



# MESSIAH

LUTHERAN CHURCH

CONNECTING YOU  
TO JESUS



MINISTRY CATALOG

SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER 2018



**Pastor Chuck Schlie**

If you are curious about your next step at Messiah, want to learn more about our ministries, church membership, or ways to get connected to people at Messiah, please consider the following opportunities!

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**Getting Connected (Email to set up a meeting):** Schedule a personal meeting with Wesley to guide you and your family through the process of getting connected to our community through our ministries or by finding ways to serve. It's not just for those new to Messiah – if you have been worshipping at Messiah for a while and are ready to take your next step in getting connected – this opportunity is for you!

Contact Wesley Pinkston,  
Connections Coordinator [wpinkston@messiahnetwork.org](mailto:wpinkston@messiahnetwork.org)

# WORSHIP

**Please join us every Sunday at 8:00, 9:30, & 11:00 AM for these upcoming worship series:**

The Yellow Brick Road... and Beyond (September 9, 2018-September 30, 2018)

SOLAS - What Really Matters (October 7, 2018-October 28, 2018)

The Upside Down Kingdom (November 4, 2018-November 25, 2018)

Advent Angles - 4 Perspective, 1 Savior (December 2, 2018-December 23, 2018)

**Please join us for special worship services on the following dates and times:**

## **THANKSGIVING EVE**

**Wednesday, November 21**

7:00pm Worship

## **WEDNESDAY ADVENT SERVICES**

**December 5**

6:30pm Advent Service

**December 12**

6:30pm Early Childhood  
School Christmas Service

**December 19**

6:30pm Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd Grades  
School Christmas Service

## **CHRISTMAS AT MESSIAH**

### **CHRISTMAS EVE**

**Sunday, December 23**

7:00pm - Contemporary Music

**Monday, December 24**

2:00pm - Contemporary Music

4:00pm - Contemporary Music

6:00pm - Traditional Music

### **CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP**

**Tuesday, December 25**

10:00am - Traditional

**Sunday, December 30**

9:30 & 11:00 ONLY-Blended Style

# AT A GLANCE

## SEPTEMBER

- ◆ **SEPTEMBER 3** ..... Offices Closed For Labor day
- ◆ **SEPTEMBER 5** ..... Confirmation Registration Night  
MessiahKIDS Volunteer Training
- ◆ **SEPTEMBER 6** ..... MessiahKIDS Volunteer Training
- ◆ **SEPTEMBER 9** ..... MessiahKIDS Launch Day (Ages 0-5th Grade)  
6th-8th Grade Bible Study Begins  
MessiahPM Begins  
Sunday Morning Bible Classes Begin  
Getting Started Class
- ◆ **SEPTEMBER 11** ..... Tuesday Women's Bible Class Begin
- ◆ **SEPTEMBER 12** ..... King's Kids Begins  
Wednesday Night Women's Bible Class Begins  
Confirmation Guide Training
- ◆ **SEPTEMBER 16** ..... Baptism Class
- ◆ **SEPTEMBER 19** ..... Confirmation Begins
- ◆ **SEPTEMBER 20** ..... Just Older Youth (JOY) Event
- ◆ **SEPTEMBER 30** ..... Getting to Know Jesus Begins

## OCTOBER

- ◆ **OCTOBER 16—18** ..... Just Older Youth (JOY) Event
- ◆ **OCTOBER 21** ..... Baptism Class
- ◆ **OCTOBER 22** ..... Messiah Lutheran School Golf Tournament
- ◆ **OCTOBER 28** ..... Reformation Sunday  
Trunk or Treat

## NOVEMBER

- ◆ NOVEMBER 1 ..... Just Older Youth (JOY) Event
- ◆ NOVEMBER 3 ..... Lutheran High School Auction
- ◆ NOVEMBER 4 ..... Daylight Savings Time Ends
- ◆ NOVEMBER 6 ..... Polling Place at Messiah
- ◆ NOVEMBER 9 ..... MLS Middle School Musical
- ◆ NOVEMBER 17 ..... Celebrate Uganda
- ◆ NOVEMBER 18 ..... Celebrate Uganda Jewelry Sale  
Baptism Class
- ◆ NOVEMBER 19-23 ..... Messiah Lutheran School Fall Break
- ◆ NOVEMBER 21 ..... Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service
- ◆ NOVEMBER 22-23 ..... Church Office closed for Thanksgiving Holiday
- ◆ NOVEMBER 25 ..... CIRCLES OF CARE Fall Card Sale

## DECEMBER

- ◆ DECEMBER 5 ..... 6:30PM Advent Service
- ◆ DECEMBER 9 ..... New Member Welcome
- ◆ DECEMBER 12 ..... 6:30PM Early Childhood School Christmas Service
- ◆ DECEMBER 13 ..... Just Older Youth (JOY) Event
- ◆ DECEMBER 16 ..... Baptism Class
- ◆ DECEMBER 19 ..... 6:30PM Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd Grades School Christmas Service
- ◆ DECEMBER 23 ..... No MessiahKIDS today  
Christmas at Messiah 7PM
- ◆ DECEMBER 24 ..... Christmas at Messiah 2PM, 4PM, 6PM
- ◆ DECEMBER 25 ..... Christmas Worship at 10AM
- ◆ DECEMBER 30 ..... No 8AM Service  
Worship at 9:30 & 11AM only  
No MessiahKIDS today

# MessiahKIDS

## **MESSIAH LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

### **A Christian School for the Community**

Preschool through 8th grade. We'd love to tell you more about our National Blue Ribbon school, faculty, parents, alumni, and everything that makes Messiah a special place for your child to learn and grow. Visit us at [www.MSLions.org](http://www.MSLions.org).

## **MessiahKIDS**

**Sundays from 9:30-10:30AM**

**First Day of Fall Semester is September 9**

- ◆ 0-2s offered (parents can stay or drop-off)
- ◆ 2 year olds
- ◆ 3s & 4s Large group and small group activities
- ◆ K-5th Large group and small group activities
- ◆ Our curriculum is designed for the church and parents to partner in nurturing the spiritual development of their children.
- ◆ Electronic check-in for MessiahKIDS is in the Commons.

Register online or contact Renee at [rborgmann@messiahnetwork.org](mailto:rborgmann@messiahnetwork.org).

## **KING'S KIDS**

**Wednesdays from 7-8:15PM**

**First Day of Fall Semester is September 12**

- ◆ For children in grades 1-6 in public school or homeschool.
- ◆ Study Bible stories, discuss the catechism, and memorize scripture and parts of the catechism.

Register online or contact Renee at [rborgmann@messiahnetwork.org](mailto:rborgmann@messiahnetwork.org).

## **YOUTH PRAISE TEAM (Grades 4-8)**

Messiah's Youth Praise Team is for students in 4th – 8th Grade. They sing once a month at the 11:00 Worship Service. They rehearse the Wednesday (3:15 – 4:00PM) prior to the Sunday Worship Service or that Sunday morning at 8:30AM in Upper Deck 4. We encourage students from all schools to participate! The Sunday morning rehearsal provides an alternative to after-school rehearsals. Register online or contact Sue at [sstuertzt@messiahnetwork.org](mailto:sstuertzt@messiahnetwork.org).

## CONFIRMATION

**Wednesdays from 7-8:30PM**

**First Day of Fall Semester is September 19**

Confirmation offers 7th and 8th grade students the opportunity to make their faith in Jesus Christ personal. Through fun, inspirational large group teaching and small group discussion, the Christian life comes alive. Contact Charlie at [cbrewster@mlslions.org](mailto:cbrewster@mlslions.org).

### **Required Confirmation Parent Meeting**

Wed, September 5

- ◆ 8th grade parents: 7–7:30PM
- ◆ 7th grade parents: 7:45 – 8:30PM

### **Confirmation Guide Training**

Wed, September 12 from 7- 8PM

### **Annual Confirmation Dates**

- ◆ First day of Confirmation: Wednesday, September 19, 2018 at 7PM
- ◆ Testimony & Pepperoni: Friday, January 25, 2019 at 7PM
- ◆ Confirmation Service: Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 10AM

## MESSIAH STUDENTS - MIDDLE SCHOOL

### **9:30 Sunday Bible Study (6th-8th)**

Designed to encourage conversation among our kids and teachers about ways to put our faith in action in the middle of challenges that we face every day. We look to God's Word for guidance, and to our Christian friends and teachers for support and encouragement as we step out in faith each day.

**Events:** Follow [@messiah\\_students](https://www.instagram.com/messiah_students) on Instagram for announcements regarding MONTHLY middle school events!

## MESSIAH STUDENTS - HIGH SCHOOL

MessiahPM returns to Sunday nights on September 9. MessiahPM meets in the Square from 4:30-6:15PM. MessiahPM is a space for students to connect with Jesus and bring their friends to experience worship, community, and spiritual growth. We will be introducing community groups to MessiahPM as well this semester! Stay up to date by following our Instagram page [@messiah\\_students](https://www.instagram.com/messiah_students), or contact Ryan at [rpfendler@messiahnetwork.org](mailto:rpfendler@messiahnetwork.org) to join our group chat.

# ADULTS



## Adults: Genesis

Sundays 9:30am | Upper Deck 4 | Ongoing  
*MessiahKIDS (ages 0-8th grade) Offered At This Same Time*



You are invited to join the Sunday morning Bible Study in Upper Deck 4 led by Pastors Matzat, Rauh, and Luley, as well as the Seminary filed students. We'll be studying the *Book of Genesis*. This first book of the Bible, beginning with Creation and ending with the death of Joseph, provides the basic foundation for all of Scripture. The fifty chapters of Genesis present the fascinating story of God establishing covenant with his people. In spite of their many failures, God remained faithful, for out of the seed of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob would come the Messiah, the very Son of God, destined to redeem this world of sinners. All are invited to attend the Sunday morning Bible class.

**Leaders:** Pastor Bill Luley, Pastor Don Matzat, Pastor John Rauh  
**Registration not required.**



## Adults: Getting To Know Jesus

Sundays 9:30am | Crossroads 6 | Starts September 30  
*Children's Ministry (ages 0-8th grade) offered at this same time*

What should I expect? At Messiah, our primary goal is to connect you with Jesus – and His saving grace. In this nine week class you will learn the basics of the Christian faith in a way that you have not likely heard them presented. Using the book *Getting to Know Jesus*, you will get better connected to Jesus through the shocking message of His grace and see how it transforms the way we live. If you are transferring from another Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod church, this class is not required, but is highly encouraged.

**Leader:** Tim Dwyer  
**Register online** or contact Connections Coordinator, Wesly Pinkston at [wpinkston@messiahnetwork.com](mailto:wpinkston@messiahnetwork.com).



# M E S S I A H

Getting  
Started



## Adults: Getting Started

Sunday, September 9 at 9:30am

*Children's Ministry (ages 0-8th grade) offered at this same time*

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**Leader:** Wesly Pinkston

**Register online** or contact Wesly at [wpinkston@messiahnetwork.org](mailto:wpinkston@messiahnetwork.org)

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## Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study

Saturday 6:30AM | Info Center | Ongoing

Join any time! No registration necessary.

**Leader:** Charlie Brewster

Contact: Charlie at [charlesbrewster@charter.net](mailto:charlesbrewster@charter.net)

## Messiah Men's Dartball

It's like baseball...with darts! Join us on Monday evenings from Labor Day through mid-February for fun and fellowship. Contact Doug Heckel at [dheckel@abnacorp.com](mailto:dheckel@abnacorp.com) for more information and to find out where the Lions are playing next!

## Women: Unglued

**Making wise choices in the midst of raw emotions**

Sundays 9:30am | Sunroom | Starts September 9

*Children's Ministry (ages 0-8th grade) Offered At This Same Time*

God gave us emotions to experience life, not destroy it! Lysa TerKeurst admits that she, like most women, has had experiences where others bump into her happy and she comes emotionally unglued. We stuff, we explode, or we react somewhere in between. What do we do with these raw emotions? Is it really possible to make emotions work for us instead of against us? Yes, and in her usual inspiring and practical way, Lysa will show you how. Filled with gut-honest personal examples and biblical teaching, *Unglued* will equip you to: Know with confidence how to resolve conflict in your important relationships. Find peace in your most difficult relationships as you learn to be honest but kind when offended. Identify what type of reactor you are and how to significantly improve your communication. Respond with no regrets by managing your tendencies to stuff, explode, or react somewhere in between. Gain a deep sense of calm by responding to situations out of your control without acting out of control.

**Leader:** Natalie Kuliczkowski

Register online | Contact Natalie at [natler1@hotmail.com](mailto:natler1@hotmail.com)



Natalie Kuliczkowski



# M E S S I A H

## Teach us to Pray: Lessons from the Prayers of Paul

Tuesdays @ 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM or 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (Information Center)

Starts September 11

Wednesdays @ 7:00-8:30 PM (Upper Deck 4)

Starts September 12

Do you long for a more intimate prayer life? Have you ever wanted clarity on how to pray? Many of the Apostle Paul's inspired prayers recorded in Scripture can provide us sweet instruction and examples that will help enrich our personal prayers. This 11 week study allows us the opportunity for Paul himself to disciple us as we dig into who Paul is praying for, what he is praying for, and how he prays. As Paul's prayers are an overflow of his love for Christ, may your prayers increase and abound as your love for Christ deepens through the study of His word.



**Teacher:** Deborah Lein

**Leaders:** Kaki Lang (Tuesday) & Lyn Biesendorfer (Wednesday)

Register online or contact Kaki at [kakilang1@gmail.com](mailto:kakilang1@gmail.com)



Messiah's JOY (Just Older Youth) Group is for empty nesters who want to gather for monthly fun. We have a great lineup of events! For questions, please email John & LaVerne Rauh at [jwjsooners@gmail.com](mailto:jwjsooners@gmail.com).

**Thursday, September 20** ..... Montelle Winery in the afternoon and dinner at Silly Goose

**Tuesday-Thursday, October 16-18** ..... Trip to Branson, Missouri, with excursions

**Thursday, November 1** ..... Bocce Ball in Cottleville

**Thursday, December 13** ..... Christmas Dinner Party



## COMING JANUARY 2019

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LATE AFTERNOON ON  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28

LIVE FROM **UGANDA...**  
IT'S SATURDAY NIGHT!

**CELEBRATE UGANDA TRIVIA NIGHT**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

DOORS OPEN AT 6:30

TICKET SALES BEGIN OCTOBER 28

# SERVE

There are so many ways to serve at Messiah! Whether you're called to work with children, sing in a choir, or tidy up behind the scenes, Messiah can use your gifts and your desire to reach God's people through service to His church. Most of the opportunities are just a once-a-month commitment. If you would like more information on any of these positions, please email the contact person listed.

## HOSPITALITY

**Ushers** ..... Help members and guests with seating and assist with worship logistics.

**Greeters** ..... Welcome members and guests by offering a friendly face, holding doors and handing out bulletins before worship services

**Breakfast Bar** ..... Prepare and serve coffee and food items during worship services

**Esther Project** ..... Prepare and serve meals to families and their guests after funeral services at Messiah.

Contact: Stephanie Silbey at [ssilbey@messiahnetwork.org](mailto:ssilbey@messiahnetwork.org)

**Altar Care** ..... Prepare communion for worship services

Contact: Sandy Kovalik at [skovalik@messiahnetwork.org](mailto:skovalik@messiahnetwork.org)

**Chair Set-up** ..... Set chairs up in sanctuary once a month (typically Saturdays)

Contact: Shonna Owen at [sowen@messiahnetwork.org](mailto:sowen@messiahnetwork.org)

**Tidy Team** ..... Clean sanctuary stage once a month

Contact: Amy Malterer at [amalterer@messiahnetwork.org](mailto:amalterer@messiahnetwork.org)

**MessiahKIDS Small Group Leader** ..... Lead kids small groups on Sunday morning. Substitute teachers are always needed.

**King's Kids Small Group Leader** ..... Lead discussion among small groups of students on Wednesday evenings.

Contact: Renee Borgmann at [rborgmann@messiahnetwork.org](mailto:rborgmann@messiahnetwork.org)

## PRAISE TEAM & BELLS OF JOY

Do you enjoy praising God through song? Would you like to ring praises to God? Contact Sue at [sstuertz@messiahnetwork.org](mailto:sstuertz@messiahnetwork.org) for opportunities to join the music ministry at Messiah.

# CARE & SUPPORT



## Prayer Request

Our prayer team would love to pray for you! Whether it is a prayer of thanksgiving or a prayer for help & strength, please fill out the online prayer request form, contact the church office, complete the Connection Card found in your worship bulletin, or contact Stephanie Silbey at [ssilbey@messiahnetwork.org](mailto:ssilbey@messiahnetwork.org).



## Cancer Companions

Cancer Companions provide emotional support to cancer family members by not only listening and caring but by guiding them through specific topics to help them gain some perspective on their cancer journey. Those topics include faith, questions for God, healing, prayer, stress reduction, relationships, communication and healthy living. If you would like to learn more, contact Messiah's Spiritual Care Coordinator Pastor John Rauh at [jwljsooners@gmail.com](mailto:jwljsooners@gmail.com).



## Hospital / Care Visits

Going into the hospital? Sick at home? Our Spiritual Care Coordinator will pray with you and offer comfort through God's Word. Contact the church office, complete the Connection Card found at the Welcome Desk, or contact Stephanie Silbey at [ssilbey@messiahnetwork.org](mailto:ssilbey@messiahnetwork.org).

# LOCAL MISSIONS



Karen King

## Our Lady's Inn

- ◆ Help prepare and serve dinner at OLI on 2nd or 4th Monday.
- ◆ Donate items or write notes of encouragement for new residents.
- ◆ Staff food collection stations at grocery stores or coordinate food collection drives within your network of friends.

[www.ourladyinn.org](http://www.ourladyinn.org)



Bob Sayre

## O.A.S.I.S. Food Pantry

- ◆ Fill client food orders in OASIS' warehouse and load them in clients' cars. Second Thursday of each month 9:45am - 11:45am
- ◆ Opportunities also available to work in their thrift store.

[www.oasisfoodpantry.com](http://www.oasisfoodpantry.com)



Julie Ake

## Days for Girls

- ◆ Cut fabric to be used for feminine hygiene kits.
- ◆ Sew liners or bags for feminine hygiene kits.
- ◆ Coordinate collection of items through your network of friends and family.
- ◆ Help with assembly of kits.

[www.daysforgirls.org](http://www.daysforgirls.org)



## Lutheran Hope Center

- ◆ Messiah has recently begun partnering with the Lutheran Hope Center in Ferguson, Missouri
- ◆ Details on upcoming volunteer opportunities will be posted on [www.messiahnetwork.org](http://www.messiahnetwork.org).



# WORLD MISSIONS

## UGANDA

Messiah partners with the Lutheran Church of Uganda to help grow God's kingdom in their country. We have partnered with Nakabango Lutheran Church since 2005. We sponsor over 140 students in primary and secondary school, as well as university, through Hearts & Hope. During trips, we deliver packets to the sponsored students and help with craft projects, as well as conduct projects in Nakabango and alongside other Lutheran congregations. Additional projects will be determined by the team based on interests and current needs of the communities.

## GUATEMALA

Mission trips to Guatemala build on relationships developed since 2012. The team hosts a Vacation Bible School and a Youth Group "retreat" on one day. They also have prayer times with families during home visits. Projects will be determined by the mission team as a group, based on fundraising, etc. Past projects include building a house for a family, building latrines and installing stoves.

## POLAND

Messiah partners with Affiliated International Ministries to send a team of adults and youth to Jastrzebie Zdroj, Poland and Cieszyn, Poland. The teams work with Lutheran Churches in each city to host an English as a Foreign Language/Bible Day Camp for kids ages 6 to 15. Messiah has worked with Lutheran Churches in Poland hosting Day Camps for over 14 years.

## SOUTH DAKOTA

Messiah partners with Affiliated International Ministries (AIM) to send a team of families and individuals to Eagle Butte, South Dakota on the Cheyenne River Indian Reservation to work with the people at the Cheyenne River Youth Project in assisting at-risk kids and youth. The team performs a variety of maintenance, repair and light construction around Cheyenne River Youth Project's facilities, including helping prepare for the annual RedCan Graffiti Jam (which brings graffiti artists from all over the world to Eagle Butte for an art jam and cultural exchange).



To be connected with any local or world missions,  
contact Julie Stroder at [jstroder@messiahnetwork.org](mailto:jstroder@messiahnetwork.org)

# STAFF



**Chuck Schlie**  
Senior Pastor



**Bryan Blackford**  
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School Principal



**Julie Ake**  
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Children's Ministry Assistant



**Sarah Kelly**  
Early Childhood Director



**Sandy Kovalik**  
Receptionist



**Bill Luley**  
Care & Support Assistant



**Don Matzat**  
Part-Time Pastor



**Kathy Mudd**  
Bookkeeper



**Stephanie Silbey**  
Ministry Admin



**Brian Smith**  
Facilities Coordinator



**Julie Stroder**  
Missions Coordinator



**Sue Stuertz**  
Music Assistant



**Greg Worzel**  
Director of Worship



**Kellen Bohn**  
Business Manager



**Vince Bonham**  
Facilities Assistant



**Renee Borgmann**  
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**Steve Crum**  
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**Shonna Owen**  
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**Ryan Pfendler**  
Director of Student &  
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**Wesly Pinkston**  
Connections Coordinator



**John Rauh**  
Spiritual Care Coordinator



**Sarah Rentfro**  
Children's Ministry Assistant

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**Board of Lay Ministry:**

Steve Lang (Chairman), Brian Watkins, Scott Leigh, Jenny Westphal, Brad Burkemper, Ken Bennett, Darlene Jones, Rachel Wilhelm, & Doug Mudd



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