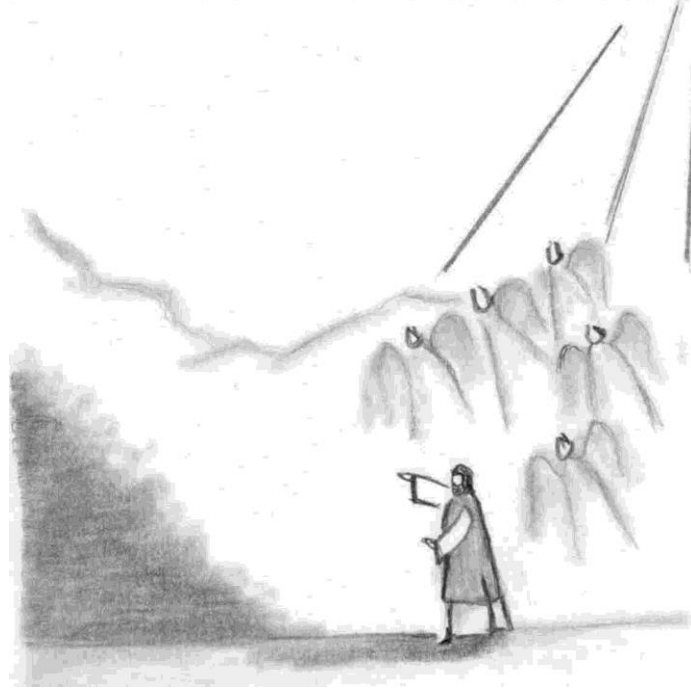


“Growing God’s Kingdom”



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

February 26th, 2023

MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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TODAY’S INTRODUCTION:

Today's gospel tells of Jesus' temptation in the desert. His forty-day fast becomes the basis of our Lenten pilgrimage. In the early church Lent was a time of intense preparation for those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. This catechetical focus on the meaning of faith is at the heart of our Lenten journey to the baptismal waters of Easter. Hungry for God's mercy, we receive the bread of life to nourish us for the days ahead.

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Choir Director
Lector
Acolytes
Offering/Communion Presenters
Altar Guild

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT February 26, 2023 – 10:30 a.m.

*Please Stand as **YOU** Are Able

PREPARATION

CHIMES

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

[Please use the prelude as a quiet time to prepare yourself for worship.]

* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who journeys with us these forty days, and sustains us with the gift of grace.

C Amen.

P Let us acknowledge before God and one another our need for repentance and God's mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Holy God,

C we confess to you our faults and failings. Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy word; we take for ourselves instead of giving to others; we spoil rather than steward your creation; we cause hurt though you call us to heal; we choose fear over compassion. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, as we seek to follow in your way of life. Amen.

P Hear the good news: God so loved the world that God gave the only Son, so that all may receive life. This promise is for you! God embraces you with divine mercy, + forgives you in Christ's name, and revives you in the Spirit's power.

C Amen.

GATHERING

* GATHERING HYMN

"Abide with Me"

#272 Green Hymnal

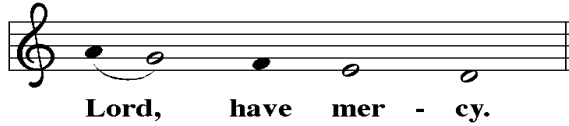
* GREETING

P The grace of Jesus Christ our Savior, the reconciling love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

* KYRIE (Congregation sings responses)

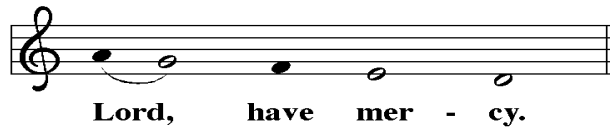
P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



P For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



P For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



* SALUTATION AND RESPONSE (spoken)

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

* PRAYER OF THE DAY (In Unison)

P Let us pray...

C **Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

WORD

Human beings were formed with great care, to be in relationship with the creator, creation, and one another. The serpent's promise to the first couple that their eyes would be opened led, ironically, to the discovery only that they were naked.

FIRST READING.....Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

¹⁵The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

^{3:1}Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?'" ²The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; ³but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" ⁴But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; ⁵for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. ⁷Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

P: Here ends the reading.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM:.....Psalm 32 (*responsively*)

¹Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!

²Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile!

³While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long.

⁴For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.

⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

⁶Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.

⁷You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

⁸I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye.

⁹Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."

¹⁰Great are the tribulations of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.

¹¹Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD;
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

Through Adam's disobedience, humanity came under bondage to sin and death, from which we cannot free ourselves. In Christ's obedient death, God graciously showers on us the free gift of liberation and life.

SECOND READING.....Romans 5:12-19

¹²Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—¹³sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. ¹⁵But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. ¹⁶And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. ¹⁷If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

¹⁸Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. ¹⁹For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

P: Here ends the reading.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

* LENTEN ACCLAMATION (In Unison)



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,



slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

Jesus experiences anew the temptations that Israel faced in the wilderness. As the Son of God, he endures the testing of the evil one.

* GOSPEL.....Matthew 4:1-11

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 4th chapter.

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

¹Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of

God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." ⁴But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" ⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" ⁷Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" ⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; ⁹and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" ¹¹Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON
SERMON

Pastor Leister
Pastor Leister

- * HYMN OF THE DAY *"O Lord, throughout These Forty Days"* #97 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 Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

- * PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you

(The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord from their pews at whatever level of physical contact with which they are comfortable).

ANTHEM

OFFERING PRESENTATION

* SUNG OFFERTORY ('Create in Me')

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

* OFFERING PRAYER

P God of good gifts, receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life.

C **Amen.**

MEAL

* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P With his Body and Blood, Jesus Christ delivers us from the power of darkness.

C **and leads us into the Kingdom of God.**

P Christ has humbled himself and become obedient unto death,

C **even to death on a cross.**

P He was wounded for our transgressions and bruised for our iniquities,

C **and on him was the chastisement that made us whole.**

P Here at his holy table he feeds us now with his Body and Blood.

C **Glory to you, our Lord and Savior; with your Body and Blood you redeem the world.**

* EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.

C **We praise you, O God.**

P 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.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world. Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

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.

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

* **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P Come and receive Jesus, our strength in the wilderness.

* **LAMB OF GOD (sung)**

C Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

["At the Chancel Rail" – come forward by the **CENTER** aisle; take a communion cup from the table by the front pew. Approach the altar to partake, then move to the chancel rail to pray. Then, return to your seat using the left or right **SIDE** aisle]. (Fellowship cups are available for those who wish to remain in their seat for communion).

* **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 Embodied God, at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus. With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise, empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors and touch the world with your love.

C Amen.

SENDING PRAYER

* **BLESSING**

P God, the giver of love, + Christ, the resurrection and the life, and the Holy Spirit of rebirth bless you in this Lenten journey.

C Amen, Amen, Amen. (sung)

* DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve in love.

C **Thanks be to God.**

CLOSING CHIMES

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NEXT WEEK'S LECTOR – Haley Mummah

NEXT WEEK'S ACOLYTES – Julia Martin & Hope Miller

NEXT WEEK'S COMMUNION/OFFERING PRESENTERS – Carter Ehrisman, Brea Beward & Braedon Walton

NEXT WEEK'S ALTAR GUILD – Linda Leister & Bethanie Beward (2-27 – 3-26)

NEXT WEEK'S MANNA BREAD BAKER – Tammy Brackbill

WELCOME TO ALL!

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME to worship at Messiah. We invite you to register your visit in the guest book provided in the Narthex. If you are seeking a church home, please speak to the Pastor. Our fellowship in Jesus Christ is open and extended to all persons who confess His Lordship over all life. Thank you for 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.

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY to the family of Carol Simonton who passed away on February 19, 2023 at Brookline Manor. Please keep the family in your thoughts and prayers.

JUST A THOUGHT – Fredrick von Hugel, Christian Thinker: Behind every saint stands another saint.

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

THE DEADLINE FOR ALL ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SUNDAY BULLETIN IS **THURSDAY NOON.**

PRAYER CHAIN – If you wish to be included on the email recipient list for the Messiah Prayer Chain, please send an email to Pastor Leister at mlcsleister@gmail.com.

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 the church office at 436-6213 or mlchurchoffice@gmail.com. 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.

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 mlchurchoffice@gmail.com for any changes or requests.

IF ANYONE HAS ANY NEEDS OR CONCERNS, please contact Pastor Sam Leister. If you or someone you know is ill or hospitalized, please let Pastor Leister know. He can be reached at 717-436-8589 (home), or 717-348-1020 (cell), or email at mlcsleister@gmail.com.

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.

FEBRUARY’S “MISSION OF THE MONTH” at Messiah will be for the DeLauter Youth Center. The monies will be sent from Messiah directly to the Youth Center to help them continue to serve the youth in our community. In addition to your generosity, the PPC allocated funds to match congregational donations up to \$1,000.00. This is just one way in which we can continue to extend our mission in Christ’s love beyond the walls of our church building.

BIBLE STUDY will continue in the Junior Church Room on Tuesday mornings at 10:30 and Wednesday evenings at 6:00 for anyone interested. This ELCA *Daily Discipleship* follows the Gospel lessons from our worship. Next week’s topic will be “*Temptation of Jesus.*”

PIANO COVERING NEEDED – If anyone would be interested in donating and “hooking up” a sheer black curtain for the back of our “new” piano in the altar area, please let Worship & Music director Slone Smith know. We are in need of covering some of the marks on the back of this 100+ year old piano but want to maintain its integrity. THANK YOU!!

2023 SUMMER CAMP BROCHURES are available on the table in the Adult Sunday School Room with information on this year’s summer camp programs and schedule. Information is also available on our website as well as online registration. Also, on Sunday, March 5th Mount Luther’s Director, Chad Hershberger, will be at our church to share information about this year’s programs.

LENTEN FISH DINNERS, sponsored by St. Jude’s Knights of Columbus, will be held every Friday from February 17th until March 31st from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at St. Jude’s Catholic Church. Cost is \$15.00 for adults, \$6.00 for kids 6-12 years old, and kids 5 and under FREE.

A SPAGHETTI DINNER will be held on Saturday, March 11th from 4:00—6:30 p.m. at St. Stephen’s Lutheran Church. Proceeds supports the youth of Messiah and St. Stephen’s attending Work Camp in Westfield, IN. July 18-24. Messiah is in charge of the salad and rolls for the dinner. We are asking for donations from the congregation for bags of salad mix, dinner rolls, cherry tomatoes, bags of shredded cheese, and desserts such as (cookies, pies, brownies, cakes, etc.). Items collected can be brought to Messiah on March 11th at 10:00 a.m. or they can be delivered to St. Stephen’s on March 11th at 1:00 p.m.

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.

WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT:

February 12, 2023 Worship Attendance – (in person 57 – online 31 – Sunday School 17)

Total Offering	\$3,461.00	<u>Other Funds</u>	
Other Funds	<u>856.00</u>	Building Fund	\$ 185.00
General Fund	\$2,605.00	Benevolence	55.00
		Mission of the Month -	
		DeLauter Youth Center	10.00
<u>2/12/23</u>		Sunday School	6.00
Souper Bowl Funds Collected - \$220.00		Matthew 25	200.00
		Flowers	150.00
		Use of Building	100.00
		Memorial Fund	<u>150.00</u>
		Total	\$856.00

2023 PORT ROYAL MEN’S PRAYER BREAKFASTS, 7:00 a.m. at the Port Royal Community Building on 4th street:

March 4	Rev. Garrick Paden, Youth Pastor	Cedar Grove Brethren in Christ Church
March 11	Don Musser	Faith Community Church
March 18	Warren Wagner	Free Spring Church of the Brethren
March 25	Rodney Pry	Free Spring Church of the Brethren
April 1	Rev. Parrish Munro	McAlisterville United Methodist Church
April 8	Rev. Ron Shupe	First Baptist Church

2023 LENTEN SERVICES – all services begin at 7:00 p.m. each Wednesday during Lent.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Preaching</u>
March 1	St. Stephen’s Lutheran Church	“Bread of Life” John 6:35	Pastor Mindy Petrovcic
March 8	Westminster Presbyterian Church	“The Resurrection & the Life” John 11:25	Pastor Rich Adams
March 15	Aldersgate Methodist Church	“The Way, the Truth & the Life” John 8:32	Pastor Sam Leister
March 22	Messiah Lutheran Church	“The Vine” John 15:1-5	Pastor Mindy Petrovcic
March 29	Aldersgate Methodist Church	“The Light of the World” Matthew 5:14-16	Pastor Nancy McClure
April 5	St. Stephen’s Lutheran Church	“The Good Shepherd” John 10:10-15	Pastor Sam Leister

April 6 (Maundy Thursday Vesper and Breakfast) – 7:00 a.m. at Messiah Lutheran Church.....Pastor Sam Leister

April 7 (Good Friday Tenebrae Service) – 7:30 p.m. at Messiah Lutheran Church.....Pastor Sam Leister

ALL LOOSE OFFERING collected from Messiah and other area churches from the Ash Wednesday, mid-week Lenten services and the Tenebrae service will go to the Juniata County Food Pantry.

2023 LADIES COMMUNITY LENTEN TEAS:

Social time begins at 9:30 a.m. with light refreshments followed by Bible Study at 10:00 a.m.

March 1	St. Stephen’s Lutheran Church	Kathy Whitesel (363-6144)
March 8	Westminster Presbyterian Church	Connie Benner (436-2304)
March 15	Trinity Methodist Church	Linda Groninger (994-3226)
March 22	Aldersgate Methodist Church	Pastor Mindy Petrovcic (513-7194)
March 29	St. Jude’s Catholic Church	Kathy Fitzgerald (348-9098)

WOMEN OF THE ELCA

WE WILL CONTINUE to collect donations of clothing for Packages of Hope for local families as well as children entering foster care as requested by Children's Services. The list of clothing items is included below. If you would like to purchase an item or two to donate, please place them in the appropriate storage containers located in the Adult Sunday School Room.

0-3 Years

- Socks (2 packs each: sizes 0-3 mo, 3-6 mo, 6-9 mo, 9-12 mo, 2, and 3)
- Onesies (2 packs each: sizes 0-3 mo, 3-6 mo, 6-9 mo, 9-12 mo, 2, and 3)
- Pajamas (2 sets of each: sizes 0-3 mo, 3-6 mo, 6-9 mo, 9-12 mo, 2, and 3)

4-7 Years

- Socks (2 packs each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)
- Underwear (2 packs each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)
- Pajamas (2 sets of each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)
- Short sleeve tee (2 of each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)
- Long sleeve tee (2 of each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)
- Sweatpants (2 of each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)
- Sweatshirts (2 of each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)

8-12 Years

- Socks (2 packs of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Underwear (2 packs of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Short sleeve tee (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Long sleeve tee (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Sweatpants (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Sweatshirt (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)

13-17 Years

- Socks (2 packs of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Underwear (2 packs of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Short sleeve tee (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Long sleeve tee (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Sweatpants (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Sweatshirt (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)

(Additionally, we are requesting donations of plastic storage containers to help store and organize all donated items).

THE NEXT WELCA MEETING will be held on Thursday, March 9th at 1:30 p.m. in the Youth Area. All women of Messiah are invited to attend.

WOMEN OF THE ELCA PURPOSE STATEMENT

As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world.

COMMUNITY

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR FEBRUARY:

CANNED BEETS AND MIXED VEGETABLES, OVER-THE-COUNTER COLD AND FLU MEDICINES
PAPER TOWELS, DISH DETERGENT, LAUNDRY DETERGENT, ANY CLEANING ITEM
DONATIONS OF CASH AND GIFT CARDS TO PURCHASE THESE SUPPLIES ARE ALSO GLADLY
ACCEPTED.

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

- Today:** -First Sunday of Lent.
-9:15 a.m., Sunday School/Catechetical Class.
-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church.
-Worship & Music Committee meeting following worship service.
- Monday:** -6:30 p.m., Knitters in Junior Church Room.
-7:00 p.m., AA in Disciple's Class. Area.
- Tuesday:** -10:30 a.m., Bible Study in Jr. Church Room.
- Wednesday:** -9:30 a.m. Ladies Community Lenten Tea at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church.
-7:00 p.m., Mid-Week Lenten Service at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church.
-7:00 p.m., Choir Rehearsal.
- Saturday:** -7:00 a.m., Men's Prayer Breakfast at Port Royal Community Building.
- Sunday:** -9:15 a.m., Sunday School/Catechetical Class.
-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church.

PRAYER LIST

Steve & Linda Bahorik
Jeremy Barnes
Donna Barton
Gary Bechtold
Michele Boniewicz
Dan Brackbill
Don Bratton
Dan Brown
Raymond Cameron
Randy Clark
Terry Coder
Jean Compton
Fred & Dot Dowling
Seth Dowling
Freda Durio
Cathy Dysinger
Renee Dzikowski
The Ettlinger Family
Neil & Pat Fisher
Jim Fitzgerald
Jane Fogleman
Steve Freeman & family
Mindy Fryer
Bentley Fulkroad
Terri Gayer

Deb Geedey
Bob & Eddi Kay Gill
Arrin Gilson
Deborah Gingrich
Grace Goshorn
Sylva Grimm
Sue Henderson
Nox Hepburn
Erin Husler
Terry Imes
Annie Ingle
Guy Kerstetter
Pam Lawson
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Jimmy Leister
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Zaden Mabey
Anthony Martin
Carlen McClure
Alice McClure
Cecilia Miller
Ellwood Miller
Larry Miller
Shirley Miller
Brian Mullen

Claire Mummah
Ken Mummah
Paul Ogden
Ron & Linda (Kerchner)Parks
Shade Parks
Kari Ann (Reagen) Petrine
Sandy Pines
Betty Ranck
Keith Ranck
Diane Rowles
Harold Shearer
Ron & Arlene Shearer
Family of Carol Simonton
Barry Strawser
Vicki Suoja
Andy Spigelmyer
Dorothy Towsey
Molly Ulsh
Doug Wagner
Roscoe Warner
Jim Woltman
Phillip Zendt
Gary Zeiders
George Zimmerman
Linda Zimmerman

PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS

- Jane Marhefka – Brookline Retirement Village, 92 Village Drive, Mifflintown, PA 17059
- Gail Henderson Brookline Manor, 2 Manor Blvd., Mifflintown, PA 17059
- Alice Swartz & Rich Smith – Berry’s Personal Care, 68 Lexi St., Mifflintown, PA 17059
- Ruth Cisney & Ray Bramm – Honneman House, 58 Honneman House Dr., Apt. 108, Thompsettown, PA 17094
- Edith Nipple – 1482 William Penn Hwy., Mifflintown, PA 17059
- Ona Stoner – William Penn Nursing Home, 163 Summit Dr., Lewistown, PA 17044
- Ken Stuck – 66 Eighth St., Mifflintown, PA 17059

**EASTER LILIES ORDER FORM
MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH**



Easter Sunday is April 9, 2023 and in keeping with Messiah Lutheran Church tradition, Lilies you purchase will be “planted” around our altar to help us celebrate the special occasion.

Please complete the order form below and attach **a check**, made payable to “**Messiah Lutheran Church**” and print **Easter Lilies** in the memo line. Then, please attach the check to the order form and place it in the offering plate or return to the church office by **April 4, 2023**. *PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR ORDER!!*

FLOWERS MAY BE PICKED UP FOLLOWING THE EASTER MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10:30 AM.

Thank you for helping to beautify our space and for supporting our church!

EASTER LILIES ORDER FORM

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

LIST THE DEDICATION AS FOLLOWS:

Please check one: In Honor Of () OR In Memory Of ()

I would like to order the following:

Easter Lilies (4 to 6 blooms) \$10.00 # of plants _____ X \$10.00 = \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____