



PSALM 119:114, ESV

Calendar of Events

Sunday, October 12

9:30 am Worship/Communion
9:30 am Sunday School



Monday, October 13

COLUMBUS DAY



Tuesday, October 14

6:30 pm Preschool Committee
7:00 pm WELCA

Wednesday, October 15

6:30 pm Bible Study and Fellowship

Thursday, October 16

Boss's Day

1:00 pm Back Pack Packing
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
7:30 pm NA

Friday, October 17

Saturday, October 18



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WELCA PRESENTS...

“TRIVIA NIGHT”

**Messiah Lutheran Church
Saturday, October 11th at 6:00 pm
In Shaheen Hall
\$8 per person | \$15 couple**



Gather your six-member team and be prepared for wide-ranging topics, picked by our Quizmaster George Jansson.

Please bring food to share. Pizza and beverages will be provided.

**Proceeds to benefit Messiah's Backpack
program.**



October 12, 2025

SERVICE ASSISTANTS

Ushers: Carl Gee, Jody Fullmer, Rita and Dave Strickler, Jimmy Gardner

Lay Assistant: Carola Storrs; **Communion Assistant:** Mary Schultz; **Acolyte:** Alyx Taylor

Altar Guild: Jody Fullmer, Jeannie Bower; **Greeters/Presenters:** Barb Waltz, Alyx Taylor

Cantor: Bob Schweppenheiser; **Flower Delivery:** Marilyn Winter

Sunday, October 5, 2025: Attendance: 79; Online: 8; Offering: \$8,932.20

IN BLESSED MEMORY

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

BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, October 12: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c; 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19

Monday, October 13: Psalm 61; 2 Kings 5:15-19a; Acts 26:24-29

Tuesday, October 14: Psalm 61; 2 Kings 5:19b-27; Ephesians 6:10-20

Wednesday, October 15: Psalm 61; 2 Kings 15:1-7; Matthew 10:5-15

Thursday, October 16: Psalm 121; Isaiah 54:11-17; Acts 17:22-34

Friday, October 17: Psalm 121; Genesis 31:43-32:2; 2 Timothy 2:14-26

Saturday, October 18: Psalm 121; Genesis 32:3-21; Mark 10:46-52



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.



White Gifts Project Soon to Begin ... Each year, Messiah has put up an angel tree to provide gifts to those in the local community and in our congregation who can use a helping hand. Families in our congregation who are experiencing a need and can benefit are encouraged to call the church office. *Forms will be provided for gift suggestions, which will need to be returned to us **no later than October 31*** so that we have time to prepare the tags for the tree.



Bible Study and fellowship continues on Wednesday's at 6:30 pm.
All are welcome!



MLP Gift Card Bingo is Saturday, October 25 at 12:30 pm. The doors will open at 11:30. Presale tickets are \$20 and at the door \$25. Tickets will be available *anytime in the church office*. **To make this event a success we are asking the congregation for your support. Ways you can help:** donate a gift card of your choice for our Gift Card Bingo; make a themed basket to donate for our Chinese Auction; or make baked goods to sell during the event. Deadline for gift cards and themed baskets is **October 17th**. Baked good items are due **Friday, October 24th by NOON** in the church office. **PLEASE DROP OFF ALL DONATIONS TO THE CHURCH OFFICE.**

The Library Corner – Highlighted Books



Family – **Papa Luther – a graphic novel** - The exciting story of Martin Luther, told through the eyes of his children Hans and Magda. This colorful, 88-page “comic book” is geared especially toward children ages 8 to 13, but will intrigue all ages. There is also a study questions and discussion guide at the back of the book for a class or discussion group. Found in our Teaching Curriculum of the library.



“Thank you for your love, Lord. I rest in your care today.”

– Charles Stanley

A donation to the rebuilding fund has been gifted to Messiah in memory of Don Bower with love from his loving wife and his entire family.



Messiah's Women of the ELCA will meet in Shaheen Hall on Tuesday, October 14, at 7:00 p.m. Our special guest is Dr. Lynette (Doran) Reitz who will speak on "What Social Workers Do: Advocacy, Support and Change". Ruth Doran will lead Devotions; Hostesses are Brenda Cromley and Ruth Doran. Everyone is welcome!



There will be no Sunday School this Sunday, October 12th. Look forward to seeing you the following week! Mrs. Pratt



MISSION TO SEAFARERS

Join in the Chaplains' mission of showing Christ's love.

Remember Matthew 25: 35, “I was a stranger and you welcomed me.”

Help fill gift satchels that the Chaplains deliver to the seafarers, in the weeks before Christmas. Each satchel should contain the following:

- **One Sweatshirt – hooded or unhooded (size M-L)**
- **Three Pairs of Socks – thermal or gym**
- **One T- Shirt (size M-L)**
- **One Knitted Winter Cap (coordinating scarf optional; no pastels please)**
- **One Can of Nuts, Large Bar of Chocolate, or Health Snack Bar**
- **A Holiday or Christmas Card from YOU!**

NO ADDITIONS AND NO SUBSTITUTIONS Items need to be at the church by October 26th.

Thank you.



Reminder to all committee chairpersons to get your committee reports to the office for the Annual Report. *Thank you!*



Thank you for the beautiful flowers that were brought to me by Susie; it meant the world to me.

Linda Smith