



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:

10.22.2023



Happy Birthday
October 26: Kenneth Nickel
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:

- 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:

Ruth Thomas, the family of Phillip Mansell (brother of Misty Taylor),
Tony Blackburn, Sandra Brown, Tom Waldman, 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
Miriam Brinckley, Ireland
CMJ (Church's Ministry Among Jewish People)

WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH:
Missionary Diocese of All Saints

AND THE DIOCESE OF THE MID-ATLANTIC:
Anglican Church of the Valley • Staunton, VA
Christ Anglican Church • Orange, 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.



Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost • October 22, 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

Children's Church · Fellowship Hall (After Worship until Communion)

Today's Teachers: *Wendy O'Rourke, Colleen Lucas, Mary Stern*

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: Proverbs 2:1-8, 4:5-13 **Page 473**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 **Page 848**

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

Gospel: Matthew 7:24-27 **Page 722**

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

Sermon: **Overcoming Worldly Wisdom** Rev. David Martin

Reader: Conway Telfeyan

Eucharistic Ministers: Vivian Hayes, Conway Telfeyan

Prayer Team: Colleen Lucas, Susan Nizankiewicz

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

Today	10:00 am	Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Livestream)
	12:00 pm	Connections Class
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	Community Bible Study Day Class
	7:00 pm	Community Bible Study Evening Class
Saturday	10:00 am	Bishop's Teaching on Evangelism



BISHOP CHRIS & CATHERINE WARNER will visit Messiah next week-end. Bishop Chris will give a teaching on Evangelism on Saturday, October 28, at 10:00 am. On Sunday, October 29, he will confirm and receive new members. A potluck reception will follow the service on Sunday; please see the food signup sheet in the foyer. Please plan to join us to welcome Bishop Chris and Catherine, and our new members.

CONNECTIONS CLASS CONCLUDES TODAY. Connections classes are held twice a year for those interested in joining the Messiah family.

FALL FELLOWSHIP POTLUCK: Join us after church for a special lunch on **Sunday, November 5.** Messiah's Missions Committee will present video updates about our missionaries, plus some will join us in person! Sign-up sheets will be in the foyer.

FAMILY FUN DAY AT REGENT! A free Family Fun and Military Appreciation Day will be held on Saturday, November 4, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. The event is open to the public on the CBN/Regent campus at 977 Centerville Turnpike, Virginia Beach. For details, visit www.helpingthehomefront.org/events.

CAST NEEDS BUS DRIVERS! The Chesapeake Area Shelter Team needs CDL bus drivers with a "P" endorsement. CAST pays drivers \$30 a trip (about 1.25 hours). CAST is also looking for churches or organizations to host a single night of CAST to fill some vacant weeks in this year's schedule. For more information, please contact Sam Howard at sam.cast@abbalist.org.

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.

JOYFUL NOISE MEETS ONLINE THIS WEEK! Join us on Zoom this Tuesday, October 24, at 7:00! 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 join the fun!

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OUR PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCES ARE WITH MISTY TAYLOR AND FAMILY

on the passing of her brother, Phillip Mansell, who went to be with Jesus on October 12. Please keep Misty and her entire family in prayer. Condolence cards may be sent to 5223 Regatta Pointe Road, Suffolk, VA 23435-3521.



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