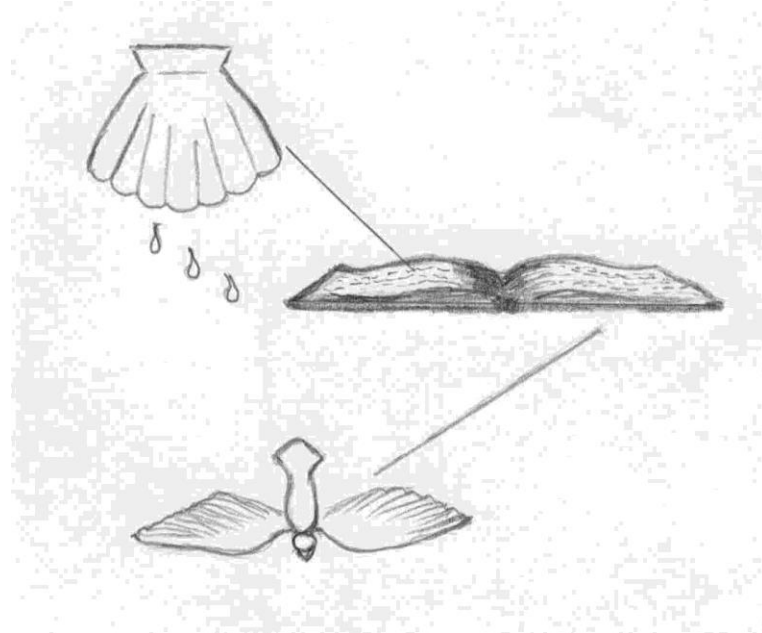


“Growing God’s Kingdom”



Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

February 12th, 2023

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TODAY’S INTRODUCTION:

In today's reading from Deuteronomy we are called to choose life by loving and obeying God. Much of today's gospel reading echoes portions of the Ten Commandments. Jesus' instructions to the crowd reveal a pattern of behavior that honors both God and the neighbor, resulting in life and health for the whole community. We too are invited to embrace these commandments, not out of fear of retribution, but because God has promised that to do so means life for us.

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SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY FEBRUARY 12, 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 makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen.

P Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Holy One, source of our renewal,

C we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P Thus says our God: "The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare." God's mercy makes us new. We are forgiven in the name of + Christ our Savior.

C Amen.

GATHERING

* ENTRANCE HYMN

"Take My Life, that I May Be"

#406 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 (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.

* CANTICLE OF PRAISE (to the tune of "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee")



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for- ev- er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho- ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a- lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre- a- tion, Fa- ther of sur- pass- ing worth:
Son of God and gra- cious Sav- ior, you have come from heav'n a- bove;
Ho- ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex- alt you, we a- dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je- sus Christ, with God the Spir- it, in the Fa- ther's splen- dor bright.



Saints and an- gels bow be- fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re- store, for- give us; in your prom- ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in- her- it, glo- ry be to God on high!

* 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 **O God, the strength of all who hope in you, because we are weak mortals we accomplish nothing good without you. Help us to see and understand the things we ought to do, and give us grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

The LORD sets before the people of God a clear choice. Life and prosperity will come to the faithful; loss of the land will be the consequence of disobedience. Choosing life entails loving and holding fast to the LORD. Life in God's presence presupposes the promise made to the ancestors.

FIRST READING.....Deuteronomy 30:15-20

[Moses said to the people:] ¹⁵See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

L: Here ends the reading.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM:.....Psalm 119:1-8 (responsively)

¹Happy are they whose way is blameless, who follow the teaching of the LORD!

²**Happy are they who observe your decrees and seek you with all their hearts,**

³who never do any wrong, but always walk in your ways.

⁴**You laid down your commandments, that we should fully keep them.**

⁵Oh, that my ways were made so direct that I might keep your statutes!

⁶**Then I should not be put to shame, when I regard all your commandments.**

⁷I will thank you with a true heart, when I have learned your righteous judgments.

⁸**I will keep your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.**

Human leaders in the church are not the ones who control ministry. Rather they are coworkers who belong to God, the one who truly controls and continuously empowers the ministry of the church.

SECOND READING.....1 Corinthians 3:1-9

¹Brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. ²I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, ³for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? ⁴For when one says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not merely human? ⁵What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. ⁶I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. ⁷So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. ⁸The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. ⁹For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

L: Here ends the reading.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (In Unison)



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus exhorts his followers to embrace standards of righteousness that exceed legal requirements and traditional expectations.

* GOSPEL.....Matthew 5:21-37

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 5th chapter.

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

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ²¹"You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not murder'; and 'whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.' ²²But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, 'You fool,' you will be liable to the hell of fire. ²³So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, ²⁴leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. ²⁵Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. ²⁶Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny. ²⁷You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' ²⁸But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already

committed adultery with her in his heart. ²⁹If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. ³⁰And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell. ³¹It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' ³²But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery. ³³Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.' ³⁴But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, ³⁵or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. ³⁶And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. ³⁷Let your word be 'Yes, Yes' or 'No, No'; anything more than this comes from the evil one."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON
SERMON

Pastor Leister
Pastor Leister

* HYMN OF THE DAY *"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"* #315 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 (Prayers read by Worship Leader)

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 Liberating God, you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power, and shape us as people of your justice and freedom. You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Savior.

C Amen.

MEAL

* COMMUNION DIALOG

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 We give you thanks, Father, through Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, whom you sent in this end of the ages to save and redeem us and to proclaim to us your will.

He is the one who, handed over to a death he freely accepted, in order to destroy death, to break the bonds of the evil one, to crush hell underfoot, to give light to the righteous, to establish his covenant, and to show forth the resurrection, taking bread and giving thanks to you, said: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

In the same way 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.

Send your Spirit upon these gifts of your church; gather into one all who share this bread and wine; fill us with your Holy Spirit to establish our faith in truth, that we may praise and glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ; through whom all glory and honor are yours, almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, both 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.

(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 taste the joy of God!

* **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 Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table.

Renew our strength to do justice, love kindness, and journey humbly with you.

C Amen.

SENDING

* **BLESSING**

P The God who faithfully brings forth justice and breaks the oppressor's rod + bless, strengthen, and uphold you, today and always.

C Amen, Amen, Amen. (sung)

- * SENDING HYMN “O Master, Let Me Walk with You” #492 Green Hymnal
- * DISMISSAL
 - P Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.
 - C **Thanks be to God.**
- * POSTLUDE

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NEXT WEEK’S LECTOR – Ron Yorks

NEXT WEEK’S ACOLYTES – Slone Smith & Thea Beward

NEXT WEEK’S COMMUNION/OFFERING PRESENTERS – Hope, Grace & Evan Miller

NEXT WEEK’S ALTAR GUILD – Linda Clark & Chris Martin (2/6/23 – 2/26/23)

NEXT WEEK’S MANNA BREAD BAKER – Jean Berry

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.

ALTAR FLOWERS are presented to the Glory of God and in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Miller and loved ones by family.

JUST A THOUGHT – Johannes von Muller, Swiss Historian (1752 – 1809): Good has one enemy, the evil; but the evil has two enemies, the good and itself.

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 _____.

THE NEXT VOTER’S ASSEMBLY will be held on February 19th following the worship service. Business: minutes of the boards and approval of the audit for 2022.

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.

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY – Our youth will be holding soup pots at the rear of the church today. 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. Proceeds will go to the Juniata County Food Pantry

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 SUPPER will be held on Saturday, March 11th from 4:30—6:30 p.m. at St. Stephen’s Lutheran Church. Proceeds are for the youth from Messiah and St. Stephen’s who will be attending the Mission Work Trip to Western Kentucky on March 26-30. Messiah is in charge of the salad and rolls for the supper. 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.

WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT:

February 5, 2023 Worship Attendance – (in person 62 – online 36 – Sunday School 0)

| | | | |
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| Total Offering | \$2,046.00 | <u>Other Funds</u> | |
| Other Funds | <u>256.00</u> | Building Fund | \$ 63.00 |
| General Fund | \$1,790.00 | Benevolence | 48.00 |
| | | Mission of the Month - | |
| | | DeLauter Youth Center | <u>145.00</u> |
| | | Total | \$256.00 |

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

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| February 25 | Richard Burchfield | Faith Bible Church |
| 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 (each church will be holding their own Ash Wednesday Service):

- February 22 (Ash Wednesday) – 7:00 p.m. at Messiah Lutheran Church.....Pastor Sam Leister
- March 1 – 7:00 p.m. at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church.....Pastor Mindy Petrovcic
- March 8 – 7:00 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church.....Pastor Rich Adams
- March 15 – 7:00 p.m. at Aldersgate Methodist Church.....Pastor Sam Leister
- March 22 – 7:00 p.m. at Messiah Lutheran Church.....Pastor Mindy Petrovcic
- March 29 – 7:00 p.m. at Aldersgate Methodist Church.....Pastor Nancy McClure
- April 5 – 7:00 p.m. at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church.....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

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.

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|-------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| February 22 | Messiah Lutheran Church | Linda Leister (348-1248) |
| 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) |

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.

THANK YOU – On behalf of the Shelter and its residents, we would like to thank Messiah Lutheran Church for your generous donation. Your donation will help to provide for residents as well as needy families in the community. We appreciate your continued support as we work towards assisting the homeless. Thank you so much for your compassion and continued prayers.

With much gratitude,
Laura Hecker, Administrative Secretary
Shelter Service, Inc.

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).

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:** -9:15 a.m., Sunday School/Catechetical Class.
-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church.
-Souper Bowl Sunday.
- 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:** -9:00 a.m., "The Needlers" in Fellowship Hall.
-6:00 p.m., Bible Study in Jr. Church Room.
-7:00 p.m., Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary.
- Thursday:** -5:30 p.m., Girl Scout meeting in Fellowship Hall.
- Sunday:** -Transfiguration of Our Lord.
-9:15 a.m., Sunday School/Catechetical Class.
-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church.
-Voter's Assembly following worship service.

PRAYER LIST

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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
Rev. William Esborn
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Neil & Pat Fisher
Jim Fitzgerald
Jane Fogleman
Steve Freeman & family
Mindy Fryer
Bentley Fulkroad
Terri Gayer

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Bob & Eddi Kay Gill
Arrin Gilson
Deborah Gingrich
Sylva Grimm
Family of Joyce Hart
Sue Henderson
Nox Hepburn
Erin Husler
Terry Imes
Annie Ingle
Guy Kerstetter
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John Lehman
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PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS

- Jane Marhefka – Brookline Retirement Village, 92 Village Drive, Mifflintown, PA 17059
- Gail Henderson & Carol Simonton - 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