

The MESSENGER

SEPTEMBER
2019

A Publication of the Episcopal Church of the Messiah

**Sunday, September 15
at 5pm**

In the Parish Hall

Bring a dish to share



*Happy
Birthday!*
to US!



Sunday Services:

8:00am.....Traditional Communion
9:30am.....Family Communion
9:30 a.m.....Sunday School
11am.....Contemporary Communion
4:00pm.....French Service
7:00pm.....Casual Communion

Wednesday

Service:

10:00 a.m.....Casual Communion
11:00 a.m.Bible Study

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Elaina Paige Financial Minister

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New Faces in Old Places

There are some different faces in the parish office.

Faithful 8 o'clock worshiper Elaina Paige is our new part-time Financial Minister. She works 2 days a week taking care of all our money stuff.

Deacon Extraordinaire Julie Altenbach is our new fulltime Office Minister. Her job is multi-faceted:

Recruiting, orienting, and overseeing 20-30 volunteer Office Angels to be the voice and face of Jesus to everyone who calls or comes onto our campus. They will answer phones, fold and stuff publications, water plants, and contact each parishioner monthly to see how they are and take prayer requests.

Orienting and overseeing 5-10 volunteer Tech Teamers to keep our website and social media current, keep up with our Servant Keeper membership software, and keep computers running smoothly.

Producing all our parish publications, like Sunday bulletins and the *Messenger*.

Assistant Music Minister Jeremy Adams is also now our Facilities Minister. He keeps the schedule of everything that happens on our campus, supervises our Maintenance Ministers who keep our campus clean, and markets and rents our facility to earn income to help pay the mortgage.

You may wonder why each of those roles is a "minister."

It's because no staff position in the Messiah family is "just a job." It is, indeed, a ministry.

If we don't deposit our Sunday offerings or pay our bills, life grinds to a halt as the electricity, air-conditioning, and water are turned off.

When people call the office, if they get a disembodied voice asking them to "Dial 1 for a human being," they may not stay on the line or call back. If they visit the office and encounter an empty desk, receive a grumpy greeting, or are made to feel like an interruption, they may not stay or come back. In any of those scenarios, we miss the chance to love them.

And if the facility is dirty or cluttered, with burnt out lights, nobody's going to want to come here to church. If two groups show up in the same room at the same time, there will be hurt feelings and missed

opportunities. And when we don't rent our facility during the times we're not using it, we have difficulty paying the mortgage.

The Financial, Office, and Facilities Ministers are each a vital cog in the machine that is the Messiah family: helping us love God, our neighbors, and each other better than we can without them.

All three are also results of the study, prayer, and research I did while on Sabbatical that brought me home with a commitment to team-based ministry. That means I want every Vestry member, every clergy person, and especially every staff member to develop a team to do their ministry – to "equip the saints for works of ministry" (Ephesians 4:12) rather than doing those works alone.

My role is to coach, mentor, and nourish our Vestry, clergy, and staff as a team – to equip them to equip others – instead of doing so much of the ministry myself.

I knew there was no way one person could accurately manage our money AND develop a team of volunteer Office Angels, so I split the Parish Administrator job into two unequal parts.

I invited Parish Administrator LaVerne Woods to be our Financial Minister – asking her to stay on as Administrator through August and offering to pay her her fulltime compensation through September, even as she dropped to 2 days a week as Financial Minister, to have her on call to answer questions about office stuff.

She declined my offer and resigned immediately. We are paying her for the vacation time she accrued this year and carrying her medical insurance through September 30.

A team of Office Angels came to our rescue – thank you, Ken Anders, Aliena Gaye, Sue Riley, Mary Pounds, Karen Stewart, Wally Stewart, Esther Gonzalez, and Trudie Carr!

Elaina jumped in and is figuring out how to manage our money.

And Julie's been in the office with Mother Tracy teaching her how our membership software and website work and handing off those duties on her way out of town.

It's a significant transition, and there have been some bumps in the road, but I anticipate these three new ministers will help us take our next step in changing the world with Jesus: one financial decision, one phone call, one social media contact, one rental event at a time.

I love you all.



From the Rector

Who Ya Gonna Call?

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About any ministry in the parish (current 6/19)

LOVING GOD

	Leader	Phone
Acolytes.....	Murph Borno.....	407-347-7094
Altar Guild.....	Trudie Carr & Betty Morgeson	407-299-2081/407-293-6912
Building Maintenance.....	Ron Bouton	407-452-7200
Children's Ministry.....	Angela Lopez.....	321-287-9089
Lay Weeders Landscapers	John Peacock.....	407-758-2728
Music/Choirs/Band.....	Linda Ellison	407-417-4299
Prayer Chain.....	Elise Bradford	407-876-2557
Prayer Intercessors.....	Wally & Karen Stewart	407-656-3956
Ushers, Greeters, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Visitors (Central Scheduling)	Mike & Bobbie Warren	352-241-8703

LOVING OUR NEIGHBOR

	Leader	Phone
Christian Service Center	Paul Hickman	352-408-0487
Communications/Publicity.....	Steve Borst.....	610-659-3902
Habitat for Humanity	Bob Tate	407-656-3239
Outreach.....	Paul Hickman	352-408-0487
Pre-School.....	Barbara Ellerbe	407-654-8415
Refugee Team.....	Murph Borno.....	407-347-7094

LOVING EACH OTHER

	Leader	Phone
Casserole Patrol.....	Deacon Julie Altenbach	407-462-8001
Coffee Hour	Kelley McRae.....	407-877-0463
Fun & Fellowship.....	Stacey Beck & Wendy King.....	702-521-4077/407-928-8132
Grief Groups.....	Jill Brown	407-656-5776
Hurricane/Disaster Response Team	Murph Borno.....	407-347-7094
Kitchen Krewe.....	Patty Tate	321-331-1435
Lay Eucharistic Visitors.....	Deacon Julie Altenbach	407-462-3865
Library	Regina Seguin	407-865-7913
Men's Supper	Wally Stewart	407-656-3956
Messiah's Way.....	Brian Seguin	407-865-1472
Name Tags	Elaina Paige	407-905-6217
Newsletter & Bulletins.....	Julie Altenbach	407-656-3218
Nursery/Child Care	Angela Lopez.....	321-287-9089
Office Angels	Julie Altenbach	407-656-3218
Parish Nurse	Barbara Knappman.....	407-656-7854
Pastoral Care.....	Joyce Taylor.....	407-222-1290
Transportation for those who don't drive	Joyce Taylor.....	407-222-1290
Wednesday Night Bible Study.....	Joe Wolfe	407-656-4226
Women's Dining Group	Janice Hull	352-217-0967
Youth.....	Murph Borno.....	407-347-7094



Lay Eucharistic Ministers:

We need more people to serve as a Lay Eucharistic Minister. LEM'S read the readings, pray, and help serve Communion. We particularly need LEM'S at the 11:00 am service. Please see me, or email me at tracydugger@churchofthemessiah.com to answer any questions, and set up a time for training.

Sunday Singers:

Linda Ellison is looking for more people to sing at our 7 o'clock service Sunday evenings. If you enjoy singing, would you consider joining our praise team? Please see Linda Ellison, or email her at lakesongmusic@gmail.com to get more information and to try it out.



Coin Jars help the Building Fund



The mason jars on the credenza outside the offices are one of our fundraising ways you can help our Building Fund.

HOLY COMMUNION *in* FRENCH *and* HAITIAN CREOLE

EVERY SUNDAY AT 4PM

in the Church

"Taste and see that the LORD is good!"

Psalm 34:8

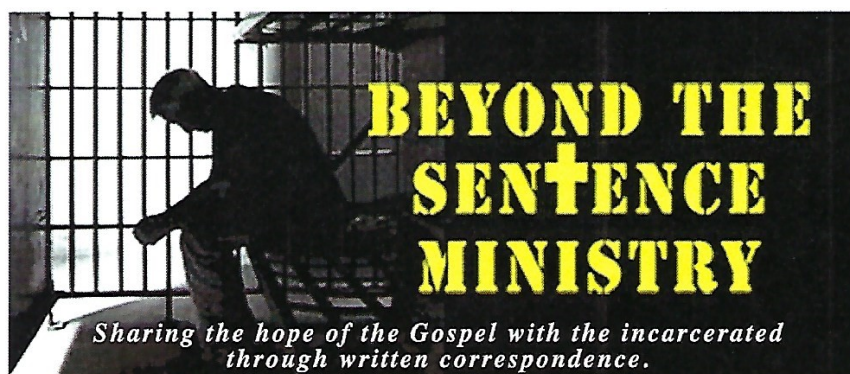
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Do you feel called to minister to inmates but don't know how?

The simple act of writing a letter or sending a card can make an immensely positive impact!

Ninety-five percent of criminal defendants are just ordinary people who got involved in drugs, started hanging out with a bad crowd, or had a momentary flash of stupidity. They're your neighbors, co-workers, employees, and relatives. "There but for the grace of God go I."

However clouded their paths have become, their souls remain unique works of art crafted by God. It is possible to have empathy without agreement. Be the voice of encouragement that helps them shift the direction of their lives.

[I'm an attorney who worked fifteen years as a prosecutor and another two as a defense attorney... not just a criminal defense attorney].

- Bradford Fisher

For more information, contact Geraldine Remington at beyondthesentence@gmail.com

What We Do

- We write letters, cards, and notes to Florida Department of Corrections inmates from all over the state, making sure to include their inmate numbers on the outer envelopes and ALL correspondence. (Inmates will be assigned by the ministry coordinator.) **It does not matter how much or how little we write.** For many inmates, our correspondence is their only contact with the outside world.
- We keep our identities anonymous by using a made-up first name. (No last names.)
- We remember the inmates on their birthdays, Christmas, and Easter by sending them greeting cards.
- If we feel moved to do so, we have Christian books sent to the inmates from retailers. We are prohibited from sending books directly to prisoners.
- For those of us who are artistically gifted, we may share drawings with inmates who also like to sketch.
- We encourage the inmates in their spiritual growth and continually remind them that we are delighted to be their friend in Christ.

What We Don't Do

- We never reveal our true identities, nor do we mention Church of the Messiah in our correspondence.
- We do not refer to ourselves as "pen pals" as this is prohibited by the Department of Corrections.
- We never telephone the inmates, visit them in person, or send them money.



Are you interested in becoming a Beyond the Sentence correspondent? Email the ministry at beyondthesentence@gmail.com or fill out the following form and place it in the collection plate.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Preschool News

By Barbara Ellerbe

Every school year seems to bring a few changes to the preschool.

This year, we opened a new toddler room.

Noemi Gonzalez has been an aid at the preschool for 3 years and was promoted to teach these toddlers.

Teacher's aide Candon Norton was also promoted to teach our Tuesday/Thursday 3-year-old class. Congratulations to both of them.

Stacey Duppenhaler returned to teach our Pre-K class, Jill Smicherko and Hannah Mohabir returned to teach our additional 3-year-old classes, Marsha Dymond teaches our 2-year-old class, and Melody Wise teaches in our infant room. Missy Cottle also returned to teach art this year. Megan Chase and Anndrea Strickland returned as aides.

We also welcomed two new teacher aides Katrina Nugent and Kaila Woods. We have a wonderful staff and the year is off to a great start.

On September 10 the preschool will hold our first open house for the parents of our students. This will be a night for parents to learn about our curriculum, school policies and procedures. Teachers will share information about upcoming classroom themes and give parents ways to support their child's learning at home.



Cohen Edmondson enjoying his first day of pre-school.

Upcoming Events

September 2 – no school – Labor Day

September 10 – Open House/
Curriculum Night 6-8 pm

children's Ministry

Angela Lopez:
angelalopez@churchofthemessiah.com

back to school bash

We gave out \$400 worth of school supplies to community kids! All children were offered a blessing, free lunch, and ice cream, as well as an afternoon of fun and games.



SHINE kids praying at our prayer wall... with Jesus peeking around the wall at them! We're working on a prayer series and were inspired by Father Tom's post-card from Jerusalem.

children's Ministry



SHINE kids solving puzzles with the BCP and their Bibles. We learned all about Eucharist!





Lessons Launch

Acting! Once a week acting class with a show/video final for middle school/high school age students. **Every Saturday in September from 10-11: 30am** in the Youth Hall, which houses the School for the Arts. We will work on stage presence, learning lines, and blocking. Find your truthful moment in scene acting here with us. Individual one on one weekly acting lessons also available.

The show will be after the last class ends at 11:30am on **Saturday, September 28th**.

Open House Concert and Show Friday September 20th from 6-8pm in the Youth Hall - School for the Arts

Meet our teachers
and experience what
we have to offer, all in
one night ... complete
with fun and light
snacks.

Marriage Ministry Mini-Retreats With Jason & Michelle Alford

Our family was blessed by joining the Messiah family last year with Jason's baptism and my

conversion from Roman Catholicism. This past year, our children have blossomed with Christ's love through the Children's Ministry.

With this support, we have felt God's call to bring our spiritual gifts to our church family: Jason's faith and deep connection with others and Michelle's experience as a Roman Catholic Catechist and twelve years as an educator.

Our marriage has been strengthened by our life in the church, and we want to both continue that strengthening and give that gift to others as well.

One of the most impactful experiences we have had as a married couple was a series of mini-marriage retreats we attended last year. This is what we would like to bring to Messiah: a series of spiritual date-nights hosted by us in the Parish Hall for couples of all ages to connect with each other, other supporting couples, and Christ.

Each night will include free childcare, a cocktail hour, a romantic atmosphere, and a lesson from Gary Thomas's video and book Cherish. We are so excited for this series that we have already bought the video and book!

Dates: Fridays starting in August, every 4-6 weeks for 8 sessions; first date: September 27.


Participants: all married couples of all ages invited; 6 couples minimum, 15 couples maximum.

STAFFED BY PRESCHOOL
TEACHERSREFRESHMENTS FROM 6:30-7:00

FOR ALL COM COUPLES

Free
Childcare!

Social
"Hour"

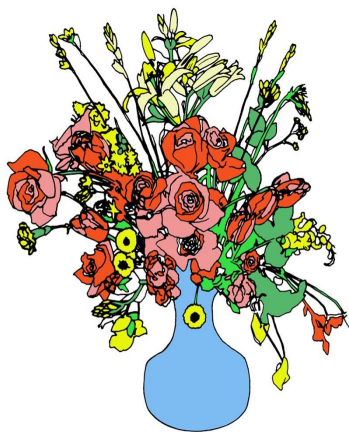


RECONNECT & CHERISH

MARRIAGE
MINI-RETREAT
DATE NIGHT SERIES

08.30.19 | 6:30-8:30 | PARISH HALL

Register at <https://tinyurl.com/COMCherish>



Altar & Chapel Flowers are available for 2019

Please CALL the church office to reserve a date, as some dates are already taken.

Altar flowers are \$35 and Chapel flowers are \$25. They are reserved on a first-come, first-served basis.

Messiah's Missionaries



Lionel & Karen Williams worshiped at Holy Sacrament Episcopal Church in Pembroke Pines, FL on July 14, and The Episcopal Church of the Nativity in Port Saint Lucie, FL on July 21st.

Ginger Sirola worshipped at St John's Episcopal Church in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio on August 11, 2019.

Tom & Debbie Rutherford worshiped at these churches on their Sabbatical:

May 5: Mosaic Church, Winter Garden

May 12: Grace Episcopal Church, Georgetown, Texas and St Richard's Episcopal Church, Round Rock, Texas

May 19: City Church, Wichita Falls, Texas

May 26: St George's Episcopal Church, Nashville, Tennessee

Tom & Debbie Rutherford (continued)

June 2: Real Life Church, Clermont, Florida

June 9: Tom celebrated 2 services at St Mark's Episcopal Church, Geneva, Illinois

June 15: Tom celebrated 1 service at St. Mark's, Geneva, Illinois

June 16: St Mark's, Geneva

June 23: Cathedral Church of St Luke, Orlando, Florida

June 30: St George's Anglican Cathedral, Jerusalem, Israel

July 7: Christ Anglican Church, Jerusalem, Israel

July 14: Church of the Ascension, Orlando, Florida

July 21: Tom served in an ordination to the priesthood at St. Mark's, Geneva, Illinois, and Debbie attended St Augustine of Canterbury, Vero Beach

July 28: All Saints, Winter Park

Laura's Latest Adventure

I'm in TORONTO!!

A HUGE thank you to everyone for supporting me, praying for me, and sending me off to Wycliffe! I'm so excited to be here and am so thankful for everything Messiah has been in my life to get me to this point! I'm settling in and getting the lay of the land in Toronto, life at Wycliffe, and orientation. Keep praying! For community, friends, and classes as we get started! Stay tuned for monthly updates and if you want them to your email inbox send me an email at ONAWHIMWITHLO@gmail.com or check out my blog at onawhimwithlo.blogspot.com/



Vestry Minutes * August 18, 2019 @2:30 p.m.

Vestry Door Duty for September

Opener at 7:30am: Don Greer

Closer at 1pm: Brian Seguin

Vestry Meeting Host: Brian Seguin

2019 Vestry

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All Staff and Vestry have mailboxes in the front office (behind the front desk) with their names on them.

You may also contact them by leaving a note in their mailbox.

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE NOTES OR MONEY ON THE FRONT DESK IN THE OFFICE.

Present: Rector Tom Rutherford, Senior Warden Don Greer, Junior Warden Ron Bouton, and Clerk Joyce Taylor; Stacey Beck, Steve Borst, Wendy King, Brian Seguin, Patty Tate, and Dawn Wirbel, and Assistant Rector Tracy Dugger.

Absent: Treasurer Rodger Watson, Paul Hickman (in Colorado with family), Mary Kay Predmore (family illness) and John Peacock (in North Carolina with family).

FORMATION: Patty Tate led Noon-day Prayer. Tom Rutherford shared some of his insights from his Sabbatical and what he's altering about his leadership among us as a result.

INFORMATION:

Staff Reports:

Facility: Tom Rutherford is closing in on filling the Facilities Minister position and hiring a new Maintenance Minister to succeed Will Dugger when he leaves in September.

Children of the Messiah Preschool opened August 12 and went well! The financial report was emailed separately.

Children's Ministry: Children's Minister Angela Lopez reports:

With summer coming to an end we finished up our Children's Church series and moved onto a unit on prayer. We have a prayer wall in class where we have been taking a moment or two to pray and some of the children are taping their prayers to the wall. We have talked about praying anywhere, not needing fancy words to pray and how to pray boldly. The kids have been praying for their school and teachers as well. I am preparing the next series which is called "I know it's crazy but it's true". We will go over 6 of the most amazing Bible stories ever told.

In SHINE we finished up Alien kids and moved onto a series called Stepping out in faith, a children's guide to Episcopal beliefs and traditions. It will take us a while to get through this unit as there are many schedule interruptions in August and September. So far, we have learned about sacraments in general and spent 2 weeks on Baptism and the Baptismal Covenant. We have had a lot of fun using the BCP as well. In case anyone is looking for them, I have 7 copies in the youth room that I borrowed from the library for this series.

We have started Garine Adams and her band for worship time at the beginning of SHINE. We are testing it for a few weeks to see how it works with some of the kids coming and going to the French service for communion. And of course to see how the kids are responding to this change in programming. 4th and 5th grade boys are hard to please, and when they are not into something, the rest of the crowd tends to follow.

We had our back to school party and back-pack blessing on August 3. We gave out 30 back-packs, and hundreds of dollars' worth of school supplies to kids in the community. There was a bounce house, free lunch and ice cream as well as games and music. Dillard Street Elementary advertised our event and we had a few families from there visit. The rest read it on our marquee or from church members.

In Late July I met with the new principal and the Partners In Education coordinator of Dillard Street to see how we could better serve them. We have a quite a few things planned for the year. On the Friday before

Vestry Meeting Minutes

school started the outreach team treated the teachers and staff to lunch and snacks after their training session.

In September, Garine Adams and I are going to set up an information table at the School for the Arts Open House to publicize the children's activities we offer here and spend time getting to know some of the families there. We will have an instrument petting zoo, a game, and plenty of church literature.

Plans for the Ministry fair and winter are in the works.

VBS 2020: Rather than buying a curriculum, I am writing one myself. I am dedicating one day a week toward that objective, because it is a huge project to create everything.

Youth Ministry: Youth Minister Janie Walton resigned on August 12. She will cover Sunday ACTIVATES for the rest of this month and use up her vacation time during the weeks. Her last day on Staff is August 31. Murph Borno agreed to lead ACTIVATE Youth Group as a volunteer for a season. Since there are only 5 teens who come regularly, Tom Rutherford does not intend to hire anyone for that position for the rest of this year, and maybe longer. Tom offered Janie a Going Away Party, but she declined. Please personally express your appreciation to her for her 8 years as Youth Minister.

Assistant Rector Tracy Dugger

Tracy concludes her active ministry among us August 31. She has vacation time she's taking in September as she moves to Port St Lucie and starts there October 1.

Tom Rutherford is not going to seek to replace her. Instead he will work with priests Soner Alexandre, Richard Gonzalez, and Greer McBryde to cover our sacramental needs and with Deacon Julie Altenbach and soon-to-be-deacon Sam Katulic to cover pastoral needs. This will save our parish \$7,961 per month in salary,
(continued on next page)

2019 FINANCIAL REPORT (As of July, 2019)

Operating Income	\$352,954.20
Operating Expenses	<u>\$403,195.34</u>
Net.....	(50,241.14)
ALL Building Fund Income.....	\$84,097.53
ALL Building Fund Expense.....	<u>\$112,896.36</u>
NET	(28,798.83)

In the event of a hurricane, tornado, or other disaster:



PRAY! HARD!

WE WILL HAVE CHURCH ON SUNDAY at the regular times, no matter what the weather or conditions are. If the weather's bad, please, use your discretion whether to come or not, especially if there is a curfew.

BEFORE THE DISASTER: If a named storm or other disaster is upon us, please call and/or email the 2 families ahead of you in the parish directory (current directories are available in the Narthex) and the 2 families after you to pray with them and see if they have any needs. If there are needs you cannot meet, please call the Church office at **407-656-3218** (Even if no one is in the office, someone will check the parish voicemail) and/or email Tom Rutherford at **TomRutherford@ChurchOfTheMessiah.com**

IF YOU EVACUATE, please call the Church at **407-656-3218** and/or email and/or email Tom Rutherford at **TomRutherford@ChurchOfTheMessiah.com** and let us know.

AFTER THE DISASTER, please call those same 4 families to pray with them and see if they're okay. Please call the Church at **407-656-3218** and/or email and/or email Tom Rutherford at **TomRutherford@ChurchOfTheMessiah.com** to share any needs you or they have, and the DART (Disaster Action Response Team) will match needs with resources in the parish and community.

insurance, and pension, for a total of \$23,883 through the rest of this year and \$95,532 next year.

Laura Cook's Ordination Process: She leaves for Seminary in Toronto later this month. The parish gave her over \$4,000 in support.

All Souls' Church Plant in Horizons

West: Father Matt Ainsley, the Assistant Rector of Ascension and founding vicar of All Souls is preaching with us on August 18 to tell us their vision and invite us to pray with and for them and to consider who from the Messiah family might want to join them as missionaries in their launch in November. Please pray about what our parish's role might be in partnering with All Souls.

Diocesan Events we are hosting:

Saturday August 24: Conference on Ministry, which is an orientation for people interested in ordination. We have two parishioners attending and considering becoming deacons.

Saturday September 28: Stewardship Conference helping congregations increase their income and wise use of their resources.

The rental house, in which the Alexandres live has roof problems. Junior Warden Ron Bouton reported that the roof was patched for \$300. But there are 3-4 places on that roof that are potential problems. The wood is retaining moisture which will also be a problem that will have to be dealt with in the future.

DISCUSSION (to help make a decision next month) – None:

DECISIONS (usually based on the Discussion last month):

Parish Staff reconfiguration:

FROM TOM RUTHERFORD: One of the results of my Sabbatical study was the realization that our parish ministries need to be more Team based – starting with my developing the Vestry, Clergy, and Staff as teams, and then my helping each Vestry, Clergy, and Staff person to develop a team in

their area of ministry.

With that Team-Based approach in mind, I want to reconfigure the Staff – splitting the Parish Administrator position into two parts: A part-time Financial Minister who will concentrate on our money matters and a full-time Office Minister who will develop a Team of volunteers to staff our office and do a lot of the stuff the Parish Administrator is now doing by herself.

The Financial Minister will work 2 days a week: Monday to deal with Sunday's income and another day to pay bills and chase down good deals for the parish family. His/her Team will be Volunteers to count the Sunday collection, the Treasurer, and Audit Team.

The Office Minister will work 5 days a week, but his/her primary role is to develop a Team of 30-50 Volunteers to "do the works of ministry:" answering the phone, making copies, interacting with visitors, checking in on parishioners by phone and email, locking and unlocking doors, watering plants, turning lights on and off, etc. – many things the current Parish Administrator does alone, plus more that can happen with a Team.

A Team of folks in the office will also help pick up some of the tasks Tracy did with the website and other technical stuff, and offer extra eyes, ears, hands, and voices to care for our people in her absence.

These two new positions would cost more than we pay the Parish Administrator, but if we take the Youth Minister's compensation we are no longer paying, and combine it with the current Administrator's compensation, we can fund the two new positions and still have \$17,152 per year leftover. If it turns out we need a staff Youth Minister, we can use that \$17,000 to hire a part time person.

I don't need Vestry approval to reorganize the Staff, but I want your thoughts about this plan.

I do, however, need approval to alter the Budget.

VESTRY APPROVED Tom's proposal.

Tom will offer Parish Administrator LaVerne Woods the Financial Minister position. If she accepts his offer, she will stay Administrator through the rest of this

her job will shrink to 2 day per week September 1, but we will pay her her full Administrator's salary and carry her medical insurance through the month of September to have her on call to answer questions from the Office Minister. She has some vacation time left this year, and we will also give her that time at the rate she's paid as Administrator. Her pay would drop October 1, and we would pay her the same daily rate she makes now, but for 2 day a week instead of 5.

If she declines the offer, we will have a party to celebrate her 24 years as Parish Administrator and wish her well.

MEETING MINUTES & FINANCIAL REPORT:

Minutes from the July meeting: APPROVED.

July Financial Report from Treasurer Rodger Watson: APPROVED.

Operating Account: Income was \$3,199.58 LESS than expenses and increased our year-to-date deficit to \$50,241.14. PLEASE continue praying for God to provide.

Building Fund: Net Building Fund income (gifts, fundraising, and facility rental income, less expenses) was \$1,784.09 MORE than what we needed to cover the mortgage of \$12,891.97 – primarily because we didn't have a Facilities Minister to pay from the Rental Income...which will change starting next month when we again have a Facilities Minister. We did not pre-pay any of the principal on the mortgage, for which we owe \$1.4 million.

Meeting closed with prayer and adjourned at 4:10 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Joyce Taylor, Vestry Clerk

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING: an Order of Prayer, Service, and Evangelism

**Informational meeting
Thursday, September 5 at
5pm in the Library**

Daughters of the King are women and girls between the ages of seven and one hundred and seven who desire a closer walk with the Lord. We are Christian women, both lay and ordained, who are strengthened through the discipline of a Rule of Life, and supported through the companionship of our sisters. We are all at different stages of our Christian journey – some have just begun and some have been on this path for a long time. But no matter where we are on our sacred journeys, our primary goal is the same – to know Jesus Christ and to make Him known to others.

Vision Statement:

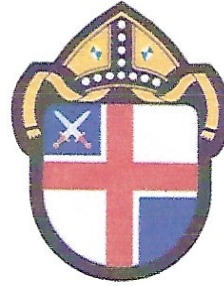
Empowered by the Holy Spirit, our vision as Daughters of the King is to know Jesus Christ, to make Him known to others, and to become reflections of God's love throughout the world.

Order vs. Organization

A Christian order is a community of men or women living under a religious rule. Because Daughters of the King accept a [Rule of Life](#), we define ourselves as an order, not an organization.

*Save
-THE-
date*

*For Sam
Katulic's
Ordination*



God willing and the people consenting

The Right Reverend Gregory Orrin Brewer
Bishop of Central Florida

will ordain

Samuel Michael Katulic
Gordon Callies Sims
Kimberley Kay Spear
Michael Paul Switzer

to the Sacred Order of Deacons
in Christ's One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church
on Saturday, the seventh of September
two thousand nineteen
at eleven o'clock
The Cathedral Church of Saint Luke
130 North Magnolia Avenue
Orlando, Florida

Your prayers and presence are requested

Clergy: Red Stoles

Reception to follow

Our community is found primarily in local chapters, but our community extends around the world.

We don't just enroll as members and attend meetings. After a three-month period of study and discernment, each new member takes vows to uphold the

two Rules of The Order, the [Rule of Prayer](#) and the [Rule of Service](#).

For more information about the meeting, please contact Jacqueline Arthurs at jac.arthurs@gmail.com or 352-205-6574.

ON THE ROAD WITH TIM & TERRI WETHERINGTON!

Over the past month, we re-learned an important lesson about operating in the margins of life, and that although something CAN be done, it doesn't necessarily mean it SHOULD be done.

We'll start the story with a reminder that we are made by a loving God and in his image. It's good to remember this because it establishes our value and our place in creation. We must also remember that God rested. God rested on the Sabbath to show us that we should not go on beyond our limits - even if we feel we could. Our loving God may not have limitations, but he gave them to us to teach us to respect and appreciate our place in his creation. Here's how we came to re-learn this lesson...

We are having a fabulous time and meeting WONDERFUL people everywhere. Every Sunday we are in a different church - each so beautiful in its own way. When possible, we meet with the clergy to learn about their parish and what they are up to. We also met a couple (who let us park on their property for a week) who run a food bank out of their garage. It's been amazing to see how God's people are working to grow God's kingdom wherever they are! We're having so much fun that we decided we're definitely a go for the next sojourn when this one is finished. So we decided to move to a bigger, better RV sooner, rather than later. We traded in the travel trailer for a fifth wheel! (That's one of those RV's that reaches up over the bed of the pickup.)



Tim shopping for a 5th Wheel

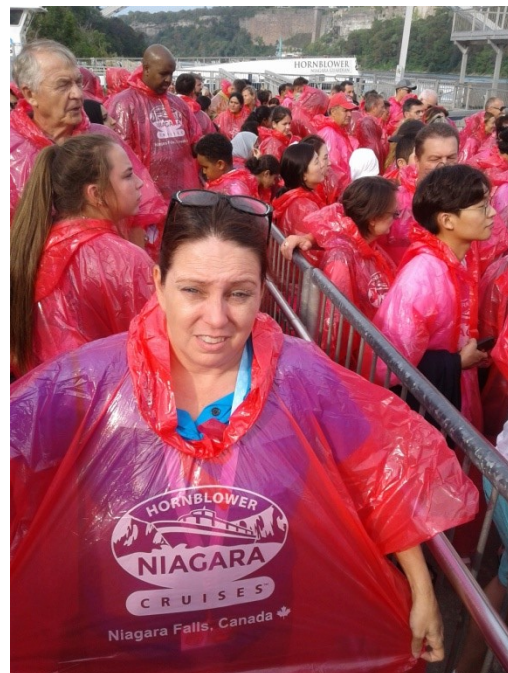
After carefully selecting one that met our needs - and could be towed by our still new F150 pickup truck - we were on our way again with our new home. Yeah, well..... it *could* be towed by a truck that size, *but it shouldn't be*. We definitely over-reached. We were operating beyond the limit of what a truck that size could do safely. The big rigs on the highway would routinely push us onto the shoulder or put us into a fishtail at highway speeds. This wasn't fun anymore! But, the Holy Spirit was with us and protected us from harm.....and allowed us only a few seriously frazzled nerves to make sure we were paying attention.

We couldn't go on with such an unsafe arrangement. After considering throwing in the towel (albeit briefly and not seriously), we traded in our beautiful new F150 truck for an F350. The couple that run the food bank from their garage have a close friend who's a manager for Ford, so we were able arrange a deal that was manageable. For a truck that can do what we need within the safety margin that God wants us to be in.

That whole bit took an unscheduled two weeks to work out, but we got to spend extra time with family in Detroit. And we were able to connect our hosts (with the food bank) with Grace Episcopal Church in Mt. Clemens, MI who needed help revitalizing their food ministry.

Finally, it was time to move on to new things... and into Canada... The adventure continues...

The majesty of Niagara Falls is truly beautiful and breathtaking. Although geologists have completely worked out how the falls were formed, my hope is that folks will see the delicate beauty of God's immense power in his handiwork. The zip line next to the falls was a lot of fun too; but I completely credit the engineers with designing and building that.



Terri getting ready for a boat ride to the falls - with a million other people



*Getting ready to zip line by the falls.
American Falls and Bridal Falls are
in the background.*



Looking out our front door

We visited the Anglican Church of the Epiphany in Oakville, Ontario, Canada. Their priest was just starting her sixth week there and spoke passionately about growing the church and serving younger families. After the service, when we gathered for coffee... Terri might have bragged a little about the importance of kids and families at Church of the Messiah and what an incredible job our Children and Youth Ministers do. So uh... Ms. Angela someone might be reaching out to you from Canada.

Everyone we have met has been very kind and loving. They have been patient as we learned to see and do things their way instead of our way. And because we have been careful to follow God's model of remembering to rest, we've been able to handle the frustrations and challenges along the way. We see God's hand at work in our everyday interactions.

It's humbling and beautiful.

We love you all, and we miss you, and we pray for your well being as God takes you down new pathways too.

Tim & Terri

Sunday Servants For The Lord

8:00 A.M.	SEPTEMBER 1	SEPTEMBER 8	SEPTEMBER 15
1st LEM	Mary Kay Predmore	Deborah Townsend	Frank Chase
2nd LEM	Joyce Taylor	Janie Walton	Linda Bouton
Lector	Bradford Fisher	Aliena Gaye	Joyce Taylor
Altar Server	Kayrah Elliott	Kayrah Elliott	Kayrah Elliott
Crucifer	_____	_____	_____
Torch Bearers	_____	_____	_____
Greeters/Ushers	Jay & Marsha Dymond Ansel & Ina Haughton	Elaina Paige, Pete & Nancy Glynn, Joyce Taylor	Jay & Marsha Dymond Ron Bouton Carolyn Greer
LEV Team		Don Greer	
Prayer Intercessor		Nancy Barber	Joyce Taylor
9:30 A.M.	SEPTEMBER 1	SEPTEMBER 8	SEPTEMBER 15
1st LEM	Vita Mazzaluna	Stacey Beck	Mary Lynn Levine
2nd LEM	Susie Marshall	Anthony Beckford	Erin Hinz
Lector	Dawn Wirbel	Kevin Cochrane	Lynne Passilla
Altar Server	Aidan Brandenburg	Kelsey Beck	Chelsea Borno
Crucifer	Giada Mazzaluna	Osni Alexandre	Melanie Field
Torch Bearers	Melanie Field Sophie Alexandre	Melanie Field Lena Candes	Evan Candes & Elijah Roberson
Greeters/Ushers	Rodger Watson, Ken Miller, Wilna Brown, Ginger Sirola	Jim & Lynne Passilla Horace & Jacquie Williams	Churck & Deborah Grunder Sam & Heather Lynn
LEV Team	Rodger Watson	Jim & Lynne Passilla	Mike & Bobbie Warren
Prayer Intercessor	Jill Brown	Susan Kiehm	Susie Marshall

Sunday Servants For The Lord

11:00 A.M.	SEPTEMBER 1	SEPTEMBER 8	SEPTEMBER 15
1st LEM	Geraldine Remington	Sam Katulic	Roni Pavan
2nd LEM	Stacey Jamail	Joe Wolfe	Geraldine Remington
Lector	Leo Henry	Stacey Jamail	Patty Tate
Altar Server	Yolwenn Alexandre	Sophie Alexandre	Delilah Brueggeman
Greeters/Ushers	Steve Brueggeman Mary Katulic	Richard & Kelley McRae	Paul & Patty Robertson
LEV Team	Sam Katulic	Lionel & Karen Williams	Deacon Sam Katulic
Prayer Intercessor			
7:00 p.m.	SEPTEMBER 1	SEPTEMBER 8	SEPTEMBER 15
LEM	Marvin Haughton	Regina Seguin	Marvin Haughton
Lector	Helen Farnsworth	Wendy King	Steve Borst
Greeter/Usher	Mary Pounds	Raul Lopez	Brian Seguin
Altar Server	Riley & Aiden Alford	Kaitlyn O'Brien	Yolwenn Alexandre
Prayer Intercessor	Brian Seguin		Wendy King
Lectionary	Proverbs 25:6-7	Deuteronomy 30:15-20	Exodus 32:7-14
	Psalms 112	Psalms 1	Psalms 51
	Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16	Philemon 1-21	
	Luke 14:1, 7-14	Luke 14:25-33	1 Timothy 1:12-17

Luke 15:1-10

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to serve in any function
and have a conflict, it is your responsibility**

Sunday Servants For The Lord

8:00 A.M.	SEPTEMBER 22	SEPTEMBER 29	OCTOBER 6
1st LEM	Steve Dunegan	Mary Kay Predmore	Marvin Haughton
2nd LEM	Ellie Chase	Don Greer	Mary Kay Predmore
Lector	Deborah Townsend	Bradford Fisher	Aliena Gaye
Altar Server	Kayrah Elliott	Kayrah Elliott	Kayrah Elliott
Crucifer	—	—	—
Torch Bearers	—	—	—
Greeters/Ushers	Pete & Nancy Glynn Ansel & Ina Haughton	Carolyn Greer, Joyce Taylor Jay & Marsha Dymond	Pete & Nancy Glynn Ansel & Ina Haughton
LEV Team	Don Greer	Don Greer	Don Greer
Prayer Intercessor	Joyce Taylor	Nancy Barber	Joyce Taylor
9:30 A.M.	SEPTEMBER 22	SEPTEMBER 29	OCTOBER 6
1st LEM	Susie Marshall	Stacey Beck	Anthony Beckford
2nd LEM	Rodger Watson	Vita Mazzaluna	Erin Hinz
Lector	Sharon Puchein	Dawn Wirbel	Kevin Cochrane
Altar Server	Ayden Cho-Sam	Kelsey Beck	Yolwenn Alexandre
Crucifer	Katy Babcock	Giada Mazzaluna	Elijah Roberson
Torch Bearers	Melanie Field Sophie Alexandre	Melanie Field Lena Candes	Melanie Field Evan Candes
Greeters/Ushers	Alex Babcock, Wilna Brown, Ken Miller, Ginger Sirola	George & Anida Daniel, Jim & Lynne Passilla	Horace & Jacquie Williams Jon & Sharon Puchein
LEV Team	Rodger Watson	Jim & Lynne Passilla	Mike & Bobbie Warren
Prayer Intercessor	Sharon Puchein	Wally Stewart	Susan Kiehm

Sunday Servants For The Lord

11:00 A.M.	SEPTEMBER 22	SEPTEMBER 29	OCTOBER 6
1st LEM	Joe Wolfe	Geraldine Remington	Joe Wolfe
2nd LEM	Stacey Jamail	Deacon Sam Katulic	Roni Pavan
Lector	Norm Anthony	Terry Anthony	Paul Buzzonetti
Altar Server	Yolwenn Alexandre	Delilah Brueggeman	Sophie Alexandre
Greeters/Ushers	Lisa Borst Karen Williams	Steve Brueggeman Mary Katulic	Richard & Kelley McRae
LEV Team	Lionel & Karen Williams	Deacon Sam Katulic	Deacon Sam Katulic
Prayer Intercessor			
7:00 p.m.	SEPTEMBER 22	SEPTEMBER 29	OCTOBER 6
LEM	Marvin Haughton	Regina Seguin	
Lector	Tori Eaton	Helen Farnsworth	Wendy King
Greeter/Usher	Tina Sydnor	Mary Pounds	Raul Lopez
Altar Server	Riley & Aiden Alford	Isabella Figueroa	Caroline & Walter Seguin
Prayer Intercessor	Brian Seguin		Wendy King
Lectionary	Amos 8:4-7	Amos 6:1-7	Habakkuk 1:1-5l 2:1-4
	Psalms 113	Psalms 146	Psalms 37:1-18
	1 Timothy 2:1-7	1 Timothy 6:6-19	2 Timothy 1:1-14
	Luke 16:1-13	Luke 16:19-31	Luke 17:5-10

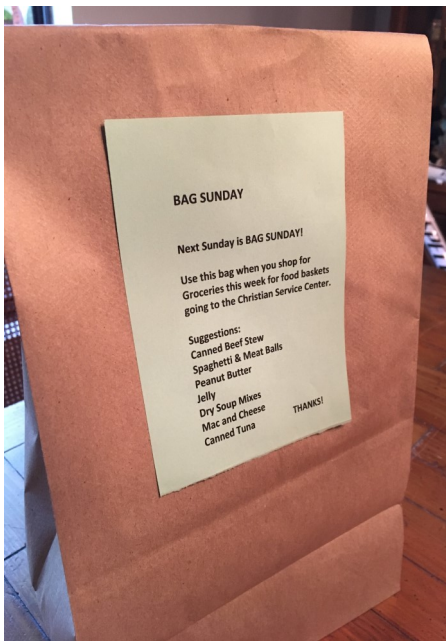
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1st Sunday of the month is



Please bring non-perishable food items to church for the Food Pantry at the Christian Service Center in Ocoee. They particularly request :

- ♥ canned beef stew
- ♥ spaghetti and meatballs
- ♥ peanut butter
- ♥ jelly
- ♥ dry soup mixes or canned soup
- ♥ macaroni and cheese dinners,
- ♥ canned tuna, etc.



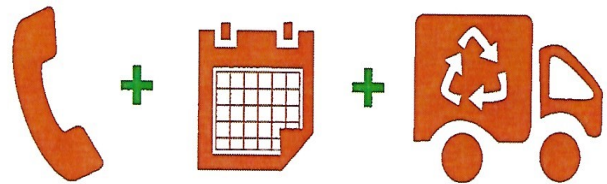
Brown bags are available for you to take home the week before Bag Sunday to fill and return



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SEPTEMBER 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 BAG SUNDAY 8am Rite 1 9:30 Rite 2 9:30 Sunday School 11am Rite 3 4pm French Service 4:30 SHINE Club 5 Diving Deeper 6pm Dinner	2 LABOR DAY Office is closed No preschool	3 Men's Supper 6:30pm in Youth Hall Women's Dining Group 6:30pm Fr. Tom's	4 10am Holy Communion 11am Bible Study 1:15 pm Staff Mtg 6pm Bible Study 6pm Choir 7:15 Praise Band Rehearsal	5 Daughters of the King meeting 5pm Library	6	7 <i>Acting Class 10-11:30 MSFIA Youth Hall</i> <i>Sam Katulic's Ordination 11am Cathedral Church of St. Luke</i>
8 MINISTRY FAIR 8am Rite 1 9:30 Rite 2 9:30 Sunday School 11am Rite 3 4pm French Service 4:30 SHINE Club 5 Diving Deeper 6pm Dinner 7pm Rite 3	9	10 Fr. Tom's Day Off	11 10am Holy Communion 11am Bible Study 1:15 pm Staff Mtg 6pm Bible Study 6pm Choir 7:15 Praise Band Rehearsal	12	13	14 <i>Acting Class 10-11:30 MSFIA Youth Hall</i>
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29 8am Rite 1 9:30 Rite 2 9:30 Sunday School 11am Rite 3 4pm French Service 4:30 SHINE Club 4:30-6 ACTIVATE 5 Diving Deeper 6pm Dinner 7pm Rite 3	30			<div>Overeater's Anonymous meets every Thursday at 6:30pm in Library.</div>	<div>Alcoholics Anonymous Open Meeting every night at 8:00 p.m. Women Only: Tuesday 6:30pm</div>	

September Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1 Marit Cairns
Kelley McRae
Regina Seguin
- 3 Andrew Alleyne
- 4 Denise Alleyne
Susie Marshall
Ken Miller
- 5 Addison Wise
- 7 Iris Smartt
- 8 Beatrice Hosten
- 9 Natasha Brueggeman
Paul Daniel
Kim Holt
Anna Clare Wilkinson
James Wirbel
Karalyn Wirbel
- 12 Jenna Gold
Alice DeRosa
- 14 Lauren Robertson
- 15 Deborah Wilkinson-Borno



- 17 Linda Gold
Lily Paredes
Sharon Puchein
- 18 Christopher Carr
Judy Jamerson
- 19 Doug Ellerbe
- 21 Marsha Dymond
- 23 Veronica Pavan
- 24 Holly Matzelle
- 25 Eileen Ford-Gilbert
Margaret Winters
- 26 Mary Pounds
- 27 Rebecca Sirkle
- 28 Mary Ann Collings
Jessica Winters
- 30 Aiden Alford
Bill Bradford
Anndrea Strickland



- 5 Michael & Cortney Rollo
- 6 Sean McKenna & Jenny Cirillo
Tom & Debbie Rutherford
- 9 John & Alicia Wessels
- 10 Joe & Amy Eiden
- 12 Sam & Mary Katulic
- 17 Larry & Jane Cartelli
- 18 Mike & Wendy King
- 24 Ansel & Ina Haughton
- 27 Dennis & Stacey Jamail
Jim & Lynne Passilla



If you're not listed for a birthday or anniversary, please call the church office at 407-656-3218 and give us information for you and your family; or fill out the form to the right and drop it in the offering plate.

Please only give information for those family members who are attending Messiah. Our computer requires the year for date of birth and wedding anniversaries.

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Your Name _____ DOB _____
month/day/year

Spouse _____ DOB _____
month/day/year

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