



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:

6.28.2026



Celebrations

Happy Birthday

June 29: James Flynn

July 5: Samuel Kamiru & Stella Picardi

Happy Anniversary

July 5: Angel & Dalila Pla

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:

The Phillips family, 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

WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH:

Diocese of San Joaquin

AND THE DIOCESE OF THE MID-ATLANTIC:

Church of the Good Shepherd · Charlottesville, VA

Church of the Good Shepherd · Lynchburg, 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.



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



Fifth Sunday After Pentecost June 28, 2026

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RECTOR: The Rev. Dr. Martin K. O'Rourke

Priest: The Rev. Dr. Jim Brown

Discipleship Pastor : 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
Children's Church · Fellowship Hall (After Worship until Communion)
Today's Teachers: Cheryl Shomo, Carole Menzel,
Aaron Phillips & Karen Philips

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PRAYER: O God, your never-failing providence sets in order all things both in heaven and on earth: Put away from us all hurtful things, and give us those things that are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

Readings: Acts 6:8-7:1; 7:44; 7:48-8:1 **Page 940**

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

Gospel: Matthew 10:34-42 **Page 836**

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

Sermon: Early Church Challenges: Stephen's Martyrdom /
Pastor Vivian Hayes

Readers: Keith Menzel

Eucharistic Ministers: Carole Menzel, Chris Woodland
& Conway Telfeyan

Prayer Team: Collen Lucas & Marie Markham

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

Today	10:00 am	Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Livestream)
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Parish Prayer Meeting (online via Zoom)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUMMER MINISTRY BREAK: Please note that both the Men's Ministry and Women's Ministry will be taking a break during the summer months. Both ministries will resume their regular meetings and activities in the fall.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are looking for someone to help take weekly attendance during Sunday services, as well as a few additional volunteers to serve on the Prayer Team. If you are interested in serving in these important ministries, please contact the church office. Thank you for your willingness to support our church community!



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.

PURE DESIRE MINISTRIES ONLINE GROUPS offer a safe and confidential space for men and women to address unwanted sexual behaviors or betrayal trauma. The groups are led by trained and vetted leaders who have personally walked through the recovery and healing journey. To learn more or to join a group, visit www.puredesire.org.

CAUTION: PHISHING TEXTS AND SCAM EMAILS. Please be cautious when responding to emails, texts, or phone calls that may be scams. If something seems suspicious or too good to be true, it's always best to verify before clicking links or sharing any personal information. Stay safe and alert!



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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: _____

Name: _____

Prayer Needs: _____

- Include in bulletin
- Prayer team only
- Prayer team and bulletin