



July 14, 2024

WELCOME! We're glad you joined us! Some things you might like to know:

This bulletin can be viewed online where all the gray, underlined sections of text are web links to contacts, event registrations, websites for our mission partners, and other useful information. View the online version at messiahchurch.org/bulletin.

Let us know you worshiped with us. If you joined us in person, you should have received a Connect Card from an usher. Online, click on "[Let Us Know You're Here](#)" at the bottom of your screen to register your attendance. You can also share a prayer request; our Prayer Team prays through these requests each week. Watching on demand? You can register your attendance, send a prayer request, and give online, just like on Sunday!

First time here? We'd like to thank you with a donation in your honor to one of our community partners. Select the organization of your choice by checking a box on your Connect Card, or during online attendance registration by clicking on "[Let Us Know You're Here](#)," and selecting a recipient from the list at the bottom of the form. You're making an impact in this community just by being here today!

Thank you for financially supporting Messiah Church! There are many ways to give: A secure offering box is available as you enter or leave the sanctuary; give online by clicking on "[Give](#)" at the bottom of your online worship experience; mail a check to: Messiah Church, 17805 County Road 6, Plymouth, MN 55447; or give through our new Messiah Church app. Thank you!

TRADITIONS WORSHIP

(8:30 AM)

Prelude
Welcome / [Attendance](#)
* Hymn #128 (vv 1, 3, 4) *He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought*
STORM Camp commissioning
Children's Prayer & KID Street Release
Prayer Preparation Hymn #462 (vv 1, 3, 4) *'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*
Pastoral Prayer
Anthem *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace* (Temple)
* Scripture: [Luke 15:1-7](#) Joan McNutt
Message *The Parable of the Lost Sheep*
Hymn #400 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*
* [Offering](#)
* Benediction *Aaron's Blessing* (Ortega)
* Postlude

JOURNEY WORSHIP

(10:30 AM)

Gathering Music *Beautiful* (King)
Welcome / [Attendance](#)
* Praise Song *All the Poor and Powerless* (Jordan)
STORM Camp commissioning
Children's Prayer & KID Street Release
Prayer Song *You Say* (Daigle)
Prayer
Scripture: [Luke 15:1-7](#) Lorie Hoekstra
Message *The Parable of the Lost Sheep*
Anthem *Reckless Love* (Asbury)
[Offering](#)
* Benediction *Aaron's Blessing* (Ortega)
* Postlude

* Please stand as you are able

WHERE LIFE & PURPOSE CONNECT

GROW PRAY STUDY (GPS)

A Daily Devotional

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| Monday 7/15 | Ezekiel 34:1-10 |
| Tuesday 7/16 | Luke 15:1-2 |
| Wednesday 7/17 | Luke 15:3-7 |
| Thursday 7/18 | Luke 15:8-10 |
| Friday 7/19 | Ezekiel 34:11-16 |
| Saturday 7/20 | John 10:1-11 |

Find the weekly GPS online at MessiahChurch.org or [here](#). To receive the daily GPS by email, contact Carolyn Loeffler at cloeffler@messiahchurch.org.

PRAYER

Lift Up Our Church Family in Prayer

Prayers for Health and Healing for:

Brenda B, Donna B, Delphie E, Johnna H, Muriel J, Dennis L, Ed P, Ralph V, Dick R

Prayers for Comfort and Peace for: the family of Emilie Fitch, a former administrator at Messiah Church. A Celebration of Life was held in Pequot Lakes on July 9

Prayers for Those Serving in the Military:

Grant C, Jin J, Matthew M, Nicholas P, Elisabeth W, Haden W, Tyler W

We welcome Ben Hanson as our **guest pianist** this morning, and Mary Heitkamp as our **hymn leader** and soloist.

Altar flowers today are a gift from the Raska family in celebration of Annette's birthday.

At Messiah, we love walking with children and youth on their journeys to follow Jesus. **Children in pre-K through 5th grade** gather for KID Street Sunday School at 8:30 and 10:30 am. Kids begin in worship, are released to Sunday School mid-service, and may be picked up in KID Street Headquarters downstairs after worship. There is no Sunday School for youth in grades 6-8 through the summer. The nursery, for **infants and toddlers (through age 3)**, is available at both services, and these children may be dropped off downstairs in the KID Street Headquarters before worship begins. *All children and youth are always welcome to remain in the sanctuary if your family prefers to worship together.*

In an effort to reduce our trash and spend less money on disposable cups, we invite our regular attenders to bring their own coffee tumbler on Sunday mornings.

For those with t-coil equipped hearing aids or cochlear implants, an **induction hearing loop** is installed for use in our sanctuary.

COMING UP @ MESSIAH

Stay connected to all things Messiah during the week at www.MessiahChurch.org, "Messiah United Methodist Church" on [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#) or [Instagram](#) and the "Coming Up @ Messiah" weekly email. To receive our weekly emails, contact Carolyn Loeffler at cloeffler@messiahchurch.org, and she will place you on the email list.

Please join us in praying for our **STORM Campers**, adult leaders, and STORM Staff next week as they Serve Jesus by Serving Others (SJXSO) in Prior Lake, Minnesota. They'll spend the week painting, hauling brush, doing building and demo projects, gardening, landscaping, and growing in relationships with those they're serving and those they're serving alongside. Please pray for Aubri B, Rachael C, Loren D, Felicity G, Katie I, Laura I, Evan J, Analise R, Eliana R, Audrey S, Amara S, Synnova G, Ethan N, Paul S, Ann G, Rick G, Abby J, and Sami T. They leave for camp this afternoon - and you can hear about their experience when they report back next Sunday, July 21.

On Wednesday, July 17, join Dan Schultz in a lesson on **basic car safety and maintenance**. We'll start at 6:30 pm in Heritage Hall with a

pizza dinner, then gather in the parking lot at 7 pm for some car talk. Dan will teach us how to change a tire, safely jump-start your car, identify different fluid leaks or strange sounds, check tire pressure, and more. This is a great event for teens and young adults, but perfect for anyone who would like to grow in confidence in car ownership and maintenance. Please RSVP by tomorrow to bnelson@messiahchurch.org.

All Messiah women are invited to **Women's Night Out** on Monday, July 29 from 5:30-7:30 pm at Blooms on Brockton Lane ([4175 Brockton Lane, Hamel](#)) for a summer Garden Party. Bring a lawn chair and a simple snack/appetizer to share; beverages will be provided. We will have the opportunity to stroll through the beautiful cutting garden and create a bouquet to bring home. (Pay what you wish - cash or Venmo.) Feel free to bring a friend or invite someone new! All are welcome. Please RSVP to Heather Felt at hfelt@messiahchurch.org by noon on Monday, July 29.

Sing! Dance! Create! Join in the fun at **KID Street Arts Camp!** August 26-29, kids (ages 5 through entering 5th grade in September) will enjoy four mornings of high-energy, fun-filled, creative activities, including

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singing, percussion, puppets, fine arts, theater, and dancing – all while learning how the arts can help us connect to our faith. Monday-Thursday we will meet from 9 am-12 pm for creative fun. On our last day (Thursday, August 29), parents and friends are invited to a short performance at 11:45 am where we'll share the music we've learned. Arts Camp is just \$25 per child and includes a KID Street t-shirt and daily snack. Scholarships are available. Space is limited to 22 kids - register today at vbspro.events/p/artscamp2024. Deadline to register is Monday, August 19. Everyone is welcome - invite a friend! KID Street Arts Camp requires volunteer support! Adults and youth (entering 7th grade and older) are welcome to volunteer - sign up at vbspro.events/p/artscamp2024 by Monday, August 12. For more information or questions about this exciting week at Messiah visit vbspro.events/p/artscamp2024 or contact Kari Stern, Director of Children and Family Ministry, at kstern@messiahchurch.org or (763) 473-6968 ext. 115.

MAKE AN IMPACT


Messiah is a church of compassion and outreach. We serve through mission, locally and internationally. For a complete list of opportunities visit www.MessiahChurch.org/community/make-an-impact.

Our Second Mile Offering in June and July supports Iglesia Piedra Viva. Iglesia Piedra Viva (IPV), Living Stone Church in English, is a Spanish-speaking United Methodist Church serving more than 50 low-income families in South Minneapolis. Every month they hold a distribution event, helping to care for those in their community by providing much-needed food, personal care items, and household supplies. For more information on IPV, visit ipvmn.org. You can **support IPV through the end of**

July with a monetary donation, by donating items for their monthly distribution events, or by volunteering. Give: Give [online](#) by selecting "Second Mile Offering," by mailing a check (indicate "IPV" in the memo) to: Messiah Church, 17805 County Road 6, Plymouth, MN 55447, or through the [Messiah Church app](#). **Donate:** We are collecting *only* shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, and dish soap. Our goal is to collect 100 of each item. *Please no food donations at this time—they have a resource for this.* Items will be collected through Sunday, July 28, and can be dropped off in the marked bin in the atrium on Sundays or during church office hours (Monday-Thursday 9 am-5 pm). **Volunteer:** Each month IPV hosts a distribution event at Park Avenue United Methodist Church (3400 Park Ave, [Minneapolis](#)). Volunteers are needed on Friday, July 19 starting at 1:45 pm to pack and distribute bags of groceries. This event will be outside (weather permitting), so dress accordingly and bring a water bottle. [Click here](#) to sign up.

Minnesota UMC Disaster Response

(a partner of UMCOR - United Methodist Committee on Relief) has been asked to provide a team in Waterville, MN for a one-day flood response on Saturday, July 20. The mission in Waterville is to provide a grace-filled Christian presence and a listening ear, as we haul damaged goods out of homes and to the curb for pickup and disposal (involves some heavy lifting). Completion of the ERT (Emergency Response Team) training is not necessary to participate in this event. If you feel called to this mission, please email disasterresponse@minnesotaucm.org for more information.

 New items in the bulletin this week.

Submit bulletin items by Tuesday at 3 pm to office@messiahchurch.org.

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