may be able to help. For more information, contact Michael "Doc" Johnston at 436-9209, or Cynthia Smith at 436-8512.

#### **WOMEN OF THE ELCA**

MESSIAH WOMEN OF THE ELCA continuously collect new bath-size bars of soap (4oz. to 5oz., preferably Ivory or unscented Dove) as an on-going project for Lutheran World Relief. Please place soap in the basket on the blue table in the Adult Sunday School Room.

THE FIRST PROJECT THIS YEAR for Messiah Women of The ELCA for Lutheran World Relief will be baby care kits. Items needed are:

- --2 (6-24 months) lightweight cotton T-shirts
- -- 2 longer short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet)
- --2 receiving blankets—medium weight cotton or flannel, crocheted or knitted with lightweight yarn (up to 52" square)
- --4 cloth diapers (flat fold preferred)
- --1 jacket, sweater (with buttons or ties down front), or sweatshirt with a hood, or (include a baby cap)
- -- 2 pairs of socks
- -- 1 hand towel (dark color recommended)
- --2 bath-size bars (4-5 oz.) of gentle soap in original wrapping
- --2 diaper pins

Place items on the round table in the Adult Sunday School Room.

WELCA PROJECT FOR FRIENDS OF PINE RIDGE RESERVATION FOR ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO HELP – The biggest need right now is for the reservation's foster care agency, LOWO. They typically have about 450 kids in their system and unfortunately LOWO has no budget to provide clothing, bedding or other supplies for the children, most of whom arrive with only what they are wearing. They serve children from infant to teens so pretty much anything a child can wear, they can use (except preemie sizes for the baby items which are not needed). Toddler pants, teen p-j bottoms, sleepwear for all ages, sun dresses and shorts

during the summer, shirts and blouses, diaper bags, crib quilts, stuffed toys, bibs, cute colorful pillowcases, twin size bed sheets, crib sheets, Pack 'n Play size sheets, etc. Sewn tote bags are also always needed so the kids don't have to use plastic trash bags to carry around their few belongings. For those who knit or crochet, crib and smaller size baby blankets or afghans, slippers, cute scarves for the teens, mittens for the little ones, baby hats, booties, bunting, etc. would be welcome. Any colors and fibers and fabrics will work for any of the items that are made. The only restriction is not to send anthing with an owl print as owls are a symbol of death in the Lakota culture. Place items on the round table in the Adult Sunday School Room. Any questions, contact Barb S. Geedey, Linda Leister, Cynthia Smith, or Marilyn MaCoy.

MESSIAH WOMEN OF THE ELCA will meet on Thursday, March 13, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Youth Area.

#### **COMMUNITY**

MEALS-ON-WHEELS needs volunteer drivers, cooks and people to help assemble meals. If you have some spare time and can help, please call Dottie Heck at 436-6002 or 717-348-1950 (cell).

# FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR FEBRUARY: ALL NON-PERISHABLE FOODS; DISH SOAP, ALL PURPOSE HOUSEHOLD CLEANERS, LAUNDRY DETERGENT

FRIDAY LENTEN FISH DINNERS, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus will begin on February 28, 2014 from 4-7 p.m. in the church social hall at St. Jude's Catholic Church. All-you-caneat meals will include fried and baked fish, popcorn shrimp, fried clams, French fries, macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, corn, green beans, coleslaw, applesauce, rolls, puddings, and a selection of homemade desserts. Cost will be \$10.00 for adults, \$6.00 for children 6-12, and children under 6 are FREE (pay at the door).

WOMEN'S COMMUNITY LENTEN TEAS will begin on Wednesday, March 5, 2014 at Messiah Lutheran Church. Fellowship time is 9:30 a.m. followed by the program at 10:00 a.m. Jean Compton will be the speaker.

COMMUNITY LENTEN SERVICES, sponsored by the Twin-Boro Ministerium, will begin on Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church. Pastor Martha Carlson will be the preacher.

# PORT ROYAL MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST SPEAKERS 7:00 a.m. – PORT ROYAL COMMUNITY BUILDING

March 8, Mr. Richard Burchfield, Faith Bible Church

March 15, Rev. Alan Reiman, New Life Assembly of God

March 22, Mr. James Bahorik, Messiah Lutheran Church

March 29, Rev. George Swartz, Stoney Run Church

April 5, Mr. Ted Kepner, TK Freedom

April 12, Rev. John Gehman, Lauvers Mennonite Church

April 19, Rev. Casey Hostler, Heaven Bound Church

#### THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

**Today:** -FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY.

-9:15 a.m., Sunday School/Bible Study.

-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church.

-1—8 p.m., Fellowship Hall reserved.

**Monday:** -7 p.m., Bible Study in Library.

-8 p.m., AA meeting in Fellowship Hall.

**Tuesday:** -9 a.m., "The Needlers" in Fellowship Hall.

**Wednesday:** -7 p.m., Choir rehearsal.

**Friday:** -6-9 p.m., Square & Line Dancing in Fellowship Hall (caller: Mark Brosius).

Everyone welcome!

**Sunday:** -9:15 a.m., Sunday School/Bible Study.

-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion.