



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:

04.07.2024

CELEBRATIONS

Happy Birthday

- April 7: Misty Taylor
- April 8: Ralph Hopkins
Jill Marcoux
- April 10: Ron Jenson

Happy Anniversary

- April 11: Caleb & Mary Stern
- April 12: Tim & Seiko Maurer

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 Family of Monica & Jim Flynn, The Family of Marcia & John Curtis, Josh Corona, Sandra Brown, Aaron Woodward (son of Ellen Belfi), Tom Waldman, 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
The Rev. Bisoke Balikenga, Democratic Republic of Congo
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 Convocation of Europe

AND THE DIOCESE OF THE MID-ATLANTIC:

Christ Anglican Church · Orange, VA
Christ Church · Accokeek, MD

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.



The Second Sunday of Easter · April 7, 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
Children's Church · Fellowship Hall (After Worship until Communion)
Today's Teachers: Julie Hall, Jo Ann Woodland

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

Via Zoom · Meeting ID 928 2372 1136

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PRAYER: Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; 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 2:25-3:13 **Page 2**

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:17-24 **Page 871**

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

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11 **Page 719**

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

Sermon: **From Shame to Redemption:
Embracing God's Forgiveness and Grace** Vivian Hayes

Reader: Cherry Jenson

Eucharistic Ministers: Cherry Jenson, Ron Jenson

Prayer Team: Anne Crow, Marshall Crow

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



CONNECTIONS CLASS STARTS NEXT SUNDAY! If you have recently started attending Messiah or haven't yet attended a Connections Class, a new member class will be starting next Sunday, April 14, immediately following the service. This course will cover how to hear from God, use your gifts, and find your ministry. Lunch is included! Please sign up in the foyer.

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.

JOYFUL NOISE MEETS THIS WEEK! Join us in the Fellowship Hall this Tuesday, April 9, at 6:30 pm for pizza, followed by fun activities and a special talk! In-person meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month — helpers are always needed! See Pastor Marty or Wendy for details, and come join the fun! We meet online via Zoom on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

"ALL THINGS NEW" LADIES' SPRING TEA: The Women's Ministry of Church of the Messiah cordially invites all women to our Spring Tea to share in delightful fellowship, scrumptious treats, and inspiration as we celebrate the newness of life in Christ. The event will be held Saturday, April 27, from 2:00-4:00 pm. Guests are welcome, so be sure to invite your friends! We kindly request you bring a savory or sweet treat to share for afternoon tea.



SMALL GROUPS: There will not be a small group informational meeting this month. If you would like to know more about our small group program, please see Pastor Nile.

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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.

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