

This Week at Messiah Hazel Dell

Today – Christmas Cantata

8:30, 9:45 AM Worship with Communion
 9:30 AM Godly Play

Monday

9:00 AM Prayer Team
 9:30 AM Monday Morning Group
 9:30 AM Moms Connect, rm 108
 4:30-5:45 & 6:00-7:15 PM Yoga
 7:00 PM Theology on Tap

Tuesday

6:30-8:00 AM **Free High School Breakfast**
 9:30 AM Quilters
 12:00-2:00 PM Material Girls
 7:00 PM AI-Anon, LL Dining Hall
 7:00 PM Preschool Christmas Program

Wednesday – FLIP

8:45 AM Preschool Chapel
 10:00 AM Pr. Kathy's Book Club
 3:00-5:00 PM Homework Club
 4:00-4:30 PM NewSong
 4:00-4:40 PM Godly Play (3yrs-1st grade)
 4:00-5:15 PM Moms' Time Out
 4:35-5:15 PM Chaos!
 4:45-5:15 PM Praise Patrol/Pax Christi
 5:00-6:00 PM Dinner
 6:00-7:00 PM Godly Play (2nd-5th grade)
 6:00-7:00 PM Confirmation
 6:00-7:00 PM Wednesday Night Live!
 7:00-8:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday

8:45 AM Preschool Chapel
 2:30 PM *Centering Prayer*
 7:00 PM AI-Anon, LL Dining Hall
 7:00 PM Preschool Christmas Program

Friday

Saturday

8:00 AM-3:00 PM Godly Play Training
 5:00 PM Worship w/Communion

Sunday

8:30, 9:45 AM Worship with Communion
 9:30 AM Godly Play

Scripture for next Sunday: Isaiah 40:1-11
 Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13; 2 Peter 3:8-15a; Mark 1:1-8

This Week at Messiah North County

Sunday

9:15 AM Prayer Team
 10:00 AM Worship w/Communion

Order of Service

Song	Gospel
Greeting & Announcements	Message
Confession & Absolution	Song
Prayer of the Day	Children's Message
Song	Song
Prayers of the Church	Profession of Faith
Offering/Music	Lord's Prayer
Scripture Readings	Communion
Song	Prayer
	Blessing
	Song/Sending

Kathleen & Peter Braafladt, Pastors
 David Teeter, Minister of Worship and Music
 Ryan Dockery, Pastoral Intern
 Alison Treichel, Administrative Assistant
 Joyce Handran, Preschool Director
 Jessica Potts, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries
 Grace Middelstadt, Interim Director of Children's and Family Ministries
 Daniel Ortman, Assistant Worship Leader
 Cherry Berry, Publications/Media Specialist
 Greg Rhodes, NCC Project Manager
 Janet Borst, Bookkeeper
 Christina Hawley, Lead Nursery Attendant
 Marsh White, Custodian

Office hours

8-3:00 Mon-Thurs, 8-Noon Friday

Weekend Worship Services Hazel Dell

Saturday 5:00 PM; Sunday, 8:30, 9:45 AM
 Nursery Care, Sat. 4:45-6:15 PM; Sun. 8:15-11:00 AM

Sunday Worship Services North County

Worship 10:00 AM Child Care, 10:00-11:00 AM



Are you new to Messiah?

We would love to connect with you—it's quick, easy and secure. Text the word "welcome" to 360-200-7332 and we will promptly provide information. If you prefer, you can complete a Discover Card and place it in the offering or in one of the designated baskets near the exits. Thank you.



Comfort and Hope Worship Service

6:00pm Wednesday, December 20

Christmas is a time of good cheer and generous giving, a time of glad tidings and wishful thinking for most of us. Yet for others, Christmas is a time of loneliness and bewilderment. If you find yourself burdened this holiday season, please consider joining us in the Messiah sanctuary at the Christmas Comfort and Hope worship service sponsored by Messiah's Stephen Ministers. All are welcome!



"Can you hear me now?"

Theology on Tap

7:00-8:45pm Monday, December 4

Location: Uptown Barrel Room, downtown Vancouver

There will be plenty of seating as Messiah has reserved the entire restaurant for this event. ToT attendees will be the only patrons for the entire night. Online RSVP registration is required through Messiah's website.



Christmas Eve Services

Sunday, December 24

Hazel Dell Campus

Traditional Candlelight Services

10:00 AM 7:00 PM 9:00 PM

Service Especially for Families with Small Children 5:00 PM

Nursery available for 10:00, 5:00 & 7:00 services

Sunday, December 24

North County Campus

Carols at the Course 10:00 AM

carols and pop-up children's pageant

Welcome to Messiah

This is a church that welcomes doubters, seekers, and believers of all stripes; conservatives and liberals; the wealthy and the poor; individuals, and every kind of family; sinners and saints; those who are broken, lost, and those who long for healing and connection. ALL are welcome to experience the transforming love of God in Christ. Welcome to Messiah Lutheran Church: *The Body in Motion.*

To Guests of Messiah...

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Children and Church... Yes!

For younger children in the sanctuary, we all expect a certain amount of squirming, fussing, and wandering. Feel free to pick up a bag from the activity cart located in the foyer and use it in the sanctuary. Kits are disinfected weekly. Or check out the nursery directly below the sanctuary for children up to five years old.

Preschool through fifth grade children are welcomed to Godly Play® Sunday school that begins at 9:30am in rooms 101, 103 and 105. Godly Play® is a Montessori-style learning experience that your child will love. Teachers escort the children to the sanctuary following the sermon in time to participate in the children's message. Children join their families in Holy Communion and the rest of the service.

Holy Communion

We celebrate the presence of Christ in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper as part of every weekend service. All are welcome to commune.

Ushers will guide you up the center aisle. Please take an empty cup from either of the tables at the front as you come forward to stand at the altar rail. If you prefer, there are pre-poured cups with grape juice and gluten free wafers at each of the tables. You are welcome to return to your seats at your own pace.

All children are welcome to come forward to receive Communion or a blessing.

Assistive Listening Devices

Wireless listening devices are available at the sound booth in the back of the sanctuary. Pick one up and sit anywhere in the sanctuary with the benefit of hearing support.

Restrooms

Restrooms are located at the base of the stairs off the foyer and at the end of the photo gallery hallway.

One Mile Mission Needs

- Two volunteers to greet students at Jason Lee Middle School before school each morning from 8:40am–9:00am
- Financial donations needed (\$100 total) toward Reflective Safety Bands for students at Columbia River High School. In light of a recent accident involving a student near Columbia River High School, Messiah has been asked to help raise funds for snap-on, reflective safety bands. The goal is to help improve visibility of pedestrians and keep students safe, especially during the winter when daylight is limited. These reflective bands will be distributed by Columbia River to students who walk to and from school. Please contact Jessica Potts at jessicap@messiahvancouver.org or (360) 574-7081 with any questions.

Godly Play Training

Messiah is hosting a Godly Play training 8:00am–3:00pm December 9. Cost is free to Messiah Congregation/Preschool. Training is available to those that wish just to see what Godly Play is all about! Refreshments and a light lunch will be provided or you are welcome to bring your own lunch if you prefer. Join us in learning from the best about the enriching program that is Godly Play! Please RSVP or address questions to Grace Middelstadt at gracem@messiahvancouver.org.

High School Service Opportunity:

Santa's Posse 4:30–7:15pm Thursday, Dec. 14
The group will travel to the Clark County Event Center to wrap and pack gifts for Santa's Posse (a partnership with the Clark County Sheriff's Office and Rotary Club). Dinner will be served. Contact Jessica Potts at jessicap@messiahvancouver.org. Please sign up by December 10.

Holiday Shopping Can Change Lives

Americans spend over \$300 billion on Christmas shopping each year. This year, consider giving gifts that fight hunger and grow the church with ELCA Good Gifts. Select from more than 50 gifts — from goats to water filters to school fees — to help people in need. All gifts can be given in honor of friends and loved ones. Give online and you can personalize a card to send directly to your loved one.

Give Someone a Gift this Christmas.

Looking for volunteers to drive people to the Comfort and Hope Service. Register your availability on the weekend Discover Card or by calling the front office.

Need a ride to the Comfort and Hope Service? Indicate your need on the weekend Discover Card or by calling the front office.

Winter Hospitality Overflow

Volunteers are needed for nighttime shifts at the homeless shelter at St Paul's Lutheran Church in downtown Vancouver the week of Jan 21-28. Use the link on Messiah's website to sign up on-line. For questions or for signing up without a computer, please phone Brenda Gardner at 360-601-9258.

2018 Offering Envelopes

Your envelopes are available in the fellowship hall. If you give electronically, please pick up your envelopes and dispose of them at home.

Pr. Kathy's Book Club

first Wednesdays of the month – childcare available
Hazel Dell campus 10:00-11:30am
December 6 – *Gift From the Sea*,
by Anne Morrow Lindbergh



Preschool
Christmas Programs
7:00pm Dec 5 & 7

one congregation | two locations

North County Campus – 1701 NW 299th St, Ridgefield, WA 98642
meeting in the banquet room at Tri-Mountain Golf Course

Hazel Dell Campus – 905 NW 94th St., Vancouver, WA 98665

Free Public Wifi

Messiah Public
password: katieluther

(360) 574-7081

Financially sponsoring the High School
Tuesday Morning Breakfast is...
Bill & Elaine Wilson

The flowers on the altar this week were given by...
Melissa Anderholt in memory of Matt Williams

Combined weekend attendance: 298
Worship CD Ministry: Need to hear it again?
Check out a CD in the church office.