



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:

_____ 1.04.2025



Celebrations

Happy Birthday

January 7: Sanai Moore
January 9: Ben Stern
January 11: Joan Waldman

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 Brown family, the Hopkins family, the Balch family, the Bohannon family, the Knight family, Chris Woodland, 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:

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.



The Second Sunday of Christmas January 4, 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: Ken Shomo, Jo Ann Woodland,
Peggy Burkhardt, Mary Lafferty

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

The Second Sunday of Christmas · January 4, 2026

PRAYER: O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21 **Page 624**

Second Reading: Psalm 84 **Page 508**

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

Gospel: Luke 2:41-52 **Page 881**

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

Sermon: **Behold/** Pastor Vivian Hayes

Reader: Jim Bohannon

Eucharistic Ministers: Ron & Cherry Jenson

Prayer Team: Anne & Marshall Crow

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

Today	10:00 am	Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Livestream)
Tuesday	9:15 am	CBS Day Class
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Epiphany Prayer Meeting (Sanctuary)
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Vestry Meeting
Thursday	9:30 am	CBS Day Class
	7:00 pm	CBS Evening Class
Saturday	10:00 am	Men’s Ministry (Room #1)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOD’S BLESSINGS AND BEST WISHES to Pastor Vivian and Terry as they begin this new adventure. May the Lord be with you always.

THANKS TO ALL who have helped make this Advent and Christmas season so special! This includes our Worship and Multimedia Teams, Altar Guild, Children’s Ministry, Joyful Noise volunteers, Outreach Ministry, Women’s Ministry, and our dedicated clergy and staff. God bless you!



EPIPHANY PRAYER MEETING: Join us this Tuesday night, Jan. 6, at 7:00 in the Sanctuary to pray that God will use us in the coming year to bring the Good News of His love to our community and the world. There will be no online prayer meeting tomorrow.

The Men Of Messiah will meet this Saturday, January 10, at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Plan to come join time of fellowship, teaching, and prayer.

WOMEN’S GATHERING JANUARY 17: All ladies of Messiah are invited to come to the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, January 17, at 10:00 am. This is a precious opportunity for women to come together and dive into God's word, share experiences, engage in heartfelt conversations, and lift each other up in prayer.

JOIN THE C.A.S.T.! Help Messiah and the Chesapeake Area Shelter Team provide food, shelter, and compassionate care to those in need during the week of **February 11–18**. Please consider joining us or co-leading one of our teams. There are several ways to support our efforts—even if you are unable to be present while we are hosting guests. If you're able to help connect with Naketa at (804) 252-1865.



JOYFUL NOISE NEXT MEETS JANUARY 13! Join us in the Fellowship Hall next Tuesday, January 13, at 6:30 pm for pizza, followed by fun activities and a special talk! In-person meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month — helpers are always needed! See Pastor Marty or Wendy for details, and come join the fun! We meet online via Zoom on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

ONLINE PRAYER MEETINGS RESUME NEXT MONDAY. Plan to join us on Zoom at 7:00 pm next Monday, January 12, to pray for our congregation, community, country, and world. Enter Meeting ID 928 2372 1136 into your Zoom app, or go to www.bit.ly/Monday-Prayer.

CONTRIBUTIONS STATEMENTS FOR 2025 will be available soon.

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