# THE MESSENGER March 2020

A Publication of the Episcopal Church of the Messiah

Save the Date: Children's Easter **Party** 

April 11,11am -1 pm



RSVP to Ms. Angela 407-656-3218 or angelalopez@churchofthemessiah.com



# **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

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#### Give Up an Hour a Week for Lent!



Jesus spent time with crowds...feeding as many as 5,000 at a time.

But he spent MORE time with a small group: the 12 disciples.

At the end of his time on earth, it wasn't the crowds who changed the world; it was those 12.

God works wonders through small groups: in the world, but also in each of us.

I know, because I've been in a small group, hosted a small group, or led at least one small group ever since 1976 when I made my adult commitment to Jesus, and those groups have been foundational in forming me as a faithful follower.

If you are NOT currently in a small group – one of our Home Groups, the Choir, Worship band, Wednesday morning Bible Study, Joe Wolfe's Sunday morning group, Diving Deeper, an Altar Guild Team, Daughters of the King, or any other – I urge you to give up an hour every Sunday in Lent to share life with a few other folks and draw deeper in faith, hope, and love.

Lenten Life Groups will meet every Sunday from March 1 through April 5 (Palm Sunday) at two times.

If you usually worship at either 8 or 11am, your groups will be in the Parish Hall at 9:30.

If you usually worship at 9:30, you'll meet in the Narthex Hallway by the food and coffee, and then go with your group to the Library, Youth Room, or one of the rooms in the Classroom Building.

The groups will have 4-6 people in them. Each group will have a facilitator who's already in a Home Group, so you won't have to lead anything. The groups will answer the "Chewing On Our Daily Bread" questions on the backside of the Sermon Notes page from the Sunday bulletin, so you can know the questions before you start. The questions will be mostly to help us get to know each other, but also reflect on the Bible lessons from Church that day. The groups will end with praying for each other and the Lord's Prayer.

Each group will stay the same for those 6 Sundays, so you can get to know each other a bit and not have to start over every week, and there will be childcare in the nursery for your children.

The expectation in each group is: "What's said in the group stays in the group," so you can open up - as much or as little as you choose - without fear of anyone blabbing about what you said.

Since I'm otherwise occupied at those times on Sundays, Linda Gold will organize whoever shows up, divide you into groups, and point you to where you can sit down and share life.

Linda's been part of a Home Group that's met pretty much every week for over 40 years, and she is evidence of the efficacy of being in a small group, which is why she volunteered to head this up.

Being in a Lenten Life Group will not obligate you to do anything beyond Palm Sunday. But, if at the end of Lent, your group chooses to continue meeting together, you get to decide when, where, and how often you meet, and what you talk about when you do. I'll have some resources to help you continue, if you'd like to use them.

The goal is to provide an easy opportunity for you to experience the benefits and blessings of a small group, if you are not currently part of one, with a clear end-date, should you decide this is not for you.

And all it'll cost you is an hour a week... and maybe getting to brunch a little later!

Please take advantage of this opportunity!

I love you all.



# Who Ya Gonna Call

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Please contact the church office if you need further assistance at:

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#### By Barbara Ellerbe

The preschool opened registration for the 2020-21 school year in February. We are pleased to have many of our classes already full. We have a few openings for Tuesday /Thursday and in our baby room. Thank you to our wonderful staff for making our preschool a place families trust to care for their children.

The preschool welcomed Taffy Howard to our preschool staff this month. Taffy will be teaching our Tuesday/Thursday 3-year-old class. We are very pleased to have Taffy and her daughter Everlee join our preschool family.

The Pre-K class attended Cupid's Carnival for Valentine's Day. The children had their faces painted and played games with other area preschool children. It was a great way to celebrate the special day.

Parents provided party supplies for the smaller children to celebrate with classroom parties. The month

will end with the dad's coming for Father's Field and Fun. This year's theme will be "A Minute to Win It". I'll have pictures next month.

# March



March 4 and 5 – School Pictures

March 13 – No School Teacher Staff Meeting

March 16-20 – Preschool is closed for Spring break

March 25 – School Advisory Board Meeting 9:15 am in the Library



# SHINE: Nerf and Nacho



Jesus everywhere Flat Jesus made his way to the MSftA room where we worship together. Giada prefers to write out the scripture we study. Alexa, Mendler and Sophie are learning "We are children of God "in 1 John.

11 O' Clock kids joining the praise band for the closing song!

Walter Seguin, labeling his Bible for quick reference.

# Activate



February was an exciting and whirlwind month! I have no idea where January and February disappeared to, but I do know that in all the chaos we had fun, and felt the LORD'S presence in everything we did. Sixteen of us (11 Youth and 5 Adults) attended the 2020 LIFT Tour at First Baptist Orlando on 14-15 February. This year's message was FOCUS, and went into a detailed discussion of Luke 15, especially the story of the Prodigal Son. The music, energy, message and relevance were spot on as always. Both adults and youth had uplifting experiences, and came away energized in our journey to be followers of Christ. I highly recommend attending next year if you can. Please see me if you want more information on the LIFT Tour.

There are a bunch of events on the horizon that include mission trip fundraisers, Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, Plant sale at Spring Fever in the Garden (4-5 Apr), Mission Trip to Smyrna, TN 8-18 July, and Soul in the City (St. Barnabas Deland 20-24 Jul). So come on out and join the fun by loving GOD, loving people, and serving others! We have the most awesome kid's, make sure you tell them that you love them!

Please feel free to contact me anytime at <u>youthminister@churchofthemessiah.com</u> or (407) 413-4220, or via remind once you receive a link.

Grace and Peace



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. You can also call the office with the information.



at Church of the Messiah

January 27th-Tom Rutherford went to the Ordination of Deacons at The Cathedral Church of St. Luke

#### Hi All!

I hope February was lovely at COTM! I am missing you guys so much. February in Toronto is...cold! Everyone likes to remind me how we are having a mild winter, but we did have our first cold "normal" winter



day where it was -2 Fahrenheit here. WOW!

Classes are going well. I'm really enjoying this semester and learning so much. My professors have gotten to know me more and so it feels more like a community and a little family, which I love.

#### Prayer Requests:

- As I type this I've acquired a cold, so prayers for healing and productivity through it.
- We're meeting and discussing our parish placements for next school year, so prayers that I get exactly the placement I need for my formation.
- For summer plans to line up and job opportunities for next year and clarity in those.

I love you guys! I miss you all the time and so beyond thankful to call you all my people.

Love you all,

#### Laura



On A Roll with Tim & Terri Missionary Misadventures with Deacon Tim & Terri

As we begin the first leg of our next RV road trip, we pray for the protection and guidance of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit responds, as he often does, with questions. Tough questions. Questions like: "Are you asking me to follow you, or are you asking to follow me?" This got me thinking about just whom are we following.

Among the aspects of human nature that we all share is the drive to join with others, to "follow the herd" Whether your herd is small (Terri and I are a herd of two) or large, like our church family, or vast, like all the fans of your favorite team, we were created as followers. And any two among us will have one or more groups in common and others that are directly opposed.

That asks the question: Who is leading the group? My sister is Baptist, my friends may be Catholic, and I am an Episcopalian, but if we are all following Christ then ultimately, we are all brothers and sisters. In fact, regardless of the nature of our "herd" if we are not following Jesus then we are following someone else's plan. God has a unique and exciting path for each of us. Yet many people choose to pursue someone else's vision. Because such pursuits are limited to the resources and rewards of this world, the inevitable result is disappointing, at best. More often we end up moving backward, or trapped somewhere we were never meant to be. God has a wonderful destiny for each and every one of us! There is nothing more that he wants than to see you fulfilling yours. But it means following his lead. It means being ready to go where he leads.

God wants to take all of us on a journey of discovery, a journey of transformation, our own journey of destiny, but it doesn't just happen. We must be prepared to walk the road that God has planned for us, no matter how trying, challenging or unfathomable. We have been called to follow every day, regardless of challenges and set-backs. This means not chasing little, unfulfilling destinations in life, but a much greater plan with a rich and exciting path.







Altar Guild is one of the volunteer ministries that is dedicated to serving our Lord in His house through prayer and the privilege of tending to the beauty, peace and tranquility of worship. This ministry is often taken for granted and under appreciated because the work of Altar Guild is done behind the scenes both before and after the worship services. We tend to focus on the task at hand, getting a set of jobs done efficiently and thoroughly using words such as: duty, obligation, clean-up, chores, and housekeeping. These are not the true words of a servant on Altar Guild. More attractive words to describe Altar Guild service might be ministry, offering, sanctuary, awe, meaning, fulfillment, contentment and peace that can be something that feeds and nourishes our faith.

The service of the Altar Guild is specialized and of deep spiritual significance. We prayerfully offer this service in preparation to celebrate the rites and ceremonies of the church including Holy Communion, Baptism, Confirmation, Marriage, and the Burial of the dead, as well as any other services. Altar Guild members work in small groups to prepare the Altar for each service with the linens, candles, vessels, bread and wine. After each service, everything is cleaned and set up for the next service or put away in its proper place. There is a group who volunteer to take home the linens to be washed, ironed and returned for the next Sunday's service. Altar Guild members also supervise the decorating of the sanctuary for Christmas and Easter. An Invitation to You The Altar, as the place for celebration Holy Communion, is the center of our worship.

You are invited, both male and female, to join us to experience the joy of serving our Lord in this very special way. We want to share our love for Christ with you. We on the Altar Guild feel His presence in the sanctuary and are rewarded with a closer walk with him.

If you are interested in finding out more about becoming a part of Altar Guild contact Karen Stewart at kstewart1208@yahoo.com 407-625-7615.

"We are responsible for the care of the Sanctuary and Altar..." Numbers 18:5

## Vestry Minutes \* February 16, 2020 @2:30 p.m.

## 2020 Vestry

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Vestry Door Duty for March 2020

Opener at 7:30am: Ron Bouton

Closer after 1:00pm: Wendy King

Vestry Meeting Host: Doreen

Stachowski

### **2020 Financial Report**

(as of January 2020)

Operating Income......\$64,139.12

Operating Expenses......<u>\$52,238.39</u>

NET.....\$11,900.73

ALL Building Fund Income....\$10,221.94

ALL Building Fund Expense...\$14,494.77

NET.....(\$4,272.83)

All Staff and Vestry have mailboxes in the front office (behind the front desk) with their names on them. You may 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 Mary Kay Predmore, Junior Warden Chris Brown, and Joe Eiden, Wendy King, John Peacock, Brian Seguin, Doreen Stachowski, Wally Stewart, Patty Tate, and Dawn Wirbel; Treasurer Bob Tate, and parishioner Janice Hull.

Absent: Ron Bouton (family event), Clerk Joyce Taylor (previous commitment)

**FORMATION**: Don Greer led Noonday Prayer. Based on Exodus 18:5, 7-9, 13-27, Tom Rutherford talked about how he shares leadership with the Vestry, so we don't repeat Moses' mistake; and how we make Decisions by Consensus instead of by Robert's Rules of Order. He also distributed Parish Directories. Each directory has one page circled. Those are the folks Tom asks each Vestry member to pray for and to contact in the next couple of months to let them know we're praying for them and asking what they'd like us to pray for.

#### **INFORMATION:**

#### A. Vestry Ministry Team Reports:

- **1. Mortgage Renewal:** Don Greer and Tom Rutherford assembled all the documentation to apply for our mortgage renewal from Center State Bank. Tom worked it out with the Diocese that we don't need additional permission from them to do this. We are scheduled to close on March 20. SEE THE RESOLUTION PASSED IN THE "DECISION" SECTION.
- **2. Church fire and liability insurance:** Don reported that we still have not gotten a bid from the alternative insurance agent. Until then we will continue our policy with Church Insurance of Vermont a quarter at a time. SEE RESOLUTION PASSED IN THE "DECISION" SECTION.
- **3. Property Sale:** Don also reported on a property sale by a group of parishioners who want to give a portion of their profit to the Church. SEE THE RESOLUTION PASSED IN THE "DECISION" SECTION.
- **4. Kitchen Krew:** Patty Tate reports that parishioner Olga Huebner, who is a chef, joined the Kitchen Krew and deep cleaned the stove, refrigerator, counters, cabinets, and sinks, and is going to clean the filters on the hood over the stove. It look GREAT in there! Facilities Minister Jeremy Adams is exploring what it takes to get the kitchen licensed by the State Health Department, so we can rent it out to licensed caterers. We were licensed before when Messiah Academy used it, but when the Academy closed, we let our license lapse.

No others received.

#### **B.** Staff Reports:

#### 1. Children of the Messiah Preschool:

- a) The financial report was emailed separately.
- b) Financial Minister Jane Cartelli has been successfully added to the preschool bank account as a signatory.
- c) We are looking into the cost of accepting credit cards for the first time.
- d) Registration has gone very well! We will have 2 full PRE-K classes next year. YAY! Monday-Wednesday-Friday 3 -year-olds are full. The toddler room is full. Monday-Wednesday-Friday 2-year-olds are full. These numbers are after returning student registration and just one day of open registration. I am expecting to be completely full by the end of the week. We are so blessed to have such a wonderful loving staff as evidenced by our return rate this year was 95%
- **2. Children's Ministry**: Children's Minister Angela Lopez reports:
- a) The Children of COTM have been having a BLAST. We had a fun family event called Nerf and Nacho night. We had 25 participants and a handful of moms who remained in the safezone. We turned the parish hall into an obstacle course full of targets and spent 2 hours laughing, running and "Nerfing" our friends. It was such a hit we are going to AIM for another Nerf Night later this year!
- b)In Children's Church we wrapped up "Jesus Is for Everyone," where we discovered that Jesus' love is for everyone, and it's our job to show that love to others. The kids learned John 3:16, John 4:14 and 2 Corinthians 5:17. We are now in a series called "A Crazy Little Thing Called Love." We are learning how Jesus loved his disciples in spite of their differences and their pasts, how that love brought them all together and how it brings us as a church together, even though we are all very different.

- c) Vacation Bible School planning is really coming along well. The difficult details are pretty much worked out. I spent an afternoon learning how to customize forms for the website, and Julie and I are creating a page for VBS that will go live on Palm Sunday so we can begin early registration. We are having live music this year and I have worked with Garine Adams to plan out the set list and will now move on to the choreography. Another fun addition this year will be Communion on Thursday night. I will continue to work with Father Tom to get this worked out. Thursday at VBS is always our very deep, Jesus heavy lesson. Our theme for Thursday is Jesus conquered sin and death.
- d) Two more of the SHINE kids earned 100+ points and I am coordinating with their mom a date to have lunch with them. Congrats to Walter and Caroline Seguin!! The SHINE kids have started a melted crayon art project with some crayons that were donated by Ben Blackman. We are planning to do the actual melting on 2/16.
- e) Little Lessons in Lent is coming and I have lined up plenty of volunteers and have the lessons prepared. This is open to any elementary age child--so bring a grandchild or send a neighbor!
- f) I received word today that Dillard Street has selected me/us as Partner of the Year, and I will be attending the recognition ceremony at SeaWorld on March 6th in the morning. I have asked Julie to be my "Plus 1" since she is often my right hand gal for the projects I do at Dillard. We will take photos and report back.
- g) Thank you Dawn Wirbel for sticking with the kids and youth as our Vestry representative for another year! We love you!

#### Office Minister Julie Altenbach reports:

- a) This month the Office Angels and I were able to:
- (1) Create a new display for the coin jars to benefit the Building Fund
- (2) Assisted with the Rummage Sale organization and provided lunch two days for the hardworking team
- (3) Create a slideshow of pictures for our 2019 Annual Parish Meeting
- (4) Prepare the ballots for the Vestry nominations and fliers to introduce them to parish family
- (5) Worked with Finance Minister Jane to dispute AC repair charges successfully
- (6) Updated Community Bulletin boards with opportunities outside of church
- (7) Prepared the Vestry Notebooks for the new members
- (8) Prepared mailboxes for New Vestry members
- (9) Helped with registration for the Sunday afternoon "Boundaries" course and created materials for the class
- (10) Covered the office so that I could volunteer at the 51st Annual Convention of our Diocese
- b) And I
- (1) Prepared the Annual Report for our Meeting with the help of Father Tom (a good boss will do that when you are just learning the ropes of a new job)
- (2) Attended planning meetings to for the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and Vacation Bible School
- (3) Attended the Friday night Vestry Retreat Dinner
- **4. Music Ministry**: from Music Minister Linda Ellison: Choir and band members are busy fine-tuning music they already know and learning new repertoire. A choral piece we are especially excited about is called "Is He Worthy?" I heard a solo version of the song and was so deeply moved by the words they are full of profound theology as well as adoration of Christ. I was thrilled to find a choral version, after much searching. It was necessary to rearrange it for our choir. They are working hard to learn it. We thought it would be great for Easter, but we might sing it before then, and then again on Easter.

  C. **Bradford Fisher's**

#### discernment process about ordination as a deacon:

- 1. His Parish Discernment Committee (PDC) begins Sunday February 23 with Linda Gold as chair along with Norm Anthony, Paul Ford, and Jay & Patti Williams. Their task is to get to know Bradford and recommend to the Vestry whether they believe he is called to be a Deacon or not. They should be able to make that recommendation in April.
- 2. On March 26 & 27 Bradford will attend BACAM (the Bishop's Advisory Committee for Aspirants to Ministry) at Canterbury Retreat Center in Oviedo, where the diocesan Commission On Ministry (the group that help the Bishop screen, select, and groom candidates for ordination) interviews people to decide whether or not to recommend to the Bishop that they be ordained. Tom Rutherford is on the COM and will be there as well.

- III. <u>DISCUSSION</u> (to help make a decision next month): Parish Hall Kitchen Floor: Parishioner Alex Babcock got bids for 4 options for replacing the floor. Those numbers include removing the current floor covering and cleaning the concrete so the new floor will stick and installing new baseboard. That bid was emailed separately.
- 1. The options are:
- <u>a)</u> For commercial grade vinyl planks: \$3,525. This is the least expensive and least durable option. This is a glue down product that can handle some topical water, if it's cleaned up fairly soon. If there is a lot of standing water the adhesive will breakdown and the material will start coming off the floor.
- b) For quieter floating vinyl planks: \$4,066. This is a floating floor that doesn't require adhesive. If there happens to be standing water with this material, we would need to remove the floor, let the substrate and material dry out and then could reinstall it.
- c) For quarry tile with permacolor grout and a coating of crack prevention membrane: \$5,636. This is the most durable option. We would need to determine if we want standard grout or epoxy grout. Epoxy grout never needs to be sealed.

  d)

For quarry tile with epoxy grout and the membrane: \$6,506.

- 2. One window for doing this job is March 16-20, when the preschool is on Spring Break.
- 3. Parishioner Janice Hull urged the Vestry to use local contractors and get this job done soon.
- 4. After much discussion, Vestry would like to look at three more options more options: ceramic tile, stained concrete, and a poured epoxy floor. Wendy King will get information on concrete. Brian Seguin will get details about epoxy. And Tom Rutherford will contact Mark's Flooring in Winter Garden about ceramic tile.
- 5. We will continue this discussion next month when we get the numbers for more options.
- IV. <u>DECISIONS</u> (usually based on the Discussion last month):
- **A) Vestry RESOLVED** to authorize Rector Tom Rutherford, Senior Warden Mary Kay Predmore, and Junior Warden Chris Brown to sign the documents to renew our mortgage with Center State Bank.
- **B)** Vestry RESOLVED to authorize Rector Tom Rutherford to contract liability and fire insurance coverage from the lower priced alternative when we get the bid from our alternative provider.
- **C) Vestry RESOLVED** to authorize Rector Tom Rutherford to sign any documents concerning the property sale by our parishioners mentioned above in II.A.3.
- **D)** The Christmas Offering from December 2019 was about \$12,300. Vestry chose to hold onto the money and choose how to use it later in the year as needs emerge. Options include helping seminarian Laura Cook (Mary Kay Predmore will contact her to discover her needs and resources), pay for the parish hall kitchen floor, or increase the Youth budget. SEE NEXT ITEM.
- **E)** Youth Budget: Last month, Volunteer Youth Minister Murph Borno talked to us about increasing the Youth Budget, since we're saving money by not paying a Youth Minister. Vestry decided to wait to see what the needs might be as the year goes on.
- **F) Parochial Report** (the annual report we give to the Diocese and national Church with attendance and financial numbers): Vestry perused and APPROVED it.

#### **MEETING MINUTES & FINANCIAL REPORT:**

- A. Minutes from the January meeting: APPROVED
- B. January Financial Report from Treasurer Bob Tate: APPROVED
- **1. Operating Account**: Income was \$11,900.73 MORE than expenses which starts our year with a SURPLUS for the first time in many years. THANK YOU, JESUS!
- **2. Building Fund**: Net Building Fund income (gifts, fundraising, and facility rental income, less expenses) was \$4,272.83 LESS than what we needed to cover the mortgage of \$12,891.97 and other expenses. That monthly payment may change after we renew our mortgage next month.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kay Predmore

Senior Warden and Acting Clerk

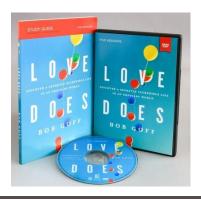
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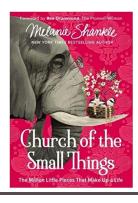
Dear Messiah Family,

One of the ways in which I think our library can grow is to support the many ministries of our church. During Lent this year, there will be new opportunities to meet in small groups, making this a perfect season to highlight the small group resources available in our library! Small groups looking for new series are invited to explore the books and media we have available, including series by Andy Stanley and others. I also invite and encourage groups that have finished a book or series to place at least one copy in the library so that other groups and individuals can try them, too. Please email me at <a href="library@churchofthemessiah.com">library@churchofthemessiah.com</a> if you have materials you would like to donate or request.

Regina Seguin Church Librarian









By Helen Farnsworth

This month I again only read one small book: <u>He Did This Just For You</u> by Max Lucado. Thanks to a new light/magnifying glass I read it at one sitting with no trouble. So hopefully I'll be able to review more next month.

This book seemed particularly appropriate for the season of Lent, and lived up to Max Lucado's usual high standards. Like last month's book, I doubt it

will contain any new information for most of you, though I think all of us can benefit by a constant review, even of what we've long been familiar with. It puts God's heart and search for his children on a very personal level—in the form of a father whose wife died giving birth to his daughter. He was thus forced to raise her by himself, only to have her turn away from him as a teenager, and run away from home with a ne'er-dowell boyfriend. It is a touching story about how he woos her to come home to him.

He also brings up a very personal point. He says there are some people he would be willing to die for, but he doesn't even need a pencil to write down the list of those he'd be willing to sacrifice his daughter for—the page is and will always remain blank. Yet God not only sacrificed HIS Son, he did it for those who actually HATED Him! Mind-blowing, isn't it?

Again this book would be a good one not only to read, but to share with someone you want to win to Christ.



# Messiah School for the Arts

Advancing local arts through quality education for all

Spring 2020

New Classes Starting in March Details coming in the bulletin

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.



Ladies Dining Club March 3rd at 6:30 p.m.

All are invited to join the Ladies' of COTM



99 W. Plant Street in Winter Garden
For more information
Call or text Janice Hull at 352-217-0967 or 352-243-8880

March's Cook is Rusty Hazelrigg



And Supper on March 1st at 6:30 in the Youth Hall

# Sunday Servants 8:00

8:00 Service	March 1	March 8	March 15	March 22	March 29
1st LEM	Marvin Haughton	Steve Dunegan	Joyce Taylor	Deborah Townsend	Linda Bouton
2nd LEM	Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg	Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg	Nancy Dushensky
Lector	Ken Anders	Bill Bradford	Lary Cartelli	Aliena Gaye	Alex Hujik
Altar Server	Mary Kay Predmore	Aiden Morrison	Mary Kay Predmore	Kayrah Elliot	Aiden Morrison
Ushers/Greeters	Ansel & Ina Haughton Mak & Gloria Richards	Ron Bouton, Jay Predmore Carlene Turnock Cindy West	Karen Boylan Bill Bradford, Jay & Marsha Dymond	Pete & Nancy Glynn Trudie Carr Elaina Paige	Ansel & Ina Haughton, Jay Predmore Joyce Taylor
LEV Team	Don Greer	Rusty Hazelrigg	Bill & Elise Bradford	Don Greer	Nancy Dushensky
Prayer Intercessor	Rusty Hazelrigg Elise Bradford	Joyce Taylor Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg Elise Bradford	Nancy Glynn Nancy Dushensky	Elise Bradford & Rusty Hazelrigg

# Sunday Servants 9:30

9:30 Service	March 1	March 8	March 15	March 22	March 29
1st LEM	Susie Marshall	Kelsey Beck	Mary Lynn Levine	Esther Gonzalez	Stacey Beck
2nd LEM	Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg	Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg	Nancy Dushensky
Lector	Kevin Cochrane	Lynne Passilla	Mary Peacock	Sharon Puchein	Ginger Sirola
Altar Server	Katy Babcock	Osni Alexandre	Murph Borno	Chris Brown	Aidan Brandenburg
Crucifer	Melanie Field	Francesco Fulvi	Katy Babcock	Annalisa Puchein	Katy Babcock
Torch Bearers	Annalisa Puchein Francesco Fulvi	Melanie Field Elijah Roberson	William Greenwell Elijah Roberson	Ryder Bakios Francesco Fulvi	Ryder Bakios Annalisa Puchein
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	Jim & Lynne Passilla	Mike & Bobbie Warren	Jill Brown	Jim & Lynne Passilla	Mike & Bobbie Warren
Prayer Intercessor	Rusty Hazelrigg	Nancy Dushensky Susan Keihm	Rusty Hazelrigg Susie Marshall	Nancy Dushensky Susan Keihm	Rusty Hazelrigg Wallace Stewart

## Sunday Servants11:00

11:00 Service	March 1	March 8	March 15	March 22	March 29
LEM #1	Vita Mazzaluna	Joe Wolfe	Paul Daniel	Stacey Jamail	Geraldine Remington
LEM #2	Nancy Dushensky	Karen Williams	Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg	Nancy Dushensky
Lector	Patty Tate	Lionel Williams	Joe Wolf	Norm Anthony	Terry Anthony
Altar Server	Yolwenn Alexandre	Sophie Alexandre	Giada Mazzaluna	Yolwenn Alexandre	Giada Mazzaluna
Usher/Greeter	Lisa Borst MaryLu Katulic	Richard & Kelley McRae	Lisa Borst Bob Somers	MaryLu Katulik Joe Wolfe	Richard & Kelley McRae
LEV Team	Lionel & Karen Williams	Rusty Hazelrigg	Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg	Nancy Dushensky
Prayer Intercessor	Rusty Hazelrigg	Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg	Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg

## Sunday Servants 7:00

7:00 Service	March 1	March 8	March 15	March 22	March 29
LEM	Regina Seguin	Marvin Haughton	Rusty Hazelrigg	Regina Seguin	Nancy Dushensky
Lector	Kathy Quesenberry	Helen Farnsworth	Wendy King	Kathy Quesenberry	Helen Farnsworth
Altar Server	Walter & Caroline Seguin	Isabella Figueroa	Kaitlyn O'Brien	Riley & Aiden Alford	Isabella Figueroa
Usher/Greeter	Mary Pounds	Raul Lopez	Mary Pounds	Raul Lopez	Mary Pounds
Prayer Intercessor	Nancy Dushensky	Wendy King	Brian Seguin	Nancy Dushensky	Rusty Hazelrigg

Readings

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	March 1	March 8	March 15	March 22	March 29	
1st Lesson	Genesis	Genesis	Exodus	1 Samuel	Ezekiel	
	2:15-17; 3:1-7	12:1-4a	17:1-7	16:1-13	37:1-14	
Psalm	Psalm 32	Psalm 121	Psalm 95	Psalm 23	Psalm 130	
	BCP 624	BCP 779	BCP 724	BCP 612	BCP 784	
2nd Lesson	Romans	Romans	Romans	Ephesians	Romans	
	5:12-19	4:1-5, 13-17	5:1-11	5:8-14	8:6-11	
Gospel	Matthew	John	John	John	John	
	4:1-11	3:1-17	4:5-42	9:1-41	11:1-45	

# March Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1 Kevin Cochrane
- 2 Nichole Babcock Sariyah Morrison
- 3 Jack Cottle
- 5 Reese Smith
- 6 Michelle Alford Kenneth O'Brien
- 9 Marvin Haughton
- 10 Ashley Boyden Harry Hull
- 11 Stacey Jamail Taylor Smith
- 13 Paul Robertson
  Patty Tate
- 14 Norm Anthony
- 15 Barbara Warren
- 17 Mary Peacock
- 18 Chris Lynn
- 20 John Ficquette Rose Marie Hubert Mary Kay Predmore
- 21 Rita Cho-Sam
- 22 Stacy Figueroa
- 24 Emma Winters



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.



- 25 DelilahBrueggeman Linda White
- 26 Aidan Brandenburg Cynthia West
- 28 Karen Stewart Kenneth West
- 29 Jacob BorstCatherine PennMarion Somers
- 30 Ayden Cho-Sam Isabella Eaton



Please pray for our expectant mother

and Preschool Teacher, Stacey Duppenthaler.

Happy 2

Anniversary 2

- 5 Raul & Angela Lopez
- 21 Bobby & Lisa Field
- 22 Hubert & Aliena Gaye Lamar & Darlene Powers

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	month/day/year
Address	
Home Phone	
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Wedding Anniversary	

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





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1* 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 BAG SUNDAY	2 Preschool Returning Student Registration  Daughters of the King 5:30 Library MSftA Lessons	3 Fr. Tom's Day Off Men's Supper in Parish Hall @6:30 Ladies' Supper Club @ Thai Blossom 7 pm Bible Study	4  10am Holy Communion 11am Bible Study ( library) 5pm Little Lessons In Lent 6 pm Bible Study (library) 6- Choir Practice 7:15- Praise Band Practice	5 6:30 Kung Fu in Youth hall	6 MSftA Drum Circle 6-7 pm in the MSftA Room	7
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15 * Sunday School 8am Rite 1 *9:30 Rite 2 *11:00 Rite 3 4pm French Service 4:30 Shine 5:00 Boundaries Class 6:00 Dinner 7:00 pm Rite 3	16 Spring Break	17 Spring Break Fr. Tom's Day Off 6:30 Men's Small Group 7 pm Bible Study (Library	18 Spring Break Messiah Preschool SAC Meeting 10am Holy Communion 11am Bible Study (library) 5 pm Little Lessons in Lent 6 pm Bible Study (library) 6- Choir Practice 7:15- Praise Band Practice	19 Spring Break 6:30 Kung Fu in Youth hall MSftA Theater 6-7 pm in the MSftA room	20 Spring Break	21 Alzheimer's Support Group 4:30 in the library
22* Sunday School 8am Rite 1 *9:30 Rite 2 *11:00 Rite 3 230pm Vestry in Libary 4pm French Service 4:30 Shine 5:00 Boundaries Class 6:00 Dinner 7:00 pm Rite 3	23	24 Fr. Tom's Day Off 7 pm Bible Study (Library	25 Messiah Preschool SAC Meeting 10am Holy Communion 11am Bible Study (library) 5 pm Little Lessons in Lent 6 pm Bible Study (library) 6- Choir Practice 7:15- Praise Band Practice	26 6:30 Kung Fu in Youth hall	27	28
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# ONLINE RESOURCES

Check out these websites and social media platforms to learn more about places COTM shows the love of God as we are Changing the world with Jesus: one child, one person, one family, one community at a time. If you ever need help with any of these resources, stop in the office, grab a coffee and a treat and the Office Angels are happy to help! We can even help set you up accounts of your own!

<u>Churchofthemessiah.com</u>	Our website and a great place to find out lots of stuff happening at Messiah.
https://www.instagram.com/cotm_wg/_ and https://www.facebook.com/churchofthemessiahwg/	Our Instagram and Facebook accounts where we post things happening inside and outside our church and where you can tag us when you post too!
http://www.apopkapregnancy.org/	These are some of the groups we support
	as part of our Outreach Ministry. Talk to
https://www.christianservicecenter.org/	Doreen Stachowski, head of the Outreach
http://edgewoodranch.com/	Committee for ways you can help.
https://friendsofchildrenandfamilies.org/2017/05/05/3440-2/	
https://dillardstreetes.ocps.net/	
https://www.westorangehabitat.org/	
http://www.communityservants.org/	This is the place our Mission Trip will be
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	held this summer.
https://fiveoaksministries.com/reset-conference/	This is a conference for women that will
	be held at our church on May 2 <sup>nd</sup> . Please
	see Julie Altenbach or Angela Lopez to
	learn more.

