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*We appreciate your joining our worship circle this morning, and we invite you to sign our guest book. If you are looking for an altar at which to commune, please speak to the pastor beforehand. He will be happy to provide you with the information you would want and need.*

**Sunday family worship...8:00 and 9:30 A.M.**

### **Today's Worship**

*"...through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope" (Rom. 15:4).*



**Preparation:** Read Ps. 30, page 129 in the red hymnal.

**The Liturgy:** Page 12ff. in the Worship Supplement.

**Hymns:** 537, 428, (788:1), 521, 305, 577.

### **Readings:**

**2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13-14...**Willing, generous offerings flow from lives made rich in faith and hope.

**Mark 5:21-24a, 35-43...**In the face of every trial, Jesus says, "Do not be afraid; only believe."

### **Sermon: Lamentations 3:22-33**

#### **NEW HOPE FOR A NEW DAY**

- I. Hope in God's faithfulness.
- II. Hope in God's goodness.
- III. Hope in God's compassion.



### **Meetings today**

The new activity committee is asked to meet between services. Those interested in helping with a summer block party are also asked to meet briefly.

### **Welcome!**

Ken and Michaela Winters arrived Friday afternoon. We welcome them to the Messiah family. Thank you to all who helped with unloading on a very warm day!

### **Thank you...**

We thank Andrew Albrecht and James Arndt for representing Messiah at last week's CLC Convention. They will be reporting this morning on Convention actions.

### **Convention materials**

Help yourself to the Convention materials in the hall, including *The Convention Chronicles*; *Foreign Missions Fact Sheets*; and the *Four Points* (differences between the CLC and WELS).

### **Firecracker Four race**

We need volunteers to staff our water tables at the Hales Corners Firecracker Four race on July 4. The signup sheet is on the bulletin board.

**No Wednesday Bible class** this week due to the July 4th holiday.

### **Mission Helper trip**

The CLC Mission Helpers will gather here on Monday, July 9th, to make final preparations before catching their flight at Chicago, O'Hare later in the day. Housing is needed for one or two individuals on Sunday, July 8th. Also, there is a need for two large, sturdy suitcases which do not need to be returned. Contact Mr. Quade if you can help with either request. A send-off service will be held at 1:30 Monday afternoon. Everyone is welcome to come and join in praising the Lord for the opportunity to be His witnesses "to the ends of the earth" and to ask for His protection for the mission helpers and His blessing upon their work in Jesus' name.

### **VBS in two weeks!**

Vacation Bible School begins Monday, July 16th. To date there have been only a couple of volunteers. Teachers, a music leader, snack coordinator, and others are needed. Over the years, canvassing help has proven to make a big difference in attendance. Flyers are below the mailboxes. Check the map on the cupboard doors. Yard signs are in the entry. Contact Pastor for more information.

### **Friendship Sunday**

VBS will culminate with Friendship Sunday on July 22. There will be only one service (9:30 a.m.), followed by the congregational picnic. What a joy to not only receive the good news of forgiveness ourselves, but to share it with others! Do you have a friend, classmate, co-worker, or neighbor whom you could tell about the Savior who died for them? Invite them to join us.

## **Looking Ahead...**

- ♣**Tuesday:**  
11:00 A.M: Brenwood service.
- ♣**July 9th:**  
1:30 P.M: Send-off service for Mission Helpers.
- ♣**July 10th:**  
5:30 P.M: Bd. of Property.
- ♣**July 12th:**  
6:30 P.M: Bd. of Education.  
7:00 P.M: Bd. of Elders.
- ♣**July 16-20:**  
VBS.
- ♣**July 22:**  
9:30 A.M: Friendship Sunday and church picnic.
- ♣**July 29:**  
Voters meeting.



Every  
morning



mercies new!

## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR TODAY

### Lamentations 3:22-33 NKJV

Through the LORD'S mercies we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness. "The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "Therefore I hope in Him!"

The LORD is good to those who wait for Him, to the soul who seeks Him. It is good that one should hope and wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. It is good for a man to bear the yoke in his youth.

Let him sit alone and keep silent, because God has laid it on him; let him put his mouth in the dust—there may yet be hope. Let him give his cheek to the one who strikes him, and be full of reproach.

For the Lord will not cast off forever. Though He causes grief, yet He will show compassion according to the multitude of His mercies. For He does not afflict willingly, nor grieve the children of men.

### 2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13-14 NKJV

Moreover, brethren, we make known to you the grace of God bestowed on the churches of Macedonia: that in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded in the riches of their liberality. For I bear witness that according to their ability, yes, and beyond their ability, they were freely willing, imploring us with much urgency that we would receive the gift and the fellowship of the ministering to the saints. And not only as we had hoped, but they first gave themselves to the Lord, and then to us by the will of God. So we urged Titus, that as he had begun, so he would also complete this grace in you as well. But as you abound in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all diligence, and in your love for us—see that you abound in this grace also.

I speak not by commandment, but I am testing the sincerity of your love by the diligence of others. For you know the grace of our Lord

Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich....

For I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened; but by an equality, that now at this time your abundance may supply their lack, that their abundance also may supply your lack—that there may be equality.

### Mark 5:21-24a, 35-43 NKJV

Now when Jesus had crossed over again by boat to the other side, a great multitude gathered to see Him; and He was by the sea. And behold, one of the rulers of the synagogue came, Jairus by name. And when he saw Him, he fell at His feet and begged Him earnestly, saying, "My little daughter lies at the point of death. Come and lay Your hands on her, that she may be healed, and she will live." So Jesus went with him....

While He was still speaking, some came from the ruler of the synagogue's house who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?"

As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, He said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not be afraid; only believe."

And He permitted no one to follow Him except Peter, James, and John the brother of James. Then He came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and saw a tumult and those who wept and wailed loudly. When He came in, He said to them, "Why make this commotion and weep? The child is not dead, but sleeping." And they ridiculed Him.

But when He had put them all outside, He took the father and the mother of the child, and those who were with Him, and entered where the child was lying. Then He took the child by the hand, and said to her, "Talitha, cumi," which is translated, "Little girl, I say to you, arise." Immediately the girl arose and walked, for she was twelve years of age. And they were overcome with great amazement. But He commanded them strictly that no one should know it, and said that something should be given her to eat.

## Responsive Prayer of the Church

Pastor: plain type.

Cong: **underlined, boldface type.**

Dear heavenly Father: Sometimes life seems to be nothing more than the same old story of disappointments, heartaches, suffering, and finally death—all brought about by sin. **Along with all people, we have to confess that we are guilty and deserve only Your anger and eternal punishment.**

Yet today You fill us with lasting, living hope by Your assurance that Your mercies are fresh and new every morning. **We can begin each day with the joy of knowing that You have loved us with an everlasting love.** You sent Jesus to bear our sin and punishment on the cross that we might be Your forgiven and holy children. Throughout the day we can call upon You for deliverance from danger and trials. **Each evening we can lay before You our failings, receive Your perfect peace, and fall asleep with a clear conscience for Jesus' sake.**

Thank You for the hope You give through Your Word. Strengthen our hope through Jesus' body and blood in the Sacrament. **Give us the grace to put faith into practice and let our light shine in daily life.**

We pray for a special measure of Your hope for our brother in Christ, Marty Bernthal, who is hospitalized for treatment of pneumonia. According to Your will, grant him healing. **Above all, refresh his spirit with Your promise that You will never leave or forsake him.**

Receive our offerings as an expression of our confident hope in You to provide all we need for body and soul. **Grant us thankful hearts to give freely and generously for Your work.**

As we look forward to celebrating Independence Day, we thank You for the freedoms, security, prosperity, and countless other gifts You have showered upon our nation. **Preserve and protect the United States.** Give us faithful and good leaders. **May we give the honor and obedience due them as Your representatives for our earthly wellbeing.**

Fill our hearts and lives each day with Your mercies until Jesus returns and we see You face-to-face in glory everlasting. **In Jesus' name. Amen.**