# **Messiah Lutheran Church**

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## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST September 14, 2014 – 10:30 a.m.

\*Please Stand as YOU Are Able

#### PEOPLE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER TODAY

<u>SHUT-INS</u>: Marian G., Reba S., Kitty W., Flo B., Ethel B., Jean M., Helen K., Sis S., Jane M., Fay M., Dorothy P., Ruth C., Ray B.

<u>OTHERS</u>: Sarah S., Rick W., Avonel W., Jesse K., Victoria R., Allison G., Jim W., Robert S., Charlene A., Travis Z., Karen C., John M., Brenda B., Carol S., Warren M., Ron Z., Brandon B., Ed F., Luke D., Jackie A., Sara Ann A., Joe B., Sarah D., Tom E., Fred M., family of Tammy W.

#### PREPARATION

CHIMES: CALL TO WORSHIP PRELUDE [A Time for Meditation and Prayer] GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTRODUCTION

In today's second reading Paul questions why we judge one another, since we all stand before the judgment of God. Yet we do sin against one another, and Jesus' challenge that we forgive seventy-seven times reveals God's boundless mercy. When we hear the words of forgiveness in worship and sign ourselves with the cross, we are renewed in baptism to be signs of reconciliation in the world.

#### \* 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 "Where Charity and Love Prevail"
- \* 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 O Lord God, merciful judge, you are the inexhaustible fountain of forgiveness. Replace our hearts of stone with hearts that love and adore you, that we may delight in doing your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

#### WORD

After Jacob's death, the brothers of Joseph begged for forgiveness for the crime they had done against him. You intended to do me harm, Joseph said, but God used this as an opportunity to do good and save many lives.

FIRST READING

A reading from Genesis 50:15-21

#### THE LESSON READS:

<sup>15</sup>Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" <sup>16</sup>So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, <sup>17</sup>'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. <sup>18</sup>Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." <sup>19</sup>But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? <sup>20</sup>Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. <sup>21</sup>So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Lector: The word of the Lord. Congregation: Thanks be to God. (spoken)

PSALM: Psalm 103: [1-7] 8-13 (Responsively)

L-LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy. (Ps. 103:8)

[<sup>1</sup>Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

<sup>2</sup>Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all God's benefits—

<sup>3</sup>who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases;

<sup>4</sup>who redeems your life from the grave and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy;

<sup>5</sup>who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

<sup>6</sup>O LORD, you provide vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.

<sup>7</sup>You made known your ways to Moses and your works to the children of Israel.] **<sup>8</sup>LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love**; <sup>9</sup>you will not always accuse us, nor will you keep your anger forever.

<sup>10</sup>You have not dealt with us according to our sins, nor repaid us according to our iniquities. <sup>11</sup>For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is your steadfast love for those who fear you.

<sup>12</sup>As far as the east is from the west, so far have you removed our transgressions from us.
<sup>13</sup>As a father has compassion for his children, so you have compassion for those who fear you, O LORD.

## ALL – LORD, you are full of compassion and mercy.

This Christian community has significant struggles with diversity. Here Paul helps us understand that despite different practices in worship and personal piety, we do not judge one another. All Christians belong to the Lord Jesus Christ who died for all of us and will judge each of us.

#### SECOND READING

A reading from Romans 14:1-12

THE LESSON READS:

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of guarreling over opinions. <sup>2</sup>Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. <sup>3</sup>Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. 4Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. <sup>5</sup>Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. <sup>6</sup>Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God. <sup>7</sup>We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. <sup>8</sup>If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. <sup>9</sup>For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. <sup>10</sup>Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. <sup>11</sup>For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." <sup>12</sup>So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

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.

When Peter asks about the limits of forgiveness, Jesus responds with a parable that suggests human forgiveness should mirror the unlimited mercy of God.

GOSPEL: Matthew 18:21-35

- P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 18<sup>th</sup> chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)

## THE GOSPEL READS:

<sup>21</sup>Then Peter came and said to [Jesus], "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" <sup>22</sup>Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. <sup>23</sup>For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. <sup>24</sup>When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; <sup>25</sup>and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. <sup>26</sup>So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' <sup>27</sup>And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. <sup>28</sup>But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' <sup>29</sup>Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' <sup>30</sup>But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. <sup>31</sup>When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. <sup>32</sup>Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. <sup>33</sup>Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' <sup>34</sup>And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. <sup>35</sup>So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

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

Pastor Esborn

- Sermon
- \* HYMN OF THE DAY "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"
- \* 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. Gather 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 Speak kindly to your whole church, O God. Give us tongues that speak words of welcome and acceptance. Hear us, O God.
  - C Your mercy is great.
  - P Shower us with your gifts, O God. Give us hands that share the wealth of your creation and that tend to its keeping. Hear us, O God.
  - C Your mercy is great.
  - P Silence our quarreling, O God. Hold us accountable to one another as brothers and sisters and make us eager to reconcile and quick to forgive. Hear us, O God.

## C Your mercy is great.

P Satisfy us with good things, O God. Give healing to those who suffer in mind, body, and soul, give respite to those who care for them, and hope for all those who worry (especially for all of our shut-ins [both at home and in nursing homes], and for Dorothy Patterson, Sarah Shellenberger, Rick Waller, Sr., Avonel Waller, Jesse Kint, Robert St. Clair, Sr., Victoria Ricedorf, Allison Garver, Jim Woltman, Charlene Aughey, Travis Zeiders, Karen Clements, John Miller, Brenda Brothers, Carol Sheesley Spigelmyer, Warren Mummah, Ron Zellers, Brandon Becker, Ed Forney, Luke Davis, Jackie Abate, Jean McNaight, Sara Ann Aurand, Joe Beitz, Sarah Dressler, Tom Ernest, Fred Marshall, and family of Tammy Walton). Hear us, O God.

## C Your mercy is great.

P Make your ways known to us, O God. Hold us upright as we work for justice in our neighborhoods, communities, our nation, and the world. Hear us, O God.

## C Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P You, O God, are the Lord of the dead and the living. Hold us, together with all the saints, in your redeeming and steadfast love today and all days. Hear us, O God.

## C Your mercy is great.

P Trusting in your mercy and goodness, we bring before you these prayers and

whatever else you see that we need, in the name of the one who sets us free, 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 "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

#### 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 – Diana Wise NEXT WEEK'S ALTAR GUILD – Diana Wise

## 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 8with 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 loved ones by Neil and Pat Fisher.

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY to the family of Tammy Walton, who died on Monday, September 8, 2014 at Brookline Manor. Please keep her husband William and son Braedon, her parents Butch and Sandy Pines, and her sister Michelle Stoner and their family in your prayers.

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 – Roswell C. Long, Christian Thinker: Worship liberates the personality by giving a new perspective to life.

#### **CONGREGATIONAL NEWS**

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

GETHSEMANE WINDOW PROJECT COMPLETED – The Gethsemane window is now back in its proper place in our sanctuary. The project to clean and repair the glass and the leading began June 30, 2014, when the window was removed and taken to Saltzer's Harrisburg workshop for the cleaning and repairs. The finished window and the new storm window were installed on August 19 and 20. Mike Saltzer reports that the window was extremely dirty, even in between the double glass section, and the result is a much brighter more colorful window. The cost of the repairs and cleaning are \$13,824.00. Please consider adding a gift to the stained glass fund to offset this cost whenever you are able. MISSING KITCHEN CART – A three-tiered kitchen cart with wheels is missing from the downstairs church kitchen. If you know the whereabouts of this cart or if you borrowed it, please let the church office know as soon as possible. It's been missing for a month or more.

YOUTH EVENT – The St. Stephen's Youth Group will be climbing the 1,000 steps hiking trail in Huntingdon on October 19, 2014. Messiah youth who are in 7<sup>th</sup> grade and up can join them. Please contact Kathy Whitesel at 717-436-2401 if you are interested in going on the trip. They will be leaving St. Stephen's at 1:00 p.m.

THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE will meet on Monday, September 22, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the Choir Room. If you are unable to attend, please notify Kay Varner.

GREETERS/USHERS NEEDED FOR FAMILY SUNDAY – Family Sunday is the first Sunday of each month, and the Youth and Children Committee is looking for children and their families to be Greeters prior to the church service on Family Sundays beginning with September 7<sup>th</sup>. The Greeters' responsibilities include welcoming parishioners, handing out bulletins, providing pins to visitors, and inviting visitors to sign the guest book and Friendship Pads. For those who sign-up, please be at the main entrance off Washington Avenue between 10:00 and 10:15 a.m. to start welcoming parishioners. In addition, we would ask the family acting as Greeters to also be Ushers for the service that Sunday. The Ushers' responsibilities include collecting the offering and returning the offering to the Pastor during the Sung Offertory. If your family is willing to act as Greeters and Ushers on any of the Family Sundays, please add your names to the sign-up sheet hanging next to the Altar Flower chart in the Adult Sunday School Room Thank you!

FALL BIBLE STUDY – The Bible Study this Fall will be based on Barbara Rossing's "The Rapture Exposed: The Message of Hope in the Book of Revelation." The book is 11 chapters and we will do a chapter a week. The class will meet on Monday evenings beginning on September 15, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library area. The book may be ordered online at <a href="http://www.amazon.com/The-Rapture-Exposed-Message-">http://www.amazon.com/The-Rapture-Exposed-Message</a>

<u>Revelation/dp/0813343143/ref=tmm pap title 0?ie=UTF8&gid=1407247701&sr=8-1</u> or you may order a copy at the church office. Barbara Rossing spoke at the Upper Susquehanna Synod Assembly this year as the Bible Study leader. She is a professor of New Testament at the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago. **Please sign-up with the church office so that we know who is participating.** 

CONFIRMATION CLASS – The organizational meeting for Confirmation class will be held today during the Sunday School hour at the rear of the Adult Sunday School Room near the Library. If your child is in 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade, they are eligible to participate in the Confirmation program. The material of study this year is the Bible, and the second year material beginning in the Fall of 2015 is Luther's Small Catechism. Parents and youth are asked to attend. **Please notify the church office if you will be participating so that materials can be prepared.** 

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.

THE NEXT VOTERS ASSEMBLY MEETING will be held on Sunday, September 21, 2014 following the morning worship service. Business: Quarterly reports of the boards. NOTE: PPC Board Directors are asked to submit their proposed 2015 budgets by October 15, 2014.

BLANKET SUNDAY will be observed on Sunday, October 5, 2014. Along with all ELCA congregations, you are invited to make a donation to Lutheran World Relief in the special Blanket Sunday envelopes that will be available on the table in the Adult Sunday School Room. Please make checks payable to Messiah Women of the ELCA and take this opportunity to serve as Christ's helping hands in our world today!

A NEW MEMBER CLASS will be held on Saturday, September 27, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in the Library area. If you wish to attend, please contact the church office.

#### 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.

WOMEN OF THE ELCA are collecting items for the School Kits during July, August and September. We are asking for help from the congregation for the remaining items that are still needed:

--pencil sharpeners --boxes of 16-24 crayons

Donated items may be placed on the round table in the Adult Sunday School Room.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS STILL NEEDED for Baby Care Kits:

--socks
--one piece sleepers (with no feet) or pants and shirts (sizes from 0-24 months)
--undershirts (no onesies)
--hooded or non-hooded sweaters, sweatshirts or jackets

We also need mild soap with no scent (Ivory or Dove are probably the best)

Please place items on the round table in the Adult Sunday School Room. Thanks for your help with collecting items for our projects for Lutheran World Relief!

#### COMMUNITY

MEALS-ON-WHEELS needs volunteer drivers, cooks and people to help assemble meals. If you have some spare time and can8 help, please call Dottie Heck at 436-6002 or 717-348-1950 (cell).

THE JUNIATA COUNTY CROP WALK will be held (<u>rain or shine</u>) on Sunday, October 5, 2014 at Walker Township Park (route 322, Port Royal exit). Short Walk will be 3 laps and Long Walk will be 15 laps. Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. and the Walk begins at 1:30 p.m. <u>Please bring</u> <u>all pledge money on Walk day</u>. On CROP Walk day, CROP Walkers can deliver needed items to the Juniata County Food Pantry. Needs include:

- --<u>Personal Hygiene Supplies</u> such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, deodorant, shaving cream, razors, etc.
- --<u>Cleaning Supplies</u> like all-purpose cleansers, bleach, trash bags, laundry detergent, dish detergent, etc.

--<u>Paper Products</u> such as paper towels, toilet tissue, tissues

--<u>Infant Needs</u> like diapers, baby wipes, baby shampoo, baby lotions.

--<u>Non-Perishable Food Items</u>

Twenty-five percent of pledge money will go to the Food Pantry and Meals-On-Wheels. Sign-up sheet and Walk donation envelopes are available in the Adult Sunday School Room. Thank you for all donations!

## FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR SEPTEMBER

FRESH GARDEN PRODUCE, ALL NON-PERISHABLE FOODS, SHAMPOO, OVER-THE-COUNTER PAIN AND COLD MEDICINES, DISHWASHING SOAP, ALL-PURPOSE CLEANERS, RECYCLED SHOPPING BAGS, AND ESPECIALLY DONATIONS OF CASH

#### Hours: Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. to noon and from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to noon

Closed on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday Address: P.O. Box 44, 114 N. Main St., Mifflintown, PA 17059 Phone: (717) 436-9718 Contact person: Kathy Queitzsch Email: jcfoodpantry@embargmail.com

For more information, visit our website at jcfoodpantry.com and "Like" us on Facebook!

Our vestibule is open to receive donations 24 hours a day!

## THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

Today:-9:15 a.m., Sunday School/Confirmation Class organizational meeting.<br/>-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church.

- 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.
- Thursday: -1 p.m., Dulcimer rehearsal.
- Sunday: -9:15 a.m., Sunday School. -10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church. -Voters' Assembly.