



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:

_____ 7.19.2026

Celebrations

Happy Birthday

July 24: Faith Corona

Happy Anniversary

July 21: Gabrielle & Paul Palma

July 23: Christopher & Adrienne Shields

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:

Tacie Phillips and family, 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 Apostles Anglican · Fairfax, VA

Church of the Epiphany · Chantilly, 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.



Eighth Sunday After Pentecost July 19, 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: Peggy Burkhardt, Mary Stern,
Ken Shomo & Dottie Cleveland

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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 7:1-10 **Page 5**

Second Reading: Acts 10:9-17; 34-44 **Page 945**

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

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28 **Page 875**

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

Sermon: Noah’s Ark, Demon Possessed Dogs, and Chicken Fried Gator / Aaron Bennett

Readers: Debbie White

Eucharistic Ministers: Jim Bohannon & John Curtis

Prayer Team: Ellen Belfi & Marcia Curtis

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

Today	10:00 am	Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Livestream)
Monday	7:00 p.m.	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. If possible, please bring a dessert or cookies. Helpers are needed; please see Marcia Curtis.



SAVE THE DATE: Messiah will host a Red Cross Blood Drive on September 4. Since there is an 8-week waiting period between donations, regular donors may want adjust their schedules in order to participate in our drive. More details about the drive are to come; in the meantime, 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.



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.



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MESSIAH BUDGET NEWS

As of June 30, 2026:	Budgeted giving to date:	\$208.103.82
	Actual giving to date:	<u>\$173,805.61</u>
	Under budget:	\$ 34,298.21

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