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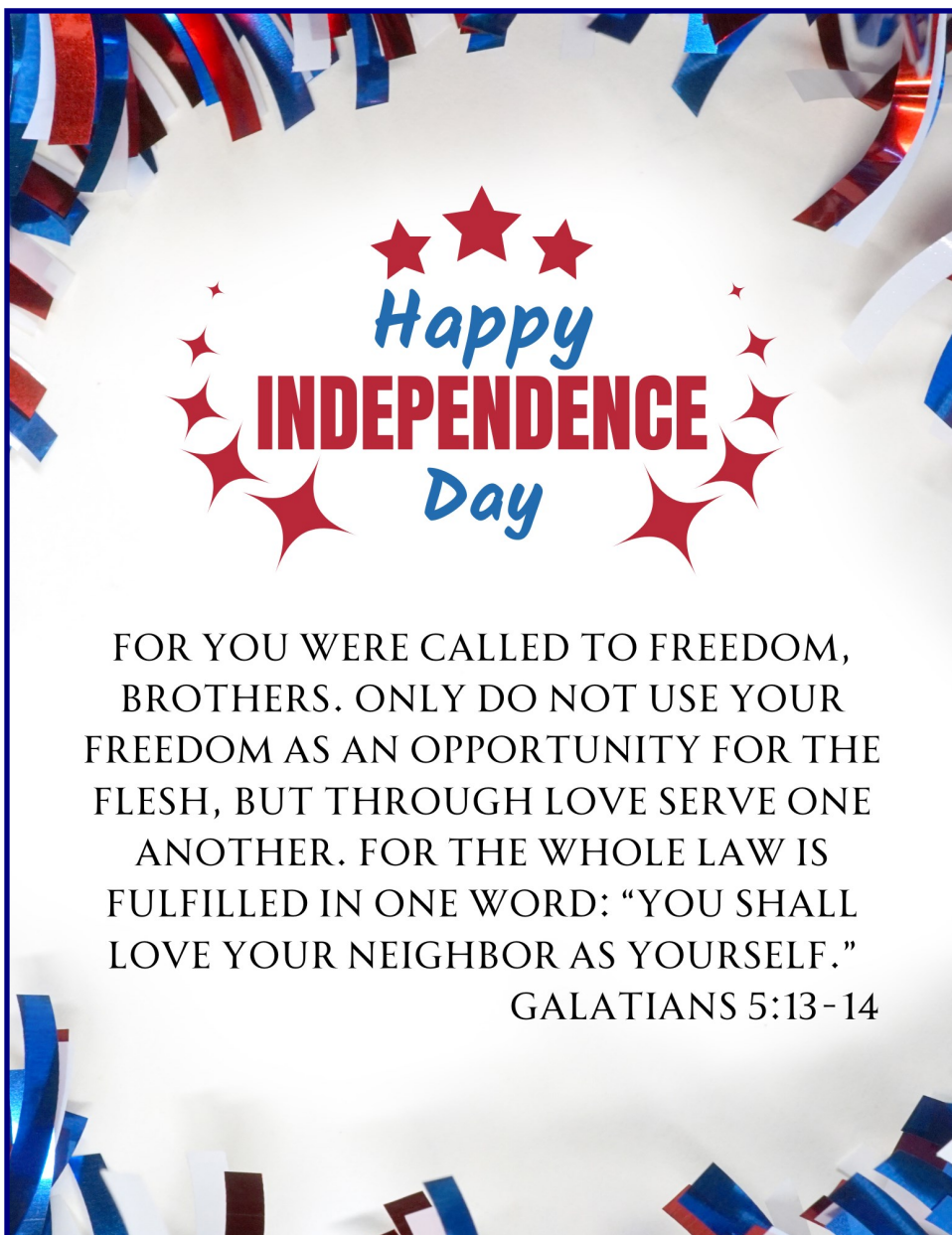
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Sunday service @ 9am
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FOR YOU WERE CALLED TO FREEDOM,
BROTHERS. ONLY DO NOT USE YOUR
FREEDOM AS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE
FLESH, BUT THROUGH LOVE SERVE ONE
ANOTHER. FOR THE WHOLE LAW IS
FULFILLED IN ONE WORD: "YOU SHALL
LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF."

GALATIANS 5:13-14

Daily – Doggedly – Daringly

Embracing Our Neighbors with Jesus' Unconditional Love



Gabriel's Glad Tidings



Hey friends,

Fire Dog Gabriel reporting for duty, sir!

What? Golden retrievers aren't fire dogs? Dalmatians are? Okay, if you say so.

Anyhoo, I might not be a fire dog, but I love going to our local fire station.

I've even met the Chaplain for the Fire Department, Richard Ponce.

Firefighters are community heroes with an important job.

They help people in need and rescue people in trouble.

My Jesus is like that.

Paul tells us, **"I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen"** (2 Timothy 4:17-18).

Paul trusted my Jesus to rescue him. So can we.

My Jesus gives us these brave men and women and works through them to protect and serve us.

My Jesus also did what no one else could do. He rescued you from your sins, from the power of death, and from your enemy, the devil.

Isn't that PAWSOME?

Your friend,
Gabriel

Chaplain Richard Ponce



Station 11



From the Pastor



Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying

*Hark, the voice of Jesus crying,
"Who will go and work today?
Fields are white and harvests
waiting —*

*Who will bear the sheaves
away?"*

*Loud and long the Master
calleth;*

Rich reward He offers thee.

*Who will answer, gladly saying,
"Here am I, send me, send me?"*

Let none hear you idly saying,

"There is nothing I can do,"

While the multitudes are dying

And the Master calls for you.

*Take the task He gives you
gladly,*

Let His work your pleasure be;

Answer quickly when He calleth,

"Here am I, send me, send me!"

Daniel March

Dear Friends in Christ,

Greetings in the name of Jesus!

Outreach Opportunities. That's what being a disciple of Jesus is all about. Opportunities to go into the world with the love and message of our Lord Jesus.

I sat down recently and asked myself the question, "What outreach opportunities can Messiah pursue in the remaining months of 2024?"

Here's what I came up with:

- Backpack Blessing in August
- Firefighter Dinners in September
- Camp Hope in October
- Seafarer Christmas Boxes in November
- North Pole Parade in December

If that list strikes you as ambitious, you're right. It is.

This ambitious list is based on two convictions.

First, ***an active church is a healthy church.*** Just like physical activity promotes the health of your body, so outreach activity promotes the health of a congregation.

Second, ***we can wear our slippers in heaven.*** There will be a time for us to rest from our labors. Until then, we wear our work boots.

I don't expect that every one of you will be able to participate in every outreach activity, but I do hope that each of you will find at least one activity that suits you.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Engel

**Messiah Lutheran Church
develops disciples who are:**



**United
with Christ**

**Transformed
by Christ**

**Obedient
to Christ**

**We are in the business of
making disciples...
who make disciples.**