

Messiah News April 2026

Servers:

April 5: *Easter Breakfast 7:45 a.m. (No Fellowship Meal)*

Mavis Patton, Del & Penny Noetzelman

April 12: Darryl & Karen Cameron

April 19: Gordy & LaDonna Wentz, Gary Vieth

April 26: Mike & Julie Terpstra, Ricky Terpstra

May 3: Beverages/Treats Served/No Fellowship Meal

Spring Cookout later in month

Doug & Marlys Tanner

Gene & Carol Danzeisen

May 10: Bret & Jill Massey

May 17: Merle & Sandy Bryce, Dick & Elaine Hanson

May 24: Gary & Betty Schnellert, Tim & Wendy Franzwa

May 31: Jon & Jodi Meichsner

June 7: *No Fellowship Meal during Summer months*

Ed & Diana Schmidt, Mary Jo Freborg

June 14: Robert & Nicole Finken

June 21: Pat Farrow, Patty Hanson

June 28: Gordy & Annette Koring, Emily Cameron

Bakers will be called as needed:

Ginger Ahlers

Beau Garman

Ruth Rosenberg

Irene Hoffman

**If you are not able to serve on the day scheduled, please find a replacement or switch with someone else. A copy of the server/baker contact list is available on the table in the narthex.

Elders:

April 2 (Maundy Thursday): Bob Garman

April 3 (Good Friday): Bob Garman

April 5 (Easter Sunday): Gary Schnellert

April 12: Bret Massey

April 19: Del Noetzelman

April 26: Ricky Terpstra

WORSHIP SCHEDULE & CALENDAR

Wednesdays, April 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29

6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Maundy Thursday, April 2:

6 p.m. Worship

Good Friday, April 3:

6 p.m. Worship

Easter Sunday, April 5:

7:45 a.m. Breakfast

9 a.m. Worship

Tuesday, April 7

12:45 p.m. LWML w/Bible Study

Thursday, April 9

9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Featherweight Quilters

Sundays, April 12, 19 & 26

Worship Time: 9 a.m.

(Bible Study to follow)

Friday, April 17

9 a.m. LWML Spring Zone Rally

in Sauk Rapids

For additional April calendar items, including scouts' dates and times at Messiah, visit www.messiahstartell.com.

April:

Altar Guild: Chris Garman

Ushers: Darryl Cameron, Tim Franzwa
Jesse Gratke

Counters: Chris Garman, Gene Stolt

Prepare: March Series 'A' Church Year Readings

The following Scripture readings will help you prepare for worship.

April 2: *Holy (Maundy) Thursday:* Exodus 24:3-11; Psalm 116:12-19; Hebrews 9:11-22; Matthew 26:17-30

April 3: *(Good Friday):* Isaiah 52:13– 53:12; Psalm 22 or Psalm 31; Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9; John 18:1- 19:42 or John 19:17-30

April 5: *(Easter Sunday):* Exodus 14:10-15:1; Psalm 118:15- 29; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; John 20:1-18 or Acts 10:34-43 or Jeremiah 31:1-6; Psalm 16; Colossians 3:1-4; Matthew 28:1-10

April 12: Acts 5:29-42; Psalm 148; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

April 19: Acts 2:14a, 36- 41; Psalm 116:1- 14; 1 Peter 1:17-25; Luke 24:13-35

April 26: Acts 2:42-47; Psalm 23; 1 Peter 2:19-25; John 10:1-10

May 3: Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60; Psalm 146; 1 Peter 2:2-10; John 14:1-14

April's Altar Flowers

Thank you to those who provided flowers to help beautify the sanctuary for Easter 4/5:

- Ginger Ahlers (2) ~in memory of loved ones
- David & Kathleen Brehmer ~in memory of loved ones
- Wendy Byars ~in memory of Austin Lee
- Darryl & Karen Cameron (2)
- Emily Cameron ~in memory of Uncle Rob
- Gene & Carol Danzeisen ~in memory of loved ones
- Mary Jo Freborg (2) ~in memory of loved ones
- Chris Garman ~in memory Marian Edelen
- Herm & Kathy Heine
- Irene Hoffman ~in memory of Carl Hoffman
- Annette Koring ~in memory of loved ones
- Jill Massey ~in memory of loved ones
- Janet Mueller ~in memory of Tom Mueller
- Betty Schnellert ~in memory of loved ones
- Doug & Marlys Tanner ~in memory of loved ones
- Mike & Julie Terpstra ~in memory of loved ones
- Gary Vieth
- Gordon & LaDonna Wentz ~in memory of loved ones



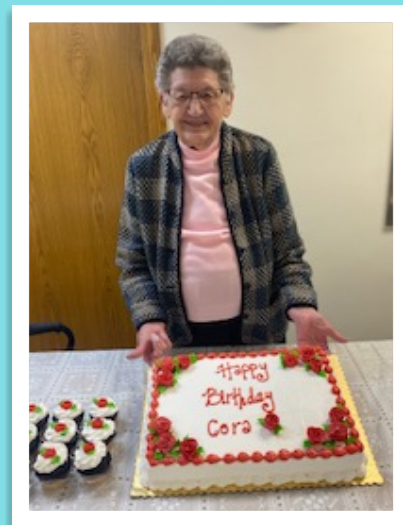
April flowers provided by:

Cora Granlund (4/5)

Gene & Carol Danzeisen (4/19) *(in memory of Gene's Brother, Steve)*

Irene Hoffman (4/26) *(in memory of Carl Hoffman)*

**Birthday blessings to
Cora Granlund on March 8, 2026!**



**Hudson Shae Dockendorf was baptized
here at Messiah on March 22, 2026.**



EASTER JOY to ALL



“Side by Side with Jesus”.

LWML will meet on Tuesday, **April 7, 2026** at 12:45 p.m. under the theme of “Walking With Jesus”. We’ll meet in the Fellowship Hall with Annette as hostess. Pastor Hesterman will lead the Bible study, “Now, I See!”. LaDonna will share a mission highlight and Mavis will close with the devotion,

Convention.

LWML SPRING ZONE RALLY:

Theme: “Blessed by the Father” from Matthew 25: 35-36 *“For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.”*

Speaker: Harry Fleegel from “Homeless Helping Homeless” in St. Cloud.

Date: Friday, April 17, 2026

Place: St. John’s Lutheran Church Popple Creek
6855 Golden Spike Rd NE, Sauk Rapids MN 56379
Questions? Call or text Marilyn Hittel for more information 320-309-8122

Registration: 9:00-9:30 a.m. and is freewill offering

Ingathering: Items for Homeless Helping Homeless:

Individually packaged food, regular food: Chips, granola bars, fruit cups, pudding cups, ramen, tuna packets, canned pasta with pull tab tops, bananas, oranges, mac and cheese cups, beef sticks, individual cereal boxes, water juice boxes, nuts, peanut butter, milk, cereal, coffee, creamer, sugar.]

Other items: Paper bowls and plates, plastic spoons and forks, toilet paper, paper towels, hand warmers, gas cards

New or gently used items: Men and women’s clothes—Socks, winter coats, thermal underwear, hoodies, sweatpants, gloves, men’s boxer briefs, ladies’ briefs, towels, blankets, sleeping bags, backpacks, tents

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Birthdays & **Anniversaries •••••

- 2 Brandon Finneman
- 2 Eric Franzwa
- 6 Angela Olson
- 11 Pete & Lynne Finneman**
- 11 Gordon Wentz
- 13 Tim & Wendy Franzwa**
- 14 Jamie Byers
- 14 Ron Tillman
- 15 Patty Hanson
- 15 Irene Hoffman
- 16 Tonya Fuches
- 16 Laura Woltmann
- 18 Max Buffington
- 20 Del & Penny Noetzelman**
- 23 Elaine Hanson
- 25 Ed Schmidt

*Birthday
& Anniversary
Blessings!*

LWML DISTRICT CONVENTION will be June 22-24, 2026 at the Park Event Center in Waite Park, MN. The theme of the Convention

“**Let HIS Joy be Your Joy!**” comes from John 15:11 *“These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.”* Messiah’s delegates will be **LaDonna** Wentz and **Mary Jo** Freborg with alternates, Janet Mueller and Penny Noetzelman.

The Opening Worship will be held at Redeemer Lutheran Church in St. Cloud on Monday, June 22 and everyone is invited to attend. Tuesday is the big full day with Keynote Speaker, Rev. Kris Whitby from Illinois; Bible Study Leader is Rev. Dr. Patrick Lovejoy from Grand Rapids and the Entertainment is Great River Resonance, a premier community handbell ensemble from the greater St. Cloud, MN area. Please keep those preparing for all aspects of this event in your prayers!

