



**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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07.23.2023



**Happy Birthday**

- July 24: Faith Corona
- July 27: Ginny Farris, Ed Swain, Tom Sweeney
- July 28: Jim Bohannon
- July 29: Nayeli Valdez

**Happy Anniversary**

- July 23: Adrienne & Christopher Shields
- July 29: Jim & Susan Bohannon

*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:**

- 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:**

Tony Blackburn, Sandra Brown, Tom Waldman, Adrian Knight, George & Melissa Oster & Baby Guinevere, Misty Taylor, Josh Corona, Aaron Woodward (son of Ellen Belfi), our healthcare workers, all of our members of the military, and Sanctuary of Hope, our companion church

**OUR OVERSEAS MISSIONARIES:**

**Aaron and Winnie Coleman-Horvat**, Croatia  
**David & Betsy**, Turkey  
**His Love in Action School for the Deaf in Honduras**

**WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH:**

**Anglican Province of the Indian Ocean**

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

**Corpus Christi Anglican Church** • Springfield, VA  
**Frederick Anglican Fellowship Church Plant** • Frederick, MD

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.*



**Eighth Sunday After Pentecost • July 23, 2023**

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

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY DIRECTOR:** Pastor 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, Jill Marcoux

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

Via Zoom · Meeting ID 928 2372 1136

### Eighth Sunday After Pentecost · July 23, 2023

**PRAYER:** O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**First Reading:** Genesis 28:10-22 **Page 21**

**Second Reading:** Acts 8:26-40 **Page 817**

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

**Gospel:** John 4:5-42 **Page 791**

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

**Sermon:** **Divine Appointments** Pastor Nile Gomez

**Reader:** Conway Telfeyan

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Vivian Hayes, Conway Telfeyan

**Prayer Team:** Colleen Lucas, Susan Nizankiewicz

### THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

Today 10:00 a.m. Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Livestream)  
Monday 7:00 p.m. Parish Prayer Meeting (online via Zoom)  
Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Joyful Noise Club Meeting (online via Zoom)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MONDAY PRAYER MEETINGS:** Join us on Zoom each Monday at 7:00 pm to pray for our congregation, community, country, and world. Enter Meeting ID 928 2372 1136 into your Zoom app, or go to [www.bit.ly/Monday-Prayer](http://www.bit.ly/Monday-Prayer).



**PRAISE & WORSHIP NIGHTS RESUME NEXT MONTH:** Join Tim & Seiko Maurer on Wednesday, August 2, at 7:00 pm for a time of worship, prayer, and praise. The evening will feature worship music and activities as the Spirit leads. Praise and Worship nights are planned for the first Wednesday of each month.

**BLOOD DRIVE IN SEPTEMBER:** Messiah will host a Red Cross Blood Drive on September 8. Since there is an 8-week waiting period between donations, regular donors may want adjust their schedules in order to participate in our drive. Sign up sheets to donate or volunteer are in the foyer. You may also sign up online at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and enter COTM in the Find A Blood Drive box. Please contact Marcia Curtis with questions.



**JOYFUL NOISE MEETS ONLINE THIS WEEK.** Join us on Zoom this Tuesday, July 25, at 7:00 pm. Joyful Noise meets in-person on 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! Zoom meetings are the fourth Tuesday of each month. See Pastor Marty or Wendy for details, and come join the fun!



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**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](http://www.puredesire.org).

## 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!*

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- Prayer team only
- Prayer team and bulletin