

This Week at Messiah Hazel Dell

Today
 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

Tuesday
 6:30-8:00 AM **NO** High School Breakfast
 9:30 AM Quilters
 7:00 PM Al-Anon, LL Dining Hall

Wednesday – FLIP is on Winter Break
 6:00 PM Comfort and Hope Service
 7:00-8:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday
 2:30 PM Centering Prayer
 7:00 PM Al-Anon, LL Dining Hall

Friday

Saturday - No Evening Worship Service

Sunday - Christmas Eve
 10:00 AM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
 5:00 PM Families with Younger Children Service
 includes impromptu Christmas Pageant
 7:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
 9:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Monday - Christmas Day - Office Closed



Scripture for next Sunday: Isaiah 9:2-7
 Micah 5:2; Luke 2:1-20

This Week at Messiah North County

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

Next Sunday - Christmas Eve
 10:00 AM Carols at the Course

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



The Messenger

December 16 & 17, 2017

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 this 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!

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.



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

These are in lieu of the regularly scheduled weekend worship services. No Saturday night service.

Sunday, December 24

North County Campus

Carols at the Course 10:00 AM

carols and pop-up children's pageant

This is the last weekend to order your poinsettias. Be sure to put any cash with your order in an envelope!



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 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

Food on the 4th

Bring your bags Christmas Eve!

December Food on the 4th offering will go to The Lewis River Mobile Food Bank and the Ridgefield Family Resource Center.

Items and foods most needed this month:

- ✓ canned tuna
- ✓ macaroni and cheese
- ✓ canned soup
- ✓ canned pears
- ✓ one can meals, e.g., stew, chili, spaghetti, ravioli
- ✓ Bonus item: toilet paper

Sorting to distribute the food will be Wed., December 27, starting at 8:30am.



College Age Coffee

Wednesday, December 27 at 10:00am

Young adults are invited to meet for coffee and conversation. Meet at Thatcher's Coffee, 104 Grand Blvd #100, Vancouver, WA 98661. Questions? Contact Jessica Potts at jessicap@messiahvancouver.org.

One Mile Mission Needs

- Two volunteers to greet students at Jason Lee Middle School before school each morning from 8:40am–9:00am
- For the Ridgefield Family Resource Center.
 - Can be dropped off at worship or brought to the main office during business hours.
 - New packaged boys and girls underwear (all sizes)
 - Teenage girl sweatpants

2018 Offering Envelopes

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

Daily Texts

Pre-order 2018 Daily Texts - Bible Verses and Prayers for Each Day of the Year. \$7.95 each. *(These are always sitting on the welcome desk.)* Please contact the front office to place your orders. (360) 574-7081 or email alisont@messiahvancouver.org.



Growing kids God's way

Preschool
Winter Break
Dec. 18–Jan. 1

School resumes Jan 2

Winter Hospitality Overflow

Attention Night Owls and Early Risers! You are needed to volunteer during the week of Jan 21-28 at the homeless shelter at St Paul's Lutheran Church in downtown Vancouver.

We need people to sign up for the **11:00pm to 3:00am shift** (the Night Owls) and the **3:00 to 7:00am shift** (Early Risers). Use the link on Messiah's website to sign up on-line. For questions or to sign up without a computer, please phone Hope Quinn at 360-314-2737 or Brenda Gardner at 360-601-9258.

Dates Set!

Beach Campout at Nehalem Bay
State Park in Manzanita, OR
June 14–17, 2018

Messiah has 8 spots reserved for this summer's beach campout. Cost is \$35/family/night if staying all 3 nights or \$40/family/night if staying less than three nights. Payment is needed to secure your spot. RV's and tents welcome! Pancake breakfast provided each morning. For more information or to sign up, contact Jessica Potts at jessicap@messiahvancouver.org

The flowers on the altar this week were given by...
Leon & Judy Burch in honor of
their 52nd wedding anniversary

Combined weekend attendance: 270
Worship CD Ministry: Need to hear it again?
Check out a CD in the church office.