



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:

_____ 10.05.2025

Happy Birthday

October 7: : Debbie White

October 8: : Lee Brinckley

Dennis Otter

October 11: : Maxon Carlisle

Happy Anniversary

October 11: : Rev. Adrian & Frances Knight



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 peace and healing 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 Bohannan family, the Balch family, Chris Woodland, Adrian Knight, Kathy Hopkins, Sandra Brown, Josh Corona, Tom Waldman, Lorene Evans and her son Whitt, Colleen Lucas, our first responders, all our members of the military, and Sanctuary of Hope, our companion church

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)

WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH:

Diocese of San Joaquin

AND THE DIOCESE OF THE MID-ATLANTIC:

Church of the Epiphany · Chantilly, VA

Church of the Good Shepard · Charlottesville, 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.



Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost October 5, 2025

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DEACONS: 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: Janet Nixon, Lauren Coleman, Wendy O’Rourke,
Jo Ann Woodland

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

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PRAYER: Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in continual godliness, that through your protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly serve you in good works, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever **Amen.**

First Reading: Psalm 27:1-6 **Page 475**

Second Reading: Philippians 3:7-11 **Page 1013**

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

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42 **Page 892**

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

Sermon: **Sitting at the Feet of Jesus/** Rev. Bisoke

Reader: Jim Bohannan

Eucharistic Ministers: Chris Woodland, John & Marcia Curtis

Prayer Team: Anne & Marshall Crow

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

Today	10:00 am	Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Livestream)
	12:00 pm	Luncheon for Rev. Bisoke (Fellowship Hall)
Monday	7:00 pm	Parish Prayer Meeting (online via Zoom)
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Joyful Noise (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Vestry Meeting
Thursday	9:30 am	CBS Day
	7:00 pm	CBS Evening Class

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MESSIAH WOMEN are helping with several receptions this month instead of having a regular meeting. Our next gathering will be Nov. 15.



BISHOP CHRIS WARNER will visit Messiah to ordain Deacon Vivan Hayes to the priesthood on Sat., 10/25 at 11 a.m. with a reception following; then to confirm and receive new members during our Sunday service on 10/26, followed by a reception.

WE WELCOME REV. BISOKE BALIKENGA as our special guest preacher to-day! Please join us for lunch in the Fellowship Hall after church to hear more about his vital ministry in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

JOYFUL NOISE MEETS IN PERSON NEXT TUESDAY! Join us in the Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, October 8, at 6:30 pm! Helpers are always needed to set up, distribute pizza and drinks, clean up, and share God’s love with our members! See Pastor Marty or Wendy for details, and come join the fun!

CAMPFIRE NIGHT: Bring your jacket, flashlight and something to sit on around the campfire Saturday, October 18, at 6:00 pm here at the church. Signs ups are in the foyer! Please let us know if you’re coming — email Laurencoleman711@gmail.com.



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.

WE ARE COLLECTING: gently used coats and blankets for the Sanctuary of Hope. Please place your donations in the bin located in the North Annex.

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PRAYER REQUESTS

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Date: _____

Name: _____

Prayer Needs: _____
