

*This month at a glance:*

**Senior Support Dinner**

October 5

**Oktoberfest**

Saturday, October 7th, 3-6 p.m.

**Church Council**

October 10, 6:00 p.m.

**League of Hope**

October 26, Thursday, 6:00 p.m. at  
Susie Anderson's

**Clean-up Day**

October 21, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**Reformation Day**

October 29, 10:30 a.m., at St. Paul

**Sunday Mornings**

Services at 9:30, Sunday School  
Coffee time follows service

## **Office Hours**

**Monday - Thursday**  
**9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.**

**Friday**  
**10:00 a.m. to Noon**

## **REFORMATION DAY JOINT WORSHIP**

**October 29, 2017 @ 10:00 am**

**St. Paul Lutheran and Catholic Community**  
**1600 Grant Street, Denver**

Reformation Day will be celebrated with the Lutheran and Catholic worshipping communities at St. Paul on Capitol Hill. It is especially significant on this day to worship with Catholic brothers and sisters to join together in reconciling the things that split the Church 500 years ago rather than celebrating the giant rift along with the inherent pain and suffering that Luther's deep and searching questions posed in 1517.

Bishop Gonia will be the preacher. The Ecumenical Catholic Communion (ECC) is also invited. The ECC is a progressive catholic community that advocates for the ordination of women, is open and welcoming to the LGBTQ community and does not require clerical celibacy. For more information visit [www.ecumenical-catholic-communion.org](http://www.ecumenical-catholic-communion.org).

## **Reformation 500 Festival of Hymns on October 29!**

On Sunday, October 29, at 4:00 pm, St. Paul is also hosting a Reformation hymn festival entitled, The Hymns of Martin Luther: A Festival of Hymns in Commemoration of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. Co-sponsored by the Denver Rocky Mountain Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. The festival will feature music for congregation, choir, organ, brass, and percussion. You won't want to miss this festive event.

**Colorado Faith Communities United to End Gun Violence  
Presents:  
What does gun violence in Denver really look like?  
How can we reduce these tragic numbers?**

Using A Public Health Approach to Prevent and Reduce Firearm Related Injuries  
Special Presentation by officials from Denver Public Health on findings from their recent research on gun violence and plans to reduce these numbers.

Wednesday, October 25  
7:00 – 9:00 p.m.  
Stop by for social time and light refreshments at 6:30  
St. Thomas Episcopal, 2201 Dexter St, Denver, CO

**Do You Know SAME Café at 2023 E Colfax?**

*“Everyone, regardless of economic status, deserves the chance to eat healthy food while being treated with dignity. Good food for the greater good.”*

SAME Café’s mission of serving good food for the greater good says it all. Committed to presenting culinary delights to all who walk through the door, it is all about food and community, and not so much about price.

SAME is the first nonprofit restaurant in Denver. Its patrons set the price for their mostly local, organic cuisine. If you can give more, please do. If you have a little less, pay what you can. If your pockets are empty, exchange volunteer work at SAME for one of the café’s mouth-watering meals. It is the intent of SAME Cafe to build a healthy community by providing a basic need of food in a respectful and dignified manner to anyone who walks through the door.

SAME Cafe is unique in the lack of a set menu as well as set prices. Daily selections are made using fresh, organic ingredients, and funded by the donations of patrons. Instead of a cash register, a donation box is available for one to pay what they felt their meal was worth. Our philosophy is that everyone, regardless of economic status, deserves the chance to eat healthy food while being treated with dignity.

You can also arrange an evening meal or private party at SAME Café. It’s an excellent venue for those looking to enjoy an intimate atmosphere with a unique mission. It’s a great place for holiday parties, book clubs, corporate meetings, or even wedding receptions – we’ve had three weddings here that were fabulous! If there’s a particular date you have in mind then please email [samecafe@gmail.com](mailto:samecafe@gmail.com) to schedule or get more details. For more information, go to [www.soallmayeat.org](http://www.soallmayeat.org).



### **CHURCH CLEAN UP AND CLEAN OUT DAY**

Put on your grubbies and come to church on October 21 between 9 am and 3 pm. There's lots of work to do and many hands make the work not only lighter but more fun. Outside grounds need to be readied for winter and inside there is dusting, polishing, sorting, tossing and organizing to do. There may even be a Scavenger Hunt! Please reply to Leah if you are able to help.

### **Update on League of Hope**

Our new scholarship recipients are gearing up to begin college in February. That may seem a long way off, however they require our support by 1 December. We all appreciate your help in reaching our goal of \$1000 by December 1st for Urania.

The women of League of Hope are collecting their \$100 annual pledge that will support our second recipient, Scarlettta. Both young ladies are from our sister neighborhood of Boca de Cantaro.

Our next meeting will be October 21st, 6:00 at Susie Anderson's house. We hope you will



## Volunteers Make a Difference...

...especially in times of transition. Over the last several weeks, you have been asked to “do a little bit more” to help us in the transition process. Your collective response has been nothing short of amazing; painting, organizing, cleaning, REorganizing, pulling weeds, counting offering, closing on Sundays, keeping records, tending the office, watering the plants, straightening the pews.....the list goes on and on, but so do the needs. If you can give some time on Sunday after church, we can use more members on our Closing Team, and the Altar Guild is also in need of people to setup and cleanup Communion on Sunday mornings. Both of these “opportunities” would be about a 30-minute commitment. If you’d like to be a part of the Sunday morning ministry team we can certainly accommodate you there also. Lector? Greeter? Communion Assistant? Contact Leah if you’d like to help in any way. (leah@messiahdenver.org). THANK YOU MESSIAH FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

## Budget Update

In an effort to keep the congregation informed of the financial status of the congregation, here are the current 2017 figures.

August 2017

Church General Fund Income	August	YTD
Offerings	\$ 8,968.00	\$ 94,558.00
King Soopers	479.25	1,213.70
Rental and Building Use	2,510.00	10,555.00
Other	250.00	919.97
Total Income	12,207.25	107,246.67
Total Expenses	16,060.83	163,424.12
Net	3,853.58	56,177.56

## Messiah Women

Messiah Women will continue to meet the second Saturday of October. This month we have decided to address “Thinking of You” cards to members who are unable to attend church. We would sincerely welcome your help with this project. If you have any other projects that you think we might be able to, check in with us.

P.S. We have a great supply of greeting cards in the parlor.



## Council Spotlight



### Laurel Karabatsos

Laurel grew up in Connecticut and moved to Colorado with her family when she was 13 years old. She attended junior and senior high school in Fort Collins and went to the University of Colorado, Boulder for her undergraduate degree. After college she moved to Denver and pursued a career in Health Care Administration. Laurel currently works for the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing as the Deputy Medicaid Director.

Laurel and her daughter, Harper, have attended Messiah for more than 6 years. Laurel is passionate about caring for our environment and in her free time enjoys being physically active, reading, gardening, listening to music and spending time with Harper.

### Advocacy for Social Justice

Volunteers are needed to form an Advocacy Team at Messiah. The Advocacy Team will work with the congregation to identify and prioritize areas of focus for Messiah's social justice ministry. If you are interested in participating on the Advocacy Team or learning more, please contact Laurel Karabatsos.

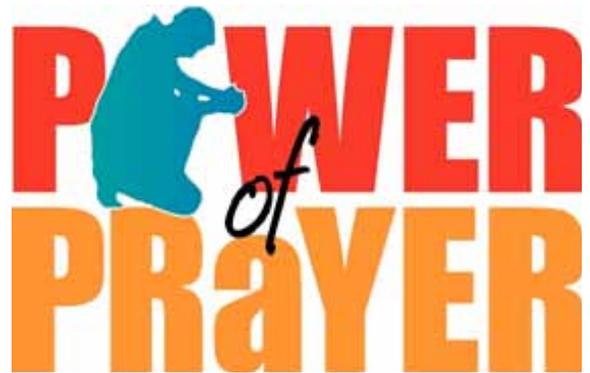
## Messiah Birthdays in October

Please inform the office if you are not listed

Giovanna Chickillo	October 3
Richard Chuvarsky	October 5
Scott Karkula	October 6
Kristy Karkula	October 7
Bryce Beardsley	October 10
Patty Cordova	October 27
Monica Mohr	October 28
Karen Schimke	October 31

## In Our Prayers

John Cain,, Myrna Francy, Winnie Jergensen, Mira Larson, Kelly McGuire, Eleanor Miller, Sherrill Morris, Ken Peden, Sue Ricci, Karen Rose, Claudette Rue, Nancy Wee (friend of Bonnie Short), Jackie West, and Ron White, Baby Colin and his family (Adrienne Adam's cousin).



## October 1

Assisting Minister: Teresa Stenwall  
Lector: Sue Edwards  
Greeter(s): Johnsons  
Communion Server: Leah  
Altar Guild: Katie and Sue S.  
Closer(s): Andersons  
Counters: Diana and Dick

## October 8

Assisting Minister: Denise Larson  
Lector: Jim Bonham  
Laity Prayer: Adrienne Adams  
Greeter(s): Webers  
Communion Server: Tammy Heid  
Altar Guild: Tammy/Frances  
Closer(s): Webers  
Counters: Edwards

## October 15

Assisting Minister: Frances Sitone  
Lector: Karen Schimke  
Greeter(s): Diana Walstrom  
Communion Server: Sharon Lipsey  
Altar Guild: Leah  
Closer(s): Heids  
Counters: Adams

## October 22

Assisting Minister: Barb Ritchen  
Lector: Carolyn Smith  
Laity Prayer: Sue Bomar  
Greeter(s): Irene Brock  
Communion Server: Dick Chuvarsky  
Altar Guild: Sue Bishop/Leah  
Closer(s): Adams  
Counters: Denise L./Dave H.

## October 29

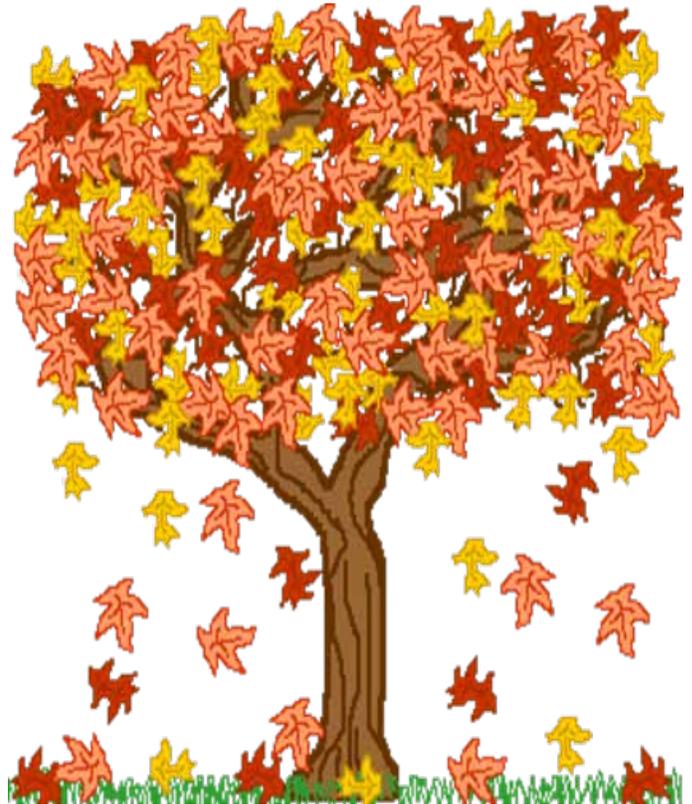
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 Director of Music + Eric French  
 Office Administrator + Suzanne Miller  
 Volunteer Coordinator + Leah Peden

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**Sunday Worship  
 and Sunday School**

**9:30 A.M.**

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**Happy Hour**

The next happy hour will be October 20th at 6 pm at Jett Asian Cafe. Jett is at 5007 East Colfax (at Elm St).  
 RSVP to Scott not required but appreciated. Hope to see you then!

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August 2017

Greetings from St. Olaf College,

As conductor of the St. Olaf Orchestra, I am excited to be presenting a concert in your area as part of our 2017 tour. Our program will feature Rachmaninoff's *Symphony No. 2*, Bartok's *Dance Suite*, and a work featuring a student concerto contest winner.

Called "one of the best college orchestras in the nation" by *Time* magazine's Richard Ostling, the St. Olaf Orchestra is known for its passionate music-making and professional-level performances. The orchestra won the 2013 American Prize for Orchestral Performance among colleges and universities, appears annually on the internationally acclaimed St. Olaf Christmas Festival, and has also been featured as Garrison Keillor's guest on broadcasts of *A Prairie Home Companion* in 2001 and 2011.

St. Olaf College, located in Northfield, Minnesota, is known for its excellence in music, math, and the sciences. One-third of all students who attend St. Olaf are involved in music.

Ticket prices are shown below. Note that most concerts offer free student admission. Tickets can be purchased online at [stolaf.edu/tickets](http://stolaf.edu/tickets), over the phone at 800-363-5487, or at the door.

If you have questions, feel free to contact Natalie Anderson at [andernr@stolaf.edu](mailto:andernr@stolaf.edu) or 507-786-3650. You can also visit us at [stolaf.edu/stolaf-orch](http://stolaf.edu/stolaf-orch).

I would be delighted to welcome you and your community members at our concert in October.



Steven Amundson  
Conductor, St. Olaf Orchestra

**Saturday, October 14, 7 p.m.**  
Central High School  
Rapid City, South Dakota  
*\$10 for adults, free for students*

**Sunday, October 15, 7 p.m.**  
Legacy High School  
Broomfield, Colorado  
*\$10 for adults, free for students*

**Monday, October 16, 7 p.m.**  
First United Methodist Church  
Colorado Springs, Colorado  
*\$10 for adults, \$5 for students*

**Tuesday, October 17, 7 p.m.**  
June Swaner Gates Concert Hall  
The Robert & Judi Newman Center  
for the Performing Arts  
Denver, Colorado  
*\$15 for adults, free for students*

**Thursday, October 19, 7 p.m.**  
La Cueva High School  
Albuquerque, New Mexico  
*\$10 for adults, free for students*

**Friday, October 20, 7:30 p.m.**  
King of Glory Lutheran Church –  
KOG Concert Series  
Tempe, Arizona  
*\$10 for adults, free for students*



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