

Welcome to Worship!

Thírteenth Sunday of Pentecost August 22, 2021

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG: "This is My Father's World" ELW 824

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Creator God, we praise you for the diversity of your world! For the life you have breathed into all things!

We sing your praise!

For the colors we see and the sounds we hear! **We sing your praise!**

For the textures we feel and the richness we taste! **We sing your praise!**

For all God's children ...

the small and the tall, the fierce and the timid, the young and the old.

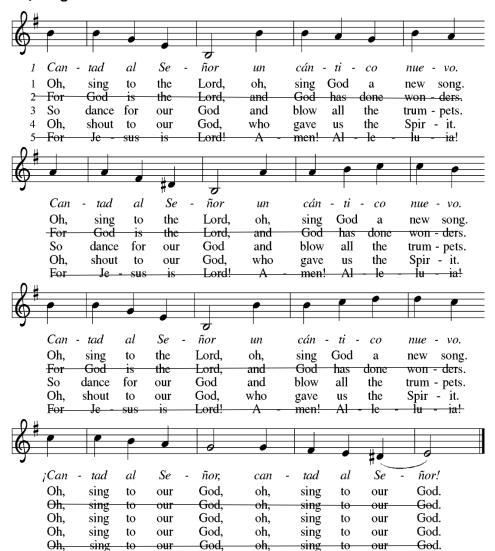
For all God's children ...

dark and fair skinned, diverse and beautiful.

Creator God, we thank you for your creation, perfect in its design and purpose, perfect in its diversity and unity. **We sing your praise!**

Amen! Alleluia!

*SONG OF PRAISE: "Oh Sing to the Lord" ELW 822 - Verses 1, 3, 4



*GREETING and PRAYER: Grace to you and peace, from God, our Father, and our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ! Let us pray: God of our hearts...here we are!

We come with thirsty hearts, praying that your Word will satisfy us. We come with aching hearts, praying for good news to comfort us. We come with overflowing hearts, praying for a chance to share your love. You who know our hearts and hear our prayers, be with us in this time of worship. Amen!

FIRST READING: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

¹Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. ^{2a}And Joshua said to all the people, ¹⁴"Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. ¹⁵Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

¹⁶Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; ¹⁷for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; ¹⁸and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore, we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 34:15-22

¹⁵The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their cry.

¹⁶The face of the LORD is against evildoers, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.

¹⁷When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears, and rescues them from all their troubles.

¹⁸The LORD is near to the brokenhearted, and saves the crushed in spirit.

¹⁹Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD rescues them from them all.

²⁰He keeps all their bones;

not one of them will be broken.

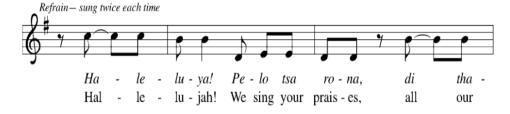
²¹Evil brings death to the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.

²²The LORD redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

*GOSPEL VERSE: (Sing twice)

"Hallelujah, We Sing Your Praises"

South African tune







SECOND READING: Ephesians 6:10-20

¹⁰Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹²For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. ¹⁵As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. ¹⁶With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

¹⁸Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. ¹⁹Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON SONG: "Lead On, O King Eternal"

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth,

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, And he will come to judge the living and the dead.

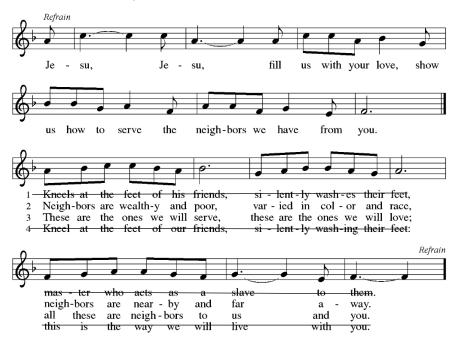
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy catholic church,
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC OFFERING by Ashton Carter

OFFERING MOMENT

OFFERTORY: "Jesu, Jesu" - Ghanian Tune

ELW 708 - Verses 2, 3



PRAYERS:

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

God of courage, bless all leaders of your church. Make them ready to proclaim the gospel of peace and strengthen them with your armor as they share your Word.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of creation, bless fields and orchards. Relieve the land from drought and bring life-giving rain to support growth. Instruct your people in wise treatment of the world you have provided so that all your creatures may thrive.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of community, bless all who seek justice between nations and peoples. Give guidance to bridge-builders, heal divisions, and inspire cooperation in times of crisis, disaster, and war. We lift our prayers on behalf of the people of Afghanistan. Confessing that our human wisdom is incomplete, and our human intervention falls short of perfection, we ask your mercy and hope for all who face uncertain times.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of compassion, bless all who are in any need. Accompany all who are hopeless and remind them of your abiding presence. Bring relief to the fear and suffering felt in places touched by wildfires, earthquakes, and natural disaster.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of change, bless our transitions. Guide all who are embarking on new stages in life such as a new job, new school, or new community. Sustain enduring friendships and kindle new relationships and interests.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of comfort, bless all who wait upon the light and love of your healing power. Walk with each of us in our human frailty and remind us that you are our shelter, a very present help in trouble.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

*BENEDICTION

*CLOSING SONG: "My Life Flows On in Endless Song" ELW 763

DISMISSAL:

L: Go in peace. Share the good news. C: Thanks be to God.

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Moe-ssíah's Sunday Morning Blend

10:30 AM Facebook:

Livestream **10:30** AM worship on Messiah's Facebook page. "Check in" via the Breeze app on your phone. **To give online:** Please visit <u>www.messiahroseau.net</u>, click the 'Give' tab.

11:00 AM Radio Broadcast:

Tune in on WILD 102 to listen to the morning worship service pre-recorded at Moe Lutheran.



Today, Messiah's Livestream is sponsored by Messiah Lutheran Church

Some of Messiah's audiovisual upgrade has been installed, but we are still waiting on certain components that are on backorder. The progress made is most evident in the additional cameras giving us new visual versatility for our livestream. The components yet to be installed are the ones that will improve our sound clarity. We look forward to the day when everything will arrive and finally be installed!

<u>"OUTDOOR ALIVE WITH CHRIST"</u>: August 25th from 7-9 PM. All are invited! Sand volleyball, outdoor games, hot dogs, s'mores over the open campfire, other food & drink. Outdoor Campfire worship at 8:15pm.

<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS</u>: It's time to get ready for Sunday School! Please let the Education Committee or the church office know if you can help teach Sunday School this year.

MOE-SSIAH RALLY DAY RUMBLE: Sunday, September 12th @ City park! 10:00 AM Worship @ mini stage

- + Golf carts will serve as shuttles for those needing assistance getting from their cars.
- + Bring lawn chairs for seating.

11:00 AM Coffee and Games

- + Coffee Fellowship for adults
- + Meet your teacher & games for Sunday School

11:30 AM Burgers & Dogs @ park shelter

+ Freewill offering for our 2022 ELCA Youth Gathering attendees.

All present at Rally Day can register for our amazing door prizes ... a Hoverboard and a Cornhole Set!!! **GET READY TO RUMBLE!**

"THANKS FOR GIVING" MISSION PROJECT UPDATE:

Watch the Newsletter for a change in the "Thanks for Giving" Mission Project this fall. We are trying something new, and you **DO NOT** have to donate a basket. Intrigued?? Stay tuned.

IF YOU HAVE EXTRA GARDEN PRODUCE ... the Roseau Area Food Shelf would love to distribute your excess vegetables or fruit to local families. If you have produce to share, contact Iona at 463-1154, or Teresa at 689-4284 and arrange a time for delivering your items to the food shelf in Roseau.

MESSIAH e-NEWSLETTER: If you'd like a church related article in the weekly or monthly e-newsletter, send it to the church office by <u>2 PM Wednesdays for the weekly</u> or by the 27th of the month for the monthly. Please include any contact information. You may also send a photo or video (MP3, YouTube, Vimeo, etc.) if you like.

<u>IF YOU DIDN'T RECEIVE THE e-NEWSLETTER:</u> The August Newsletter was e-mailed 7.29.21 If you didn't receive it, please check your Junk, Spam or Promotions folders. You can also ask your email provider to allow MailChimp. Let the office know if you still aren't receiving the e-newsletter so we can help!

<u>To MASK or not to MASK</u> ... these days the world is an ever changing dynamic. If you feel more comfortable coming to worship and wearing a mask, that is 100% alright. Just wanted to share that ... ②

Worship Servers for Sunday, August 22

Coffee Fellowship (10am):

Carol Guy

Communion Servers:

No Communion

Reader: Carol Guy
Greeter: Karyn Santl

Sound Booth: Paul Grafstrom

Council Rep: Karyn Santl
Counters: Bill & Sue Jennings

Worship Servers for Sunday, August 29

Coffee Fellowship (10am):

Cindy Holmgren

Communion Servers:

No Communion

Reader: Gloria Skrutvold

Greeter: Ashley Filpula **Sound Booth**: Marty Trangsrud

Council Rep: Ashley Filpula

Counters: Dave & Sharon Grafstrom

Week at a Glance

Sunday, August 22

10:00am: Coffee Fellowship 10:30am: Worship Service

10:30am: FB Live

Wednesday, August 25

7:00pm-9:00pm: "Outdoor Alive In

Christ" Event.

(Games, Food, Campfire Worship, 8:15 pm)
ALL ARE WELCOME - Youth, Adults,

ALL ARE WELCOME - 100

Families.

8:15pm: Watch FACEBOOK LIVE for

Campfire Worship

(Every Wednesday in August).

Sunday, August 29

10:00am: Coffee Fellowship 10:30am: Worship Service

10:30am: FB Live

Wednesday, September 01

7:00pm: MNPLS Meeting - Fellowship Hall

Offering From Worship Service on 08/15/21

Attendance: 66

Offering: \$1,275; Weekly Direct: \$600;



Upcoming Schedule for September

September 5th:

10 AM – Coffee & Fellowship 10:30 AM – Worship

RALLY DAY RUMBLE, September 12th:

10:00 AM – Moe-Messiah Worship in the City Park 11:00 AM - Coffee fellowship & Sunday School games 11:30 AM - Burger Bash meal

Beginning September 19th:

9:30 AM - Sunday School and Coffee fellowship 10:15 AM - Worship & Communion

