



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:

05.05.2024



Celebrations

Happy Birthday

- May 6: Ruth Thomas (105!)
- May 7: Aaron Horvat, Jeff Palmer
- May 8: Amanda Corona
- May 10: Grace Bagwell

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:

Kailany Tepatzi, Omar Morillo, 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, YWAM-Harpenden, England
CMJ (Church's Ministry Among Jewish People)

WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH:

GAFCON Australia

AND THE DIOCESE OF THE MID-ATLANTIC:

Christ the Saviour Anglican Church · Mount Vernon, VA
Church of the Apostles Anglican · Fairfax, 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. 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 Sixth Sunday of Easter · May 5, 2024

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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)

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

Via Zoom · Meeting ID 928 2372 1136

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PRAYER: O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Reading: Leviticus 19:9-18 **Page 88**

Second Reading: 1 John 4:7-21 **Page 906**

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

Gospel: John 15:9-17 **Page 804**

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

Sermon: **Love = Trust = Obedience** Pastor Marty O'Rourke

Reader: Ron Jenson

Eucharistic Ministers: Cherry Jenson, Ron Jenson

Prayer Team: David Martin, Susie Martin

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

Today	10:00 am	Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Livestream)
Monday	7:00 pm	Parish Prayer Meeting (online via Zoom)
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Vestry Meeting
Thursday	9:30 am	CBS Day Class
	7:00 pm	CBS Evening Class
	7:00 pm	Connections Class (online via Zoom)



PENTECOST IS MAY 19! We look forward to celebrating the birthday of the Church (and Church of the Messiah) with our friends from Sanctuary of Hope. We will have a special Sunday worship service, followed by our annual picnic. The church will provide hot dogs, chicken, beverages, and paper goods. We ask that families with last names A-L bring a side dish/salad, and last names M-Z bring a dessert.

CONGRATULATIONS TO JAMES HORNE ON GRADUATING from Regent University yesterday with a Bachelor of Arts in Theatre. Please join in wishing James all the best in his future ventures. To include a graduation announcement in the bulletin, please contact the church office.



CONNECTIONS CLASS MEETS ONLINE THIS WEEK. The last new member class will take place this Thursday, May 9, at 7:00 pm on Zoom. This class is for anyone who has recently started attending Messiah or hasn't attended a Connections Class. Offered twice a year, this five-week course covers how to hear from God, use your gifts, and find your ministry.



CHECK YOUR DIRECTORY LISTING: The church directory will be updated soon! Please check your listing in the foyer, or, if you are not yet listed, fill out a Newcomer Information Form.

THIS MONTH'S WOMEN'S GATHERING HAS BEEN MOVED: Please join us at 10:00 am on Saturday, May 25, for fellowship, discussion, sharing, and prayer.



JOYFUL NOISE MEETS IN PERSON NEXT TUESDAY! Join us in the Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, May 14, 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.

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.

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.

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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