



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. Please feel free to call us anytime at 757-436-2545 or visit our website, ChurchoftheMessiah.org. God bless you!

Date: _____

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

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:

4.12.2026

Celebrations

Happy Birthday

April 14: Martha Dot & Billie Leigh

April 17: Jaylen Rivera



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 Ukraine, and peace 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:

Family of Myra Greggs, Family of Carole Glaize, the Phillips family, the Browns, the Hopkins, the Balches, the Bohannans, the Knights, Josh Corona, Tom Waldman, Lorene Evans and son Whitt, Colleen Lucas, Ray Ross, our first responders, our members of the military and Sanctuary of Hope .

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)

Edith and Felix Prakash, Iceland, Finland, Greece

WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH:

Diocese of San Joaquin

AND THE DIOCESE OF THE MID-ATLANTIC:

Resurrection Anglican Church, · Midlothian, VA

Resurrection Church · Emporia, 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. Please indicate if you would like your prayer request included in the bulletin, sent only to the prayer team, or both.

Church of the Messiah

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



Second Sunday Of Easter April 12, 2026

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WEEKLY SERVICE INFORMATION

Sunday Service with Eucharist 10:00 a.m.

In-Person or Livestream at www.ChurchoftheMessiah.org/Livestream
Children’s Church · Fellowship Hall (After Worship until Communion)
Today’s Teachers: Kelly Stern, Carole Menzel, Craig Stern,
Karen Phillips

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PRAYER: Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been re-born into the fellowship of Christ’s Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Psalm 23 **Page 473**

Second Reading: Daniel 3:8-30 **Page 760**

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

Gospel: John 20:19-31 **Page 933**

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

Sermon: Sama Salimi’s Testimony / Sama Salimi

Reader: Chris Woodland

Eucharistic Ministers: Anne & Marshall Crow

Prayer Team: Chris & Jo Ann Woodland

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

Today	10:00 am	Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Livestream)
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Parish Prayer Meeting (online via Zoom)
Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Joyful Noise Club Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
Thursday	9:30 a.m.	CBS Day Class
	7:00 p.m.	CBS Evening Class
Saturday	10:00 am	Men’s Ministry Gathering (Room 1)
Saturday	10:00 am	Woman’s Ministry Gathering (Fellowship Hall)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME, SAMA AND FAMILY! The daughter of the **Rev. Hekmat Salimi**, an Anglican priest in Iran, Sama grew up in the underground church. In 2016, intense persecution forced the family to flee. Copies of her inspiring book, **Sama: A Modern Exodus**, are for sale in the foyer.

THERE ARE STILL OPENINGS ON THE MESSIAH MEDIA TEAM: If you are Interested in supporting various ministries using audio or visual resources, this is the Team for you! Contact Debbie DeBose to discuss the many available possibilities.



CONNECTIONS CLASS FOR NEW MEMBERS: If you have recently started attending Messiah or haven’t yet attended a Connections Class, our 5-week new member class will start right after the service next Sun. Apr. 19, with lunch provided. Learn how to hear from God, use your gifts, and find your ministry. Please sign up in the foyer.

JOYFUL NOISE MEETS IN PERSON THIS TUESDAY! Join us in the Fellowship Hall this Tuesday, April 14, at 6:30 pm! Helpers are always needed 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 come join the fun! We meet online via Zoom on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

MEN’S MINISTRY MEETS THIS SATURDAY! Join the men of Messiah this Saturday, April 18, at 10:00 a.m. in Room One. This is a great opportunity to enjoy a time of fellowship, teaching, and prayer.

WOMEN’S GROUP DATES: Join us for our regular meeting on Apr. 18, then May 16 for our Spring Tea. (Details coming soon!)

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.

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PRAYER REQUESTS

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Date: _____

Name: _____

Prayer Needs: _____

Include in bulletin

Prayer team only

Prayer team and bulletin