



**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](http://www.churchofthemessiah.org/contact). Please feel free to call us anytime at 757-436-2545 or visit our website, [ChurchoftheMessiah.org](http://ChurchoftheMessiah.org). God bless you!

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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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:

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**CELEBRATIONS**

**Happy Birthday**

January 18: Denise Crews

*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:**

Fr. Nigel Mumford, the Family of John Dooley, Sandi Greeley (mother of Bob Greeley), Mary Lafferty, 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:**  
**Anglican Province of South America**

**AND THE DIOCESE OF THE MID-ATLANTIC:**  
**Grace Anglican Church · Purdy, VA**  
**Grace Anglican Church · Winchester, 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](http://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.*



**The Second Sunday of Epiphany • January 14, 2024**

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**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](http://www.ChurchoftheMessiah.org/Livestream)  
Children's Church · Fellowship Hall (After Worship until Communion)  
Today's Teachers: Madelyn Tubbs, Colleen Lucas, Karen Phillips

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

Via Zoom · Meeting ID 928 2372 1136

## The Second Sunday of Epiphany · January 14, 2024

**PRAYER:** Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**First Reading:** 1 Samuel 3:1-20 **Page 200**

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 6:9-20 **Page 850**

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

**Gospel:** John 1:43-51 **Page 789**

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

**Sermon:** **The Cost of Discipleship: Answering the Call, Embracing the Challenge** Pastor Nile Gomez

**Reader:** Chris Woodland

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Anne Crow, Marshall Crow

**Prayer Team:** Chris Woodland, Jo Ann Woodland

### THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

|           |            |   |
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| Today     | 10:00 a.m. | Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Livestream)     |
| Monday    |            | MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY                  |
|           | 7:00 p.m.  | Parish Prayer Meeting (online via Zoom)     |
| Tuesday   | 6:30 p.m.  | Joyful Noise Club Meeting (Fellowship Hall) |
| Wednesday | 7:00 p.m.  | Vestry Meeting                              |
| Thursday  | 9:30 a.m.  | Women's CBS Day Class                       |
|           | 7:00 p.m.  | Co-Ed CBS Evening Class                     |

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



**THANK YOU TO OUR "CAST" OF VOLUNTEERS!** Church of the Messiah hosted up to 60+ homeless guests for seven nights from January 3-10, including families with children.

Guests were provided warm and safe shelter, hot meals, and a number of other activities and services. But most important, they received the love of Christ through our amazing volunteers who donated generously of their time, talent and treasure. Special thanks to CAST coordinator, Nakita Albritton, whose planning and hard work were instrumental in making this outreach a success.

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**MONDAY PRAYER MEETINGS RESUME:** 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](http://www.bit.ly/Monday-Prayer).

**JOYFUL NOISE MEETS IN PERSON THIS TUESDAY:** Join us in the Fellowship Hall this Tuesday, January 16, at 6:30 pm! Our January meetings are taking place on the third and last Tuesdays; we will return to our regular schedule in February. Helpers are always needed at our in-person meetings 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 join the fun!



**ANNUAL PARISH MEETING & VESTRY ELECTIONS** will be held Sunday, February 4. Up to two new Vestry members may be elected this year, so please begin to prayerfully consider individuals (including yourself) who you feel may be called to this leadership role. Please see the enclosed insert for guidelines for Vestry nominees. The list of eligible voters is posted outside the office; please contact the church office with any questions or changes.

**THE MEN'S AND WOMEN'S MINISTRIES ARE NOT MEETING IN JANUARY.** The next Men's Ministry meeting will be February 3 at 10:00 am and the next Women's gathering will take place on February 17 at 10:00 am. Please mark your calendar for these times of fellowship, prayer, and worship.

**CONTRIBUTIONS STATEMENTS FOR 2023** will be available soon.

## 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!*

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

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Prayer team only

Prayer team and bulletin