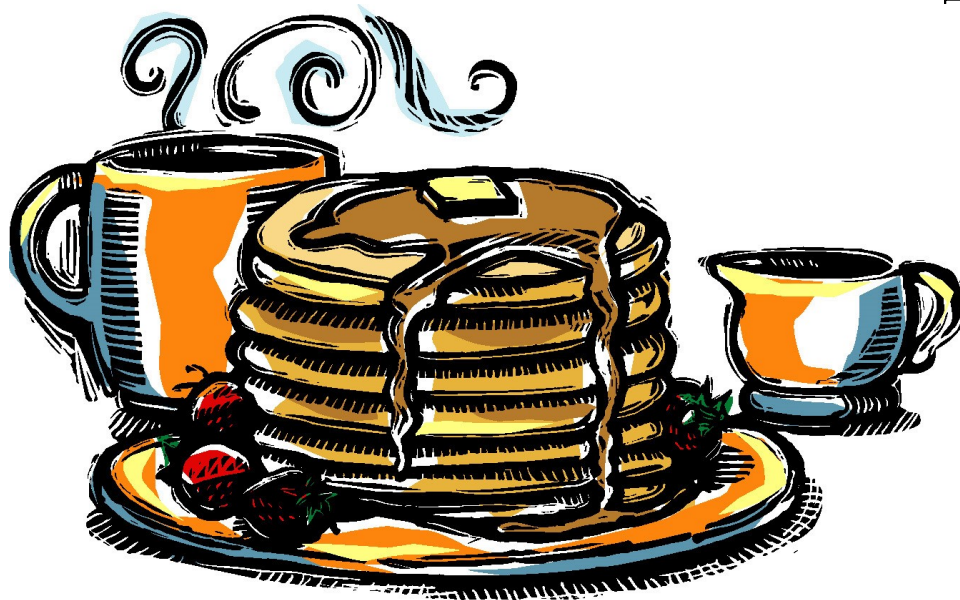


# THE MESSENGER

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## SHROVE TUESDAY

### PANCAKE SUPPER

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**JOIN US  
FEBRUARY 25TH  
IN THE PARISH HALL  
FROM 6:00-8:00**



### Sunday Services:

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

### Wednesday

#### Service:

10:00 am .....Casual Communion  
11:00 am .....Bible Study

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# The Messiah Wants YOU to be a missionary!

Every year when our people come back from the Summer Mission Project and tell us about their adventures, a bunch of us think, "That's so cool! I'd like to do that sometime."

But then the next thought pushes out the first: "I can't do that. I'm too old/young/busy" or "I don't have time/talent/anything to offer" or "I can't afford it."

Please stick with that FIRST thought!

Because it IS cool! And you SHOULD do that sometime!

And those second thoughts are the enemy whispering in your ear, because he does NOT want you to go, because you might have a great time and change the world with Jesus while you're doing it.

Let's look at the excuses why you think you can't go:

"I'm too young or too old." If you're over 12 years old, you're not too young. And if you can still walk and get around by yourself, you're not too old.

"I'm too busy" or "I don't have time." We all are as busy as we allow ourselves to be, and we all have some flexibility in and authority over our annual calendar. The Mission Project is in July. If you plan now, you probably can carve out the time then. If it's already too late to set that time aside this year, start working now to take the time in 2021. The Messiah family is going to do at least one Mission Project EVERY year, so you can start planning now for then.

"I don't have any talent." Yes, you do! If you can pray, if you can cook or clean, if you like children or adults or older people, any of those helps the Team. If you can paint or rake leaves or dig a hole or mow grass or take out trash or carry things, that helps the Team. If you have any particular skills, they are helpful, and if you don't have many skills, we will teach you some.

"I don't have anything to offer." Yes, you do! You have a whole life of experience, which is helpful, because no one else has been through what you have or knows exactly what you know. And offering your time is the most valuable commodity any of us can give.

"I can't afford it." You don't have to! If God calls you to this project, God will provide, because God always pays for what he orders. The Team will do support-raising events together, and I will show you how to contact your family and friends to share with them what you're doing, because many of them will agree to pray for you, and some will throw money at you, because they are so excited at what you're doing.

Even if you CAN afford to pay your own way, I hope you'll still help with the group support raising events and contact your family and friends. Mission Projects are a TEAM effort, and the friendships you build through working together with the other folks on the Team is a major byproduct of every Project, and the people praying for

None of those are valid excuses NOT to go. Here are some reasons TO GO:

You will make friends that will enrich your life now and help you when you have a need in the future.

You will see God move and act and provide and protect in ways you've never experienced, and you will be his partner as he does it.

You will change the world with Jesus for every child, every person, and every family you touch in the community you serve.

You will grow in faith, hope, and love and end up farther along spiritually than when you started.

You will learn new skills to help you in all sorts of practical aspects of life.

But the Bottom Line for why you should offer yourself as a living sacrifice this summer is this: Jesus says, "GO!"

*Jesus said, "All authority on heaven and earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Matthew 28:18-20*

He didn't say, "Send teenagers into all the world to make disciples" or "Give money so OTHER PEOPLE can go;" He says "Go" – as in "YOU go into all the world."

The Messiah wants YOU – all of us – to be part of his changing the world, and the summer Mission Project is a great way to do that.

The project this year is July 8-18 in Smyrna, Tennessee with the Wherry Housing Community, where we've served before. The project is to interact with folks in the community to make friends and share the love of God by repairing and renovating homes for low-income families, many of whom are refugees from war-torn countries who escaped oppression and are working to assimilate into a new culture and build a new life. Most are Christians. Many others are curious about Christ, and our giving our time and energy to serve them helps them experience the self-giving love God has for them.

Details? We'll travel in rented vans, stay in a dormitory, and cook and clean for ourselves.

If you'd like to go – or even if you just want to find out more – talk to volunteer Youth Minister Murph Borno or email him at [YouthMinister@ChurchOfTheMessiah.com](mailto:YouthMinister@ChurchOfTheMessiah.com). Or you can talk to me or Deacon Julie Altenbach, who are going on the trip.

Even if you can go for only part of the project, please talk one of us. We can work it out!

If you can't GO this year, there are two other ways to participate: Praying for the Team, and/or helping finance the trip with your monetary gifts.

But however you choose to participate, please be part of the Team.

I love you all.



# Who Ya Gonna Call?]

(About any parish ministry)

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# Children of the Messiah PRESCHOOL



## Registration

Returning Student Registration begins February 3rd

New Student Registration begins February 10th

Please call the preschool office at 407-654-8415  
for more information



Bring your own Nerf gun. Darts and eye protection will be available.  
Friends are welcome. Family is strongly encouraged. Sign up below, so I  
will have enough food.

**\*\*This is a donation based event\*\***





Children's Minister: Ms. Angela [Angelalopez@churchofthemessiah.com](mailto:Angelalopez@churchofthemessiah.com)

COOKING CLUB TOY STORY 4. MENU: Mr POTATOhead PANCAKES WITH APPLE SAUCE, BACON, MILK . CHEESE BURGERS AND DUKE CABOOMS'S POUTINE , GRAPES AND WOODY'S WILD WEST TRAIL MIX. HAM'S ITALIAN ROLL UPS, SLINKY'S PASTA SALAD AND BULLSEYE COOKIES





# CHANGING THE WORLD WITH JESUS

## 1 CHILD, 1 FAMILY, 1 COMMUNITY AT A TIME



[www.christianservicecenter.org](http://www.christianservicecenter.org)

The last Sunday of every month, brown bags are available for you to pick up. The first Sunday of the month, please bring the bags back with canned and boxed goods. These are picked up by Patty and Bob Tate. This past month, the kids that were part of Miss Angela's Cooking Camp helped load the boxes that were taken to the Christian Service Center for distribution. Our contributions each month, make a difference for many children, families and for our community. Thank you for being a part of this ministry.





## Welcome and Information Table

Please stop by the table in the Narthex for information about upcoming events, and material for you to take, like the Forward Day by Day. If you are hosting an event, please call the office and we will be happy to display things for you.



## Bulletin Boards

The Bulletin Boards will now be the place we put sign up sheets, as well as information for events in the community and around church. We post pictures, so check them out each week. If you have pictures from an event, please send them to [juliealtenbach@churchofthemessiah.com](mailto:juliealtenbach@churchofthemessiah.com), so we can post them.



# Activate



# Ministry

January was an awesome month! Big thanks to Mary Kay and Jay Predmore (Gariné and Yester Adams too) for partnering with me in enhancing the energy of youth meetings. We had several events that included scriptural learning embedded in the fun! Mary Kay did an excellent rendition of Jeopardy focusing on the Christmas theme, and we also played Heads Up!

There are a bunch of events on the horizon to include mission trip fundraisers, Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, fellowship event at Edgewood Children's Ranch, Lift Tour (14-15 Feb), Squad Wars at Camp Wingmann (Feb 28- March 1) and Soul in the City (St. Barnabas Deland July 20-24 ).

So come on out and join the fun by loving GOD, loving people, and serving others!  
We have the most awesome kids. Make sure you tell them that you love them!

Grace and Peace  
Murph Borno

**Please feel free to contact me anytime at  
[youthminister@churchofthemessiah.com](mailto:youthminister@churchofthemessiah.com)  
or (407) 413-4220, or via remind once you receive a link.**

## **Hello All from the Great White North that looks like a Snow-globe!!**

Well the semester started back in full swing here in Toronto. It's been snowy and white and honestly I still think the snow is magical! Most Canadians stare at me like I'm losing my mind on a regular basis because the snow is still very exciting to me, haha. A HUGE shout out to everyone who helped, sent, let me borrow and assisted me in the cold weather struggle, I so appreciate it and it's working!!



Classes are going well. I've gotten to know my professors which makes every semester a little bit better. My elective this semester is all about Mission and Theology in Africa and my professor is the Bishop of Tanzania! I'm very excited about it and thankful to be at a Seminary with so many opportunities and connections.

I miss you all! There is no place that I've ever found like Church of the Messiah and every Sunday I think about how blessed I've been to grow up there.

Praying for you all!

Love,  
Laura



## Messiah's Missionaries



If you are traveling and visit a church while you are away, please bring a bulletin with your **name** on it to the office so we can include it in the Messenger. If you aren't able to bring the bulletin in, call or email the office with the information.

Tom Rutherford served communion and Tim Wetherington and Soner Alexandre attended the Thanksgiving on the Occasion of the 60th Ordination to the Priesthood of the Reverend Canon Nelson Pinder, D.D., L.H.D., on Saturday, January 4th at the Cathedral of St. Luke in Orlando with The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, The Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, as preacher..

January 19th— Jane Cartelli and Joyce Taylor worshipped at St. Clare's Episcopal Church in Blairsville, Georgia.



# Vestry Minutes \* January 19, 2020 @2:30 p.m.

## Vestry Door Duty for January

Opener at 7:30am: John Peacock  
Closer at 1pm: John Peacock  
Vestry Meeting Host: John Peacock

## 2019 Vestry

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**Rodger Watson, Treasurer**  
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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, ; Junior Warden Ron Bouton, Senior Warden Don Greer, Stacey Beck, Steve Borst, Wendy King, John Peacock, Mary Kay Predmore, Brian Seguin, Patty Tate, and Dawn Wirbel, Volunteer Youth Minister Murph Borno.  
Absent: Paul Hickman, Clerk Joyce

FORMATION: John Peacock led Noonday Prayer based on Psalm 126:3-4. Tom Rutherford invited us to share how God has touched you through your time on Vestry.

## INFORMATION:

### VESTRY MINISTRY TEAM

#### REPORTS:

**Mortgage Refinancing:** Don Greer reports the Bank is willing to extend the loan for 6 years instead of only 5 and the interest rate will not exceed the current rate of 4.5%. Don and Tom Rutherford have gathered the information for the application. We anticipate closing in February or March. The Vestry APPROVED moving forward with the mortgage refinancing and thanked Don Greer for his hard work and dedication.

**Liability and Fire Insurance:** Don Greer is also researching getting our insurance from a company other than Church Insurance Company. We applied to another company in November and are still waiting for their proposal to compare with Church Insurance.

**Annual Parish Meeting** is January 26 (Sunday) @ 12:15pm with a Potluck Lunch. It's usually at 5pm, but if it were at that time, the French Congregation couldn't attend, so Tom Rutherford moved it to a time when they can. Please be there to help set up and tear down, and distribute and collect ballots (if we need to have an election).

The retiring Vestry (Stacey Beck, Steve Borst, and Don Greer) will count ballots if we have an election.

Our 4 nominees for the 4 open positions are Chris Brown, Joe Eiden, Doreen Stachowski, and Wally Stewart. 9 folks declined to be nominated, including one from the French service. Pictures and bios of each nominee are in the Sunday bulletins this month.

The 2019 Annual Report is available Sunday, January 19, a week before the Annual Meeting. Thank you for getting your ministry team reports in on time.

**Vestry Retreat:** is Friday night, January 31 from 6:30-9pm (starting with supper) and Saturday morning February 1 from 9am through Lunch. Please mark your calendars is now  
No others received.

## **Staff Reports:**

**Children of the Messiah Pre-school:** The financial report was emailed separately.

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

A) We finished the year strong with several Christmas parties and activities. The kids had a great time getting to know Paul Daniel who has recently joined our crew as a special events volunteer!

B) I have been working to get the last few volunteers updated with their Safeguarding God's Children sexual exploitation prevention training and keeping up with all of the additions to Messiah School for the Arts. Our compliance has improved drastically.

C) We had our first VBS 2020 strategy meeting and ironed out the schedule, music and rotations. I have emailed a few outstanding



<p>on for another VBS. We will begin working on our “Kingdom Kommuni-cation” rotation as soon as I get com-mitments. We are discovering many more details that need worked out when writing our own VBS materials. It is an exciting challenge.</p> <p>D) In SHINE we are working on I John and what it means to be a Christian. The kids love finding and highlighting key words in their Bible, so we pick a new word each week. We also have a short video from Phil Vischer.</p> <p>E) In Children’s Church we are talking about how Jesus is for everyone and finding Jesus in everything. We have a video series in which Disco Dan and ChaCha Charlie teach the Power Memory Verse, and Skittles the rapper teaches the Watt’s Up (main point of the day). The kids have loved the char-acters, and it’s wonderful to see them get excited and dance along to the mu-sic. I recently had an issue with the video and contacted the publisher to let them know my kids were going to revolt if I didn’t get Skittles back for the following week</p> <p>F) Dillard Street Elementary has nomi-nated us as Partner of the Year for 2019. I submitted all of our paperwork and we will see what happens, but it is wonderful to be nominated out of all businesses who partner with the school. I will keep everyone updated.</p> <p><b>Office Minister</b> Julie Altenbach re-ports: This month, with the help of my Office Angels we have:</p> <p>A) Created and prepared the bulletins for the Christmas Services and the Flower Bulletin for the poinsettias.</p> <p>B) Continued to work with TechSoup, an organization that offers tech at dis-counted prices for nonprofits. We bought computers, monitors, and soft-ware from them at deep discounts... and discovered that their customer service is abysmal, especially when one of the monitors and one of the computers didn’t work, and it took 2 months to work out returning them for replacements.</p> <p>C) I was honored to be the narrator for the Messiah Preschool Christmas pro-gram. This included the rehearsals,</p>	<p>the dress rehearsal for Brookside Retire-ment Community and the evening per-formance.</p> <p>D) Helped prep the crafts for the Advent for All Ages Sunday evening programs.</p> <p>E) Created a digital commercial slideshow that plays on the TV in the Narthex during the week and on Sun-days.</p> <p>F) Prepared the Altar Guild and Daugh-ters of the King Manuals.</p> <p>G) Called and followed up with tech-nical issues with Carrier about our air conditioning unit.</p> <p>H) Greeted and helped the people call-ing about, or setting up for rentals.</p> <p>I) Ordered special bulletins to be used next Christmas at a discounted price.</p> <p>J) Worked with Mandy from, Just for Deaf, to make sure the interpreters have what they need for the 7:00 worship, including bulletins ahead of Sunday and their own Book of Common Prayer.</p> <p>K) I am getting more comfortable in the weekly tasks, and with the help of so many Office Angels, I am able to do more as Office Minister and Deacon, like meet with both parishioners and others in the community to talk, listen and pray.</p> <p>L) Our hospitality table is now the re-cipient of many donations from lots of people, which makes the treats all the sweeter.</p> <p>M) I am working to create a table with information that is both informative and inviting for visitors .</p> <p>N) In this New Year, I will continue to investigate and implement ways to make our guest feel welcome and a part of our church family.</p> <p><b>Music Minister</b> Linda Ellison Reports:</p> <p>A) Members of the Messiah Music Min-istry all sang and played with all their hearts and souls for all the vari-ous Christmas services, and the Mes-siah Worship band led music for a crowd of over 3,000 at Light Up Winter Garden. It was a great out-reach event.</p> <p>B) While I was away following surgery</p>	<p>for a fractured wrist, I did a lot of composing, and read two new books that will be useful for Music Minis-try: <i>Training Singers</i> and <i>Extravagant Worship</i>.</p> <p>C) Now that Christmas is over, the members of Music Ministry are look-ing forward to learning new reper-toire to introduce into our worship services.</p> <p><b>Diocesan Convention:</b> is January 24-25 in Winter Haven. Our Lay dele-gates are Anthony Beckford, Janice Hull, and Dawn Wirbel, with Brad-ford Fisher going as an Alternate Del-egate. All our Clergy, except Father Soner Alexandre (who is licensed to serve in our Diocese, but not Canon-ically Resident) are delegates.</p> <p><b><u>DISCUSSION (to help make a de-cision next month):</u></b></p> <p><b>The Christmas Offering</b> last month was about \$12,300. Vestry deter-mines what we do with those funds and discussed the options, including giving it to an Outreach project, sav-ing it to see if a need arises later this year, helping our seminarian Laura Cook, bonuses for Staff, increasing the Youth Budget, or various repair projects to our facility.</p> <p><b>Youth Budget:</b> Volunteer Youth Minister Murph Borno requested we increase the Youth Budget, since we’re saving money by not paying a Youth Minister. His request is for 10% of the salary of the paid Youth Minister, which is \$2875. Murph noted various projects and events he has targeted for the coming year, in-cluding the annual Mission Trip.</p> <p><b><u>DECISIONS (usually based on the Discussion last month):</u></b> <b>Diocesan Pledge:</b> We are required by Diocesan Canons to pay to the Diocese a per-centage of the Plate &amp; Pledge Income we reported on last year’s Parochial Report, which was \$602,810. That percentage is determined annually by the Diocesan Board (the “Vestry” of the Diocese) and, by Canon, cannot</p>
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exceed 12%, which would have us owe the Diocese \$72,337 (paid in 12 monthly installments of \$6,028.10). The percentage proposed by the Board this year is a teeny bit less than 12% and will be approved by Diocesan Convention next weekend. VESTRY DECIDED TO PAY WHATEVER DIOCESAN CONVENTION REQUIRES AND NO MORE.

#### MEETING MINUTES & FINANCIAL REPORT :

Minutes from the December meeting:  
APPROVED

**December Financial Report from Treasurer Rodger Watson:**  
Approved.

Operating Account: Income was \$157,245.81 MORE than expenses and turned our \$77,661.85 year-to-date deficit into a \$79,583.96 SURPLUS! THANK YOU, JESUS!

**2. Building Fund:** Net Building Fund income (gifts, fundraising, and facility rental income, less expenses) was \$100,336.94 MORE than what we needed to cover the mortgage of \$12,891.97 and gave us a \$55,140.59 SURPLUS for the year. Thank you, Jesus, AGAIN!

**Roger Watson:** On behalf of COTM and the Vestry we extend our heartfelt thanks to Roger for his service as Treasurer. Roger has been a blessing to us all of us for many years and we want to extend our appreciation as he retires from this position. We are also grateful that Bob Tate has stepped forward to assume this position.

Meeting adjourned with prayer @ 3:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Kay Predmore, Acting Clerk

#### **2019 FINANCIAL REPORT** (As of December, 2019)

Operating Income.....	\$764,168.82
Operating Expenses.....	\$684,584.86
Net.....	79583.96
ALL Building Fund Income .....	\$242,642.44
ALL Building Fund Expense.....	\$187,501.85
NET .....	55,140.59



## COIN JARS FOR THE BUILDING FUND

Please pick up a jar on the table in the Narthex and drop your loose change in it. You can bring it in each month, or when it is full. We are keeping a total each month to see how much our change is helping! Please fill out the slip of paper in the jar so your donation can be added to your giving statement.

# BOUNDARIES

**Sundays from 4:30-6:00 pm**

Wendy King and Debbie Rutherford will facilitate this outstanding program that teaches when to say “yes” and how to say “no”.

There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board or call the church office at 407-656-3218



## Through the Valley of the Shadow of Death Grief Group

January 26th-March 1st

11:00 am in the library  
on Sundays

Please call church office at 407-656-3218 to sign up

## A Heart Full of Thanks

♥ I am so grateful for your prayers and your support, holding me up from start to  
♥ finish, in my time of surgery and recovery.  
♥

♥♥♥ I know that God heard each and every prayer, and He answered in a thousand ways!

♥ Not from the bottom of my heart, as the old saying goes, but with my whole  
♥ heart, newly repaired and mending speedily, I THANK YOU.  
♥

♥ THANK YOU, with much appreciation, for the cards, phones calls, visits, offers  
♥ of help, food, and encouragement for me and my family.

From my very happy heart,

Jill Brown



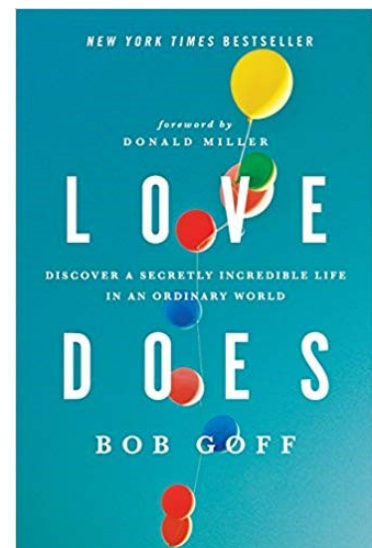
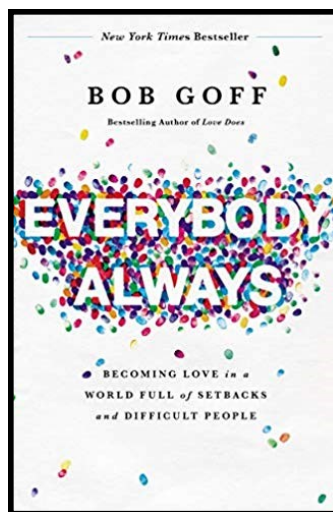
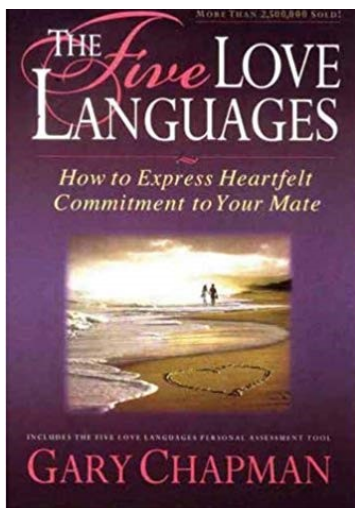
# COTM LIBRARY

Dear Messiah Family,

By now perhaps you've noticed that it's my intention to highlight a different part of our library collection each month. I hope that our library has something for everyone, or soon will! One thing I'm looking closely at is where we have "gaps" -- that is, a lack of items that serve certain existing needs or interests. As we add new items to our library, I'd like to address these gaps first. If you're interested in donating and want suggestions for books we could use, please contact me! You can reach me at [library@churchofthemessiah.com](mailto:library@churchofthemessiah.com).

The month of February brings Valentine's Day, so featured in the library will be books on love, relationships, marriage and families. We have Gary Chapman's classic *The Five Love Languages* and bestsellers like Bob Goff's *Love Does* and the newer *Everybody Always*. More to come soon!

Regina Seguin,  
COTM Librarian



By Helen Farnsworth

I didn't get much done this month, but I did read a small booklet by Billy Graham, mostly suitable for a seeker after truth rather than a knowledgeable believer, titled ***The Key to Personal Peace***. Of course it is well written, as one would expect of the late Dr. Graham, and it does provide a good refresher course for more seasoned believers. I can definitely recommend it as an evangelical tool, which is its chief purpose; so if you know anyone whom you would like to hear the basic Gospel clearly stated, this would definitely be a good book for the purpose, especially since it is short (and inexpensive).

I know John Wayne once said in one of his movies, "Never apologize. It's a sign of weakness," possibly the worst advice anyone ever gave! But I do apologize that I have become a little remiss, partly because reading isn't always so easy for me any more. (If anyone knows where I can find a pair of magnifying glasses with a light that you wear like glasses, please let me know!) And at any rate I'll try to get better organized and accomplish more. I'd greatly appreciate your prayers for me along those lines.

# Messiah School for the Arts

*Advancing local arts through quality education for all*



## **Sunday Youth Worship started fall 2019**

Come join in with our praises to God each Sunday at 4:30pm.



Spring 2020  
Classes Start in February

First Friday Drum Circle!  
All Ages 6-7pm - MSftA (Free)

Second Saturday Kids' Art! Elementary Ages 10-11am - Youth Hall  
(\$12 per student w/family discount)

Third Thursday Theatre Elementary Ages 6-7pm - MSftA  
(\$12 per student w/family discount) We may add a second theatre class for middle/high students. Email us if this is something you are interested in.

Scholarships are available for all classes and lessons. Please reach out.  
[Garineadams@churchofthemessiah.com](mailto:Garineadams@churchofthemessiah.com)

Or

Find us on Facebook @messiahschoolforthearts



## Meet our Teachers

These are our weekly teachers you might see on our church campus in the Spring and onward ( typically evening times) A few of them already go to our services and some are interested in joining the Messiah Family

Athena Ackerman  
(Theatre)



Jeremy Adams & Garine Adams  
(Multi-instrumentalists)



Pamela Castillo (Visual Art)



Jim Gillespie  
(Multi-instrumentalist)



Larry Kulchar  
(Pianist)





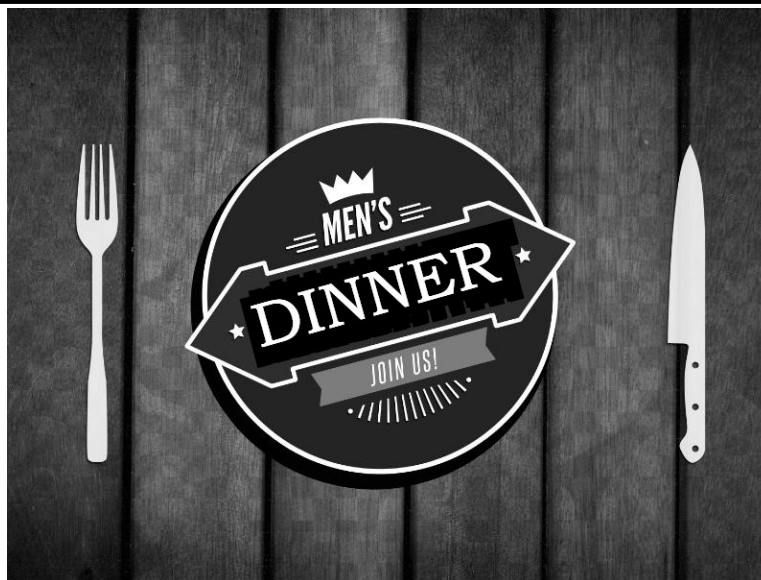
**Ladies Dining Club February 4th at 6:30 p.m.**



**All are invited to join the Ladies' of COTM  
at Cariera's Fresh Italian Restaurant at 1041 S. Dillard Street  
(in the TriCity Shopping Plaza)**

**For more information**

**Call or text Janice Hull at 352-217-0967 or 352-243-8880**



Sign Up  
Sheet can be  
found on the  
bulletin board

**Join the Men on February 4th at 6:30 p.m. in the Youth Hall**

**February's Cook is Tom Rutherford**

### Sunday Servants 8:00

8:00 Service	February 2	February 9	February 16	February 23	March 1
1st LEM	Don Greer	Marvin Haughton	Mary Kay Predmore	Don Greer	Marvin Haughton
2nd LEM	Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg	Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg	Nancy Dushensky
Lector	Mary Kay Predmore	Valery Rice	Joyce Taylor	Deborah Townsend	Ken Anders
Altar Server	Kayrah Elliot	Mary Kay	Aiden Morrison	Kayrah Elliot	Mary Kay
Ushers/Greeters	Carolyn Greer, Jay Predmore, Carlene Turnock, Cindy West	Ron Bouton, Karen Boylan, Elaina Paige, Joyce Taylor	Bill Bradford, Trudie Carr, Jay & Marsha Dymond	Pete & Nancy Glynn, Carolyn Greer, Elaina Paige	Ansel & Ina Haughton, Mak & Gloria Richards
LEV Team	Bill & Elise Bradford	Don Greer	Rusty Hazelrigg	Bill & Elise Bradford	Don Greer
Prayer Intercessor	Nancy barber Rusty Hazelrigg	Elise Bradford Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg & Joyce Taylor	Nancy Barber & Nancy Dushensky	Elise Bradford & Rusty Hazelrigg

### Sunday Servants 9:30

9:30 Service	February 2	February 9	February 16	February 23	March 1
1st LEM	Kelsey Beck	Stacy Beck	Esther Gonzalez	Mary Lynn Levine	Susie Marshall
2nd LEM	Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg	Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg	Nancy Dushensky
Lector	Ginger Sirola	Dawn Wirbel	Jay Williams	Leslie Candes	Kevin Cochrane
Altar Server	Murph Borno	Chris Brown	Aidan Brandenburg	Chelsea Borno	Katy Babcock
Crucifer	Katy Babcock	Murph Borno	William Greenwell	Lena Candes	Melanie Field
Torch Bearers	William Greenwell Elijah Roberson	Ryder Bakios Francesco Fulvi	Ryder Bakios Annalisa Puchein	William Greenwell Evan Candes	Annalisa Puchein Francesco Fulvi
Ushers/Greeters	Osni, Sophie, Yolwenn Alexandre, Alex Babcock	Joe & Amy Eiden, Chuck & Deborah Grunder,	Ken Miller, Jim & Lynn Passilla, John Puchein	Horace & Jacquie Williams, Jay & Patti Williams	Osni, Sophie, Yolwenn Alexandre, Alex Babcock
LEV Team	Jill Brown	Jim & Lynn Passilla	Mike & Bobbie Warren	Jill Brown	Jim & Lynn Passilla
Prayer Intercessor	Rusty Hazelrigg Susan Keihm	Nancy Dushensky Sharon Puchein	Rusty Hazelrigg & Wally Stewart	Jill Brown & Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg

## Sunday Servants 11:00

11:00 Service	February 2	February 9	February 16	February 23	March 1
LEM #1	Paul Daniel	Stacey Jamail	Vita Mazzaluna	Roni Pavan	Geraldine Remington
LEM #2	Rusty Hazelrigg	Rusty Hazelrigg	Rusty Hazelrigg	Rusty Hazelrigg	Rusty Hazelrigg
Lector	Terry Anthony	Paul Buzzonetti	Leo Henry	Stacey Jamail	Patty Tate
Altar Server	Giada Mazzaluna	Yolwenn Alexandre	Giada Mazzaluna	Sophie Alexandre	Ylowenn Alexandre
Usher/Greeter	Mary Katulic Karen Williams	Richard & Kelley McRae	Bob Somers, Karen Williams	Lionel Williams, Joe Wolfe	Lisa Borst, Mary Katulic
LEV Team	Nancy Dushensky	Lionel & Karen Williams	Rusty Hazelrigg	Nancy Dushensky	Lionel & Karen Williams
Prayer Intercessor	Rusty Hazelrigg	Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg	Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg

## Sunday Servants 7:00

7:00 Service	February 2	February 9	February 16	February 23	March 1
LEM	Rusty Hazelrigg	Nancy Dushensky	Regina Seguin	Nancy Dushensky	Regina Seguin
Lector	Wendy King	Kathy Quesenberry	Helen Farnsworth	Wendy King	Kathy Quesenberry
Altar Server	Kaitlyn O'Brien	Riley & Aiden	Isabella Figueroa	Aiden & Riley	Walter and Caroline
Usher/Greeter	Mary Pounds		Mary Pounds	Raul Lopez	Mary Pounds
Prayer Intercessor	Wendy King	Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg	Wendy King	Nancy Dushensky

## Readings

	February 2	February 9	February 16	February 23	March 1
1st Lesson	Malachi 3:1-4	Isaiah 58:1-12	Deuteronomy 30:15-20	Exodus 24:12-18	Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
Psalm	Psalms 84 BCP 707	Psalms 112 BCP 755	Psalms 119 1-8 BCP 763	Psalms 99 BCP 728	Psalms 32 BCP 624
2nd Lesson	Hebrews 2:14-18	1 Corinthians 2:1-16	1 Corinthians 3:1-9	2 Peter 1:16-21	Romans 5:12-19
Gospel	Luke 2:22-40	Matthew 5:13-20	Matthew 5:21-37	Matthew 17:1-9	Matthew 4:1-11



# February Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1 Layanna Borno
- 4 Melanie Field
- 5 Tristan Smith
- 6 Jean Pinder
- 7 Nick Bakios  
Hannah Faughnan
- 8 Zackary Cho-Sam
- 9 Pati Cook  
Don Greer  
Michael Rollo
- 10 Jim Passilla
- 12 Amber Ellerbe  
Patrick McRae  
Cortney Rollo  
Terri Wetherington
- 13 Esther Gonzalez  
Bonnie Miller
- 14 Kathy Bakios
- 15 Aliena Gaye
- 16 Katy Babcock  
Bill Sydnor



- 17 Karen Boylan
- 21 Christopher Borst  
Stephen Brandenburg
- 24 Marci Babione
- 27 Corey Chancellor  
Nancy Glynn  
Greer McBryde
- 28 Dennis Morgeson



- 1 Rodger & Johanna Watson
- 3 William & Patti Smith
- 6 Sherlock & Rajdai Teeka Singh
- 15 Tom & Sandi Johnston
- 20 David and MaryLynn Levine



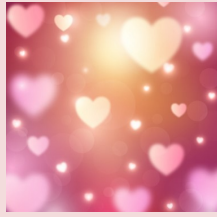
If you're not listed for a birthday or anniversary, please call the church office at 407-656-3218 and give us information for you and your family; or fill out the form to the right and drop it in the offering plate.

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

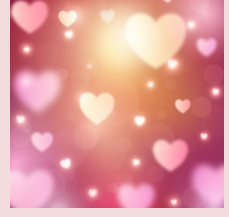
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Your Name _____	DOB _____ month/day/year
Spouse _____	DOB _____ month/day/year
Children _____	DOB _____ month/day/year
Children _____	DOB _____ month/day/year
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Address _____ _____	
Home Phone _____	
Email: _____	
Wedding Anniversary _____	

- **Child Care provided at 9:30, 11:00 & 7**
- **Children's Church (ages 4-11) at 9:30 & 11**



# February



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>Alcoholics Anonymous</b>  <b>Open Meeting every night at 8:00 p.m.</b>		<b>Overeater's Anonymous</b>  <b>meets every Thursday at 6:30pm in</b>				1
<b>BAG SUNDAY</b> 2* Sunday School 8am Rite 1 *9:30 Rite 2 *11:00 Rite 3 11:00 Grief Group 4pm French Service 4:30 Shine 5:00 Boundaries Class 6:00 Dinner 7:00 pm Rite 3	3 Preschool Returning Student Registration  Daughters of the King 5:30 Library MSftA Lessons	4 Fr. Tom's Day Off Men's Supper in Parish Hall @6:30 Ladies' Supper Club @ Cariera 7 pm Bible Study (Library)	5 10am Holy Communion 11am Bible Study ( library) 6 pm Bible Study (library) 6- Choir Practice 7:15- Praise Band Practice	6 6:30 Kung Fu in Youth hall	7 Children & Family Nerf & Nacho Night 5-9 in Parish	8
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16 * Sunday School 8am Rite 1 *9:30 Rite 2 *11:00 Rite 3 11:00 Grief Group 4pm French Service 4:30 Shine 5:00 Boundaries Class 6:00 Dinner 7:00 pm Rite 3	17 Daughters of the King 5:30 Library	18 Fr. Tom's Day Off 6:30 Men's Group	19 Messiah Preschool SAC Meeting 10am Holy Communion 11am Bible Study ( library) 6 pm Bible Study (library) 6- Choir Practice 7:15- Praise Band	20 6:30 Kung Fu in Youth hall	21	22 Ladies' Quiet Day 8:30-3:30
23 * Sunday School 8am Rite 1 *9:30 Rite 2 *11:00 Rite 3 11:00 Grief Group in Library 12:15 Annual Parish Meeting 4pm French Service 4:30 Shine 5:00 Boundaries Class 6:00 Dinner 7:00 pm Rite 3	24 Daughters of the King 5:30 Library	25 Fr. Tom's Day Off Shrove Tuesday: 6-8 Activate Youth Pancake Supper in Parish Hall	26 ASH WEDNESDAY 12 Noon & 7pm Services 5-7:30 Little Lessons in Lent with Ms. Angela 6 pm Bible Study (library) 6- Choir Practice 7:15- Praise Band Practice	27 Preschool Father Field and Fun Day in the Parish Hall	28 MSftA Spring Concert 6 pm Tickets by donations	29 Diocesan Vestry and Warden's Conference 9-3 PH



# This Month at COTM

