



## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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:

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11.20.2022

# CELEBRATIONS

## Happy Birthday

November 22: Susie Martin

November 26: Penni Pike

## Happy Anniversary

November 25: Julie & Therian Hall



## Please Pray

*Please join us in praying for these requests throughout the week  
 (Prayer requests will appear for one month unless requested otherwise.)*

Healing for our nation and an end to racism | The People of Ukraine  
 Protection from Covid-19

**Our healthcare workers:** Dr. Erin Dooley, Nadeen Frazier, Dr. Christian Markham,  
 Ben Stern, Kaylee Stern, Mary Stern, Dr. Kelly Stern, Jessica Taylor,  
 Dr. Anthony Wanyoro

Jim Waldman, Ersel Ross (mother of Ray Ross), Joanne Falk, Lorene Evans,  
 Misty Taylor, Josh Corona, Cat Endicott, Tom Sweeney,  
 all of our members of the military, and Sanctuary of Hope, our companion church

## OUR OVERSEAS MISSIONARIES:

**Aaron and Winnie Coleman-Horvat**, Croatia

**David & Betsy**, Turkey

**Carmen Linder**, His Love in Action School for the Deaf in Honduras

## ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF THE MID-ATLANTIC

Please pray for the following churches this week:

**All Saints' Church** • Woodbridge, VA

**All Souls Anglican Church (church plant)** • Richmond, VA



If you would like our prayer ministry to pray for your 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.*



**Last Sunday After Pentecost • November 20, 2022**

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**RECTOR:** The Rev. Dr. Martin K. O'Rourke

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

**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)

Teachers this week:

Denise Crews, Pastor Ken Shomo, Cheryl Shomo, Lauren Coleman

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

Via Zoom · Meeting ID 928 2372 1136

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**PRAYER:** Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**First Reading:** Romans 12:9-18 **Page 844**

**Second Reading:** Ephesians 4:1-3; 4:29-5:2 **Page 870**

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

**Gospel:** John 13:33-35 **Page 803**

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

**Sermon:** **Grace to More Than  
Simply Get Along** Rev. David Martin

**Reader:** Vivian Hayes

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Vivian Hayes, Cherry Jenson

**Prayer Team:** Colleen Lucas, Susan Nizankiewicz

### THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

Today	10:00 a.m.	Sunday Service (Sanctuary & Livestream)
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Parish Prayer Meeting (online via Zoom)
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Joyful Noise Club (online via Zoom)
Thursday		THANKSGIVING DAY (Office closed)
Friday		THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY (Office closed)



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:** Thank you to all who donated gifts and money to Operation Christmas Child! Today, Messiah's children will pack up shoeboxes to send to needy children around the world, sharing the love of Jesus in a tangible way.

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!** The office will be closed this Thursday and Friday, November 24-25. The clergy and staff wish you a happy holiday and give thanks to our Lord for all the blessings He provides throughout the year.



**GREENING OF THE CHURCH:** In preparation for Advent, we will be decorating the church for Christmas tomorrow, Monday, November 21, at 11:00 am. If you would like to participate, feel free to stop by! See Office Manager Alicia Greeley with questions.

**ADVENT BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY!** If you would like your child(ren) to light Advent wreath candles and/or read special scriptures, please sign up in the foyer, or email [messiah@churchofthemessiah.org](mailto:messiah@churchofthemessiah.org) with the desired date and how your child would like to participate. Parents of candle lighters will need to accompany their children to the wreath to help them light the candles. Readers can take home an Advent booklet to practice their readings before their scheduled service.



**MEN'S MINISTRY MEETS NEXT SATURDAY!** Join the men of Messiah next Saturday, December 3, at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This is a great opportunity to enjoy a time of fellowship, teaching, and prayer.

**LADIES' CHRISTMAS BRUNCH:** Messiah ladies, join us at 10:00 am on Saturday, December 10, for a potluck brunch, Christmas carols, and a special message from guest speaker Vivian Hayes. This is a wonderful opportunity to invite friends and family members! If you can, please bring a potluck dish to share and a present in a gift bag for needy children at Sanctuary of Hope. Reservations not required.



**JOYFUL NOISE MEETS ONLINE THIS WEEK!** Join us on Zoom this Tuesday, November 22, at 7:00 pm. In-person meetings are held 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. We meet online the fourth Tuesday of each month. Please contact Pastor Marty or Wendy O'Rourke with questions.

**JOIN US ONLINE IN PRAYER** each Monday at 7:00 p.m. 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).

**CONNECT WITH US!** If you would like information about us or the Christian faith, fill out the attached visitor form and place it in the collection box. You can also fill out a Digital Connection Card at [www.churchofthemessiah.org/contact](http://www.churchofthemessiah.org/contact). We'd love the opportunity to get to know you!

## THE INCARNATION

2022 Advent Sermon Series

The purpose of Advent is to prepare for one of the greatest miracles in all history, the Incarnation of God in the person of Jesus Christ. The Eternal, Almighty and Invisible God has taken on a human body and entered our world as a baby so that we could know God by knowing Jesus.

This Advent we are going to explore what the Incarnation reveals to us about God's character and His great love and commitment to us.

***The Son of God became man  
to enable us to become  
the sons of God.***

— C. S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*





*Guests  
Welcome!*



# *Ladies' Christmas Brunch*

**Saturday, December 10 | 10 am**

**Potluck Buffet • Toy Drive • Carols**

*Guest Speaker: Vivian Hayes*

**Reservations not required! If you can, please bring a dish to share, and a present in a gift bag for needy children at Sanctuary of Hope.**