

Calendar of Events

Sunday, June 1 9:30 am Worship/Communion

Monday, June 2

Tuesday, June 3 5:30 pm Blessed Beginnings Graduation



Wednesday, June 4 Geranium Orders are due today 5:30 pm SW District 12 Jr Baseball/Softball Registrations

Thursday, June 5 5:30 pm SW District 12 Jr Baseball/Softball Registrations 7:00 pm Choir 7:30 pm NA

Friday, June 6

Saturday, June 7

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Vacation Bible School "MAGNIFIED" Discovering the Bigness of God in the Smallest of things

Monday, June 23 through Friday, June 27, 2025 9:00 a.m.- 12:00 Noon

CHILDREN AGE 4 - GRADE 6 Teen helpers welcome!





Walk-ins are welcome, BUT ...

you can help us plan -

register early!

COMPLETE ONE FORM FOR EACH CHILD AND RETURN BY Thursday June 12th

T-SHIRT PAINTING WILL BE ON MONDAY PLEASE DRESS KIDS APPROPRIATELY!

Please start saving your toilet paper rolls and 16 oz. Whipped Topping or margarine containers and lids. We're looking forward to another great year at VBS. Thanks in advance.

Volunteers are needed if you are available all week or just on certain days. Please call or text me at 570-244-6964 if you are interested. Kathryn Pratt

Service Assistants

Ushers: Carl Gee, Jody Fullmer, Dave and Rita Strickler, Jimmy Gardner Lay Assistant: Anita Bair; Communion Assistant: Candy Watkins Acolyte: Dylan Sherman; Altar Guild: Sue Shoemaker, Yvonne Kaiser Greeters/Presenters: Dennis and Sue Shoemaker Cantor: Janet Stroble; Flower Delivery: Susan Bryan

Sunday, May 25, 2025: Attendance: In Church: 75; Online: 6; Offering: \$2,006.38

IN BLESSED MEMORY

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of loved ones.

Bible Readings

Sunday, June 1: Acts 16:16-34; Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21; John 17:20-26 Monday, June 2: Psalm 29; Exodus 40:16-38; Acts 16:35-40 Tuesday, June 3: Psalm 29; 2 Chronicles 5:2-14; Acts 26:19-29 Wednesday, June 4: Psalm 29; Ezekiel 3:12-21; Luke 9:18-27 Thursday, June 5: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Isaiah 32:11-17; Galatians 5:16-25 Friday, June 6: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Isaiah 44:1-4; Galatians 6:7-10 Saturday, June 7: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; 2 Kings 2:1-15a; Luke 1:5-17



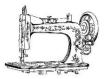
Pastoral Care Number: Please call (570) 326-9171. (Available 24 hours a day) During work hours the office staff will assist you. After hours, please press "3" for a Pastoral Emergency to be connected directly to the Pastor.

Reminder: Articles for the Messenger and Bulletin are due in the office by Monday at noon.



Geranium orders are due June 4th. Those who order geraniums may pick them up immediately after the Worship Service on Pentecost, Sunday, June 8th, or on Monday, June 9th. Call the church office at (570) 326-9171 if you have any questions.

<u>Cancellation</u>: The Bus Trip to see Noah has been cancelled due to too few responses.



Because you asked ... A few people have approached us about fabric to sew additional backpacks. If you enjoy sewing and would like to make a few more backpacks, material may be picked up in the narthex or in the church office over the next few weeks. Bible School is the week of June 23, so we would ask that all completed backpacks be returned by that date. Thank you for your continued interest and support!



To Messíah Fríends,

A big thank you for the beautiful Easter lily delivered to our home. We planted it in our yard after it bloomed. Also - thank you for all the lovely, uplifting hello cards you send. Much appreciated.

Gladys and Gary Hilling

<u> The Library Corner – Highlighted Books</u>



Youth - Horse Feathers – Fourteen-year-old Sarah "Scoop" Coop know horses better than she knows herself--especially Orphan, a mixed breed mare from her grandfather's stable. Scoop is kind of an orphan herself. She never knew her birth parents. She was raised by adoptive parents who died in a tragic accident. Now she and her brother live with Aunt Dotty. Grandfather Coop lives nearby and runs a horse stable, but Aunt Dotty is the one who helps Scoop understand life and learn about God.

When Gran-dad becomes unexpectedly ill, the stable becomes imperiled. Will Scoop lose Orphan? Will the business fold? How can Scoop keep the things she loves best? God offers some surprising answers. Book on Youth Fiction shelf.

Adult themed - **Daily Life in the Time of Jesus** - This is a great book for reference and/or to read about the daily life during the life of Jesus. This book shares the political context as well as religious beliefs, habits and customs as well as the various people of the time period. If you want to delve into the reasons and rational for the time period, this is a great book. Book is in the Teacher Helps section of our Library.



Milestone Ministries ~ High School Graduation: During the worship service on **June 1**st, members of Messiah who will be graduating from high school this year will be recognized and presented with a memento from the congregation to mark this important milestone in their lives. This year we have one youth graduating from

high school, Jordan Morris, who will be pursuing a career as a Corrections Officer for the State Prison Systems after completing a training program through the State. **College Graduation:** Olivia Welter graduated from the Commonwealth University out of Bloomsburg with a Masters degree in Speech Language Pathology. *Please keep Jordan and Olivia in your prayers as they prepare to embark on the next stage of his life.*



Pack The Pantry 30-Day Challenge: Hunger Knows No Season ... but with school letting out for the summer, families face more challenges to fill those hungry little bellies! With that in mind, won't you please join us in the challenge to stock our food pantry for the summer?

Last Sunday, we distributed a list of items we wish to collect during the month of June. If you wish to participate but did not yet receive a list and instructions for the Pack the Pantry June Challenge, you can pick one up this coming Sunday in the narthex or download one from our web site at: <u>https://messiahsouth.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Pack-the-Pantry_2025.pd</u>

Monetary donations are welcomed any time of the year. Please remember to write "food pantry" in the memo line if donating by check, or on the envelope if donating cash.

On June 29, bring your filled bags to worship with you and place on the front pews in the sanctuary so we can see how much food will fill our pantry shelves to overflowing!

