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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SEPTEMBER 25, 2011 – 10:30 a.m.

*Please Stand as **YOU** Are Able

PEOPLE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER TODAY

Marian G., Reba S., Sue C., Flo B., Ethel B., Virginia F., Cathryn R., Goldie K., Jean M., Cassie S., Ruth C., Ray B., Anna Mary Z., Paul W., Bob C., Linda R., Audrey M., Conner L., George and Mary Lorraine H., Laurie F., Christy H., Mason B., Beth S., Harold S., Denny K., and Dorothy P.

PREPARATION

CHIMES: CALL TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

[A Time for Meditation and Prayer]

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTRODUCTION

Jesus' parable about two sons who don't do what they say reveals surprises in the reign of God, such as prostitutes and tax collectors going before others into God's kingdom. In the reading from Ezekiel the people question whether the ways of the Lord are unfair; instead they are to repent and turn to the Lord. Paul urges us to look to Christ as a model of humility, looking to the interests of others above our own. Nourished by the broken bread and shared cup, we offer our lives for the sake of our needy 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 "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" p. 14 in bulletin

* 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 **God of love, giver of life, you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them, keep us from those things that harm us, and guide us in the way of salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

WORD

Ezekiel challenges those who think they cannot change because of what their parents were and did, or who think they cannot turn from their wicked ways. God insistently invites people to turn and live.

FIRST READING: A reading from Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

THE LESSON READS:

The word of the LORD came to me: ²What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge"? ³As I live, says the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. ⁴Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

²⁵Yet you say, "The way of the LORD is unfair." Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? ²⁶When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. ²⁷Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. ²⁸Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. ²⁹Yet the house of Israel says, "The way of the LORD is unfair." O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

³⁰Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. ³¹Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? ³²For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord GOD. Turn, then, and live.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God. (spoken)

PSALM: Psalm 25:1-9 (**Responsively**)

L – Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love. (Ps. 25:6)

¹To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

²My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

³Let none who look to you be put to shame; rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

⁴Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.

⁵Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

⁶Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.

⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

⁸You are gracious and upright, O LORD; therefore you teach sinners in your way.

⁹You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.

ALL – Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love.

As part of a call for harmony rather than self-seeking, Paul uses a very early Christian hymn that extols the selflessness of Christ in his obedient death on the cross. Christ's selfless perspective is to be the essential perspective we share as the foundation for Christian accord.

SECOND READING: A reading from Philippians 2:1-13

THE LESSON READS:

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, ²make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. ⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death — even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. ¹²Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; ¹³for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

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.

After driving the moneychangers out of the temple (21:12), Jesus begins teaching there. His authority is questioned by the religious leaders, who are supposed to be in charge of the temple.

* GOSPEL: Matthew 21:23-32

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 21st chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)

THE GOSPEL READS:

²³When [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" ²⁴Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' ²⁶But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." ²⁷So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

²⁸What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' ²⁹He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. ³⁰The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. ³¹Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. ³²For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ. (spoken)

SERMON

Pastor Esborn

* HYMN OF THE DAY

"Faith of Our Fathers"

p. 14 in bulletin

* 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].

* SUNG OFFERTORY ('vineyards')

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, 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 Seeking the renewal of the Holy Spirit in our communities and in our world, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

P Holy and righteous God, humble your people, and turn us back to you. Give us new hearts and new spirits, so that your will may be accomplished through the work of your servants. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Send rain and sunshine for the renewal of the earth. Inspire people with innovative ways to reduce and reverse pollution, so that plentiful nourishment may come forth from the earth. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Place words of truth on the tongues of political, religious, and cultural leaders. May they be agents of cooperation, justice, and peace for all peoples. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P By your divine and compassionate power deliver those in the depths of human sorrow (especially all of our shut-ins [both at home and in nursing homes], Paul Woltman, Bob Cameron, Linda Rhine, Audrey Morral, Connor Lauver, George Sr. and Mary Lorraine Hazard and family, Laurie Funk, Christy Hall, Mason Beward, Beth Smith, Cassie Smith, Harold B. Shearer, Denny King, and Dorothy Patterson). Assure them that Christ walks with them in their suffering. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Encourage us to make a joyful noise throughout all the earth, as we sing your praise. Loosen our tongues to proclaim with gladness your righteousness and your care for humankind. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P In the lives of the saints, you reveal the abundant life that you intend for us. Open our lives to greater joy in Christlike humility and in service to others. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Into your hands, holy God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant 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 "The Lord Now Sends Us Forth" p. 15 in bulletin

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**

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 – Bob St. Clair

NEXT WEEK'S ALTAR GUILD – Linda Clark

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.

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.

ALTAR FLOWERS are presented to the Glory of God and in honor of our Property Committee.

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 – Arthur Schnabel – Piano Virtuoso: “The notes I handle no better than many other pianists. But the pauses between the notes – ah that is where the art resides.”

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

CHURCH ORGANIST for weekly services, beginning immediately, at Messiah Lutheran Church, 3 South Third Street, Mifflintown, PA. Allen Digital Electric Organ and Kurzweil Electronic Keyboard. Candidates should contact Ed Beaver at ebeaver41@yahoo.com or at 436-9382 for information, including salary. Additional information about the church and congregation can be found at www.mlcmifflintown.org.

THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE will meet September 26, 2011 (fourth Monday), in the choir room at 6:30 p.m. Please let the chairperson know if you cannot attend.

FOLDING CHAIRS FOR SALE – Please see a Property Committee member as soon as possible if you are interested in purchasing some folding chairs at \$5.00 a piece. The money will be put into a leaf/light snow blower fund.

RECEIVED IN STAINED GLASS FUND on Sunday, September 18, 2011: \$105.00. This brings the total received to \$62,662.00 of the total \$85,890.00 needed for the project.

RELAY FOR LIFE SPAGHETTI DINNER – An all-you-can-eat Spaghetti Dinner, sponsored by Joe's OIP of Lewistown, will be held today from 11:30 a.m. till 1:30 p.m. in Messiah's Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children (4-12), and children 3 and under FREE (take-out orders available). Dinner includes spaghetti (with plain or meat sauce), salad, bread, beverage, and dessert. Monetary donations would be gratefully accepted. Tickets are available at the door.

PPC BOARD DIRECTORS are asked to submit their proposed 2012 budgets to Ken Eyler by the next PPC meeting (October 16, 2011). You may place them in Ken's mailbox in the church office or by email to keyler@nmax.net.

BLANKET SUNDAY will be observed on Sunday, October 2, 2011. Along with all ELCA congregations, you are invited to make a donation to Lutheran World Relief in the special Blanket Sunday envelopes that are attached to the September newsletters throughout the church (envelopes will also 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!

WOMEN OF THE ELCA

FOR YOUR INFORMATION – A change has been made in Messiah Women of the ELCA, Claire Mumma, who has been treasurer for 22 years, decided that it was time for her to hand the job over to another. Cynthia Smith offered to take on the job and was elected by the group and began her duties at the September meeting. Cynthia will be the one to whom you will give any financial contributions to for the Women of the ELCA.

TO CLAIRE, we have appreciated all that you have done to keep the finances of the Messiah Women of the ELCA in order and keeping us in good standing with the Women's Synodical Unit of the Upper Susquehanna Synod. You have always paid our bills on time and faithfully kept us up to date with the support and correspondence of our American Indian boy. Well done, thou good and faithful servant.

THE NEXT MEETING OF MESSIAH WOMEN OF THE ELCA will be Thursday, October 13, 2011 with Cynthia Smith as devotional leader. **NOTE:** We will meet on Thursday, September 29th at 6:00 p.m. to pack the soap, quilts, school kits and health kits for shipment.

LWR QUILT & KIT SHIPPING FUND – Each year LWR spends nearly \$1.7 million to operate its Quilt & Kit Ministry. Those funds, combined with the generosity of quilters and kit-makers throughout the United States, enable LWR to distribute more than \$12 million worth of Quilts and Kits annually. With more than 60 years of experience in shipping humanitarian aid, and by working with qualified partner organizations poised to assist with distributing millions of Quilts and Kits each year, LWR can send a quilt or Kit to a person in need for little more than the spare change you might have in your pocket.

LWR's Approximate Cost to Deliver Quilts, Kits and Soap Overseas

One Quilt	\$2.25
One School Kit	\$1.40
One Personal Care Kit	\$2.65*
One Baby Care Kit	\$1.30
One Fabric Kit	\$1.00
One 18-pound Carton of Soap	\$11.60

**Includes the cost of toothpaste to go with the Personal Care Kit*

MESSIAH WOMEN OF THE ELCA continuously collect new bath-size bars of soap (4 oz. to 5 oz., 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 Sunday School Room.

COMMUNITY

THE PENNSYLVANIA COUNCIL OF THE BLIND/Radio Reading Service is sponsoring a sandwich sale. Sandwiches are \$3.50 each and include your choice of Ham and Cheese or Turkey and Cheese. All orders and money are due by Wednesday, October 5, 2011 and sandwiches will be delivered on Friday, October 7th. You may order by calling 436-5907 or 436-2749, or use the sign-up sheet in the Adult Sunday School Room. Sandwiches will be made by Walnut Cheese Nook.

WE'RE LOOKING FOR TALENTED PEOPLE! It takes a special person to be a Thrivent Financial representative. It takes confidence, commitment, honesty—qualities that make us proud of the professionals who serve our members. Who do you know with these qualities?

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THE JUNIATA COUNTY CROP WALK will be held on Sunday, October 2, 2011 at the Walker Township Park—RAIN OR SHINE! Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. and the Walk at 1:30 p.m. The Short Walk will be 3 laps and the Long Walk will be 15 laps. There will be drawings for prizes periodically during the walk time. Games and activities will be provided throughout the afternoon and possibly some entertainment (but nothing confirmed as of this time). Tee Shirts will be available for persons with pledges totaling \$100 or more. Tee Shirts will also be sold for \$10 each after registration time is over. Please bring all pledge money to turn in on walk day! If you have any questions, call Becky Zeigler at 463-2309 or Kathy Whitesel at 436-2401. Sign-up sheets and donation envelopes are available in the Adult Sunday School Room.

THE AMERICAN RED CROSS is holding blood drives in the Mifflintown area at the following locations:

Saturday, October 1st

9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Heaven Bound Church

5246 West River Road, Mifflintown

Friday, October 7th

1:00 – 7:00 pm

Juniata Mennonite Church

289 Leonard Hill Road, McAlisterville

Friday, October 21st

12:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Messiah Lutheran Church

3 South Third Street, Mifflintown

Individuals who are in general good health, are age 17 or older (16 in PA with parental consent) and weigh at least 110 pounds are eligible to donate blood every 56 days. The need for blood never diminishes because blood is a perishable medicine. Individuals should bring their Red Cross donor cards, photo ID, or two other forms of ID to the donor site. All presenting donors will be entered into a drawing for the Red Cross "Bleed Blue" donor game package for the 2011 Alabama, Iowa, Purdue and Nebraska games! For information or to schedule an appointment, call 1-800 Red Cross.

NURSE'S NOTES – **Use vinegar to cut down cleaning with toxic chemicals.** Distilled white vinegar is great at removing stains and can be used for many cleaning chores while cutting down on toxic chemicals from household cleaners. Vinegar is great for cutting through grease, polishing, dissolving mineral deposits and deodorizing. Use 1 part vinegar with 3 parts water. This mixture is good for most countertops, sinks, stove top, glass and mirrors. Also can unclog shower head, and clean faucets, remove stains from toilets and clean a shower curtain.

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

- Today:** -FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY.
-9:15 a.m., Sunday School/New Member Class?
-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church.
-11:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m., Relay For Life Spaghetti Dinner in Fellowship Hall.
- Monday:** -6:30 p.m., Property Committee meeting in choir room.
-7 p.m., **NO BIBLE STUDY TONIGHT.**
-8 p.m., AA meeting.
- Tuesday:** -9 a.m., "The Needlers" in Fellowship Hall.
- Wednesday:** -7 p.m., Choir rehearsal.
- Friday:** -7 p.m., Square Dancing in Fellowship Hall.
- Sunday:** -9:15 a.m., Sunday School/Catechetical Class.
-10:30 a.m., World Communion Sunday.