



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:

01.19.2025

Celebrations

There are no birthdays or anniversaries to celebrate this week!

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, 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 Christ our Hope

AND THE DIOCESE OF THE MID-ATLANTIC:

St. Michael's Anglican Church · Haymarket, VA
St. Thomas Anglican Church · Gainesville, 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.



Second Sunday of Epiphany · January 19, 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
 Children's Church · Fellowship Hall (After Worship until Communion)
 Today's Teachers: Pastor Ken Shomo, Deacon Vivian Hayes

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

Via Zoom · Meeting ID 928 2372 1136

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PRAYER: Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Reading: Jeremiah 2:11-13 **Page 564**

Second Reading: Galatians 3:21-29 **Page 866**

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

Gospel: John 7:37-44 **Page 796**

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

Sermon: **The Life-Giving Power of Water** Pastor Marty O'Rourke

Reader: Debbie White

Eucharistic Ministers: Anne Crow, Ron Jenson, Chris Woodland

Prayer Team: Ellen Belfi, Julie Hall

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

Today	10:00 am	Sunday Service & Baptism (Sanctuary & Livestream)
Monday		MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY
	7:00 pm	Parish Prayer Meeting (Online via Zoom)
Thursday	9:30 am	CBS Day Class
	7:00 pm	CBS Evening Class



TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE BAPTISM OF LEILANI CLEVELAND! If you have scriptures or words of encouragement for Leilani in her Christian walk, please use the enclosed form and give it to her family.

HELP FEED THE LORD'S SHEEP: Please consider pledging to donate food and related items to homeless people during CAST by signing up in the foyer. There are sign-up sheets for breakfast, lunch, and dinner food; serve-ware; personal items; and cleaning supplies. Please note requested quantities, delivery dates and delivery locations. Also please consider volunteering to support CAST by signing up on the volunteer sheets still on the table in the foyer. The second shift of the overnight team and the hall monitoring team remain a bit understaffed. **THANK YOU!**



OUR ANNUAL PARISH MEETING & VESTRY ELECTION will be held February 2. Up to three new Vestry members may be elected this year, so please prayerfully consider individuals (including yourself) who you feel may be called to this leadership role. See the enclosed insert for guidelines for Vestry nominees. The list of eligible voters is posted outside the office; please contact the church office with any questions or changes.

PRAISE AND WORSHIP NIGHT FEBRUARY 5. Please plan to join us at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, February 5, for a powerful time of worship, prayer, and praise.



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.

JOYFUL NOISE MEETS ONLINE NEXT WEEK. We will meet on Zoom next Tuesday, January 28, at 7:00 pm. In-person meetings are 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 join the fun! We meet online via Zoom on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

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CONTRIBUTIONS STATEMENTS FOR 2024 are available in the foyer. Please save us a stamp and pick yours up today!

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