



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:

_____ 8.16.2026



Happy Birthday

August 20: Rita Blackburn
August 21: Seiko Maurer,
Hannah Stern

Celebrations

Happy Anniversary

August 20: Carole & Keith Menzel
August 22: Craig & Kelly Stern

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:

Jim Flynn and family, the Knights, Josh Corona, Tom Waldman, Colleen Lucas,
Ray Ross, our first responders and our members of the military.

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
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 Resurrection • Baltimore, MD
Corpus Christi Anglican Church • Springfield, 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.*



Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost August 16, 2026

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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: Wendy O’Rourke, Denise Call,
Jenny Jenson & Mandy Nixon

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PRAYER: Keep your Church, O Lord, by your perpetual mercy; and because without you the frailty of our nature causes us to fall, keep us from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable for our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: 1 Kings 18:1-6; 17-19 **Page 305**

Second Reading Acts 16: 16-31 **Page 952**

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

Gospel: Mark 5:1-17 **Page 862**

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

Sermon: The War Between Kingdoms /Aaron Bennett

Readers: Debbie White

Eucharistic Ministers: Jim Bohannon & Conway Telfeyan

Prayer Team: Ellen Belfi & Julie Hall

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTOR MARTY’S LAST SERVICE AS RECTOR will be Sunday morning, August 30. Messiah members are cordially invited to attend a celebration to honor Marty and Wendy that evening at 5 p.m. in the Sanctuary, followed by a dinner in the Fellowship Hall at 6 p.m. Sign up sheets for attendance are in the foyer. Helpers are needed; please see Marcia Curtis.

HELP WANTED: We are looking for two or three people to join the Inreach/Outreach Committee. If you’re interested or would like more information, please contact Jim Bohannon (757) 573-4992 for details.

GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE! Messiah will host a Red Cross Blood Drive on September 4. Sign up sheets for donors and volunteers are in the foyer. You can also sign up online at www.redcrossblood.org; enter “COTM” in the “Find a Blood Drive” box. Please direct questions to drive coordinator Marcia Curtis.



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.

MINISTRIES SUPPORTED BY OUTREACH:
Crisis Pregnancy Center • Divine Inspiration Outreach • H.E.R. Shelter • PIN Ministry • Sanctuary of Hope • Union Mission

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MESSIAH BUDGET NEWS

As of July 31, 2026:	Year to Date Required:	\$242,787.79
	Year to Date Received:	<u>\$199,742.07</u>
	Shortage of:	\$ 43,045.72



OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES ARE WITH JIM FLYNN on the passing of his wife, Monica Flynn. Cards may be sent to 2073 Silver Lake Drive., Virginia Beach, VA 23464. Information regarding the Celebration of Life service will be shared as soon as it becomes available.

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