



## 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!

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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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\_\_\_\_\_ 10.26.2025

## Celebrations

No birthdays or anniversaries this week!

## 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 Bohannon family, the Balch family, Chris Woodland, Adrian Knight, Kathy Hopkins, Sandra Brown, Josh Corona, Tom Waldman, Lorene Evans and her son Whitt, Colleen Lucas, Ray Ross, our first responders, 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-Israel (Church's Ministry Among Jewish People)**

### WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH:

**Diocese of San Joaquin**

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

**Church of the Epiphany** • Chantilly, VA  
**Church of the Good Shepherd** • Charlottesville, 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.*



**Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost October 26, 2025**

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**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY DIRECTOR:** The Rev. Dr. Ken Shomo

**DEACONS:** 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: Lauren Coleman, Denise Call, Ralph Burkhardt,  
Dottie Cleveland

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

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**PRAYER:** *Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

**First Reading:** Psalm 34 **Page 478**

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

**Gospel:** Luke 17:11-19 **Page 900**

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

**Sermon:** Grace and Gratitude / Bishop. Warner

**Reader:** Keith Menzel

**Eucharistic Ministers:** John Curtis, Carole Menzel, Jim Bohannon

**Prayer Team:** Marcia Curtis, Marie Markham

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

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| Today 10:00 am   | Sunday Service with Confirmations and Receptions (Sanctuary & Livestream) |
| 12:00 pm         | Reception for Bishop Chris & new members                                  |
| Monday 7:00 pm   | Parish Prayer Meeting (online via Zoom)                                   |
| Tuesday 7:00 pm  | Joyful Noise Club Meeting (online via Zoom)                               |
| Thursday 9:30 am | CBS Day Class   |
| 7:00 pm          | CBS Evening Class   |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME, BISHOP CHRIS WARNER!



**BISHOP CHRIS WARNER IS OUR SPECIAL GUEST TODAY.** During this morning’s service, Bishop Chris will give a special sermon, and will confirm and receive new members. There will be a reception in the Fellowship Hall after the service; everyone is invited!

**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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**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](http://www.puredesire.org)

**IT’S TIME TO “FALL BACK”!** Daylight Savings Time ends next Sunday, November 2, at 2:00 am. Turn your clocks and watches back one hour this Saturday night, and enjoy an extra hour of sleep!



**YOU'RE INVITED** Saturday, November 15 at 5pm to our Friendsgiving potluck. All ages welcome! Sign up in the foyer. Reach out to [laurencoleman711@gmail.com](mailto:laurencoleman711@gmail.com) for details.

**JOYFUL NOISE MEETS ONLINE NEXT WEEK.** We will meet on Zoom next Tuesday, October 28, 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 join the fun! We meet online via Zoom on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

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

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