



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:

_____ 09.08.2024

Celebrations

Happy Birthday

- September 8: Sandra Brown
- September 10: Tacie Phillips
- September 11: Diane Spurl
- September 12: Chris Woodland
- September 13: Drew Bohs, Steven Smith

Happy Anniversary

- September 10: Diane & Tony Spurl
- September 13: Drew & Rose Marie Bohs

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:

Belkys Morillo, Jim Brown, Sandra Brown, Tom Waldman, Josh Corona, Aaron Woodward (son of Ellen Belfi), our healthcare workers, 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 (Church's Ministry Among Jewish People)

WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH:

Diocese of the Southeast (REC)

AND THE DIOCESE OF THE MID-ATLANTIC:

Anglican Church of the Valley · Staunton, VA
Chambersburg Anglican Fellowship, Church Plant · Chambersburg, PA

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.



Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost · September 8, 2024

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ASSOCIATE PASTOR: The Rev. Nile Gomez

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY DIRECTOR: The Rev. 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: Doris Gomez, Vivian Hayes

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

Via Zoom · Meeting ID 928 2372 1136

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PRAYER: O Lord God, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Reading: Isaiah 26:1-4 **Page 527**

Second Reading: Philippians 4:4-9 **Page 874**

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

Gospel: John 8:39-47 **Page 797**

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

Sermon: **Think On These Things** Pastor Marty O'Rourke

Reader: Debbie White

Eucharistic Ministers: Anne Crow, Marshall Crow

Prayer Team: Chris Woodland, Jo Ann Woodland

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUCCESSFUL BLOOD DRIVE! A big thank you to everyone who donated blood, helped set up, and volunteered during the drive. Special thanks go to Marcia Curtis for coordinating this event.

HEALING COMMUNITY SMALL GROUP: If you would like to learn active listening skills, provide empathetic support, and grow in faith together with other Messiah members, join our Healing Community Small Group. The next meeting is Friday, September 20, and will continue every other Friday through November 15. Contact Pastor Nile to learn more (ngomez@churchofthemessiah.org or 757-544-7232).

JOYFUL NOISE MEETS IN PERSON THIS TUESDAY! Join us in the Fellowship Hall this Tuesday, September 10, 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! We meet online via Zoom on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

MEETUP AT THE ARBORETEUM NEXT SUNDAY! Messiah members and families are invited to walk and fellowship at the Chesapeake Arboretum next Sunday, September 15, after church. The Arboretum is located at 624 Old Oak Grove Road in Chesapeake; we will gather at the entrance around 12:30 pm. See Lauren Coleman with any questions.



CONNECTIONS CLASS FOR NEW MEMBERS: If you have recently started attending Messiah or haven't yet attended a Connections Class, our new member class will be starting on September 22. We will meet on five consecutive Sundays in the Fellowship Hall right after church; lunch is included! This course will cover how to hear from God, use your gifts, and find your ministry. A sign-up sheet is in the foyer, or those interested can talk to Pastor Marty or contact the church office.

WOMEN'S GATHERING SEPTEMBER 21: All ladies of Messiah are invited to come to the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, September 21, at 10:00 am. This is a precious opportunity for women to come together and dive into God's word, share experiences, engage in heartfelt conversations, and lift each other up in prayer.

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.

MESSIAH BUDGET NEWS

As of August 31, 2024:

Year to Date Required:	\$271,632.28
Year to Date Received:	<u>271,398.12</u>
Shortage of:	\$ 234.13

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