# "Growing God's Kingdom"



# Second Sunday after Epiphany

## January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020 **MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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## **TODAY'S INTRODUCTION:**

Today's gospel opens with further reflection on Jesus' baptism. He is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and the one anointed by the Spirit. In the liturgy we come and see Christ revealed among us in word and meal. We go forth to invite others to come and worship the Holy One, and to receive the gifts of grace and peace made known among us.

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# SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY January 19, 2020 – 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

### BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the eternal voice from heaven, the anointed and beloved one, the Spirit moving over the waters.
- C Amen.
- P As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession, trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

## Silence is kept for reflection.

- P God who searches us and knows us,
- C you have shown us what is good, but we have looked to other lights to find our way. We have not been just in our dealings with others. We have chosen revenge over mercy. We have promoted ourselves instead of walking humbly with you. With what shall we come before you? Forgive us our sin, and show us your salvation in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.
- P Beloved of God, you have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ. Receive the promise of baptism: You are God's child; + your sins are forgiven. Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.
- C Amen.

## \* SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

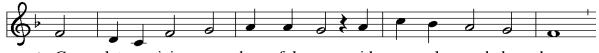
- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C And also with you.

Congregational sharing: "Peace be with you."

## **GATHERING**

- \* GATHERING HYMN "Hail to the Lord's Anointed" #87 Green Hymnal
- \* GREETING
  - P The grace of Jesus Christ, the mercy of the Holy One, and the Spirit of the living God be with you all.
  - C And also with you.
- \* KYRIE (spoken responsively)
  - P Lord, have mercy upon us.
  - P Christ, have mercy upon us.
  - P Lord, have mercy upon us.
- C Lord, have mercy upon us.
- C Christ, have mercy upon us.
- C Lord, have mercy upon us.
- \* CANTICLE OF PRAISE (In Unison)

## Come, Let Us Join



- 1 Come, let us join our cheer-ful songs with an-gels round the throne;
- 2 "Wor thy the Lamb that died," they cry, "to be ex alt ed thus!"
- 3 Je sus is wor thy to re-ceive hon or and pow'r di vine;
- 4 Let all cre a tion join in one to bless the sa cred name



ten thou-sand thou-sand are their tongues, but all their joys are one. "Wor - thy the Lamb," our lips re - ply, "for he was slain for us!" and bless-ings, more than we can give, be, Lord, for - ev - er thine. of God who sits up - on the throne, and to a - dore the Lamb.

- \* PRAYER OF THE DAY (In Unison)
  - P Let us pray...
  - C Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## **WORD**

Here the servant, identified as Israel, speaks for herself and describes her honored mission. Called before her birth like Jeremiah and John the Baptist, the servant is not only to restore Israel. The servant's ultimate assignment is to bring news of God's victory to the ends of the earth. God in faithfulness has chosen Israel for this task.

¹Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. ²He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. ³And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." ⁴But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God." ⁵And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength — ⁶he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." <sup>7</sup>Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

- L: Here ends the reading.
- C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 40:1-11 *(responsively)* 

<sup>1</sup>I waited patiently upon the LORD, who stooped to me and heard my cry.

<sup>2</sup>The LORD lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my footing sure.

<sup>3</sup>The LORD put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the LORD.

<sup>4</sup>Happy are they who trust in the LORD! They do not turn to enemies or to those who follow lies.

<sup>5</sup>Great are the wonders you have done, O LORD my God! In your plans for us, none can be compared with you! Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! But they are more than I can count.

<sup>6</sup>Sacrifice and offering you do not desire; you have opened my ears: burnt-offering and sinoffering you have not required.

<sup>7</sup>And so I said, "Here I am; I come. In the scroll of the book it is written of me:

8'I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep within me."

<sup>9</sup>I proclaimed righteousness in the great assembly; I have not restrained my lips, O LORD, you know.

<sup>10</sup>I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth from the great assembly.

<sup>11</sup>You are the LORD; do not withhold your compassion from me; may your steadfast love and your truth continually keep me safe.

Though God's church in Corinth is a fractious congregation beset with many conflicts, Paul opens this letter by spotlighting the multiple ways God has enriched and sustained its life as part of the divine call into the fellowship of our Lord Jesus Christ.

those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: <sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup>for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—<sup>6</sup>just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—<sup>7</sup>so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

- L: Here ends the reading.
- C: Thanks be to God.
- \* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (In Unison)



John the Baptist's witness to Jesus initiates a chain of testimony as his disciples begin to share with others what they have found.

- - P The Holy Gospel according to John, the  $1^{st}$  chapter.
  - C Glory to you, O Lord. (sung)

<sup>29</sup>[John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup>This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' <sup>31</sup>I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." <sup>32</sup>And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup>I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>34</sup>And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God." <sup>35</sup>The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup>and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" <sup>37</sup>The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup>When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" <sup>39</sup>He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon.

<sup>40</sup>One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. <sup>41</sup>He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). <sup>42</sup>He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON SERMON Vicar Leister Vicar Leister

\* HYMN OF THE DAY

"The Church's One Foundation"

#369 Green Hymnal

\* APOSTLES' CREED (In Unison)

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.

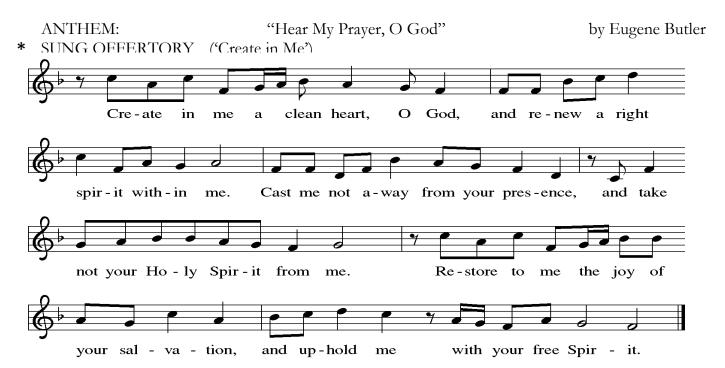
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### \* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Lord, in your mercy, C Hear our prayer.

## 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].



## \* OFFERING PRAYER

- P God of wonder, you formed us in our mother's womb, and from mother earth you bring forth this bread and wine. We place them on your table, together with our lives and all that you have made. Open the heavens to us and pour out your Spirit. We wait for your mercy; we long for your peace; we hunger and thirst for Jesus Christ, our banquet of life.
- C Amen.

#### **MEAL**

- \* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (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 O God most mighty, O God most merciful, O God our rock and our salvation, hear us as we praise, call us to your table, grant us your life.

When the earth was a formless void, you formed order and beauty. When Abraham and Sarah were barren, you sent them a child. When the Israelites were enslaved, you led them to freedom. Ruth faced starvation, David fought Goliath, and the psalmists cried out for healing, and full of compassion, you granted the people your life.

You entered our sorrows in Jesus our brother. He was born among the poor, he lived under oppression, he wept over the city. With infinite love, he granted the people your life.

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 his death, we cry out Amen. [Amen.]
Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen. [Amen.]
Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen. [Amen.]

O God, you are Breath: send your Spirit on this meal. O God, you are Bread: feed us with yourself. O God, you are Wine: warm our hearts and make us one. O God, you are Fire: transform us with hope.

O God most majestic, O God most motherly, O God our strength and our song, you show us a vision of a tree of life with fruits for all and leaves that heal the nations. Grant us such life, the life of the Father to the Son, the life of the Spirit of our risen Savior, life in you, now and forever.

C Amen.

## \* THE LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)

C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

### \* INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! Come to the table of mercy and joy.

## 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,

Faithful God, you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

#### SENDING

- \* BLESSING
  - P May Christ, the wisdom and power of God, and the source of our life together, keep you united in mind and purpose. And the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always.
  - C Amen, Amen, Amen. (sung)

\* SENDING HYMN

"Jesus Shall Reign"

#530 Green Hymnal

- \* DISMISSAL
  - P Go in peace. Let your light shine.
  - C Thanks be to God.

### POSTLUDE:

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NEXT WEEK'S LECTOR – Jean Compton

NEXT WEEK'S ALTAR GUILD - Kay Varner & Kim White (12/29/19-2/23/20)

NEXT WEEK'S ACOLYTES - Thea Beward & Sienna Guido

NEXT WEEK'S OFFERING USHERS - Harrison Mummah, Brennan Guido, Thea Beward & Hannah Ehrisman

## **PRAYER LIST**

Carole Baker Bill & Christie Holderman Jane Ann Baney Angelina Hannon Donna Barton Eddi Kay Gill Lindsey Barton Josh Hohol Bob Bell Matt Hutchinson Joyce Bradley Curt & Judy Houtz Andrea & Bob Cameron Denny King Pam Campbell Kevin Kint Terry Coder Carol Lyter Leann Crimmel Carlen McClure Will DeLancy Charlie, Amanda & Isabelle Guy Dillman Meinsler Fred & Dot Dowling Messiah's Teem Jerald Foltz Tami Metz Ed Fraker John Miller Bentley Fulkroad Larry Miller Joan Fulkroad Shirley Miller Jim Minick Terri Gayer

Dave Phelan Madison Norman Austin Parker Noel Peachey Butch & Sandy Pines Betty Ranck Mary Sanders Mackenzie Shearer Tim Smith Mike Sparks Bob & Jeanette St. Clair Dorothy Towsey Rich Walters Tim Weston Dottie Wilson Jim Woltman Mackenzie Wray Linda Zimmerman

Kitty Walters

Velma Suloff

Jim Yetter

## PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS

Ray Bramm Mona Lawson Ruth Cisney Jane Marhefka Margaret Guss Carol Simonton Max & Mary Ernest Gail Henderson Margaret Reynolds Minnie Minick Edith Nipple Ken & Kay Stuck Sieber & Ona Stoner

## **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.

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.

JUST A THOUGHT – Warren Wendel Wiersbe, American Pastor (b. 1929): The Christian life is not a playground, it is a battlefield.

## **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 Vicar Leister at sleister@gmail.com.

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.

IF ANYONE HAS ANY NEEDS OR CONCERNS, please contact Vicar Sam Leister. If you or someone you know is ill or hospitalized, please let Vicar Leister know. He can be reached at 717-436-8589 (home), or 717-348-1020 (cell), or email at <a href="mailto:sleister@gmail.com">sleister@gmail.com</a>.

THE FEBRUARY SNACK SHEET is now posted in the Kitchenette. There will be NO SNACKS during Lent. Snacks will return on Easter Sunday, April 12. We are asking for 3 people to sign-up for Easter Sunday to make this day extra special (and also because a lot of people attend church on Easter). Snacks will then continue until the end of May.

A MARDI GRAS CONGREGATIONAL DINNER will be held on Sunday, February 23, 2020 in the Fellowship

Hall following the worship service. Those attending are asked to bring a covered dish (if they are able). Be creative—let's try some new flavors! Check out Mardi Gras/Creole Food online! Also, keep in mind that Mardi Gras colors are green, yellow, and purple. Come and enjoy this fun event!

MESSIAH "BAND" MAKING MUSIC! A group of Messiah's younger musicians have recently formed a church band and started rehearsals. Look (or listen!) for them in upcoming services, mostly on the first Sundays of each month and maybe even during hymn time in other services! If you know of any other young person who would be interested in joining our band, we rehearse in the Junior Choir Room after worship on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month. Please have them contact Bob St. Clair for more information!

ARCHERY EVENT – On Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m., the Sunday's Soldiers will have an archery event at Juniata County Sportsmen's Club. Instruction will be provided by our resident expert, Larry Wise, and dinner is included. Parents are encouraged to attend and compete against the kids! Please let Tawny Mummah know if you plan to attend.

THE MUSIC AND WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING will meet immediately after worship on Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup>.

PPC will meet on Sunday, January 19, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Youth Area.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE will meet on Monday, January 27, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in the Choir Room.

BAKERS NEEDED! The Board of Worship and Music would like to begin using Manna Bread more frequently throughout the church year other than just on "celebratory" Sundays. Right now, the making of the Manna lays upon the hands of Jamie Miller, but she would like some help in order to use this Manna Bread more often. If you would be interested in helping, please contact Jamie for the recipe....and thank you in advance!

SYNOD ASSEMBLY DELEGATES NEEDED – Two members of Messiah are needed to attend the annual Synod Assembly in June 2020 at Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove. Synod delegates should also plan on attending the Juniata Valley Conference Assembly (date to be announced). If you are interested in serving, please contact Vicar Leister or the church office.

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.

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY – Our youth will be holding soup pots at the rear of the church on Super Bowl Sunday, February 2, 2020. They will join young people in churches across the nation, sharing God's love with those who need our compassion and care. Please support the youth of our church in this effort to "help our neighbors" by dropping a dollar in the soup pot and also by donating a can of soup on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. Proceeds will go to the Juniata County Food Pantry.

COPIES OF OCTOBER 13, 2019 PPC MINUTES, October 20, 2019 Voter's Assembly, October 27, 2019 Voter's Assembly, and October 27, 2019 PPC Minutes are available in the Adult Sunday School Room.

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.

## UPCOMING PPC AND VOTER'S ASSEMBLY MEETING DATES:

Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 p.m., PPC meeting.

Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup> (after worship) – Voter's Assembly to approve 2019 audit.

Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 p.m., PPC meeting.

Sunday, April 19th (after worship) – Voter's Assembly.

Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 p.m., PPC meeting.

Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup> (after worship) – Voter's Assembly for PPC Election approval.

## WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT FOR <u>JANUARY 12</u>, 2020

<u>Attendance</u>		Other Funds		
Worship Service – 58		Benevolence	\$	75.00
Sunday School – 20		Building Fund	\$	140.00
		Sunday School	\$	90.00
Total Offering	\$2,746.60	World Hunger	\$	150.00
Other Funds	<u>\$ 470.60</u>	Flowers	<u>\$</u>	15.60
General Fund	\$2,276.00	Total	\$	470.60

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.

### **COMMUNITY**

## **FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR JANUARY**

ALL NON-PERISHABLE FOODS; TISSUES; TOILET PAPER; OVER-THE-COUNTER PAIN, COLD AND FLU MEDICINES; COUGH DROPS; VICKS; AND ANY HOUSEHOLD CLEANING ITEMS. DONATIONS OF CASH AND GIFT CARDS TO PURCHASE THESE SUPPLIES ARE ALSO GLADLY ACCEPTED.

## THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

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

-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Children's Sermon/Junior Church.

-11:30 a.m., Worship & Music meeting in Library.

-7:00 p.m., PPC meeting.

Monday: -6:00 p.m., Lions Club meeting in Fellowship Hall.

-6:30 p.m., Knitting Class in Jr. Church Room. -8:00 p.m., AA meeting in Fellowship Hall.

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

-6:00 to 9:00 p.m., Quilters Guild in Fellowship Hall.

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

Friday: -NEWSLETTER DEADLINE.

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

-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Junior Church.

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## Mardí Gras Congregational Dinner



## Sunday, February 23, 2020 Following the Worship Service in the Fellowship Hall

Please bring a covered dish (if you are able). Be creative—let's try some new flavors! Check out Mardi Gras/Creole Food online! Also, keep in mind that Mardi Gras colors are green, yellow, and purple. Come and enjoy this fun event!

(tear off bottom of sheet and place in the offering plate)

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	Mardí Gras Congregatíonal Dínner
Name(s)	
Bringing covered dish ( ) YES	( ) NO