# *"Proclaiming God's Love in Christ and His people"*



# THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

# August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Messiah Lutheran Church

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#### TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SERVICE OF THE WORD FOR HEALING August 7, 2016 – 9:15 a.m.

\*Please Stand as YOU Are Able

#### PEOPLE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER TODAY

Those we want to remember in prayer today-please refer to "Prayers of Intercession."

#### PREPARATION

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE:

[A Time for Meditation and Prayer]

INTRODUCTION

Jesus says, "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." It is God's promise from the beginning—to Abraham, to the early church, and to the "little flock" of which we are a part today in assembly. Faith, God's baptismal gift, trusts the promises of God. Have no fear.

#### \* 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

"Faith of Our Fathers"

- \* 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 Kyrie, eleison: **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P Christe, eleison: C Christ, have mercy.
- P Kyrie, eleison: C Lord, have mercy.

# \* HYMN OF PRAISE (sung)

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;

glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we

give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;

glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.

- Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
- you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;

glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the

Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth, and peace to God's people 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 God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

# WORD

God promises childless and aging Abram that a child of his own will be his heir and that his descendants will number as many as the stars. Abram trusts God's promise, and through this faith he is considered righteous.

#### FIRST READING

A reading from Genesis 15:1-6

# THE LESSON READS:

<sup>1</sup>After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." <sup>2</sup>But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." <sup>4</sup>But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." <sup>5</sup>He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." <sup>6</sup>And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

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

PSALM: Psalm 33:12-22 (Responsively)

L - Let your lovingkindness be upon us, as we place our hope in you. (Ps. 33:22)

<sup>12</sup>Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD! Happy the people chosen to be God's heritage! <sup>13</sup>The LORD looks down from heaven, and sees all humankind.

<sup>14</sup>God sits firmly enthroned and watches all who dwell on the earth.

<sup>15</sup>God fashions all their hearts and observes all their deeds.

<sup>16</sup>A king is not saved by the size of the army, nor are warriors rescued by their great strength.
<sup>17</sup>The horse gives vain hope for victory; despite its great strength it cannot save.

<sup>18</sup>Truly, your eye is upon those who fear you, O LORD, upon those who wait for your steadfast love,

<sup>19</sup>to deliver their lives from death, and to keep them alive in time of famine.

<sup>20</sup>Our innermost being waits for you, O LORD, our helper and our shield.

<sup>21</sup>Surely, our heart rejoices in you, for in your holy name we put our trust.

<sup>22</sup>Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, be upon us, even as we place our hope in you.

#### All – Let your lovingkindness be upon us, as we place our hope in you.

Abraham and Sarah exemplify the vision of faith that people of God enact in every age. Their hope and trust in God's promise allowed them to face an unknown future and to receive the promise of God.

#### SECOND READING

A reading from Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

#### THE LESSON READS:

<sup>1</sup>Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. <sup>2</sup>Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. <sup>3</sup>By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

<sup>8</sup>By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. <sup>9</sup>By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. <sup>10</sup>For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. <sup>11</sup>By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. <sup>12</sup>Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

<sup>13</sup>All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, <sup>14</sup>for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. <sup>15</sup>If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. <sup>16</sup>But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

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

\* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (sung)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? Alleluia. You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

Jesus encourages disciples to invest their hearts and live fully into God's reign. Instead of facing life with fear, those who know God's generosity are always ready to receive from God and to give to others.

\* GOSPEL: Luke 12:32-40

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 12<sup>th</sup> chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)

#### THE GOSPEL READS:

[Jesus said:] <sup>32</sup>"Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup>Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

<sup>35</sup>Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; <sup>36</sup>be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. <sup>37</sup>Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. <sup>38</sup>If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

<sup>39</sup>But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>40</sup>You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ. (spoken)

SERMON

Pastor LeRoy Reitz

\* HYMN OF THE DAY "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

\* 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 vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, Lord, and give us a foretaste 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 Rooted in Christ and rising to serve, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

- P Faithful God, encourage your church in new ventures of faith: new congregations, ministries, conversations, and partnerships. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- P Creating God, the abundance of your creation fills us with awe and delight. Call us daily to be vigilant and responsible stewards of all you have made. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- P Merciful God, calm the fears that produce wars, prejudice, and injustice. Equip governments, leaders, and peacemakers to be models of cooperation and reconciliation among the nations. Hear us, O God.

# C Your mercy is great.

P Restoring God, comfort all who long for relief from circumstances of grief or sickness (especially all of our shut-ins: Reba Sigler, Kitty Walters, Flo Beale, Jean McNaight, Jane Marhefka, Fay McCormick, Ruth Cisney, Ray Bramm, Dottie Smith, Dorothy Cleck, Carol Simonton, Lura Aughey, Mona Lawson, Sara Ann Aurand, and Jim Yetter). And for Bob & Jeanette St. Clair, Rick Waller, Sr., Avonel Waller, Jim Woltman, Bob Cameron, Michal Gayer, Joan Foltz, Bill Geise, Mary Ernest, Josh Delancey, Earl Lawson, Ellwood Miller, Cindy Reed, Marylou Hazard, Letha Swab, John Miller, Brady Mingle, and Belva Fulton. Bless hospitals, mental health facilities, and all places of healing. Hear us, O God.

# C Your mercy is great.

- P Steadfast God, we pray for those in life transitions that bring anxiety. Heal those hurt by broken promises, and sustain them with your never-ending love. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

- P Heavenly Father, we give you thanks for all the saints who now enjoy unfailing treasure in heaven, and we rejoice that we are united with them in your love. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- P We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

# THE RITE OF HEALING THE LAYING ON OF HANDS

- P Those who wish to receive the laying on of hands as a commitment to God's power to heal may come down the center aisle in two lines to the right and left of the altar. This may include those in need of physical, emotional, or mental healing. It may include those in need of reconciliation in their relationship to God or neighbor. It may include those who wish to commit their ministry of healing into the hands of God: as a doctor, nurse or health care worker.
- P Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. We give you thanks for this oil, for the fruit of the trees, nurtured in the warmth of the sun, watered from the rain of the heavens, the olives harvested, and oil pressed from the fruit of the trees. With oil, you anointed your chosen people Israel, and fed them with choice flour, oil, and honey. You anointed Aaron and made oil a sign of blessing for your chosen ones. You promised to anoint with oil those who walk through the valley of the shadow of death. You have anointed your own Son with the oil of gladness. The Good Samaritan tended a stranger, bound up his wounds, and poured oil on them. You gave the disciples power to heal, to cure, and to anoint with oil many who were sick. Your own body was anointed for burial by the woman who poured expensive ointment on his feet and wiped them with her hair. The virgins met the bridegroom and trimmed their oil lamps to burn brightly for the celebration, the feast to come.

(Then for each individual the following is said with the laying on of hands):

P I lay my hands upon you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, beseeching him to uphold you and fill you with grace, that you may know the healing power of his love.

# C Amen.

P (Name), I anoint you with oil in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

# C Amen.

- \* PRAYER OF COMMITMENT (for all)
  - P The almighty Lord a stronger tower to all who put their trust in him, to whom all things in heaven, on earth, and under the earth bow and whom they obey—be

now and evermore your defense, and make you know and feel that the only name under heaven given for health and salvation is the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

# \* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray.

Merciful Lord God, constant source of all healing, we give you thanks for all your gifts of strength and life, and above all we thank you for the gift of your Son, through whom we have health and salvation. As we wait for that day when there will be no more pain, help us by your Holy Spirit to be assured of your power in our lives and to trust in your eternal love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

- 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 Amen, Amen, Amen (sung)
- \* CLOSING HYMN "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

#### 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.

(If you desire, you may take a gluten free wafer located on the oak pedestal on the step in front of the chancel).

# 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
- \* THE SENDING AND BLESSING OF COMMUNION ASSISTANTS
  - P As we go into the world serving the ministry of Christ, may those who will extend this meal to the homebound take from the Lord's Table what we have received here today; the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ and his promise of forgiveness. In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
  - 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 NEXT WEEK'S ACOLYTE – Nate Swailes

#### **WELCOME**

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 or indicate such in the Friendship Pads being sure to include your contact information. 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.

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.

GLUTEN FREE WAFERS ARE ALSO PROVIDED FOR COMMUNION. Wine and wheat wafers are used and if you so desire, you may take a gluten free wafer located on the oak pedestal on the step in front of the chancel.

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.

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 loving memory of Richard Nace by Carole, Heidi and family and Jennifer and family.

PRAYER REQUESTS will be placed in the Sunday bulletin for <u>one month</u>. If you wish to have someone included in the prayer list for an additional month, please contact Judy directly at the church office at 436-6213 or at <u>messiahlutheran@pa.net</u>. If you have anyone who is a "last minute" addition after the bulletin has been printed on Fridays, please fill out an orange prayer card in the pew and lay it on the stand where the gluten free wafers are placed PRIOR to the morning worship service.

# THE DEADLINE FOR ALL ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SUNDAY BULLETIN IS <u>THURSDAY</u> <u>NOON</u>.

JUST A THOUGHT – M. F. Unger, Christian Thinker: Divine inspiration makes the Bible uniquely the Word of God and not merely a book containing the Word of God, and as such is different from any other book sacred or secular.

#### **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.

TREASURER AWAY – I will be on a family vacation at Deep Creek Lake in Maryland from July 30 to August 6. I can be reached by email, text or cell phone at 717-543-7953. Please expect all financial reports to be a week or two later than normal. Thanks, Ann.

HOME COMMUNION – The Compassionate Services Committee is again looking for people who would like to give Communion to our shut-ins. A rotating schedule of our shut-ins is used on a quarterly basis. If interested in this important ministry, contact Don Geedey. Phone: 436-6433 or Email: <u>geedey@centurylink.net</u>.

CRUCIFER AND ACOLYTE TRAINING (for new as well as veterans of this service) will be held on Sundays, August 21 and 28, before or right after church services. Kids grade 3 and up including those already confirmed are invited to attend.

SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICES – A reminder that the summer worship services will continue through Sunday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, with worship beginning at 9:15 a.m. Regular worship service, with service time at 10:30 a.m. will return on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

NEED A CRIB? There is an extra crib in the Fellowship Hall. Messiah was pleased to have two people donate Pac and Plays to the church. If you could use a crib, please call the church office.

JUNE FINANCIAL REPORT PACKETS (with yellow covers) are available on the piano. If you have any questions, call Ann Beaver at 436-9382.

K & C CHURCH PROGRAM – Through the months of October—April our church has been accumulating four cents for every eligible gallon purchased by the church and by our parishioners in a pre-buy program from K & C Fuel. We received a check from K & C for \$120.68 from this program.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to press quilt tops for "The Needlers." Tops can be taken home and pressed and brought back to the church. Anyone who is interested, please contact one of "The Needlers."

GIANT STORE GIFT CARDS are also now available as well as the Weis Cards to purchase from members of the Disciples Class.

WEEKLY CHURCH OFFICE HOURS are as follows:

Tuesday – 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Thursday – 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Friday – 12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m**.

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.

#### WOMEN OF THE ELCA

NEW BATH-SIZE BARS OF SOAP (4oz. to 5oz., preferably Ivory or unscented Dove) is continuously collected 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.

SCHOOL KITS – We will be collecting items for School Kits beginning in June. Items needed are: 70-sheet notebooks, college-ruled paper 8 x  $10\frac{1}{2}$  inches, 30 centimeter rulers or rulers with cm on one side and inches on the other, pencil sharpeners, blunt scissors, unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers, black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel pens), boxes of 16 or 24 crayons, and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inch erasers. Items may be placed on the table with the basket in the Adult Sunday School Room.

#### **COMMUNITY**

MEALS-ON-WHEELS needs volunteer cooks, drivers and people to help assemble meals. **Cooks are especially needed for the 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday and 5<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month**. If you have some spare time and can help, please call Dottie Heck at 436-6002 or 717-348-1950 (cell).

THE STAFF OF HOSPICE: The Bridge, Lewistown Home Health is looking for volunteers to share the gift of caring with those who have end-stage illnesses. Training will be held at the convenience of the participants. For more information, please contact Marina at 242-5000.

THE CROP WALK will be held this year on Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at Walker Township Park. A promoter for each church is needed. Please email Graham Fowler at <u>pastor.lostcreekpres@gmail.com</u> if you are interested in being the promoter for your church.

#### FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR AUGUST

#### FRESH GARDEN PRODUCE AND ANY NON-PERISHABLE FOODS, TOOTHPASTE, TOOTHBRUSHES, SHAMPOO, LOTION, BATH SOAP, OVER-THE-COUNTER PAIN AND COLD MEDICINES, BAND AIDS AND ANTIBIOTIC OINTMENT

#### WE ALSO GLADLY ACCEPT DONATIONS OF CASH/CHECKS AND GIFT CARDS.

(VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED FOR A NUMBER OF POSITIONS)

#### THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

- Today: -9:15 a.m., Worship/Communion.
- Monday: -8 p.m., AA meeting in Fellowship Hall.
- **Tuesday:** -7 p.m., 4-H Beef Club in Youth Area.
- **Thursday:** -7 p.m., WELCA meeting in Youth Area.
- Sunday: -9:15 a.m., Worship/Communion.