

Calendar of Events

Sunday, March 19

8:30 am Confirmation Class
9:30 am Worship w/communion
9:30 am Sunday School
10:40 am Easter Choir

Monday, March 20

6:00 pm Sit Happens
6:30 pm Executive Committee

Tuesday, March 21

6:30 pm Girl Scouts

Wednesday, March 22

7:00 pm Lenten Vespers/Bible Study

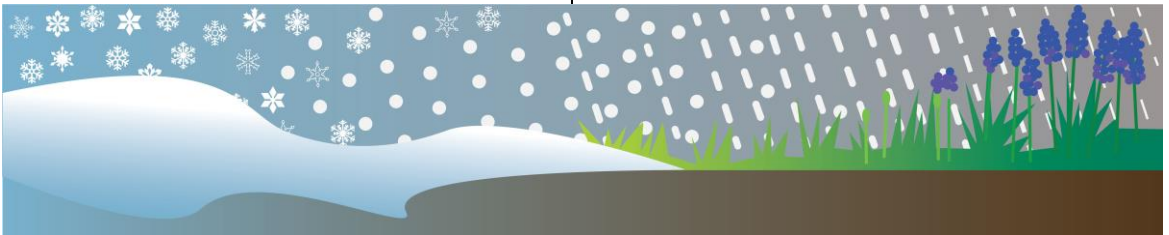
Thursday, March 23

11:00 am – 2:00 pm Food Pantry Open
1:00 pm Backpacks packing
7:30 pm NA

Friday, March 24

Saturday, March 25

9:00 pm – Noon Lenten Kids in
Mission
9:00 am – Noon Soup Sale



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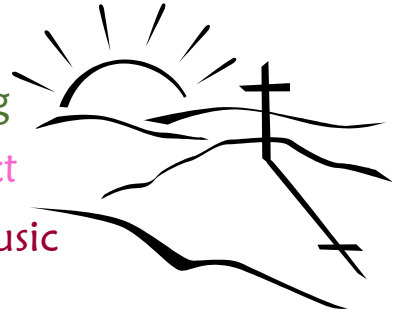
Kids in Mission: Lenten Bible School/Service Project Saturday, March 25, 9 A.M. - 12 Noon

Age 4 through Grade 6

Join us on a Lenten journey to Easter:



- ∞ Story Time
- ∞ Pretzel Baking
- ∞ Service Project
- ∞ Crafts and Music

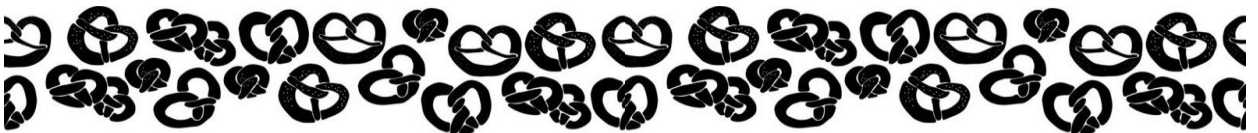


Contact the church office at 570-326-9171 with any questions or to register.
Registration form can be acquired on our website shown above.

Kid's in Mission



KIDS HELPING KIDS! As we did last year, the service project for the Lenten Kids in Mission will be decorating and packing Care Kits for children. They will then be given to the *Shepherd of the Streets* for distribution to children in need. If you're able, please donate any of the following items: **children's toothbrushes, children's toothpaste, band aids, hair ties, combs, hairbrushes, socks, soap, wash cloths, children's shampoo, hair conditioner, baby wipes, coloring books, crayons and any other kid appropriate items** A box is in the Narthex for collecting items. Thank you in advance for your kindness!



March 19, 2023

Service Assistants	9:30
Ushers	Fred Harbaugh, Pam Eveleth, Annmarie Hohman, Jean Nolan, Diana Rooker, Susan Christ
Lay Assistant	Kim Brofee
Communion Assistant	Debbie Day
Altar Guild	Sue Shoemaker, Yvonne Kaiser
Greeters/Communion Presenters	TBA
Acolyte	Jordan Morris
Cantor	Virginia Amme
Flower Delivery	Marilyn Winter

Sunday, March 12, 2023 Attendance: 90; Offering: \$3364.36 Capital Campaign: \$20.00

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Nelson Silverstrim and Doris Webb Silverstrim, on the 78th anniversary of their wedding, March 17th, 1945, by their sons and families.

Bible Readings

Sunday March 19 *1 Samuel 16:1-3; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41*
Monday March 20 *Psalm 146; Isaiah 59:9-19; Acts 9:1-20*
Tuesday March 21 *Psalm 146; Isaiah 42:14-21; Colossians 1:9-14*
Wednesday March 22 *Psalm 146; Isaiah 60: 17-22; Matthew 9:27-34*
Thursday March 23 *Psalm 130; Ezekiel 1:1-3, 2-8-3:3; Revelation 10:1-11*
Friday March 24 *Psalm 130; Ezekiel 33:10-16; Revelation 11:15-19*
Saturday March 25 *Psalm 130; Ezekiel 36:8-15; Luke 24:44-53*



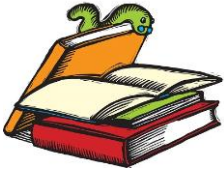
Pastoral Care Number: Please call (570) 326-9171. (Available 24 hours a day) During work hours office staff will assist you. After hours, please press "3" for a Pastoral Emergency to be connected directly to the Pastor.

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**Eucharistic Ministers** will be sent this Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. Please let the office know if you are not available that Sunday. If anyone is home and can't get to church and would like to receive communion, please notify the church office @570-326-9171.  
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The Sunday School hour has returned to its previous start time of 9:30 am. I hope to see you there. We miss you! Mrs. Kathryn Pratt



The Library Corner – Highlighted Books



Children - **Here is the Church** - Here the familiar favorite finger play is expanded into a poem that teaches about worship. The book is in the children's section of our library.

Adult - **Words of Comfort** – Perhaps the deepest of craters in life are the loss of a loved one or of love itself. Turning such profound losses into spiritual gains is a test of the human spirit. This book offers solace and support in times of trouble as well as hope for tomorrow. Book in the personal devotional section of our library.

Rehearsals for our Easter Choir will be every Sunday after worship service from now until March 26. Ages teens and up are welcome to take part!



Can't make it to church? Join us live on Facebook!

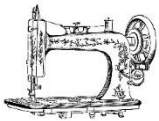
Worship services will be broadcast on Facebook Live each Sunday beginning at 9:30 a.m. To watch the service live, visit our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/MessiahSouth>.

If you are unable to join us live, videos will be made available to be viewed later.

To link to the video archive and for additional worship resources, visit Messiah's web site at <https://messiahsouth.org/worship-resources/>.

A copy of the worship bulletin will be posted to both the web site and the Facebook page each week so that you can follow along.

Did you know? Messiah's Facebook page is a public page, so even if you do not have a Facebook account, you are still able to view content on our page!



Our “**School Kits for Lutheran World Relief**” project is now officially underway. Pre-cut fabric pieces are available at the church office along with instructions on how to sew the backpacks. Our aim is to have as many backpacks sewn as possible before Bible School in June so that the older kids can put the strings in them that week. To all our cutters and sewers, ***thank you!***

For questions or to volunteer, call Sally Congdon at 570-547-6193.





CAMP MOUNT LUTHER NEWS

Now is the time to sign up for camp!

To see all of the camping opportunities available, visit .
-<https://www.campmountluther.org/summer/programs/>.

Camp Discounts and Incentives:

- Sign up before the early bird deadline of April 15 and receive \$30 off a week of camp.
- OR invite a friend to camp and you **both** get a discount.
- Members of Messiah will also be able to attend camp at a reduced rate with help from the church. **Contact our camperson, Kathy Wither, for more information.**
witherhaven@verizon.net or 570-651-2802 talk or text

Camp perks: “Camel Bucks” are available to all campers for spending in the camp store. Please contact Kathy or the church office to let us know when you are attending camp so that we can be sure you get yours on time!

HELP WANTED - COUNSELORS MUCH NEEDED!!

Camp Mount Luther is taking applications for both male and female counselors. You must be a high school graduate by the time camp starts. If hired, you will need to obtain the necessary clearances. **Questions?** Contact chad@campmountluther.org

Applications can be submitted online at www.campmountluther.org/applications.



The annual Bishop Open's Golf Classic is set for May 8, 2023, beginning at 11:00 a.m. at the Susquehanna Valley Country Club in Shamokin Dam. The tournament benefits Camp Mount Luther and the camp's annual fund. Information and registration form are here:

[https://www.campmountluther.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/01 Golf Tournament Flyer-2023.pdf](https://www.campmountluther.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/01%20Golf%20Tournament%20Flyer-2023.pdf)

The camp's golf tournament committee is currently looking for hole sponsors, silent auction items, and golfers. If you can help, please call 570-922-1587 or email cml@campmountluther.org. Congregations are also encouraged to become hole sponsors. Register online here: <https://www.campmountluther.org/golf-registration/>

The Spaghetti Dinner was a success. More details and pictures in next week's Messenger. Thank you to all who helped.





We would like to thank the anonymous donor for purchasing the new Chasuble and Stole that Pastor Amme has been wearing the last couple of Sundays. Unfortunately, we noticed they were missing before Ash Wednesday Service when the color for the season changes and once again someone from our congregation stepped up and help us with the purchase of these items. Thank goodness we were able, with the help of Pastor Amme, to find one that matched all the other ones in the sets for the year.

SOUP SALE 9:00 am - Noon SATURDAY – MARCH 25, 2023

**PROCEEDS WILL SPONSOR A MEMBER FROM MESSIAH CHURCH
OR THE COMMUNITY TO ATTEND MT. LUTHER SUMMER CAMP.**



Are you a soup maker? Please consider donating to our soup sale. Call the church office, 570-326-9171 or sign up after the worship service and specify the kind of soup that you will make and the number of quarts.

If you are a soup maker, we have people who will donate ingredients and their labor in the church kitchen if you are willing to supervise.

If you have a place to help advertise the Soup Sale, please share that information also. ***Thank you.***

Drop-off for all soup will be on March 24, Friday 6pm-8pm or Saturday morning, March 25 before 8:30 am at alley entrance.

Volunteers are needed to set up/tear down and help with the soup sale. Quart containers are available in the church office for your convenience.

Soup will be \$9.00 per quart. No pre-orders will be taken.

Help make it a “Soup-er Day!”

