

Messiah Lutheran Church

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST October 13, 2013 – 10:30 a.m.

*Please Stand as **YOU** Are Able

PEOPLE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER TODAY

SHUT-INS: Marian G., Reba S., Sue C., 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., Audrey L., Josh B., George and Lorraine H., Karl and Margaret G., Justin T., Darlene Y., Arielle D., Wib T., Sarah S., Gwen S., Troy B., Riley C., Allen H., Esther L., Rick V., Brian M. and family, Michael S., Trent P., Diane G., Charlene A., Rich W., Wendy S., Gretchen W., Rick S., Sue C., Tryon B., Leon K., Jack S., Todd E., Kim S., Paul T., and Harry S. family.

PREPARATION

CHIMES: CALL TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

[A Time for Meditation and Prayer]

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTRODUCTION

It's a miracle! Multiple miracles! The waters of holy baptism have healed us. The body and blood of Jesus in holy communion have made us clean. We have died with Christ and been raised with him. For all this we have returned to offer thanks. From this place we are sent on our way rejoicing to share the good news.

* BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit

C Amen

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P Gracious God,

C have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

P Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

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 "Now Thank We All Our God"

* GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

* KYRIE (sung)

P Ky-ri-e, e-le-i-son: C Lord, have mer-cy.

P Chri-ste, e-le-i-son: C Christ, have mer-cy.

P Ky-ri-e, e-le-i-son: C Lord, have mer-cy.

* HYMN OF PRAISE (sung)

**Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the highest;
glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.
Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.**

**Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the highest;
glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.
Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take
a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;
you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the highest;
glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.
For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the
Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther.
A-men.**

**Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the highest;
glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth, and peace
to God's peo-ple on earth.**

* 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 Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

WORD

Naaman, a Syrian general, suffers from leprosy. In this passage Elisha miraculously cures his illness, but only after Naaman realizes, with the help of his servants, that he also needs healing for his pride. This foreign general then acknowledges the sovereignty of the God of Israel.

FIRST READING

A reading from 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

THE LESSON READS:

¹Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. ²Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." ⁷When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

⁸But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." ⁹So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. ¹⁰Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." ¹¹But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! ¹²Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. ¹³But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" ¹⁴So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

¹⁵Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God. (spoken)

PSALM: Psalm 111 **(Responsively)**

L – I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart. (Ps. 111:1)

¹Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

²Great are your works, O LORD, pondered by all who delight in them.

³Majesty and splendor mark your deeds, and your righteousness endures forever.

⁴You cause your wonders to be remembered; you are gracious and full of compassion.

⁵You give food to those who fear you, remembering forever your covenant.

⁶You have shown your people the power of your works in giving them the lands of the nations.

⁷The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice; all of your precepts are sure.

⁸They stand fast forever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.

⁹You sent redemption to your people and commanded your covenant forever; holy and awesome is your name.

¹⁰The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all who practice this have a good understanding. God's praise endures forever.

ALL – I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart.

Though Paul is chained as a prisoner, he reminds Timothy that the word of God is never shackled or confined. He encourages his young friend to proclaim that word of freedom in an honest and upright life as well as in his teaching and preaching.

SECOND READING

A reading from 2 Timothy 2:8-15

THE LESSON READS:

⁸Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel,

⁹for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word

of God is not chained. ¹⁰Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they

may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. ¹¹The saying is sure: If

we have died with him, we will also live with him; ¹²if we endure, we will also reign with him; if

we deny him, he will also deny us; ¹³if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot

deny himself.

¹⁴Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling

over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. ¹⁵Do your best to

present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be

ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God. (spoken)

* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (**sung**)

Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? Al-le-lu-ia. You have the words of e-ter-nal life. Al-le-lu—ia. Al-le-lu—ia.

Jesus' mission includes making the unclean clean again. Unexpectedly, a cleansed Samaritan leper becomes a model for those who would praise and worship God and give thanks for God's mercy.

* GOSPEL: Luke 17:11-19

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 17th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)

THE GOSPEL READS:

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? ¹⁸Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ. (spoken)

SERMON

Pastor Esborn

* HYMN OF THE DAY "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

* APOSTLES' CREED ('new version') (**all**)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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 ('vineyards')

Let the vine-yards be fruit-full, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer now. Grace our ta-ble with your pres-ence, Lord, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

* OFFERING PRAYER

P Let us pray. Merciful God,

C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

P O God of holy relationship, remain steadfast in the covenant you have established with your people, especially when we are not faithful. Draw others into your life by our witness. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P Bring clean, refreshing, and healing water to dry places. Quench the thirsty; wash away disease; soothe those who are weary with this simple gift that you abundantly give. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P Hear the cries of those who struggle because they cannot access health care, especially children and the aging. Deliver your justice to them, that they may also receive healing. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P Reveal yourself to those who face serious illness, or who have lost trust in the healing arts (especially all of our shut-ins [both at home and in nursing homes], and for Tammy Walton, Dorothy Patterson, Audrey Landis, Josh Beitz, George and Lorraine Hazard, Karl and Margaret Guss, Justin Tabb, Darlene Yutzy, Arielle Dougherty, Wib Taylor, Sarah Shellenberger, Gwen Swisher, Reba Sigler, Troy Burd, Riley Cooper, Allen Hall, Esther Long, Rick Varner, Brian Marshall and family, Michael Slagle, Trent Phillips, Diane Glendye, Charlene Aughey, Rich Waller, Sr., Wendy (Zook) Swartz, Gretchen Wagner Wray, Rick Stuter, Cassie Smith, Sue Comp, Tryon Benner, Leon Kramer, Fay McCormick, Jack Stutts, Todd Eby, Kim Shearer, Paul Towsey, and Harry Summers family). Stand with them in their anger; give healing that you alone can give. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P Suffer with those who endure persecution because of their faith. Envelop them in the freedom of Christ, and ease the burden they bear for his sake. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P Living God, giving thanks for saints who shout their praise to you, we lift our faithful voices together in praise until all nations are gathered in your presence. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

P Into your hands, O Holy One, we entrust all for whom we pray, confident in your abundant and abiding mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

C Amen

* THE LORD'S PRAYER ['new version'] **(all)**

P Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

C Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen

* BLESSING

P Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C A-men, A-men, A-men (sung)

* CLOSING HYMN "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

MEAL

* COMMUNION DIALOGUE (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 Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

C Amen.

(In hospitality and attempting to meet the needs of individuals, Messiah now offers gluten free communion hosts. If you wish to receive gluten free hosts, please come to the side where Pastor Esborn is serving).

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 Let us pray.

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

C Amen

* DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

NEXT WEEK'S LECTOR – Ron Yorks

NEXT WEEK'S ALTAR GUILD – Michelle Stoner

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 memory of Herm and Marge McKee by Dave, Cindy, Jim, Matt and Carolyn Miller.

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 – A. W. Tozar, American Christian Pastor (1897 – 1963): Our great honor lies in being just what Jesus was and is.

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

NEW MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY – Sample copies of the new updated membership directory are on the table in the Adult Sunday School Room. Before final copies are made, members are asked to check their address, phone number and email address to be sure they are correct. Please make any corrections or additions to be included in the directory on the correction sheet provided or call the church office at 436-6213.

PRAYER CHAIN – Any time you wish to add a name to our prayer list, please contact Stacie Kint at dskint@nmax.net. 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 diskint@nmax.net 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.

THE NEXT VOTERS ASSEMBLY MEETING will be held on Sunday, November 17, 2013 following the morning worship service. Business: Quarterly reports of the boards and voting on 2014 proposed budget. PPC Board Directors are asked to submit their proposed 2014 budgets to Ken Eyler by October 15, 2013. You may place them in Ken's mailbox in the church office or by email to keyler@nmax.net. The next PPC meeting will be held on Sunday, October 20, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Youth Area.

A SPECIAL OFFERING will be collected today for Lutheran Disaster Relief for Colorado Flood Victims. A box will be available in the Adult Sunday School Room to receive donations.

JOIN US FOR AN OUTING **today at 2:00 p.m. at Butcher's Family Fun Farm & Corn Maze** – located at 1375 Turkey Bird Road in Newport. You are welcome to bring family and friends. Activities to suit all ages. Find your way through the giant corn maze or the mini corn maze, enjoy a hayride around the farm, make your way through the straw castle, drive the pedal tractors and karts, shoot the potato launcher, and more. Pick-your-own or pre-picked pumpkins are available for purchase, as well as other Fall décor. No RSVP needed. You can simply meet us at Butcher's Family Fun Farm. Cost for youth and adults (age 2+) is \$7.50 per person (plus tax) - \$1.00 off if you mention that you are with our group. Seniors (age 65+) \$5.00 per person (plus tax). Children 2 years and under are FREE with a paid admission. Rain date will be October 20th at 2:00 p.m.

A SOUP SALE will be held on Wednesday, October 23, 2013 at Messiah Lutheran Church. Soups are: Ham Bean, Chicken Corn, Beef Vegetable, and Broccoli Cheddar. Cost is \$5.00 per quart. Pick-up between 4-7 p.m. Sign-up sheets are available in the Kitchenette and Adult Sunday School Room. Proceeds will go to the Fultz family for medical expenses.

OIL DISCOUNT – If you purchase your heating oil from Hilltop Oil Company or K & C Oil Company, please check with them to see if you qualify to have them donate 5 cents per gallon back to Messiah, at no cost to you. Call 436-8553 for K & C or 436-2647 for Hilltop for more information.

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.

BLANKET SUNDAY OFFERINGS may still be given. Envelopes are available on the table in the Adult Sunday School Room. Please make checks payable to Messiah Women of the ELCA and place in the offering plate or give to Cynthia Smith. **Money from the Blanket Sunday Envelopes goes toward the purchase of blankets.**

SEAFARERS PROJECT - Women of the ELCA are collecting items for the Seafarers Christmas gift set through October. Please place collected items below on the table in the Adult Sunday School Room:

- casual T-shirts, medium & large (no slogans, etc.)
- sweat shirts, large & extra-large
- 3 pairs of socks
- 1 heavy knit winter cap

CHRISTMAS ANGEL PROJECT – Women of the ELCA will be sponsoring 6 children this year for the Christmas Angel Project. A poster with the information is on the bulletin board in the kitchenette. Gifts are to be wrapped, labeled with the children's name and family number, and returned to the Adult Sunday School Room by **December 1, 2013.**

COMMUNITY

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR OCTOBER

ALL NON-PERISHABLE FOODS, PERSONAL, BABY CARE AND PAPER PRODUCTS

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).

MIFFLIN-MIFFLINTOWN LIONS CLUB FALL CHICKEN BARBECUE will be held Wednesday, October 16, 2013. Cost for One-Half Chicken is \$4.50. Pick-up 11:00 AM till 6:00 PM at the Mifflintown Playground. Matching Funds from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. Contact Ken Geedey, Don Geedey or Warren Mumma for tickets.

THE ANNUAL THRIVENT ELECTION AND DINNER will be held on Sunday, October 27, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. at Messiah Lutheran Church. Any member who brings an adult non-member with them will receive a Weis Gift Card (so bring a friend). Also, please bring a non-perishable food item to be donated to the Juniata County Food Pantry. There is no charge for the meal and some great prizes will be given away. Hope to see you there! Please RSVP by calling Esther Bratton at 436-8856 or Dan Smith at 436-9377 by **Friday, October 18th.**

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

- Today:** -9:15 a.m., Sunday School/Bible Study.
-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church.
-Special offering for Colorado Flood Victims.
-2 p.m., Outing at Butcher's Family Fun Farm, Newport.
- Monday:** -OFFICE CLOSED (Columbus Day).
-7 P.M., Bible Study in Library area.
-8 p.m., AA meeting in Fellowship Hall.
- Tuesday:** -9 a.m., "The Needlers" in Fellowship Hall.
- Wednesday:** -7 p.m., Choir rehearsal.
- Thursday:** -9 a.m.—2 p.m., Family Resource Program in Youth Area.
-1 p.m., Dulcimer rehearsal.
- Friday:** -7 p.m., Square & Line Dancing in Fellowship Hall. Caller: Larry Snook.
Everyone welcome!
- Sunday:** -9:15 a.m., Sunday School/Bible Study.
-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church.
-Special offering for Colorado Flood Victims.

**MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH THANKOFFERING SERVICE & FALL FEST
NOVEMBER 10, 2013**

Women of the ELCA Thankoffering Service & Fall Fest will be held on Sunday, November 10, 2013. Pastor Anna Ritter will be the speaker for the service. The congregation is asked to bring items for the Food Pantry beginning Sunday, October 24 so they can be displayed in the altar area on Thankoffering Sunday.

A meal will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the service. Ham, rolls and beverage will be provided. Those attending are asked to provide a covered dish (hot or cold) of their choice. Anyone unable to bring a covered dish is still more than welcome to attend as there is always plenty of food for everyone. Mints, chips, etc. are always needed and don't need to be prepared.

Reservations can be made by detaching the bottom portion of this sheet and placing it in the offering plate by **November 3rd** or calling the church office at 436-6213.



MESSIAH'S FALL FEST

Name(s) _____ Number attending _____

Bringing covered dish? () YES () NO _____

Please specify below whether you will be bringing a covered dish for the meal or a desert
