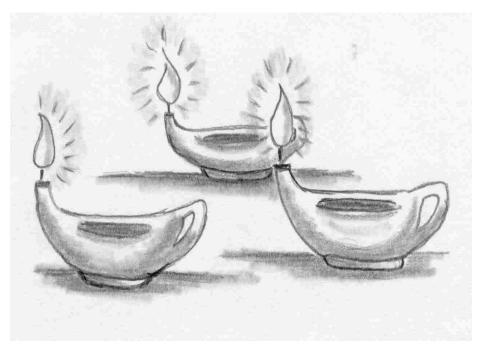
## "Growing God's Kingdom"



# TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 **MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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### TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST September 1, 2019 – 10:30 a.m.

\*Please Stand as **YOU** Are Able

#### **PREPARATION**

CHIMES: CALL TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE:

[Please use the Prelude as a quiet time to prepare yourself for Worship]

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTRODUCTION

Invited and inviting—that is the nature of the church. By God's grace in holy baptism we have a place at the banquet table of the Lord. When, by the power of that same Spirit, humility and mutual love continue among us, the church can be more inviting still.

#### \* 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.

#### **GATHERING**

- \* GATHERING HYMN "Lord Jesus, Think on Me" #309 Green Hymnal
- \* 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:
P Christe, eleison:
C Lord, have mercy.
C Christ, have mercy.
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 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 God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### WORD

The book of Proverbs is part of a collection of writings known as wisdom literature. Wisdom literature gave directions to Israel's leaders and people for the conduct of daily life. Today's reading is about humility.

#### FIRST READING

A reading from Proverbs 25:6-7

#### THE LESSON READS:

<sup>6</sup>Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great; <sup>7</sup>for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

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

PSALM: Psalm 112 (responsively)

L – The righteous are merciful and full of compassion. (Ps. 112:4)

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the LORD and have great delight in God's commandments!

<sup>2</sup>Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

<sup>3</sup>Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.

<sup>4</sup>Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

<sup>5</sup>It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

<sup>6</sup>For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

<sup>7</sup>They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

<sup>8</sup>Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.

<sup>9</sup>They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.

<sup>10</sup>The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.

#### All – The righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

The conclusion of the letter to the Hebrews contains suggestions for the conduct of a holy life, all of which are shaped by God's love toward us in Jesus Christ.

#### SECOND READING

A reading from Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

#### THE LESSON READS:

<sup>1</sup>Let mutual love continue. <sup>2</sup>Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. <sup>3</sup>Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. <sup>4</sup>Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. <sup>5</sup>Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." <sup>6</sup>So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?"

<sup>7</sup>Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. <sup>8</sup>Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. <sup>15</sup>Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. <sup>16</sup>Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

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 observes guests jockeying for position at the table. He uses the opportunity to teach his hearers to choose humility rather than self-exaltation. Jesus also makes an appeal for hosts to mimic God's gracious hospitality to the poor and the broken.

\* GOSPEL: Luke 14:1, 7-14

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)

#### THE GOSPEL READS:

¹On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. <sup>7</sup>When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. <sup>8</sup>"When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; <sup>9</sup>and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. <sup>10</sup>But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. <sup>11</sup>For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

<sup>12</sup>He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. <sup>13</sup>But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. <sup>14</sup>And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

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

#### CHILDREN'S SERMON SERMON

Sam Leister Sam Leister

- \* HYMN OF THE DAY "The Church of Christ, in Every Age" #433 Green Hymnal
- \* APOSTLES' CREED

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.

#### \* PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P Sustained and nurtured by our generous God, we gather as one to pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

P God of peace, we pray for the leaders, teachers, and preachers who fearlessly share your word and who reveal you through humble sacrifice. Uphold and sustain all who seek to live in a way that is pleasing to you. Lord, in your mercy,

#### C hear our prayer.

P God of generosity, we pray for crops growing ripe in the fields and fruit becoming ready to harvest. Grant safety to workers who will gather this bounty, and bless the yield to come. Lord, in your mercy,

#### C hear our prayer.

P God of power, we pray for humility, kindness, and generosity to be instilled in the leaders of all nations. Inspire them to become models of servanthood, and to work for worldwide peace and prosperity. Lord, in your mercy,

#### C hear our prayer.

P God of love, we pray for all those who are forgotten or pushed aside; for those who are suffering from poverty, neglect, physical or emotional trauma; and those who are homeless or are without a homeland. Lord, in your mercy,

#### C hear our prayer.

P Today, we pray especially for our shut-ins, the sick, and those who are in need of our prayers, compassion, and care, and who are listed in our prayer list located back of our bulletin.

(Pause for additional prayer requests.)

#### C hear our prayer.

P God of grace, we pray for students of all ages and disciplines, teachers and professors, teaching assistants and aids, substitute teachers, and administrators. Provide safety in travel and in the classroom, so that a spirit of learning is fostered for all. Lord, in your mercy,

#### C hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

**P** God of mercy, we remember those you love who now rest from their labors. Grant all your beloved saints a place at your eternal banquet table. Lord, in your mercy,

#### C hear our prayer.

- P Assured by your promise to hear us, we lay our prayers before your throne of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- 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."

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.

#### **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.

- \* 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 forever. 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].

[Gluten Free? If you desire, you may take a gluten free wafer located on the oak pedestal on the step in front of the chancel].

#### \* 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.

#### **SENDING**

- \* BLESSING
  - P Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
  - C Amen, Amen, Amen. (sung)
- \* SENDING HYMN "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life" #429 Green Hymnal
- \* DISMISSAL
  - P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
  - C Thanks be to God.

#### POSTLUDE:

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NEXT WEEK'S LECTOR - Randy Clark

NEXT WEEK'S ALTAR GUILD – Diana Wise & Cynthia Smith (8/26 – 9/29)

NEXT WEEK'S ACOLYTES - Nick Reed & Gabby Reed

NEXT WEEK'S OFFERING USHERS – Braedon Walton & Zeb Berry

NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP LEADER - Rev. Rosalie Smith

#### **PRAYER LIST**

Carole Baker Jane Ann Baney Donna Barton Lindsey Barton Bob Bell Joyce Bradley Andrea & Bob Cameron Don Clark Terry Coder Leann Crimmel Will DeLancy Fred Dowling Deanna Fawver Ed Fraker Joan Fulkroad Edie Kay Gill Angelica Hannon & Family Pastor Charlie Harshberger Josh Hohol Matt Hutchinson Curt & Judy Houtz Denny King Kevin Kint Carol Lyter Mike Maugans Carlen McClure Anne McNaight Tami Metz John Miller Larry Miller Shirley Miller Jim Minick Messiah's Call Committee Minnie Minick

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#### PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS

Ray Bramm Ruth Cisney Max & Mary Ernest Mona Lawson Jane Marhefka Carol Simonton Kitty Walters Jim Yetter

#### **WELCOME TO ALL**

WITH CHRIST'S LOVE AND GOD'S GRACE, we welcome all who worship at Messiah today. If you are a VISITOR or GUEST, we invite you to record 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. Young children are also encouraged to join us in our worship experience! We are so thankful that you joined us for worship today!

VISITORS AND GUESTS ARE INVITED TO COMMUNE WITH US TODAY. The Sacrament of Holy Communion is offered to all who are baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and who recognize the Sacrament as the promise of the presence of the Body and Blood of our Lord. Baptized children are also welcome to receive the elements at the Lord's Table at Messiah with the guidance and consent of their parents or guardians. Persons who may not wish to receive the bread and wine of the Lord's Supper are still welcome to come to the table to receive a blessing. To do so, please fold your hands and bow your head when you approach the pastor.

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

FOR YOUR COMFORT, restrooms are located in the hallway through the double doors of the Adult Sunday School Room and to the left.

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 memory of Denise Hower by family.

THIS MORNING WE ARE LED IN WORSHIP by Sam Leister an Authorized Lay Worship Leader of the Upper Susquehanna Synod. Authorized Lay Worship Leaders have received extensive training so as to provide worship leadership and preaching, and also have been authorized by the bishop of the synod to preside at the Eucharist in specific situations. The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) is committed to ordained ministry as the primary means for filling the needs of this church for Word and Sacrament, but at this place in the church's pilgrimage, the church's inability to provide all congregations with full-time ordained pastoral ministry presents a challenge. On any given Sunday, congregations have needs that cannot be met by available ordained ministers. Therefore, because it is the bishop's responsibility to meet the Word and Sacrament needs of the congregations in this synod, synodically authorized lay worship leaders are trained to meet this need. On behalf of the whole church, Bishop Collins is deeply gratified by the ministry of these servants of the Gospel.

JUST A THOUGHT – Steve Kamer, announcer for the TV program, "Inside Edition:" for without the resurrection there will not be a Christianity.

#### **CONGREGATIONAL NEWS**

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

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 the church office at 436-6213 or <u>mlchurchoffice@gmail.com</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.

PRAYER CHAIN – If you wish to be included on the email recipient list for the Messiah Prayer Chain, please send an email to Sam Leister at <a href="mailto:sleister@gmail.com">sleister@gmail.com</a>.

PLEASE NOTIFY THE CHURCH OFFICE for any change in addresses, phone numbers, email addresses, or for any requests for building usage. There are a lot of activities and some coordination is needed so events are not "overbooked" in any specific areas of the church (this also applies to church groups who meet in the church). Please contact the office at 436-6213 or email <a href="mailto:mlchurchoffice@gmail.com">mlchurchoffice@gmail.com</a> for any changes or requests.

THE SEPTEMBER 2019 "MESSIAH HERALD" is now available online. Hard copies are available in the church office, Adult Sunday School Room, Kitchenette, and Fellowship Hall. If you want something placed in the Messiah Herald, please contact BOTH the church office <a href="mlchurchoffice@gmail.com">mlchurchoffice@gmail.com</a> and Bob St. Clair <a href="mlchurchoffice@gmail.com">stclairb@embarqmail.com</a> prior to the newsletter deadline, which is listed on the calendar in the newsletter, or online at <a href="www.mlcmifflintown.org">www.mlcmifflintown.org</a>. Also, if anyone would like to add or remove names from our email list, please let Bob know as well.

SUNDAY'S SOLDIERS – Although we will typically meet the first Sunday of every month, our youth group, Sunday's Soldiers, will begin meeting on Sunday, September 8, immediately following church. We will have lunch, make plans for the year, and begin our acts of kindness project. Hope to see all of our youth there!

COPIES OF JULY 28, 2019 PPC MINUTES are available in the Adult Sunday School Room.

A SIGN-UP SHEET is posted in the Kitchenette for refreshments on Sunday mornings between Sunday School and church. Only one item is needed for each Sunday (such as a coffee cake, donut holes, etc.).

OUR NEXT EVENT is an Apple Festival on Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The Board will provide some apple desserts and beverages, as well as paper products. You are invited to bring your favorite apple dish as well.

CAMP MOUNT LUTHER has a need for small bookshelves and night stands for the counselors to use when staying in each of the cabins. Please contact Kate Swailes at 717-649-0820 if you are able to donate one of these items.

WEIS AND GIANT GIFT CARDS are available to purchase from the Disciples Class. This is a very important outreach ministry that helps neighbors in need in our own community. We thank each and every one for continued support of this very worthwhile project.

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.

#### 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.

#### GIVING REPORT FOR AUGUST 25, 2019

<u>Attendance</u>		Other Funds		
Worship Service	_	Benevolence -	\$	50.00
		Building Fund -	\$	460.00
Total Offering	\$3,027.00	Flowers -	\$	22.00
Other Funds	<b>\$1,297</b> .00	Memorial Fund -		
General Fund	\$1,730.00			

MESSIAH'S DOORS will be unlocked at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings for Sunday School and Worship.

#### WOMEN OF THE ELCA

NEW BATH-SIZE BARS OF SOAP (4 oz. to 5 oz., 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.

WELCA IS COLLECTING items for the Seafarers' Kits. Anyone who would like to contribute can bring items to the church and place them in the container provided for them. The items needed are: one sweatshirt (hooded or unhooded in sizes L-XL), 3 pairs of socks (thermal or white gym socks), one casual pull-over T-shirt in sizes M-L, and one heavy winter cap. The Seafarers enjoy sports teams and NASCAR heroes.

THE NEXT MESSIAH WELCA MEETING will be on Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Youth Area. Ann Beaver will be the leader and Jean Compton will provide refreshments.

COLLECTION for Fabric Kits includes: 2 pieces of cotton or cotton-blend fabric (NO KNITS OR 100% POLYESTER). Each piece of fabric is to be 2½ yards of 58"—62" wide fabric, or 3 yards of 42"—45" wide fabric, or 4 yards of 34"—37" wide fabric, and 2 spools of matching or neutral-colored general purpose thread, 250-300 yards each.

#### **COMMUNITY**

THE 46<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL JUNIATA COUNTY 5k Fun Walk/Run will be held Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at Walker Township Park, Mifflintown. Registration starts at 12:30 p.m. and the walk begins at 1:00 p.m. CROP Walks support Church World Service as they partner with hunger ministries in the United States and around the world. As part of that partnership, 25% of the funds the local CROP Walk raises will go to the Juniata County Food Pantry and Juniata County Meals-on-Wheels. There is no registration fee. Instead, walkers are asked to collect donations from friends and turn in those donations on the day of the walk. Make checks payable to CWS/CROP. You can register online at <a href="https://www.crophungerwalk.org/mifflintownpa">www.crophungerwalk.org/mifflintownpa</a>. Your supporters can make their donations online if they would like, or get a collection envelope by emailing Graham Fowler at <a href="mailto:gfowler66@gmail.com">gfowler66@gmail.com</a> or by calling the Lost Creek Presbyterian Church Office at 717-463-3138. If you have friends that like to walk together, form a team. You can include team information with your online registration or when you register the day of the walk. For more information or for promotional materials, check out our Facebook page: Juniata Co CROP 5k Fun Walk/Run.

JUNIATA COUNTY FAIR COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICE will be held on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>September 1</u>, <u>2019</u> at 4:30 p.m. 'rain or shine.' The event will be held under a large tent located on the upper Juniata County Fairgrounds (located in the general area of the George Settlemyer Livestock Building and along the Juniata County Fairgrounds roadway that is adjacent to 8<sup>th</sup> street and leads toward the free stage area). Juniata County Ministerium members/pastors will lead the community worship service. Special music will be provided by combined JHS & EJHS student musicians. Special thanks go to JHS band director Brad Eargle and EJHS band director Kevin Milliken! Please bring your own lawn chair. Suggestion: arrive at 4:00 p.m. to secure a parking space and your lawn chair seating position. A free-will offering will be collected to help support our local Juniata County Food Pantry and Juniata County Clearing House. This annual community worship service is held thanks to the ongoing support of the Juniata County Agricultural Society and the Juniata County Fair Board of Directors.

#### THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

**Today:** -9:15 a.m., Sunday School.

-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Children's Sermon. (Lay Worship Leader: Sam Leister).

Monday: -Labor Day Holiday.

-8:00 p.m., AA meeting in Fellowship Hall.

Tuesday: -9:00 a.m., "The Needlers" in Fellowship Hall.

**Wednesday:** -7:00 p.m., Choir rehearsal in Rearick Room.

**Thursday:** -1:00 p.m., Dulcimer rehearsal.

Sunday: -9:15 a.m., Sunday School.

-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church. "God's Work, Our Hands" Sunday. (Worship

Leader: Rev. Rosalie Smith).

#### MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH APPLE FESTIVAL SEPTEMBER 22, 2010 – 4:00 p.m.



Join us for Apple Pie, Ice Cream, Apple Sauce, Cider, and other apple treats in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, September 22 at 4:00 p.m. If you have any favorite apple recipes, feel free to bring them along. Please fill out the clip off sheet below and place it in the offering plate so we have an idea of how many will be attending.

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( ) ( I ), ( We ) will be attending the Apple Festival on September 22.
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