



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

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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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02.23.2025

## Celebrations

### Happy Birthday

February 23 : Karen Phillips  
 February 24 : Tony Spori  
 February 25: Danny Crews  
 March 1: Julie Hall



## 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:

Monica Flynn, Susan Bohannon, Debi Balch, Chris Woodland, Kathy Hopkins, Sandra Brown, Josh Corona, Tom Waldman, Burt Corona, 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-Israel (Church's Ministry Among Jewish People)**

### WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH:

Diocese of San Joaquin

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

**Shepherd's Heart Anglican Church** · Washington, DC  
**Shepherd's Heart Anglican Church** · 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](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.*



## Seventh Sunday of Epiphany · February 23, 2025

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**DEACONS:** The Rev. Tom Sweeney, The Rev. Vivian Hayes

## 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: Wendy O'Rourke, Colleen

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

Via Zoom · Meeting ID 928 2372 1136

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**PRAYER:** Almighty God, through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, you revealed the way of eternal life to every race and nation: Pour out this gift anew, that by the preaching of the Gospel your salvation may reach to the ends of the earth; through 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:** Genesis 45:3-21, 24-28 **Page 36**

**Second Reading:** Psalm 37:1-8 **Page 416**

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

**Gospel:** Luke 6:27-38 **Page 767**

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

**Sermon:** God Has A Plan: Trust Him / Deacon Vivian Hayes

**Reader:** Conway Telfeyan

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Anne Crow, Marshall Crow, Jim Bohannon

**Prayer Team:** Colleen Lucas, 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



**HELP FEED THE LORD'S SHEEP:** We are grateful for all the church's support already offered for CAST. We are well prepared, but would appreciate additional help, especially related to dinner food and dinner service. Please reach out to Marcia Curtis for additional information related to dinner.

**Your Generous** donations of clothing have exceeded our capacity to manage them, so please make further donations to the Great Exchange (see [www.thegreatexchangeva.com](http://www.thegreatexchangeva.com)). The Great Exchange will work with us to fill any requests for clothing.

**JOYFUL NOISE MEETS ONLINE THIS WEEK:** We will meet on Zoom this Tuesday, February 25, 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! 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](http://www.bit.ly/Monday-Prayer). There no pressure to pray out loud, and everyone is encouraged to join as we intercede for our world, nation, community, church, missionaries, and personal needs.



**BABY BOTTLES ARE OVERDUE!** Baby bottles for the Crisis Pregnancy Center were due last Sunday. If you have not turned yours in, please do so right away.

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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!*

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- Include in bulletin
- Prayer team only
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