

MESSIAH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS!
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Newsletter Deadline

The deadline to submit an article for the Nov.
Messenger is **Monday, October 21, 2019.**

On Call Schedule...

Pr. Andrew on-call: Oct. 13-16
Pr. Molly on-call: Oct. 17-19

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AMMPARO Border Immersion Trip

The AMMPARO task force is excited to announce that Messiah will be going on a Border Immersion Trip in 2020! The trip will be happening the first week in March from February 29th - March 7th. We will travel to Las Cruces, NM where Border Servant Corps will help us learn about border issues through accompaniment-style education. To read more about Border Servant Corps, check out their website: <https://www.borderservantcorps.org/get-involved/border-immersion/faq/>

If you are interested in going, please join us on October 13th after the 10:30 service (approx. 11:45 am) to find out more about this trip!

Pastor Andrew's Lay School Class - October 15

Pastor Andrew will be teaching a Lay School class on Tuesday afternoons from 3:00-5:00 pm beginning on October 15th. It will cover the prophet Ezekiel and the twelve "minor" prophets. If you're interested in learning more about the wild and wonderful stories of the prophets, this is the class for you! There is a sign-up sheet on the welcome table (or you're welcome to just show up). Feel free to come to just one, or all six, of the classes.

Room At The Inn - October 20

Because of the difficulty in finding volunteers to fill all of the shifts, particularly the night shifts, and also fewer churches choosing to participate, there have been some radical changes made to the structure of RATI this year. These changes are made with the hope that this will be a transition period leading to one permanent location year round & rotation of churches housing RATI will no longer be necessary. Our revised sign-up sheets that you have been familiar with for years reflect these changes.

To put it very simply, you will see that there are only two areas to volunteer. **The first** is to help with dinner, but unlike in previous years, dinner will be served at the Warming Center at 6:30 pm before the guests report to the church at 9:00 pm to be checked in. Specifically, when you sign up to help with dinner, you would not be expected to provide a whole dinner but instead to perhaps bring in one part of the dinner, or help with cooking and serving dinner to the guests. Ultimately it is the responsibility of Warming Center staff to provide the dinner. **The second volunteer opportunity** for church members is to sign up for the 9:00 pm to 12 midnight, or 'intake shift'. Here a coordinator will always be present to facilitate checking the guests in, and it would be helpful to have 1 male & 1 female volunteer also. Check-in procedure has also changed - no more pbt breathalyzers will be administered, admission will be behavior based.

Each guest as he or she is checked in will turn in their backpack for the night where it will be kept in a secure place. A pat down will still be performed. Upon admission the guest will head to his bed, settle in for night and lights out no later than 10 pm. Perhaps for one of the biggest changes regarding the 12-3 and 3-6 shifts, a paid RATI staff person will come in at 12am and cover the 2 night shifts, no other volunteer is needed.

Regarding laundry, the used bedding will be taken to the Warming Center where it will be washed and made ready for use again. Volunteers will still be needed to clean up after the guests leave and get the church back in order. All in all, we hope the end result will be a comfortable, safe experience for our guests as we attempt to transition to a homeless shelter that is not dependent on the resources of rotating churches and volunteers which no longer is a viable option.

--- Rati coordinators for Messiah - Ron Tervo, Marcia Johnson, Darlene Dreisbach

Sunday, October 13, 2019 18th Sunday after Pentecost

Messiah Flowers: **To the Glory of God...**

* from Bill Maki

Radio Broadcast: **To the Glory of God...**

* from our Messiah family

Pastor Molly's Installation! - October 27

Messiah loves good worship and a good party! Join us as we install Pr. Molly as our Associate Pastor at 4:00 pm on October 27th. It will be a festive service with choirs and brass! You're invited to wear red (it's also Reformation Sunday) and to stay after the service for a meal together. We hope you'll join us for this wonderful event!

Quilters & Sewers

Dear Quilters,

If you like to quilt or sew but can't make it on Thursdays to participate with the quilters at church, we have a job you can do at home. We have a box of 8-inch squares to be put together. If interested, contact Linda Berry at 360-6168 or 228-8571. She can pick up and deliver. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Medication as Movement

A special six week series, specifically for arthritis and fall prevention, will be held on Mondays & Wednesdays from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm at Messiah. These sessions started on October 7th & 9th.

Michigan State Extension is sponsoring a series of gentle exercise sessions throughout our community for those with arthritis & others interested in fall prevention. Using a very basic and simplified Tai Chi form, participants will improve their self-awareness and well-being. These movements can be done from a chair, there are no mat or floor exercises involved.

No matter what your range of motion is, there's a place for you in this ongoing program. No prior experience is needed. There is no cost involved. Jon & Diana Magnuson will be serving as facilitators.

Save the Dates! – Centering for the Season

On Thursdays, November 7th, 14th, and 21st, we will be hosting an hour of yoga and centering prayer. Classes will be taught by Anna Zimmer RYT-200 (Pastor Andrew's wife) and Pastor Andrew will guide the time of prayer. On November 14th and 21st we will also have a children's yoga instructor with us! So... save the dates and come breathe deeply before the craziness of Thanksgiving and the Christmas season! More information will be in the November newsletter. Nursery care will be available.

Messiah Calendar ~ October 14-20, 2019

Monday, October 14

Pr. Molly's Day Off

- 7:00 am Personnel
- 10:00 am OWLs Walk
- 11:00 am Exercise for Arthritis/Fall Prevention
- 5:30 pm Narcotics Anonymous
- 7:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous

Tuesday, October 15

- 12:00 pm Tai Chi / Qi Gong
- 1:00 pm Knotty Knitters
- 1:00 pm Ruth Circle
- 1:30 pm Staff Meeting
- 3:00 pm Lay School-Prophets II/Ezekiel
- 5:00 pm Finance Committee
- 6:30 pm Rachel Circle
- 6:30 pm Superior Handbells

Wednesday, October 16

- 11:00 am Exercise for Arthritis/Fall Prevention
- 4:00 pm Social Action
- 4:00 pm Swedish
- 5:00 pm Senior Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous
- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts

Thursday, October 17

- 9:00 am Quilting
- 9:00 am Wraparound
- 10:00 am Koinonia Bible Study
- 11:00 am Women's Cursillo
- 6:30 pm Council
- 6:30 pm VASA Lodge

Friday, October 18

Pr. Andrew's Day Off

- 8:00 am Men's Ministry
- Reading 2 Samuel 5:1-5; 6:1-5
- Gospel Mark 11:8-10

Saturday, October 19

- 9:00 am Over-Eaters Anonymous
- 11:00 am Baby Shower
- 5:00 pm Worship

Sunday, October 20

- 8:15 am Senior Choir Rehearsal
- 8:45 am Worship
- 10:30 am Worship
- 11:30 am Journey
- 9:00 pm Room At The Inn begins at Messiah

Koinonia Bible Study - Every Thursday

Pastor Molly has been leading a Bible Study on Thursdays in the atrium from 10:00 am until 11:15 am. In Greek, the word 'koinonia' means communing together and participation in shared work. It is a word that signifies our joint work together as the body of Christ and so we will journey together with delight at the contributions that each of us bring to read through the whole Bible from start to finish at our own pace. Each week we will read the text, delve deep, ask challenging questions, and hopefully learn something new about God's work in the world. All are welcome to this Bible study and conversation!