

**MESSIAH IN MISSION  
SERVICE OF THE WORD & SACRAMENT  
GATHERING**

Organ Prelude	“We Three Kings of Orient Are”	Doug Hicks
Greetings & Announcements		
Opening Hymn*	“Once in Royal David’s City” (vs. 1,2,4)	<b>No. 269</b>
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Kyrie		pages 120-121
Canticle of Praise	“This Is The Feast”	pages 122-123
Prayer of the Day		

**WORD**

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Gospel Acclamation*		page 124
The Holy Gospel		John 1:[1-9] 10-18
Children’s Message		Sermon
		Pastor Woyen
Hymn of the Day	“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”	<b>No. 815</b>
Nicene Creed		page 126
Prayers of the People		
Passing of the Peace		

**MEAL**

Piano Offertory	“The Birthday of a King” (Hayes)	Doug Hicks
Offertory Hymn*	“The Doxology”	<b>No. 884</b>
Offertory Prayer		
The Great Thanksgiving		page 129
Preface and Response	“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord”	page 130
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The Distribution		

**SENDING**

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The Benediction		
Dismissal		
Sending Hymn	“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” (vs. 1,2,4)	<b>No. 631</b>
Sending Prayer		
Postlude		Doug Hicks

\*please stand as you are able

*Within the gospel reading’s profound words lies the simple message that God is revealed in a human person. Though we may try to understand how the Word existed with God from the beginning of time, the wonder we celebrate at Christmas is that the Word continues to dwell among us. Christ comes among us in the gathered assembly, the scriptures, the waters of new birth, and the bread and the wine. Through these ordinary gifts we receive the fullness of God’s grace and truth.*

We welcome you to **Messiah Lutheran Church**. We pray that you find Jesus in our gathering and worship. A Nursery is available for small children. Large print bulletins are available at the entrance. If you have any questions, feel free to ask one of our ushers, the person sitting next to you, or our pastor.

God bless you today and this week!

*We welcome to Christ’s Table all baptized believers who share our confession of faith in the real presence of our crucified and risen Lord in this holy meal. Holy Communion will be distributed at the altar. Those who have not had Communion instruction (either children or adults) are welcome to come forward for a blessing. The ushers will guide you in coming forward. If you have difficulty walking, please indicate to an usher your desire for Communion to be brought to you.*

**Serving in Worship Today**

The Rev. Eileen L. Woyen  
Doug Hicks, Music Director

Acolyte: Samantha DeMuesy

**Pastor Eileen’s Office Hours:** Pastor Eileen is in the office Monday – Thursday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Feel free to call her at 330/962-9492, Email her at [pastor@messiahlutheran.cc](mailto:pastor@messiahlutheran.cc), or friend her on Facebook.

**Worship Responsibilities for January 10<sup>th</sup>:**

Greeter: OPEN  
Lay Reader: OPEN  
Acolyte: Audrey Johnson  
Altar Flowers: AVAILABLE

On Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup> following worship, we will hold our Annual Meeting. This is an important meeting, so plan on attending. Bring a covered dish to share for our Potluck Lunch. The Meeting will follow lunch!

We need volunteers for Greeters and Lay Readers! Check out the signup sheet in the narthex! There is a new Flower Chart for 2016! Celebrate a birthday or remember a Loved One!