



**WELCOME, VISITORS!**

We are delighted you came today! Looking for a church home? We warmly invite you to be part of our church family! To help us get to know you better, or if you have questions, please fill in this form, tear it off, and drop it in the offering plate or give it to an usher or pastor. You can also submit a Digital Connection Card at [www.churchofthemessiah.org/contact](http://www.churchofthemessiah.org/contact). Please feel free to call us anytime at 757-436-2545 or visit our website, [ChurchoftheMessiah.org](http://ChurchoftheMessiah.org). God bless you!

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Would you like to be contacted?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ By phone ☐ By email

Please check all that apply:

- ☐ I would like a pastor to contact me.  
☐ First-time visitor ☐ Returning visitor  
☐ I would like to know more about Church of the Messiah  
☐ I would like to know more about the Christian faith.  
☐ I have decided to renew my commitment to Christ.  
☐ I would like prayer (see reverse).

My response to today's message:

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10.20.2024

*Celebrations*



**Happy Birthday**

October 20: Sarah Greeley

October 26: Lynn Treffeisen

*Please Pray*

*Please join us in praying for these requests throughout the week  
(Prayer requests will appear for one month unless requested otherwise.)*

**OUR NATION AND WORLD:**

- An end to hostilities in Israel and peace and healing for all people.
- Protection and healing for our nation, and an end to racism and violence.
- Guidance for our leaders in government.
- Help for all affected by war and violence, disease, and natural disasters.
- A movement of revival at home and abroad.

**OUR CHURCH FAMILY:**

Belkys Morillo, Sandra Brown, Josh Corona, Tom Waldman,  
Aaron Woodward (son of Ellen Belfi), our healthcare workers,  
all our members of the military, and Sanctuary of Hope, our companion church

**OUR OVERSEAS MISSIONARIES:**

Aaron and Winnie Coleman-Horvat, Croatia  
The Rev. Bisoke Balikenga, Democratic Republic of Congo  
David & Betsy, Turkey  
His Love in Action School for the Deaf in Honduras  
Miriam Brinckley, YWAM-Harpenden, England  
CMJ-Israel (Church's Ministry Among Jewish People)

**WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH:**

Diocese of Churches for the Sake of Others

**AND THE DIOCESE OF THE MID-ATLANTIC:**

Church of the Epiphany • Chantilly, VA  
Church of the Good Shepherd • Charlottesville, VA

If you would like our prayer ministry to pray for a special need, please submit a confidential Prayer Request online at [www.ChurchoftheMessiah.org/contact](http://www.ChurchoftheMessiah.org/contact). Please indicate if you would like your prayer request included in the bulletin, sent only to the prayer team, or both.



*Our mission is to make tangible the life-transforming power  
of God's love so that all may come to know Christ.*



**Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost • October 20, 2024**

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**ASSOCIATE PASTOR:** The Rev. Nile Gomez

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY DIRECTOR:** The Rev. Dr. Ken Shomo

**DEACON:** The Rev. Tom Sweeney

WEEKLY SERVICE INFORMATION

Sunday Service with Eucharist 10:00 a.m.

In-Person or Livestream at [www.ChurchoftheMessiah.org/Livestream](http://www.ChurchoftheMessiah.org/Livestream)  
Children’s Church · Fellowship Hall (After Worship until Communion)  
Today’s Teachers: Doris Gomez, Colleen Lucas

Monday Prayer Meeting · Online at 7:00 p.m.

Via Zoom · Meeting ID 928 2372 1136

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**PRAYER:** Set us free, loving Father, from the bondage of our sins, and in your goodness and mercy give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**First Reading:** Psalm 107:1-22 **Page 453**

**Second Reading:** 1 Peter 5:6-11 **Page 902**

(Response after each lesson: Thanks be to God.)

**Gospel:** Mark 4:35-41 **Page 747**

(Responses: Glory to You, Lord Christ. ... Praise to You, Lord Christ.)

**Sermon:** Cry Out to God Vivian Hayes

**Reader:** Conway Telfeyan

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Cherry Jenson, Conway Telfeyan

**Prayer Team:** Ellen Belfi, Julie Hall

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

Today	10:00 am	Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Livestream)
	12:00 pm	Connections Class (Fellowship Hall)
Monday	7:00 pm	Parish Prayer Meeting (online via Zoom)
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Joyful Noise Club Meeting (online via Zoom)
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Vestry Meeting
Thursday	9:30 am	CBS Day Class
	7:00 pm	CBS Evening Class
Saturday	10:00 am	Teaching by Bishop Chris Warner (Sanctuary)

**BISHOP CHRIS WARNER VISITS NEXT WEEKEND!** On Saturday, October 26, Bishop Chris will give a teaching on Conversion, and Sunday, October 27, he will confirm and receive new members. A potluck reception (with ice cream bar!) will be held immediately after that Sunday’s service; a signup sheet is in the foyer. Please plan to join us to welcome Bishop Chris and our new members!



**RITA SPRINGER NIGHT OF WORSHIP:** Come to Regent University's Shaw Chapel on Sunday, October 27, at 6:00 pm for a night of transformational worship, featuring globally known worship leader Rita Springer. Registration is free but required; go to <https://bit.ly/Rita-Springer> to register.

**CHILD SAFETY TRAINING CLASS:** Anyone at Messiah who is or is interested in working with children must take a safety training course and have a background check every two years. An in-person class will take place on Sunday, November 10, immediately after the service. This will include the opportunity to take care of the background check. Lunch will be provided. Please sign up in the foyer; see Lauren Coleman or Pastor Ken Shomo with questions.



**GET READY FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD,** a chance to bring the love of Jesus to needy children around the world. There are several ways to participate: 1) Pack a pre-printed shoebox (available soon) with new toys and gift items; 2) pack your own shoebox; 3) bring loose gifts for the children to pack; and/or 4) make a donation to help buy additional gifts and offset shipping (\$10/box). Please bring loose donations by November 10 and fully packed boxes or money by November 24. (Make checks payable to Messiah with "OCC" in the memo line.) Please see the insert for suggested donations. **Packing Day will be November 17 — helpers are needed!** For questions, please contact Denise Crews after church on Sunday, at [dcrews@regent.edu](mailto:dcrews@regent.edu), or (616) 212-7250.

**HEALING COMMUNITY SMALL GROUP:** Learn active listening skills, provide empathetic support, and grow in faith together with other Messiah members. The group meets every other Friday through November 15. Contact Pastor Nile or Debbie DeBose to learn more.

**JOIN US ONLINE IN PRAYER** each Monday at 7:00 pm on Zoom. Enter Meeting ID 928 2372 1136 into your Zoom app, or go to [www.bit.ly/Monday-Prayer](http://www.bit.ly/Monday-Prayer).

**JOYFUL NOISE MEETS ONLINE THIS WEEK.** We will meet on Zoom this Tuesday, October 22, at 7:00 pm. In-person meetings are the second Tuesday of each month — we always need helpers to set up, distribute pizza and drinks, clean up, and share God’s love with our members! See Pastor Marty or Wendy for details, and join the fun! We meet online via Zoom on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

PRAYER REQUESTS

*We believe God answers prayer! If you would like our prayer ministry to pray for your special need, write your request below, tear off the tab, and place it in the offering plate. God bless you!*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Prayer Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

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☐ Include in bulletin

☐ Prayer team only

☐ Prayer team and bulletin



**JOIN  
WHAT  
GOD IS  
DOING:  
PACK A  
SHOEBOX!**



## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Demonstrate God's love in a tangible way  
to children in need around the world!

**Please bring in donations by:**  
**NOV. 10 - loose, unpacked items**  
**NOV. 24 - packed shoeboxes & \$\$**

See other side for suggested donations!

## SHOEBOX GIFT IDEAS



### "WOW" ITEM

- Soccer ball with pump
- Doll
- Stuffed animal
- Shoes

### TOYS

- Toy cars
- Jump ropes
- Yo-yos
- Toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries)



### PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Toothbrushes
- Washcloths
- Combs
- Hairbrushes



### SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Pens, pencils, sharpeners, crayons, and markers
- Notebooks and paper
- Coloring and picture books
- Solar calculators



### ACCESSORIES

- Socks
- Sunglasses
- Jewelry and watches
- Flashlights (with extra batteries)



### DO NOT INCLUDE

candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items; seeds; food; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items or glass containers; aerosol cans



### "Through your prayers

and generosity, we're sending the Gospel to the ends of the earth! Be sure to make your shoebox gift unique and include a letter and photo—those personal touches can mean so much to a child."

—Franklin Graham,  
President, Samaritan's Purse



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