

# Messiah Lutheran Church

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## FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST June 19, 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

This Sunday's texts paint startling pictures of the horrific—the demonic—nature of sin. The church's repeated celebration of the holy communion counters that tragic reality in a continued showing forth of the death of Jesus “until he comes.” It is a dramatic declaration of “how much God has done for you.”

### \* 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 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

\* 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 O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**WORD**

The prophet announces God's impatience. The people's self absorption is idolatry, and images from pagan worship fill this reading. Like a vintner who crushes the grape to release the wine, God will use Israel's exile to establish a new community of the faithful.

FIRST READING

A reading from Isaiah 65:1-9

THE LESSON READS:

I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, "Here I am, here I am," to a nation that did not call on my name. <sup>2</sup>I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; <sup>3</sup>a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; <sup>4</sup>who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; <sup>5</sup>who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. <sup>6</sup>See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps <sup>7</sup>their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the LORD; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. <sup>8</sup>Thus says the LORD: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, "Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it," so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. <sup>9</sup>I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.** (spoken)

PSALM: Psalm 22:19-28 (Responsively)

L – In the midst of the assembly I will praise you. (Ps. 22:22)

<sup>19</sup>But you, O LORD, be not far away; O my help, hasten to my aid.

<sup>20</sup>**Deliver me from the sword, my life from the power of the dog.**

<sup>21</sup>Save me from the lion's mouth! From the horns of wild bulls you have rescued me.

<sup>22</sup>**I will declare your name to my people; in the midst of the assembly I will praise you.**

<sup>23</sup>You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's line, give glory. Stand in awe of the LORD, all you offspring of Israel.

<sup>24</sup>**For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the LORD's face hidden from them; but when they cry out, the LORD hears them.**

<sup>25</sup>From you comes my praise in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.

<sup>26</sup>**The poor shall eat and be satisfied. Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!**

<sup>27</sup>All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD; all the families of nations shall bow before God.

<sup>28</sup>**For dominion belongs to the LORD, who rules over the nations.**

**ALL – In the midst of the assembly I will praise you.**

For Paul, baptism is a powerful bond that unites people not only with God but with other believers. Those who call themselves children of God experience a transformation that removes prejudices of race, social class, or gender in favor of true unity in Christ.

## SECOND READING

A reading from Galatians 3:23-29

THE LESSON READS:

<sup>23</sup>Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup>Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup>But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, <sup>26</sup>for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. <sup>27</sup>As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. <sup>28</sup>There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup>And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.** (spoken)

\* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (sung)

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

Jesus' mission includes foreigners, and his authority extends to the casting out of demons. Some who witness Jesus' work are seized with confusion and fear, but the man who was healed is commissioned to give testimony of God's mercy and power.

\* GOSPEL: Luke 8:26-39

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 8<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C Glory to you, O Lord.** (spoken)

THE GOSPEL READS:

<sup>26</sup>Then [Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee.

<sup>27</sup>As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. <sup>28</sup>When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"— <sup>29</sup>for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.)

<sup>30</sup>Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him.

<sup>31</sup>They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

<sup>32</sup>Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup>Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

<sup>34</sup>When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup>Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. <sup>36</sup>Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. <sup>37</sup>Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. <sup>38</sup>The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup>Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you. So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.** (spoken)

SERMON

Pastor Esborn

\* HYMN OF THE DAY "God, Whose Almighty Word"

\* 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 Let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

P Gracious God, we pray for the church. Keep it faithful to you, so that your people here stand in witness to proclaim how much you have done for us in Jesus Christ.

Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P We pray for the well-being of creation. Tend and nurture plants and animals, lands, seas, and skies. Restore the vitality of lands and waters suffering from human misuse or natural disaster. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P We pray for the nations. Work in and through governments, humanitarian organizations, and local partnerships to cast out the forces of evil and establish your life and peace. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P We pray for all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. Be with those who know demons of any kind, and clothe them with Christ's freedom and healing. We pray (especially for all of our shut-ins: Reba Sigler, Kitty Walters, Flo Beale, Ethel Bossinger, Jean McNaught, 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, Norman Esborn, John Miller, Mary Ernest, Dutch Walters, Josh Delancey, Earl Lawson, Wendy Varner, and Ellwood Miller. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P We pray for this congregation. Establish and renew our faith, strengthen our

ministries, and bless those preparing for baptism. Bless fathers and all who provide fatherly care in their vocation to raise up our children in love. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P O God, you have called the saints your own. Gather us, with them, into your kingdom, in the promise of life forever with you. Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us; 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

“On Our Way Rejoicing”

**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**

#### \* 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 – Barbara S. Geedey

NEXT WEEK'S ACOLYTE – Harrison Mummah



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

ALTAR FLOWERS are presented to the Glory of God and in honor of Carter Ehrisman and Josslyn Geedey by Don and Barb Geedey.

PRAYER REQUESTS will be placed in the Sunday bulletin for **one month**. 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 [messiahlutheran@pa.net](mailto:messiahlutheran@pa.net). 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 THURSDAY NOON.

JUST A THOUGHT – Randy Alcorn, Contemporary American Protestant Author: Satan need not convince us that heaven does not exist. He need only convince us that heaven is a place of boring, unearthly existence.

## CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

PRAYER CHAIN – Any time you wish to add a name to our prayer list, please contact Stacie Kint at [dkint@nmax.net](mailto:dkint@nmax.net). If at any time you would like to receive emails with prayer requests, please also contact Stacie.

ANNOUNCEMENTS—NEW TIME SLOT – At the last Worship & Music meeting, it was decided to change the time for anyone wishing to make announcements at the beginning of church services. **Beginning today (the first summer early service)**, announcements will be encouraged to begin 10 minutes prior to the start of worship, and PRIOR to the start of the Organ Prelude. Thank you!

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT:

June 12, 2016 Worship Service

Attendance – 67  
Total Offering - \$4027.00  
                  \$1070.00  
General Fund - \$2957.00

Sunday School

Attendance – NA

Other funds

Sunday School - NA  
Benevolence - \$ 165.00  
World Humber - \$ 130.00  
Summer Camp - \$ 650.00  
Building Fund \$ 105.00  
Junior Church \$ 20.00  
\$ 1070.00

MAY FINANCIAL REPORTS: The Messiah financial reports (with yellow covers) for May 2016 are available for members on the piano in the Adult Sunday School Room. Please take one and contact Ann Beaver with questions.

SUMMER WEDNESDAY EVENING QUIET COMMUNION, we are sorry to say, will be suspended this summer due to the limited hours of the Pastor and the past sparse attendance.

2016 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be held on Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6:00 to 8:15 p.m. The closing program will be held on Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> during the morning worship service. **Share the word about our Vacation Bible School program to your friends and family!**

DONATIONS NEEDED: Donations for Vacation Bible School crafts and snacks are listed on the bulletin board in the kitchenette. Please take the paper for the item you would like to donate and return the item by the date listed. A phone number is included on each paper if you have any questions.

POOL PARTY: We will be hosting a pool party at the Mifflin pool on Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. as a finale to Vacation Bible School. The cost to reserve the pool is \$120. If you are interested in sponsoring a portion of the cost for the pool, please contact Kate Swailes or Ann Beaver.

VOLUNTEERS: We still need three crew leaders to guide the children from one station to another and also we need two volunteers to assist with registration on June 20<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Kate Swailes if you are interested in helping (717-649-0820).

LOST WEIS GIFT CARD – Messiah has been contacted by the Weis store that a gift card was lost in the parking lot and a kind person took the time to turn it in to the office. If you think it's yours, please call Ann Beaver at 436-9382 and tell her the denomination and approximately when you lost it and it will be returned to you.

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.

LUTHERAN STUDY BIBLES – Each year Augsburg Fortress runs a summer sale on selected items. The Board of Christian Education has been charged by PPC with the responsibility of watching for this sale and then purchasing a minimum of ten (10) Lutheran Study Bibles for next year's confirmation students – these to become each student's personal Bible. (These are "adult" study Bibles of the New Revised Standard Version translation). Further, this Board was instructed to open the opportunity to the congregation for anyone wishing to personally buy one or more of these Bibles and thereby take advantage of the lower sale price. The regular price of these HARDBACK Bibles is \$34.99 if purchased singly. The sale price is \$24.50. (This represents a savings of 30%). Anyone wishing to buy a Lutheran Study Bible at this lower sale price should contact the Church Secretary by June 23<sup>rd</sup>. You can pay for your Bible when you pick it up.

THE STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL will be held on Saturday, June 25, 2016 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Home-made chocolate and vanilla ice cream will be served plus strawberry shortcake. A variety of toppings and strawberries will be available and chips, pretzels and beverages. Come for supper or dessert!

CARDS – Dutch Walters is now at Brookline Manor and Rehab. If you would like to send a card, please send it to: P.O. Box 61, Port Royal, PA 17082.

THE SECRETARY'S WEEKLY 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.

REMAINING ITEMS NEEDED for Personal Care Kits are: 14 sturdy combs (not the small men's combs or combs with the long, thin handles), and 16 individually wrapped tooth brushes. Items may be placed on one of the tables 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 10½ 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 2½ inch erasers. Items may be placed on the table with the basket in the Adult Sunday School Room.

THE UPPER SUSQUEHANNA SYNODICAL WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION ANNUAL CONVENTION will be held on Saturday, July 23, 2016 at the Evergreen Center at Camp Mount Luther. More information will be forth coming. If anyone is interested in attending, please contact Barb Geedey or Cynthia Smith.

### **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).

### **FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR JUNE**

ALL NON-PERISHABLE FOODS, PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS (SHAMPOO, DEODORANT, TOOTHPASTE, TOOTHBRUSHES, LOTION, AND OVER-THE-COUNTER ALLERGY MEDICINES) PAPER SUPPLIES (TISSUES & PAPER TOWELS). WE ALSO GLADLY ACCEPT DONATIONS OF CASH AND GIFT CARDS FOR GROCERY & DISCOUNT STORES. **NOTE:** WE ARE **NO LONGER ACCEPTING** PLASTIC GROCERY BAGS OR EGG CARTONS.

## THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

- Today:** -9:15 a.m., Summer Worship/Communion.
- Monday:** -6-8:15 p.m., Vacation Bible School.
- Tuesday:** -6-8:15 p.m., Vacation Bible School.  
-8:15 p.m., PPC meeting.
- Wednesday:** -6-8:15 p.m., Vacation Bible School.
- Thursday:** -6-8:15 p.m., Vacation Bible School.  
-NEWSLETTER DEADLINE.
- Friday:** -7-9 p.m., VBS Pool Party at Mifflin Pool.
- Sunday:** -FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY.  
-9:15 a.m., Summer Worship/Communion/VBS Closing Program.  
-Voters' Assembly – Election of new PPC Officers.