



## 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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3.8.2026



## Celebrations

### Happy Birthday

March 10 : Matt Bulloch

March 11: Mark Seavy

March 13: Peggy Evans

March 15: Christopher Moore

## 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:

Family of Myra Greggs, Family of Carole Glaize, the Phillips family, the Browns, the Hopkins, the Balches, the Bohannans, the Knights, Josh Corona, Tom Waldman, Lorene Evans and son Whitt, Colleen Lucas, Ray Ross, our first responders, our members of the military, and our companion church 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)**

### WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH:

Diocese of San Joaquin

### AND THE DIOCESE OF THE MID-ATLANTIC:

**Resurrection Anglican Church**, · Midlothian, VA  
**Resurrection Church** · Emporia, 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.*



**Third Sunday In Lent March 8, 2026**

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**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY DIRECTOR:** 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](http://www.ChurchoftheMessiah.org/Livestream)  
Children's Church · Fellowship Hall (After Worship until Communion)

Today's Teachers: Mary Lafferty, Mandy Nixon  
Ken Shomo, Karen Phillips

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

### The Third Sunday in Lent · March 8, 2026

#### PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you: Look with compassion upon the heartfelt desires of your servants, and purify our disordered affections, that we may behold your eternal glory in the face of Christ Jesus; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

**First Reading:** Numbers 6:22-26 **Page 118**

**Second Reading:** 1 John 3:1-3 **Page 1055**

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

**Gospel:** Matthew 5:1-8 **Page 830**

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

**Sermon:** **The Satisfaction of Being Known** / Aaron Bennett

**Reader:** Chris Woodland

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Anne & Marshall Crowe

**Prayer Team:** David & Susie Martin

#### THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

|           |           |   |
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| Today     | 10:00 am  | Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Livestream)     |
| Monday    | 7:00 pm   | Parish Prayer Meeting (Online via Zoom)     |
| Tuesday   | 6:30 p.m. | Joyful Noise Club Meeting (Fellowship Hall) |
| Wednesday | 7:00 p.m. | Lenten Lecture Series (Sanctuary)           |
| Thursday  | 9:30 am   | CBS Day Class                               |
|           | 7:00 pm   | CBS Evening Class                           |
| Saturday  | 10:00 am  | Men's Ministry Gathering (Room 1)           |

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



**LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES CONTINUES:** Join us in person or online at **7:00 p.m.** this Wednesday, March 11, to hear Rev. Felix and Dr. Edith Prakash speak about "Fan into Flame" See the insert for details; you can also visit [www.churchofthemessiah.org/transformed](http://www.churchofthemessiah.org/transformed).

**EASTER LILIES:** Help decorate the altar for Easter and honor loved ones by ordering lilies. Your \$15 donation (non-deductible) includes a dedication in the bulletin on Easter Sunday, and you may take your lily home after service. Please fill out and place the attached form in the collection box.



**MEN'S MINISTRY MEETS THIS SATURDAY!** Join the men of Messiah this Saturday, March 14, at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This is a great opportunity to enjoy a time of fellowship, teaching, and prayer.

**MESSIAH WOMEN'S GROUP meets Sat., 3/21,** at 10 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall for a Lenten devotional by Rose Marie Bohs, along with fellowship, sharing, and prayer.

**JOYFUL NOISE MEETS IN PERSON THIS TUESDAY!** Join us in the Fellowship Hall this Tuesday, March 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.



**SEDER WITH HOLY EUCHARIST AND POTLUCK DINNER** will be Saturday, March 28, at 5:00 pm. Please see both attendance and volunteer signups in the foyer, along with instructions on what to bring. Reservations must be made **March 22, 2025**.

**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](http://www.bit.ly/Monday-Prayer).

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## EASTER LILIES

If you would like to purchase and dedicate lilies to decorate the altar on Easter Sunday, please fill out this form, detach it, and place it in the offering box along with your payment. If you cannot pay today, please indicate this below and bring your payment by Easter Sunday. The cost is \$15 per plant (non-deductible) and you may take your plant(s) home after the Easter Sunday service.

#### Given by:

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**Dedication:** To the Glory of God and

In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

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In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

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In thanksgiving for: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Number of plants ordered:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Amount paid:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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\*Please write "Lilies" in check memo line.

Please order and I will pay later.