

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

Organ Prelude	“Voices Raised to You We Offer” (Setting: Culli)	Doug
Hicks		
Greetings & Announcements		
Opening Hymn*	“We Are Called”	No. 720
Easter Acclamation		
P: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!		
C: He is Risen! Alleluia!		
Confession & Forgiveness		screen/insert
Apostolic Greeting		page 120
Canticle of Praise	“Glory To God”	page 121
Prayer of the Day		

WORD

First Reading		Acts 11:1-18
Psalm	(see black tab on hymnal margin)	Psalm 148
Second Reading		Revelation 21:1-6
Gospel Acclamation*		page 124
The Holy Gospel		John 13: 31-35
Children’s Message		
Sermon		Pastor Woyen
Hymn of the Day	“We Know That Christ is Raised”	No. 449
Apostle’s Creed		page 127
Passing of the Peace		page 128
Piano Offertory	“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” (Arr. Joel Raney)	Doug Hicks
Offertory Hymn*	“The Doxology”	No. 884
Offertory Prayer		
Prayers of the People		

SENDING

The Lord’s Prayer		page 134
The Benediction		page 136
Dismissal		
Sending Hymn	“All Are Welcome” (vs. 1,3,5)	No. 641
Sending Prayer		
Postlude	“They Will Know We Are Christians by Our Love”	Doug Hicks

*please stand as you are able

Easter initiates a new day. It anticipates a new heaven and a new earth. The risen Lord is making all things new. In the mystery of holy baptism God has made new people of us. Today the Lord Jesus invites us to see everyone in a new light—through the lens of love.

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!

Serving in Worship Today

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

Greeter: Patty & Mark Ondecker
Lay Reader: Laura Conley
Acolyte: Sophia Cope

Pastor Eileen’s Office Hours: Monday-Thursday from 9 am – 1 pm. Feel free to call her at 330/962-9492, Email her at pastor@messiahlutheran.cc, or friend her on Facebook.

Worship Responsibilities for May 1st:

Greeter: OPEN
Lay Reader: OPEN
Acolyte: Breck Mooney

Send some love to your Mom! We will be having our **Annual Mother’s Day Breakfast** Saturday, May 7 @ 10:00. Breakfast will be made and served by Mark Ludrosky and the Men’s Bible Study. We will enjoy having Carole Bader, Director of Youth at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, provide a message. Sign up in the lobby!

Memorial Day Parade – Bottle Water Donations Needed

We are now accepting bottled water donations to pass out at the Memorial Day Parade. Look for sales and bring in your donations. If you have water that you would like to donate, but can’t get it to the church, call Bill Schmiedel at 330.285.3343, and he’ll be happy to come and pick it up! Don’t forget to mark your calendar and plan to march with us that morning. Messiah... Serves!