



## 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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04.21.2024

## CELEBRATIONS

### Happy Birthday

- April 21: Bert Corona, John Curtis
- April 22: Ray Cooke, Cherry Jenson, Cynthia Kamiru
- April 25: Sarah Balch
- April 26: Craig Stern, Mike Waldman
- April 27: Tim Maurer

### Happy Anniversary

April 22: Jim & Monica Flynn

## 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:

Bob Greeley & Family, Josh Corona, Sandra Brown, Tom Waldman, 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**, Ireland  
**CMJ (Church's Ministry Among Jewish People)**

### WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH:

**Diocese of the Upper Midwest**

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

**Christ the King** · Alexandria, VA  
**Christ the Redeemer Anglican Church Plant** · Dillsburg, 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 Fourth Sunday of Easter · Good Shepherd Sunday**  
**April 21, 2024**

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**ASSOCIATE PASTOR:** The Rev. Nile Gomez

**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: Pastor Ken Shomo, Vivian Hayes

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

Via Zoom · Meeting ID 928 2372 1136

### The Fourth Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday) · April 21, 2024

**PRAYER:** O God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the Good Shepherd of your people: Grant that, when we hear his voice, we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**First Reading:** Ezekiel 34:1-11 **Page 646**

**Second Reading:** Psalm 23 **Page 410**

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

**Gospel:** John 10:11-16 **Page 799**

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

**Sermon:** **Sovereign LORD Says: I Myself Will Search and Find My Sheep** Pastor Marty O'Rourke

**Reader:** Debbie White

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Jim Bohannon, Vivian Hayes

**Prayer Team:** Ellen Belfi

### THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

Today	10:00 am	Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Livestream)
	12:00 pm	Connections Class (Fellowship Hall)
Monday	7:00 pm	Parish Prayer Meeting (online via Zoom)
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Joyful Noise Club Meeting (online via Zoom)
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Vestry Meeting
Thursday	9:30 am	CBS Day Class
	7:00 pm	CBS Evening Class
Saturday	2:00 pm	Ladies' Spring Tea (Fellowship Hall)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



**CONNECTIONS CLASS CONTINUES.** If you have recently started attending Messiah or haven't yet attended a Connections Class, you can still join our new member class right after today's service. This five-week course (which started last week) will cover how to hear from God, use your gifts, and find your ministry. The class will meet in the Fellowship Hall — lunch is included!

**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).

**"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 this 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.



**LOOKING FOR HELP:** Our sister in Christ, Ruth Thomas, is looking for a paid aide/companion. The ideal person would be a CNA (but not required), and would provide care on a live-in basis, or at least overnights. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Fonda Waddell at (757) 343-1224.

**JOYFUL NOISE MEETS ONLINE THIS WEEK.** We will meet on Zoom this Tuesday, April 23, at 7:00 pm. In-person meetings are the second Tuesday of each month — we always need helpers 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.

**WELCOME, VISITORS!** We'd love to get to know you! Please fill in the attached "Welcome Visitors" form and drop it in the offering box, or submit a Digital Connection Card at [www.churchofthemessiah.org/contact](http://www.churchofthemessiah.org/contact). Check us out online at [ChurchoftheMessiah.org](http://ChurchoftheMessiah.org) and [Facebook.com/ChurchoftheMessiahChesapeake](https://Facebook.com/ChurchoftheMessiahChesapeake). Contact us at 757-436-2545 or [messiah@churchofthemessiah.org](mailto:messiah@churchofthemessiah.org) with questions.

**OUR PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCES ARE WITH BOB GREELEY** on the passing of his father, Robert Greeley, in California on April 4 at the age of 91. Robert Sr. was a Korean War veteran (USMC), owned a flooring business until his retirement, and was also a talented songwriter. Please pray for Bob and his family. Cards may be sent to 508 Woodlake Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23452.

## 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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- Include in bulletin
- Prayer team only
- Prayer team and bulletin

# Join the Pray & Go Movement!

## WHAT IS PRAY & GO?

## HOW DOES IT WORK?

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## WHY JOIN?

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## HOW DO I START?

*Pray & Go: Your Invitation to Become a Great Commission Christian*

