



Our mission is to make tangible the life-transforming power of God's love so that all may come to know Christ.

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Third Sunday of Easter: April 26, 2020

PRAYER: Almighty God, you gave your only Son to be for us both a sacrifice for sin and an example of godly living: Give us grace thankfully to receive his inestimable benefits, and daily to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

New Testament Reading: Romans 8:9-18 (Response: *Thanks be to God.*)

Gospel Reading: John 11:17-27 (Responses: *Glory to You, Lord Christ. ... Praise to You, Lord Christ.*)

Sermon: Does God Want Us to Go Back to Normal? • Pastor Marty O'Rourke

— ANNOUNCEMENTS —



- **PARISH-WIDE PRAYER MEETINGS** are being held each Monday at 7:00 pm via Zoom. To join tomorrow's meeting, go to <https://zoom.us/j/92823721136>, or enter meeting ID 928 2372 1136 into your Zoom app.
- **CONNECTIONS CLASS FOR NEW MEMBERS:** If you have recently begun attending Messiah or haven't attended a Connections Class, a new class is being held on Zoom on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons at 5:00 p.m. Topics include how to hear from God, use your gifts, and find your ministry. To learn more or to join the class, email Pastor Marty at morourke@churchofthemessiah.org.
- **WE WANT TO SEE YOU!** Help our church family stay connected by sharing your "quarantine" pictures to be included in a slideshow before Sunday's livestream. Please email your photos to Messiah@ChurchoftheMessiah.org. We can't wait to see you!
- **SUNDAY WORSHIP** continues to be livestreamed at www.ChurchoftheMessiah.org/livestream. Past services are posted for viewing after the service.
- **HOLY EUCHARIST** is available in the parking lot after the service. All precautions are taken to ensure safety. Consecrated wafers are available for administration at home each week through Pentecost Sunday. There will time during the livestream to partake of Communion together.
- **TITHES AND CONTRIBUTIONS** can be mailed to the church office at 816 Kempsville Road, Chesapeake, VA 23320. To give a secure gift online, go to our website at www.ChurchoftheMessiah.org/donations.
- **KEEP UP WITH MESSIAH EVENTS** on our website at www.ChurchoftheMessiah.org/upcoming-events. The page is updated frequently. You can also view our calendar at www.ChurchoftheMessiah.org/calendar.
- **WOMEN'S COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY CORE GROUPS** are meeting LIVE via Zoom at various times Thursday mornings, with a pre-recorded video teaching available for viewing that afternoon. Contact Fay Martin (faymartin3@gmail.com) to learn how to "drop in" on a Core Group during our remaining weeks this term, OR to register for our 2020-2021 study on the Gospel of John starting in September.

*With Deepest
Sympathy*

OUR PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCES are with:

- **The Lovett family** following the loss of Almira's father. Avelino "Albing" Rocacorba went to Jesus the day after Easter in the Philippines. Please pray for Almira and Stephen Lovett and Jaylord Toralba.
- **The O'Rourke family** on the passing of Wendy's mother. Ingrid Borst, 84, went to be with her Lord at sunrise on Easter morning. A service will be held in Pennsylvania in the future.
- **The Oster family** on the loss of Gary's mother, Barbara Oster, who went to be with Jesus on April 15. She had just turned 86. A private service will be held in Michigan.
- **The Shomo family**, following the passing of Cheryl's grandmother on April 7. Martha Armbrrecht was 98 years old when she went to the Lord. A graveside service for the family was held on April 18.

Please keep all these families in your prayers. To send cards, please see your church directory or contact the office for mailing addresses.



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 26: Craig Stern
Mike Waldman

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE REQUESTS THIS WEEK:

Protection from Covid-19

Our healthcare workers: Dr. Erin Dooley, Nadine Frazier,
Dr. Christine Markham, Ben Stern, Mary Stern,
Dr. Kelly Stern, Jessica Taylor, Dr. Anthony Wanyoro

Church property decision,
the Lovett Family & Jaylord Toralba, the O'Rourke Family,
the Oster Family, the Shomo Family, Ron Webster,
John Dooley, Viola McKinlay, Priscilla Oster,
Anne Polli, Rickee Dozier, Joanne Falk,
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

Robert Walter, Leadersource,
serving East Asia, South Asia, Middle East

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Please pray for the following churches this week:

Grace Anglican Church, Purdy, VA

Holy Spirit Anglican Church, Lewes, DE

PRAYER REQUESTS:

We believe God answers prayer! 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. Please indicate if you would like your prayer request included in the bulletin, sent only to the prayer team, or both.



WELCOME, VISITORS!



We are delighted to have you join our livestream services! If you are looking for a church home, we warmly invite you to be part of our family! To help us get to know you better, or if you have questions, please email us at Messiah@ChurchoftheMessiah.org. Please indicate your name, telephone number and address, and if you'd like to be contacted by phone or email. Include any questions or comments you have about today's service, Church of the Messiah, or how to learn more about the Christian faith.



JOIN US ONLINE!

Sunday Worship · 10:00 a.m.

Livestream:

www.churchofthemessiah.org/livestream

Recorded Services:

Videostream:

www.churchofthemessiah.org/livestream

Audio Sermons:

www.churchofthemessiah.org/sermons-cwag