



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:

_____ 3.22.2026

Celebrations

Happy Birthday

- March 24: Jenny Jenson
- March 27: Jane Crews
- March 28: Kelly Stern
- March 29: Gary Phillips

Happy Anniversary

David & Susie Martin



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. 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.



Fifth Sunday In Lent March 22, 2026

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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)

Today's Teachers: Wendy O'Rourke, Denise Call
Cheryl Shomo, Janet Nixon

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

The Fifth Sunday in Lent · March 22, 2026

PRAYER:

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Isaiah 30:15-18 **Page 611**

Second Reading: Revelation 3:14-22 **Page 1064**

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

Gospel: John 14:15-21 **Page 927**

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

Sermon: **Jesus Desires to Meet us in the Stillness** / Pastor Ken Shomo

Reader: John Curtis

Eucharistic Ministers: John Curtis & Jim Bohannon

Prayer Team: Marcia Curtis & Marie Markham

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

Today	10:00 am	Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Livestream)
Monday	7:00 pm	Parish Prayer Meeting (Online via Zoom)
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Joyful Noise Club Meeting (online via Zoom)
Thursday	9:30 am	CBS Day Class
	7:00 pm	CBS Evening Class

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.



SEDER WITH HOLY EUCHARIST AND POTLUCK DINNER will be this 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 by today **March 22, 2025**.

JOYFUL NOISE MEETS ONLINE THIS WEEK: We will meet on Zoom this Tuesday, March 24, at 7:00 pm. See Pastor Marty or Wendy for details, and come join the fun!

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.

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MESSIAH BUDGET NEWS

As of February 28, 2026:	Budgeted giving to date:	\$69,367.94
	Actual giving to date:	<u>\$47,267.83</u>
	Under budget:	\$ 22,100.11

HOLY WEEK 2026

Mark your calendar for the activities and services leading up to Easter Sunday!

Saturday, March 28:	Seder with Holy Eucharist & Potluck 5 pm
Sunday, March 29:	Palm Sunday Worship Service 10 am
Thursday, April 2:	Maundy Thursday Service 7 pm
Friday, April 3:	Good Friday Meditation 12 pm - 3 pm Good Friday Service 7 pm
Sunday, April 5:	Easter Sunday Worship Service 10 am

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:

Dedication: To the Glory of God and

In honor of: _____

In memory of: _____

In thanksgiving for: _____

Number of plants ordered: _____

Amount paid: \$ _____

Check* Cash

*Please write "Lilies" in check memo line.

Please order and I will pay later.