

The Messiah MESSENGER

MISSION: "Share God's Love with all people"

MAY 2019

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Monthly Newsletter

4/25/2019

Dear Friends:

I rejoice that so many of you engaged in our joint Lenten series on the atonement. I think we were able to take a new, fresh look at what we believe and why. Much of the Christian experience has "wiggle room" for differences of opinion and atonement theories are a perfect example of that.

As they say on every infomercial - BUT WAIT, THERE'S MORE! We are carrying the midweek program into the future. As long as school is in session, there will be midweek programs. The general idea is that at one point in every week, you can come to church and the whole family will have something to do and dinner will be waiting.

The groups that are planned already are:

- Men's Group (please bring a Bible)
- Youth Group (Led by Courtney)
- Journey of Faith (Led by Fr. Robert, it is a chance to ask questions about the Christian faith and is the ideal space for newcomers to prepare for joining the church)

There is still an opportunity for a ladies group, so if you have ideas, please see me.

If you would like to work on preparing a meal, or helping with dinner, please contact Linell Schultz or Jenny Hanisch.

Our last session before the break for Summer is May 15th. We will begin again in the Fall at St. Stephen's.

Fr. Robert

MESSIAH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Congregational Leadership Team Meeting
April 8, 2019 — 7:00 pm

Council Highlights...

Members Present: Erich Fruehling, Jeff Koch, Jim Elrod, Alice Elstermeier, Brenda Kucera, Linell Schultz, Theresa Burson, Jim Fandry, Fr Robert Lewis, & Pr Jim Fruehling on speaker phone.

Call to Order/Agenda: Erich Fruehling called the meeting to order. Reviewed the agenda. Jim Elrod moved to accept the agenda, second by Brenda Kucera. Carried.

Devotions: Brenda Kucera read about “How to Receive God’s Grace”.

Prayers: Prayers were raised up for Ralisa, Shirley Brodman & family, Janice’s nephew Nate Koenig, and Stu & Brenda Kucera.

Correspondence: A Letter from Bishop Maas and Deacon Timothy Siburg, Director for Stewardship, was passed around, thanking us for Messiah’s Mission Share of \$11,212.77

Earl Brodman’s funeral was Saturday April 6th. Both Fr. Robert and Pr. Jim officiated. Those who attended said it was a beautiful service.

Financial Reports: Report is on file. Karen Niedfelt presented and discussed the March Financial reports. Weekly offerings YTD are \$52,406.57. This is consistent with the YTD offerings over the past 3 years.

COMMITTEE & STAFF REPORTS:

Christian Education: Report on file. The youth will serve a Mother’s Day breakfast on May 12th. Planning VBS with St. Paul’s Lutheran for June 10-14 from 8:30-11 am.

Outreach: No Report

Property: No Report. Jeff Koch noted that there is a shingle missing on the back side of the church.

Joint Task Force on Shared Ministry: Report on file.

Memorial: Report on file.

Scholarship: Report on file. Jeff Koch reported that 3 college students applied for scholarships, and each will receive a scholarship of \$1,000 on Sunday May 5th.

Social Ministry: No report.

Worship & Music: No Report.

Secretary’s Report: The report is on file.

Fr. Robert’s Report: Report is on file. Bishop Barker will be at St. Stephen’s on May 5th. Erich volunteered to represent council and meet with Vestry to meet with Bishop Barker.

Vestry and Council are invited to Koch’s farm June 16th (Father’s Day) around 2 pm for games, networking, etc. Hamburgers will go on the grill about 4 pm. Everyone is invited to bring a side dish.

Family Life /Youth Formation Report: Report on file from Courtney Berg. A Temple Talk will be given by Amber Smith, with Human Trafficking Coalition on April 28th and a presentation will be given at 2 pm at Messiah to learn what human trafficking is, how it happens and how to prevent it.

Jeff Koch will be planting potatoes on Good Friday. As in the past years, if the youth want to help with digging up the potatoes, they can have the profit from the potato crop. Jeff will let Fr. Robert know, so he can share this youth event with St. Stephen’s youth.

Committee & Staff Reports Approval: Linell Schultz moved to approve the reports. Second by Brenda Kucera. Carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

***Synod Assembly is May 30, 31 & June 1st:** Voting members are Alice Elstermeier, Linell Schultz and Karen Niedfelt. Fr. Robert Lewis and Pr. Jim Fruehling will also be attending. It will be held at the Younes Center in Kearney. The theme is “Disciples for All the World”.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Ministry Site Profile: Council meets April 15th @ 6:30
- Retirement notice from Cheryl Harder was received. Her last day is May 31st. Discussion was held regarding the best way to move forward. Brenda moved that the Personnel Committee be tasked to move ahead with contacting a temp agency to fill Cheryl’s role. Second by Theresa. Carried. Erich will contact Personnel and recommend that our first choice be a temp employee who is bilingual.
- Plan potluck brunch for Cheryl after worship service on June 2nd. Brenda confirmed the date.
- Fr. Robert will reach out to Pastor Sherri Lodel at Our Savior’s Lutheran Church, Dannebrog to see what their flood disaster needs are.
- Schedule a joint meeting with Council and Vestry around the 6-month time frame to talk about the shared pastoral duties, and how it’s working out for both churches.
- Nominations for Call Committee—Each Council member will prayerfully consider people who should be nominated. We need at least a total of 6 people, including 1 youth and 1 Council Representative.
- Suggestion was made that we partially furnish the parsonage with donated items, so that it’s livable in case Pr. Jim would need it overnight. We’ll make a list of items and ask the congregation to sign-up for what they can donate.
- An idea was brought up to have a student come to stay for an internship or distributive learning. Pr. Jim and Fr. Robert will check into the seminaries about this.
- Next special meeting is Monday, April 15th at 6:30 pm to continue working on the Ministry Site Profile.

Other Business / Announcements: Next Meeting is May 13th, 2019 @ 7 PM. Deadline for agenda items is May 6th / Devotions by...

Motion to Adjourn by Jeff Koch. Second by Jim Elrod. Carried. Closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Kucera

PRAY FOR PEACE

We pray for all whose lives have been touched by tragedy, whether by accident or a deliberate act. For those who mourn, immerse them in your love and lead them through this darkness into your arms, and light. For those who comfort, be in both the words they use and all that's left unspoken; fill each heart with love. We ask this through Jesus Christ, whose own suffering brought us life, here and for eternity. Amen.

FREE TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM MESSIAH WORSHIP SERVICES

Messiah provides free transportation to and from Worship. Simply call **ACTION CAB AND COURIER, 381-1010**, to make arrangements and tell them to bill Messiah for your fare.

SATURDAY SUPPERS at Messiah

"Those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed." Proverbs 11:25



As often as you did it for one of my least brothers, you did it for me.

Messiah Church opens the door for a free meal on every Saturday Night, serving 4:30 to 5:30 PM.

VOLUNTEERS: Without volunteers every week, this ministry simply would not be. Many of you are regulars - which is a huge support. There are also regular co-workers from other churches. The sign up poster is down in the fellowship hall, near the coffee.

Help is especially needed to SERVE the meal - this means just come from 4:00 to 6:00.

8-10 people are needed each Saturday.

SAINT FRANCIS MEDICAL CENTER / SUPER SAVER / PANERA BREAD / HILAND DAIRY / HY-VEE / SAM'S CLUB We continue to be so grateful that some of the meal needs are supplied by these connections. We also rely on monetary donations that help provide a substantial part of the meal and there is often enough for take outs.

THANK YOU TO OUR FAITHFUL CAPTAINS AND CO-CAPTAINS

Jim & Janice Elrod, Theresa Burson

CLEAN UP: *Richard Lorange*

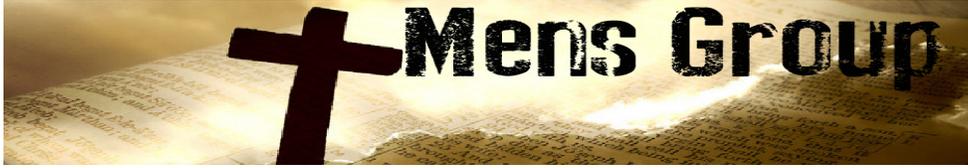
Please sign-up to help serve - we need more Messiah folk to "step up!"

MONEY GIFTS SUSTAIN NEEDS - Just mark donation for "Saturday Suppers."

St. Mark's at St. Paul, NE gave a \$300 donation to Saturday Suppers

A donation of 12 cases of girl scout cookies was received for Saturday Supper

THANKS BE TO GOD - AND THANKS BE TO ALL WHO SUPPORT SATURDAY SUPPERS!



The Men's Group Bible Study will resume April 24th
A meal will be offered from 6:00-6:30
followed by study groups for all ages from 6:30-7:15

Worship & Music Meeting

- Committee Meeting: Dan Korensky, Music Director at St. Stephen's requested a meeting to discuss music options for the shared Maundy Thursday service at St. Stephen's. Alice Elstermeier, Linell Schultz and Dan Korensky discussed choices from the ELW hymnal.
- Good Friday services will be at Messiah. Easter Vigil at St. Stephen's on Saturday. Both are shared services.
- Easter Sunday Services, the bell choir will play two songs led by Jennifer Zarek. Thank you Jennifer!
- Bob Krohn agreed to place the three wood crosses in the lawn during Easter Week. Thank you Bob!
- Kathy Leschinsky has resigned from the Worship & Music Committee.
- Other items discussed: Acolytes wearing robes. Assistance to flood victims. Fr. Robert will contact Sherri Lodel at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Dannebrog.



**We meet the 2nd Wednesday
of each month at
Farmer's Daughter Café
at 7am**

Come join us May 8th!

Good Food & Good Fellowship!

All are Welcome!

VIDEO MINISTRY—If you are homebound or have had surgery or an illness and can't come to worship on Sunday mornings, we offer a Video of the worship service for you to watch in your home. Just call the church office (382-3471). All you have to do is let us know!

MESSIAH'S WEBSITE! www.messiahqi.org Like us on face book too!



MESSIAH SINGERS will sing at Worship Sunday, May 5th and May 26th. They rehearse at 8:00 on the Sundays they sing. Anyone who loves to sing is welcome!

A POTLUCK BRUNCH TO HONOR CHERYL HARDER—June 2nd

Cheryl Harder will be retiring from her position as Parish Administrator on May 31st. A potluck brunch will be held June 2nd following worship to honor her for 34 years of service. The congregation is invited! Everyone is welcome to come to this celebration!

HABITAT FAITH BUILD—Funds raised to date total \$2,874—Our goal is \$5,050

Please help raise funds for Habitat—Take an envelope from the poster board in the narthex with a number on it. Put that amount in the envelope and put it in the offering plate. (Thrivent will match your monetary donation). Keep Habitat in your prayers! Pray for those working on the house, those that will be moving into the house and the organization making this build possible.

NEBRASKA SYNOD ASSEMBLY—

The Nebraska Synod Assembly will be held May 30, 31 & June 1st at the Younes Center in Kearney. The theme is "Disciples for All the World". Messiah's Voting members are Alice Elstermeier, Linell Schultz and Karen Niedfelt. Also attending are Fr. Robert Lewis and Pr. Jim Fruehling.

**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS— June 3 through September 3rd
8:30-3:30 Monday thru Thursday and Closed on Friday**

THE BULLETIN CHART FOR "2019" is posted in the narthex. Please sign up for a Sunday to give bulletins in memory or honor of someone. The cost is \$15.50.

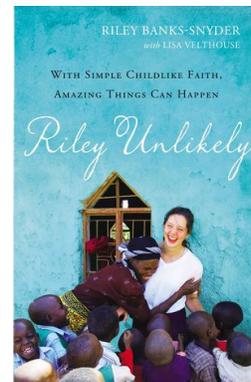
IF ANYONE NEEDS A RIDE to a doctor appointment or to the grocery store please give Bob Krohn a call at (308-380-6575) or call Connie Krohn (381-8234) This is an ongoing ministry from "Faith in Action"/ "God's Work Our Hands".

PRAYER REQUESTS...If you have a loved one that you would like to put on the prayer chain, please call the church office (382-3471) Thank you!

SECURITY CONCERNS—The church doors may be locked during office hours. Please knock at the North Doors or press the button at the South doors. There are times when office staff would feel more secure when the doors are locked.

Messiah Book Club

Messiah's Book Club meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7PM. We meet in the small conference room on the main floor of the Educational Unit. We will meet May 15th and discuss the book, "Riley Unlikely" by Riley Banks-Snyder. We break for the summer months—June, July and August. Books are available at the Grand Island Public Library. We have one copy that is purchased by the church to be shared by the group and later placed in the church library or you can purchase your own copy. Most meetings last about an hour - everyone that enjoys to read is welcome to join us. Don't worry if you haven't read the book - just join us for friendship and community. We usually alternate between Fiction and Non-fiction books.



Church for the birds...taken from the Grand Island Independent

By The Rev. Dan Safarik who serves at St. Luke United Methodist Church, Lincoln

A group of birds got together one day and decided to establish a church. They had a meeting to decide what they wanted in their church...and what their church should be.

The Parrot stood and said: "If we are going to have a church, we've got to have organization. We need committees, subcommittees, officers and lots of them. Yes, no question about it, organization is the single most important thing in the church today."

The Pheasant jumped up and said: "I disagree! Organization is all right, but it's much more important to have lots of big social events. We all have beautiful feathers and surely God meant for us to show them off. Yes, the most important thing in the church is lots of big sparkling social events."

The Sparrow chimed in: "No! It's a popular minister. That's what we need. Doesn't matter what he says or does so long as he doesn't make anyone mad. Yes! A popular minister is the most essential thing."

The Starling shouted out: "Well, I think you are all wrong. Most important is to have a beautiful building."

The Goose spoke up: "We need a minister who is good with young people. The most important thing is to straighten out the wild young birds and keep them off the streets."

Next, the Cardinal (who had just flown in from St. Louis) said: "We need a baseball team. The most important thing of all is to have a good baseball team to represent our church. That is critical."

Well, it was glaringly obvious that there was a wide-spread disagreement as to what was most important in the church. But just then the wise old Owl slowly stood to his feet...and all grew quiet as he prepared to speak for he was noted for his wisdom. The wise old Owl spoke, saying: "Despair not my friends, for we can have all these things!"

The other birds chimed in, "All these things! Yes, all these things..." They congratulated each other, shaking hands and slapping each other in the back. So thus, they formed their church. And when they got done, do you know what they had? That's right, "they had a church for the birds!"

It was a church for the birds, not because of what they included, but because of what they left out. They left out the good news, the message of God's grace, indeed no regard for God at all. There was no sense of mission or compassion for others. No notion of living for Christ, no commitment to service.

You might have noticed all their ideas were things for themselves or others in the church. The Apostle Paul said: We are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal to the world through us." (2 Cor. 5:20)

We are all supposed to be ambassadors. We exist to reach out to the world. Our main purpose is to reach out beyond our own nest (I mean church building.)

YOUTH/FAITH FORMATION

MAY 2019

Wow April was a busy and emotional church month for many of us. Thank You to everyone who participated in the Wednesday night Lenten suppers and discussions, all who prepared our services for Holy Week and to the youth who sat down and watched "Passion of the Christ", many for the 1st time, to get a better understanding of what Christ endured for each and every one of us.

Messiah held its annual Easter Egg Hunt again this year and had record breaking numbers. On Facebook we had 4500 people see the post, over 10 shares and people sharing pictures on our Facebook page. Social media has come a long way!

Calling all youth 6th-12th grade! Would you like to serve on a youth leadership committee? Serve your church by participating with Sunday school, help plan youth activities, participate in the planning of youth worship services? If this sounds like something you would like to be a part of, please contact Colton or Courtney if you would like more info. The next meeting date is May 19th. Please keep in mind this will take a commitment of participation and meetings are a must to attend.

Vacation Bible School registrations will be online and available in the church offices May 6th. Tell your family, friends and neighbors about the exciting VBS we will be having at St. Paul's Lutheran Church this year as our little ones dive deeper into the story of "Jonah". VBS will be held June 10th-14th from 9am-11:30am. We are in need of volunteers for that week to help with crafts, story time, games, snacks and group leaders. If you are able to help, please come to the VBS meeting May 14th at 6pm in the fellowship hall at Messiah.

Don't miss out on our Youth Services!! June 2nd: St. Stephens Youth Service & June 30th: Messiah Youth Service

Upcoming Events:

*No Ignite in the month of May!

*No Youth Bible Studies on Thursday nights in May—

Reminder we will be having Wed. evening meals at church 6:00-6:30

And break into study sessions for all ages from 6:30-7:15

May 6: VBS Registration will be available online with all the details or at Messiah's and St. Stephen's Church Office

May 14: VBS meeting for volunteers at 6 pm at Messiah

Blessings, Courtney



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SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS—MAY 5th

The Messiah Lutheran Church Scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 will be awarded to the following students: Zach Kneale, Morgann Pospisil and Miranda Pospisil.

**Treasurer's Report
 Messiah Lutheran Church
 March for Fiscal Year 2019
 Responsibility: All
 Fund: 01 - General Fund**

	March Actual	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date Budget	Remaining Budget
Income				
01. Weekly Offerings	\$ 20,122.00	\$ 52,406.57		
02. Special Service	\$ -	\$ -		
03. Cash Reserved Used	\$ (2,445.01)	\$ (6,340.31)		
Total Income	<u>\$ 17,676.99</u>	<u>\$ 46,066.26</u>	0.00	0.00
Expense				
01. Mission Share	\$686.88	\$1,614.23	\$11,000.00	\$9,385.77
02. Building & Property	\$59.00	\$856.75	\$8,000.00	\$7,143.25
03. Facility Operation	\$6,832.06	\$12,996.15	\$50,832.00	\$37,835.85
04. Worship	\$699.91	\$1,714.29	\$10,225.00	\$8,510.71
05. Learning	\$93.56	\$137.69	\$2,175.00	\$2,037.31
06. Witness	-\$298.60	-\$149.10	\$1,525.00	\$1,674.10
07. Service	-\$163.74	-\$62.84	\$3,350.00	\$3,412.84
08. Support	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$725.00	\$705.00
09. Administration	\$4,006.25	\$11,549.02	\$51,579.69	\$40,030.67
10. Pastoral	\$5,241.92	\$15,725.76	\$64,403.20	\$48,677.44
11. Family Life/Youth Ministry	\$499.75	\$1,664.31	\$8,764.00	\$7,099.69
Total Expenses	<u>\$17,676.99</u>	<u>\$46,066.26</u>	\$212,578.89	\$166,512.63
Income Less Expense	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>		

Beginning balance of cash reserve 1/1/2019	\$83,146.77
Plus year to date net income	<u>\$6,340.31</u>
Ending balance of cash reserve 03/31/2019	\$89,487.08

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS!

It's hard to believe that summer is right around the corner as we are in our final month of Sunday School for the school year. Our last day of Sunday school for the school year will be on Sunday May 19th. We will have an end of the year celebration later that day at Pizza Ranch. We will meet at Pizza Ranch at 5:00 for attendance awards and prizes followed by the buffet dinner and game time for those kids who earned game cards. It will be a fun way to celebrate a successful and eventful year and we hope to see all our Sunday school youth there!

The month of April was a busy one for our youth as we prepared our hearts for the Lenten season. One of these activities was spending time with our Bible Buddies at Heritage where we read the Easter story, played jellybean Easter bingo, and shared a "bunny bait" snack with the residents while enjoying our visits with them. We always enjoy hearing so many interesting stories!

Another part of our Lenten journey was our Bible Study led by Abby. We read Bible stories about Jesus' journey during Holy Week, made a crown of thorns, and took a field trip to the church altar to visit and discuss the Last Supper sculpture. These activities got all of us excited for the celebration of Easter!

Upcoming Events:

- May 5: Bible Buddies at Heritage—
This will be our last visit until Sunday School resumes in September
- May 12: Bible Study
- May 19: Last Day of Sunday School and—
Party at Pizza Ranch at 5 pm

God's Blessings,

Teresa Mueller

Sunday School Director



SATURDAY SUPPERS...

Saturday Suppers is accepting Adult Clothing Only

No Children's Clothing

No Shoes

No Miscellaneous Items

Messiah Women

The Messiah Church Women met April 18, 2019 at Primrose Care Facility at 1:30 pm. Eight members were present. Four of our honorary members joined us—Lois Redman, Marge Roberts, Darlene Schultz and Betty Buddecke

This month's lesson was the fourth session of John's Gospel. In this final session we encountered the Risen Christ through his appearance to Mary Magdalene, Thomas, Peter, the Beloved Disciples and others. Through them we could reflect on how the Risen Christ remains present among us.

There was discussion on getting small boxes for all WELCA ladies to collect donations for Katie's Fund. Katie (Martin Luther's wife) kept change in a teapot and then donated the money.

A reminder to all that on April 28th there will be a speaker at 2 pm on "Human Trafficking" especially in Grand Island. Amber Smith will also announce this presentation in a Temple Talk at worship.

Election of officers and discussion about the Winter Retreat was tabled until our May meeting.

Motion was made by Marilyn Williamson to give \$75 to each of the following organizations—Hope Harbor, Mosaic, Crisis Center and Salvation Army Food Bank. Seconded by Myrna Davis. Carried.

Alice Elstermeier gave the Treasurer's report. Beginning balance was \$549.14. After bills were paid and donations taken in we have a final balance of \$666.14.

Sue Maginnis was our hostess. She served a delicious Easter cake and candy. We had a wonderful time visiting with our members who live at Primrose.

A special invitation to all Messiah women to join us every month for an in-depth Bible lesson and conversation.

Submitted by Lorraine Jensen, Secretary

Calendar

May 16—1:30 WELCA Bible Study and meeting at Messiah

May 21—2:00 Messiah Women visit Lebensraum



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UPDATES FOR MEMBERSHIP—If you have changed phone numbers, email address, etc., please let the church office know. We need to keep this info current to stay in touch with members.

**DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS IS THURSDAY MORNING
NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS THE 20TH OF EACH MONTH!!! It will be upheld!!
COMMITTEES WILL MEET THE 1ST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH
CHURCH COUNCIL WILL MEET THE 2ND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH
BAPTISMS WILL BE SCHEDULED WITH A PASTOR**

MESSIAH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

122 W. 7th Street, Grand Island, NE 68801-4323

OFFICE HOURS: 8:30-4:00 Mon.-Thurs. and Friday 8:30 to Noon

Web Site: www.messiahgi.org

Email: messiah@gionline.net

Office Phone: 308-382-3471

Shared Ministry: Fr. Robert Lewis

Pr. Jim Fruehling

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday Morning Worship: 8:30 AM at Messiah

Coffee Fellowship at 9:30AM

Sunday School for all ages at 9:40 AM

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:00 AM at St. Stephen's

REMEMBER IN PRAYER . . .

Military and Families:

Gabe Rother, Levi Schutz, Tim Gregory

Tiffany Square: Dee Battles, Lois Mae Helgason

Primrose: Myrtle Raile, Marge Roberts,

Darlene Schultz, Betty Buddecke

Good Samaritan: Carole Hongsermeier

Riverside Lodge: Helen Boysen, Art & Gerri Stelk,

Sylvia Happold

Heritage at Sagewood: Don Reher, Lois Redman

Dan & Lois Niemoth

Lebensraum: Joan Head

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Funeral:

Earl T. Brodman

November 27, 1924—April 2, 2019

Celebration of Life was held at Messiah April 6, 2019

Officiating: Fr. Robert Lewis and Pr. Jim Fruehling

Burial at Westlawn Memorial Park Cemetery

Serving the Family—All Faith's Funeral Home

OFFICE HOURS...

**8:30 to 4:00 Monday thru Thursday
and Fridays 8:30 to Noon**

MESSIAH'S STAFF

Shared Ministry: Fr. Robert Lewis and Pr. Jim Fruehling

Parish Administrator: Cheryl Harder

Finances: Gary Phillips Bookkeeping Service

Director of Family Life Ministries: Courtney Berg

Organists: Lorraine Kohtz, Jared Hansen

Custodian: Lorraine Jensen

Wedding Coordinator: Lorraine Kohtz

COUNCIL

Erich Fruehling, President; Personnel Rep., Endowment

Theresa Burson, VP; Outreach Rep.

Brenda Kucera, Secretary; Social Ministry Rep.

Linell Schultz, Worship & Music & Memorial Rep.

Jim Fandry, Property Rep.

Jeff Koch, Scholarship Rep.

Jim Elrod, Christian Education Rep.

Alice Elstermeier, Memorial Rep.

Office Hours at Messiah for

Fr. Robert Lewis

Mondays—Noon to 3:00 pm

Wednesdays—9:00-3:00

To schedule an appointment with

Fr. Robert call his cell #

(308-850-2985)

Email:

frrobert@ststephengi.org

or call the church office (382-3471)

SHARED MINISTRY...

Worship at Messiah—8:30am

Worship at St. Stephen's—10am

Sunday School meets at Messiah at 9:40am

May 2019
MESSENGER FROM MESSIAH
Messiah Ev. Lutheran Church
122 W. 7th Street
Grand Island, NE 68801-4323

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 1: Jenna Grenier
- 2: Donna Andersen, Eric Phillips,
Glenn Frerichs, Patrick Callihan,
Kayla Bornemeier, Maelee Grenier
- 5: Winnie Alexander, Victor Gosda
- 6: Braxton Harmon
- 9: James Ostermeier, Taylan Lilienthal
- 11: Bob Krohn, Patty Calhoon,
Presley Lilienthal
- 13: Bryce Koch
- 14: Leola Gosda
- 15: Lynell Ostermeier
- 16: Al Sowl
- 18: Jim Ross
- 20: Larry Bolles
- 21: Barb English, Perry Schutz
- 23: Ken Kuehner

- 24: Richard Lorance
- 25: Robert Sperling, Kyla Lilienthal
- 26: Jay Anderson
- 28: Kevin Paulsen
- 30: Gary Mettenbrink, Julie Reimers
- 31: Chris Cochnar, Deborah Thompson

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

- 4: Jack & Karen Beckmann 1985
- 14: Don & Jeanie Olson 1962
- 18: Bryce & Betty Rother 1958
Duane & Pat Scheel 1975
- 21: DJ & Tara Martinez 2016
Mark & Deena Speer 1983
- 23: Art & Gerri Stelk 1954
Tom & Michelle Sanders 1992
- 27: Donavon & Nicole Anson 2006

May 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>NOTE: Sandwich Sunday at St. Stephen's May 5, 12, 19, 25 @ 11:30 am</p> <p>5 <i>Pr. Jim Fruelking</i> 8:00 Messiah Singers rehearse and sing at Worship 8:30 Worship/Communion Scholarship Awards 9:30 Coffee Fellowship 9:40 Sunday School 10:00 Worship at St Stephens 2:30 Service at Riverside 6:30 NA Group</p>	<p>6 9:00-5:00 Sew Quilts 12:00-3:00 Fr. Robert—Office</p>	<p>7 6:30 Committees meet together followed by separate meetings at 7 pm</p>	<p>1 9:00-3:00 Fr. Robert-Office 6:00-6:30 meal at Messiah 6:30-7:15 Breakout Groups for all ages at Messiah</p>	<p>2 9:00-3:00 Fr. Robert-Office 6:00-6:30 meal at Messiah 6:30-7:15 Breakout Groups for all ages at Messiah</p>	<p>3 <i>Office Closes at Noon!</i> 4:00-6:00 Volunteers serve meal at Salvation Army</p>	<p>4 10:00 Exercise Class 4:30-5:30 Saturday Supper</p>
<p>12 <i>Mother's Day!</i> 8:30 Worship/ Fr. Robert Lewis 9:30 Mother's Day Breakfast 9:40 Sunday School 10:00 Worship at St Stephens 6:30 NA Group</p>	<p>13 9:00 Sew Quilts 12:00-3:00 Fr. Robert—Office 7:00 Council Meeting</p>	<p>14 6:00 VBS Meeting</p>	<p>15 9:00-3:00 Fr. Robert-Office 6:00-6:30 meal at Messiah 6:30-7:15 Breakout Groups for all ages at Messiah 7:00 Messiah Book Club</p>	<p>16 1:30 Messiah Women meet for Bible Study & meeting 4:00-6:00 Volunteers serve meal at Salvation Army</p>	<p>17 <i>Office Closes at Noon!</i></p>	<p>18 10:00 Exercise Class 4:30-5:30 Saturday Supper</p>
<p>19 <i>Fr. Robert Lewis</i> 8:30 Worship/Communion 9:30 Coffee Fellowship 9:40 Last Day of Sunday School 10:00 Worship at St. Stephens 5:00 Party at Pizza Ranch Youth Leadership Meeting 6:30 NA Group</p>	<p>20 MESSENGER DEADLINE!! 9:00-5:00 Sew Quilts 12:00-3:00 Fr. Robert—Office</p>	<p>21 Reimbursement Requests and Time Sheets Due!! 2:00 Messiah Women visit Lebensraum</p>	<p>22 9:00-3:00 Fr. Robert-Office 2:30 Service at Heritage</p>	<p>23 6:30 Shared Ministry Task Force meeting at Messiah</p>	<p>24 <i>Office Closes at Noon!</i></p>	<p>25 10:00 Exercise Class 4:30-5:30 Saturday Supper</p>
<p>26 <i>Pr. Jim Fruelking</i> 8:00 Messiah Singers rehearse and sing at Worship 8:30 Worship—Dedication of Memorials 9:30 Coffee Fellowship 6:30 NA Group</p>	<p>27 <i>Memorial Day!</i> Office Closed!</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 9:00-3:00 Fr. Robert-Office</p>	<p>30 8:30 Volunteers assemble "Messenger" for mailing Nebraska Synod Assembly—May 30, 31 & June 1—Younes Center—Kearney</p>	<p>31 <i>Office Closes at Noon!</i> 4:00-6:00 Volunteers serve meal at Salvation Army</p>	

MAY SCHEDULE – 2019

	May 5, 2019 8:30 AM Pr. Jim Fruehling Lisa Fruehling Jeff & Teresa Mueller	May 12, 2019 8:30 AM Fr. Robert Lewis Mary Osterman Dale & Levada Nielsen	May 19, 2019 8:30 AM Fr. Robert Lewis Jillian Anderson Allen & Carol Quandt	May 28, 2019 8:30 AM Pr. Jim Fruehling Presley Lilienthal Ed & Carol Young
A. Minister	Lorraine Jensen	Jim Elrod	Jeff Koch	Duane Witt
Communion Assistants	Carolyn Urbom Judy Humiston		Abby Lopez Chloe Lopez	
Altar Guild	Set-up: Cheryl Harder Karla Fandry Clean-up: Linell Schultz Sue Maginnis		Set-up: Rick & Penny Plambeck Clean-up: Dennis & Deb Lyons	
Projector Tech	Cheryl Harder	Kim Zarek	Colton Berg	Chloe Lopez
Sound/Video	Dennis Harder	Doug Zarek	Dennis Osterman	Dennis Harder
Music	Messiah Singers			Messiah Singers
Organist	Lorraine Kohltz	Jared Hansen	Jared Hansen	Jared Hansen
Noisy Offering	Amaya Martinez	Kinley Hartwig	Sean Angerson	Sam Lopez
Youth Ushers	Deven Martinez	Ryan Osterman	Lauren Anderson	Noah Mueller

Ushers: Steve Berg, Ed Sowl, Tom Bornemeier, Dennis Harder
Communion Bread Baker for April: Rena Kjar

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE A WORSHIP ASSISTANT -
 CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE (382-3471)**

Thank you to those who have volunteered to help! We still need more volunteers! If you would like to assist the pastor, read scripture, assist with communion, help with ushering, greet members and visitors, cantor parts of the liturgy, assist with sound/video, project the power point on the screen, please call the church office (382-3471).