# "Growing God's Kingdom"



# Second Sunday of Lent

# March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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### TODAY'S INTRODUCTION:

During Lent we journey with all those around the world who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil. In today's gospel Jesus tells Nicodemus that he must be born of water and Spirit. At the font we are a given a new birth as children of God. As God made a covenant with Abraham, in baptism God promises to raise us up with Christ to new life. From worship we are sent forth to proclaim God's love for all the world.

# **Messiah Lutheran Church**

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### THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT March 8, 2020 – 10:30 a.m.

\*Please Stand as YOU Are Able

#### **PREPARATION - CHIMES**

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS PRELUDE: "There Is A Green Hill Far Away" [Please use the prelude as a quiet time to prepare yourself for worship.]

L. A. Warriner

#### \* BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who is present, who gives life, who calls into existence the things that do not exist.
- C Amen.
- P If you were to keep watch over sins, O Lord, who could stand? Yet with you is forgiveness, and so we confess.

#### Silence is kept for reflection.

- P Gracious God,
- C have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned away from you, knowingly and unknowingly. We have wandered from your resurrection life. We have strayed from your love for all people. Turn us back to you, O God. Give us new hearts and right spirits, that we may find what is pleasing to you and dwell in your house forever. Amen.
- P Receive good news: God turns to you in love. "I will put my spirit in you, and you shall live," says our God. All your sin is forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ, who is the free and abounding gift of God's grace for you.
- 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

"How Great Thou Art"

#532 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.



- \* PRAYER OF THE DAY (In Unison)
  - P Let us pray...
  - C O God, our leader and guide, in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world 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

God's call of Abram and Sarai has a clear purpose—that through them all the families of the earth would gain a blessing. As they set out on their journey, they are accompanied by promises of land, nation, and a great reputation.

FIRST READING......Genesis 12:1-4a

<sup>1</sup>The LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." <sup>4</sup>So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

L: Here ends the reading.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM:.....Psalm 121 (responsively)

<sup>1</sup>I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come?

<sup>2</sup>My help comes from the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth.

<sup>3</sup>The LORD will not let your foot be moved nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.

<sup>4</sup>Behold, the keeper of Israel will neither slumber nor sleep;

<sup>5</sup>the LORD watches over you; the LORD is your shade at your right hand;

<sup>6</sup>the sun will not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

<sup>7</sup>The LORD will preserve you from all evil and will keep your life.

<sup>8</sup>The LORD will watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth forevermore.

In the person and example of Abraham we discover that a right relationship with God does not involve earning a reward from God but entails trusting God's promises. Abraham is the forebear and model for both Jews and Gentiles, because we too trust that ours is a God who gives life to the dead.

SECOND READING......Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

<sup>1</sup>What are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? <sup>2</sup>For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. <sup>3</sup>For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." <sup>4</sup>Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. <sup>5</sup>But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. <sup>13</sup>For the promise that he would inherit the world did

not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. <sup>16</sup>For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, <sup>17</sup>as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

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

#### \* LENTEN ACCLAMATION (In Unison)



A curious Pharisee visits Jesus by night to learn from the teacher his friends reject. Jesus speaks to him about life in the Spirit and the kingdom of God.

- \* GOSPEL.....John 3:1-17
  - P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter.
  - C Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup>What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' <sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things? <sup>11</sup>Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the

serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. <sup>16</sup>For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

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

#### SERMON

\* HYMN OF THE DAY

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Vicar Leister #479 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 THE PEOPLE
  - P Hear us, O God,
  - C Your mercy is great.

#### MEAL

OFFERING

OFFERTORY: "Jesus Walked This Lonely Valley" H. S. Livingston, Jr. [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].

ANTHEM:

#### "I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes"

Robert C. Lau

\* SUNG OFFERTORY ('Create in Me')



#### \* OFFERING PRAYER

- P Holy and generous host, you set a table where we feast as friends. Prepare us to witness to your goodness with every gift you have given us to share, that all people may know your peace through Jesus Christ, now and forever.
- C Amen.

#### \* 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.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith.

- C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.
- 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 God's love is poured out in Christ for you. Open yourselves to receive it.

DISTRIBUTION: "I Rest In The Lord" F. Ritter ["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,

We thank you, living God, for the body and blood of your Son, which sustains us in the wilderness and the garden alike. As Christ has loved us in this feast, so send us to love Christ in our neighbors. In Jesus' name we pray.

C Amen.

#### SENDING

- \* BLESSING
  - P Now is the acceptable time. Now is the day of salvation. Holy God, speaking, spoken, and inspiring, + bless you, unbind you, and send you in love and in peace.
  - C Amen, Amen, Amen. (sung)
- \* DISMISSAL
  - P Go in peace. Share the good news.
  - C Thanks be to God!

#### CLOSING CHIMES

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NEXT WEEK'S LECTOR – Bob St. Clair NEXT WEEK'S ALTAR GUILD – Sandy Pines & Michelle Stoner (2/24/20 to 3/29/20) NEXT WEEK'S ACOLYTES – Braedon Walton & Nick Reed NEXT WEEK'S OFFERING USHERS – Brennan Guido, Slone Smith, Grace Miller & Thea Beward NEXT WEEK'S MANNA BREAD BAKER – Cynthia Smith

#### PRAYER LIST

Carole Baker Jane Ann Baney Donna Barton Lindsey Barton **Bob Bell** Nick Beward Thea Beward Joyce Bradley Andrea & Bob Cameron Pam Campbell Terry Coder Leann Crimmel Will DeLancy Guy Dillman Justin Dobson Fred & Dot Dowling Esther & Richard Dunkelberger Bobbi Ellis Neil Fisher Jerald Foltz Ed Fraker

Bill & Christie Holderman Bentley Fulkroad Joan Fulkroad Terri Gayer Eddi Kay Gill Jeanette Gross Josh Hohol Jennifer Hutchinson Matt Hutchinson Curt & Judy Houtz Denny King Curt Kint Kevin Kint Malin Kint Pam Lawson Carol Lyter Carlen McClure Messiah's Teem Tami Metz John Miller Larry Miller

Dave Phelan Shirley Miller Jim Minick Madison Norman Austin Parker Noel Peachev 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 Diana Wise Jim Woltman Mackenzie Wray Linda Zimmerman

#### PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS

Ray Bramm Ruth Cisney Margaret Guss Gail Henders Minnie Minick Sieber & Ona Stoner Mona Lawson Jane Marhefka Carol Simonton Edith Nipple Ken & Kay Stuck Kitty Walters Jim Yetter Max Ernest Velma Suloff

#### 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 Vicar 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 Vicar.** 

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 – St. Augustine of Hippo, Bishop of Hippo (354 – 430): The confession of evil works is the first step of good works.

#### **CONGREGATIONAL NEWS**

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

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 <u>sleister@gmail.com</u>.

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 <u>mlchurchoffice@gmail.com</u> 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 <u>sleister@gmail.com</u>.

CHURCH ORGANIST – Due to the "retirement" of June Bricker, Messiah will again have an opening for a Church Organist for weekly services starting in mid-April, which includes Wednesday evening choir rehearsals, except during the summer months. The organ is an Allen Digital Electric Organ and upright piano. Candidates should contact Bob St. Clair at <u>stclairb@embarqmail.com</u> for more information, including salary. This is currently a half-time position. Additional information about our church and congregation can be found at <u>www.mlcmifflintown.org</u>.

#### UPCOMING CHURCH BAND REHEARSALS:

Sunday, March 22 – right after worship service Sunday, March 29 – right after worship service

SUNDAY'S SOLDIERS – There will be no meeting in March for Sunday's Soldiers. In April, the youth who are able to participate will assist with the Maundy Thursday breakfast and service on Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. In May, we will meet on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> to make cupcakes for Moms. Thanks for your support!

SNACK SHEET - There will be NO SNACKS during Lent (as this is a time of denial). 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.

SYNOD ASSEMBLY DELEGATES NEEDED – Two members of Messiah are needed to attend the annual Synod Assembly in June 2020 at Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove. Among this year's speakers and guests will be **The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton, Presiding Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.** 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.

PORT ROYAL MEN'S LENTEN PRAYER BREAKFASTS will be held at 7:00 a.m. at the Port Royal Community Building. Speakers are:

March 14 <sup>th</sup>	Rev. Don Hemikson, Thompsontown Baptist
March 21 <sup>st</sup>	Al Ream, Cedar Grove Brethren in Christ Church
March 28 <sup>th</sup>	Rev. Jeffrey Henry, Lighthouse Community Church
April 4 <sup>th</sup>	George Zimmerman, retired Pastor
April 11 <sup>th</sup>	Rev. Terry Brosius, Port Royal Methodist Church

WEEKLY LENTEN SERVICES will be held at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in Licking Creek each Wednesday from March 4 to April 1, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

WOMEN'S COMMUNITY LENTEN TEAS: (Fellowship at 9:30 a.m. – Bible Study at 10:00 a.m.) Bible Study is titled: "Giving Up Something Bad for Lent."

- March 11<sup>th</sup> Trinity Methodist Church
- March 18<sup>th</sup> St. Stephen's Lutheran Church
- March 25<sup>th</sup> Aldersgate Methodist Church
- April 1<sup>st</sup> St. Jude's Catholic Church

MAUNDY THURSDAY BREAKFAST – Messiah will be having a Maundy Thursday breakfast and Holy Communion at 7:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup> in the Fellowship Hall. Holy Communion, the meal of Jesus, will be celebrated in, with, and among the meal of the people. Following the meal, those who can remain will move to the sanctuary to remove all items from the altar including the cross in preparation for Good Friday which marks Christ's crucifixion. More information will be shared as this event comes closer.

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.

COPIES OF JANUARY 19, 2020 PPC MINUTES and November 24, 2019 Voters' Assembly Minutes are available in the Adult Sunday School Room.

KATE SWAILES is serving as our congregation's camp person with Camp Mount Luther again this year. She has information on programs for the summer. If you have additional questions, you can contact her or the camp office at 570-922-1587 or <u>cml@campmountluther.org</u>. Since our congregation has a camp person, each camper from our church will receive Camel Bucks from Kate for use at the camp store this summer! Campers who have attended camp at Mount Luther in the past, will soon be receiving the camp brochures in the mail. For more information on Camp Mount Luther or to print the camp registration form, visit <u>www.campmountluther.org</u>. Submit your camp registration form to Kate along with a \$50 payment payable to Messiah Lutheran Church which will go toward the non-refundable deposit. We ask that you submit your registration form and payment to Kate prior to April 15<sup>th</sup> so that we receive the early registration discount. The remaining portion of the cost of camp will be

covered by various fundraising events, donations, etc. Kate will submit the registration forms to Mount Luther. On March 15<sup>th</sup>, Chad Hershberger, Executive Director of Camp Mount Luther, will be at our church to share information about this year's programs as part of our Children's Service.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS and substitute teachers will be needed for the fall in the youth department. If you are interested, please contact Linda Clark at Church or by calling 717-348-8262.

RECYCLING – The person who has done the recycling for Messiah for many years has asked if someone else would like to take over this project. If no one volunteers, each person who brings something to the church that needs to be recycled will be asked to take the item(s) back home to recycle it (such as cans, plastic and cardboard). If you are interested in doing this project, please call the church office at 717-436-6213.

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.

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

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, March 15<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 p.m., PPC meeting.
Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> (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 FEBRUARY 23, 2020

<u>Attendance</u>		Other	Other Funds	
Worship Service – 63		Benevolence	\$	150.00
Sunday School – 26		Building Fund	\$	280.00
		Sunday School	\$	62.00
Total Offering	\$3,463.00	Summer Camp	\$	50.00
Other Funds	<u>\$1,112.00</u>	Memorial Fund	\$	20.00
General Fund	\$2,351.00	Donation for use	<u>\$</u>	550.00
		of Building		
		Total	\$	1,112.00

#### 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.

ITEMS FOR HEALTH KITS are being collected by Messiah WELCA to bring to the convention in July. Items needed for the kits are: one light-weight bath-sized dark color towel (maximum size is 52 x 27; two bath-size bars of soap (4-5 oz.) any brand in original wrapping; one adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging; one sturdy comb (remove packaging); and one metal nail clipper (attached file optional – remove packaging). Items will be collected until the end of July and may be placed on the table in the back of the church.

THE NEXT WELCA MEETING will be Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Youth Area. Cynthia Smith will present the lesson and Linda Leister will provide refreshments.

#### **COMMUNITY**

#### FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR MARCH

ALL NON-PERISHABLE FOODS, OVER-THE-COUNTER COLD AND FLU MEDICINES, PAPER TOWELS, COUGH DROPS, DISH DETERGENT, & LAUNDRY DETERGENT. DONATIONS OF CASH/CHECKS AND LOCAL STORE GIFT CARDS ARE ALSO APPRECIATED!

#### THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

Today:	-First Sunday in Lent. -9:15 a.m., Sunday School. -10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Children's Sermon/Junior Church.	
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.	
Wednesday:	-7:00 p.m., Choir rehearsal in Rearick Room.	
Thursday:	-1:00 p.m., Dulcimer rehearsal. -5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Girl Scout Troop #40400 in Fellowship Hall.	
Sunday:	-Daylight Savings Time begins (turn clocks <u>ahead</u> one hour). -9:15 a.m., Sunday School. -10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Junior Church. -Worship & Music Committee meeting following worship service.	

## EASTER LILIES ORDER FORM MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH



Easter Sunday is <u>April 12, 2020</u> 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 <u>a check</u>, 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 <u>April 2, 2020</u>. <u>PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR ORDER!</u>

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!

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#### EASTER LILIES ORDER FORM

NAME:	PHONE:
LIST THE DEDICATION AS FOLLOWS Please check one: In Honor Of (	
I would like to order the following:	
8	) # of plants X \$8.50 = \$ TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$