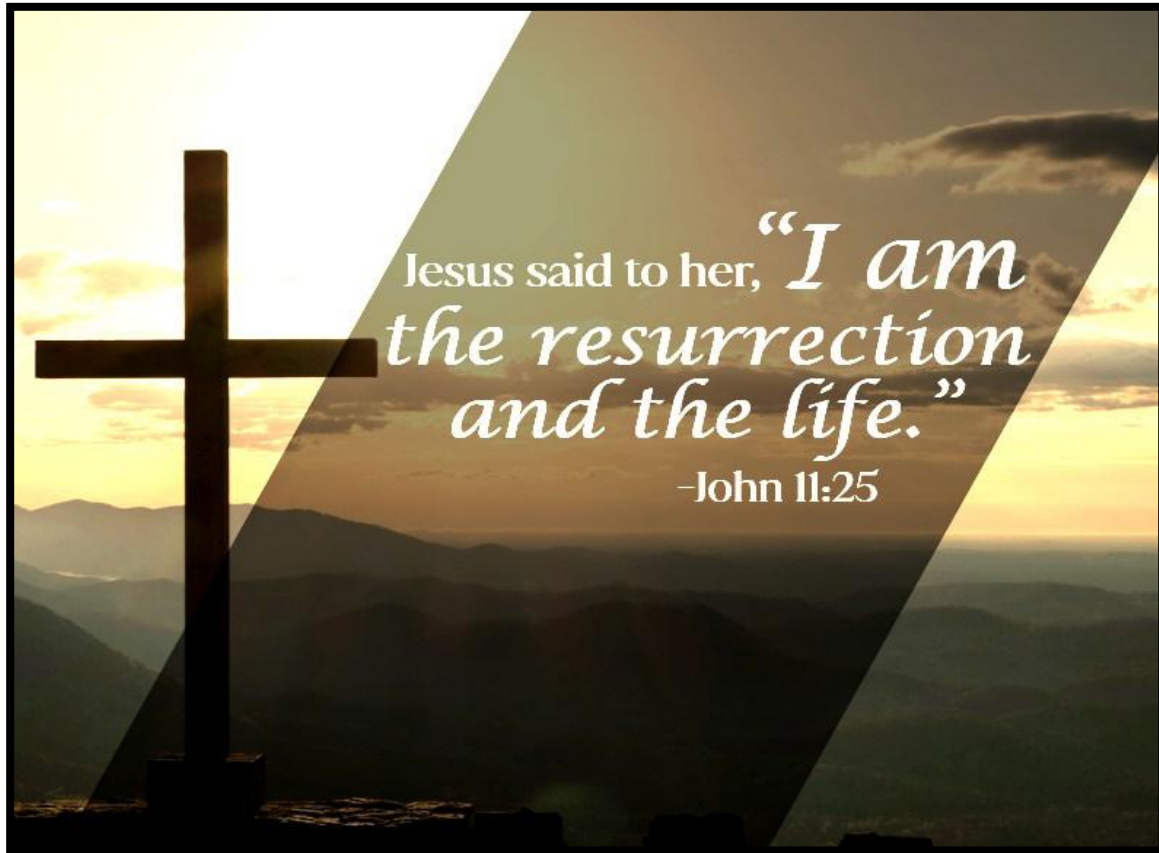


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Join Us for Worship:

Sunday Services:

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Rite I) in the Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Rite II) in the Sanctuary

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Contemporary) in the Parish Hall

4:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist (French & Creole) in the Sanctuary

4:30 p.m. Diving Deeper (Adult Study) with Fr. Tom

7:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist (Rite III-Casual) in the Sanctuary

Wednesday Service:

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Rite II) in the Sanctuary

11:00 a.m. Bible Study in the Library

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As the process toward calling a Co-Rector unfolds, some of us in the Messiah family have gotten a bit ... anxious.

Please... remember... God's Got This!

This is the Church of the MESSIAH...

... NOT the Church of Tom, NOT the Church of the Diocese, or the Search Team, or the Vestry.

...but the Church of the MESSIAH.

The Messiah has been taking great care of us for 75 years so far. He's not going to drop us now.

Jesus has been ripening our Co-Rector for us for years.

Now he's ripening US to receive that person as the gift we're praying for.

There's nothing to be anxious about.

"But what if the Co-Rector is a woman?"

We've had female Clergy, female Senior Wardens, female vestry members, and female staff forever. If the person the Messiah sends to be our next Rector happens to be female, we need to give God and her the chance to be the leader God has equipped her to be.

"What if the Co-Rector doesn't want Tom around?"

The Plan is for the Co-Rector and I to serve together for as long as it takes for he or she to conclude they're ready to take the reins. That may be as short as a week or as long as a year. I'm happy to serve for whatever period is helpful.

"What if the Co-Rector wants to keep Tom around? Shouldn't we be free to follow the new Rector, without Tom's lurking in the shadows?"

If I wanted to cling to power, calling a Co-Rector is NOT the way to do that! Instead, I'd stay rector until somebody pried me out from behind the altar. I'm NOT going to "lurk in the shadows," ma-

nipulate the process, or be “that man behind the curtain” in the Wizard of Oz. I genuinely discern this “Co-Rector Thing” is from the Holy Spirit; and I’m committed to walking it out... however it turns out for me.

Whatever the Co-Rector decides, and whenever he or she feels ready to be Rector, I’ll step down and serve in the capacity he or she chooses. That may be as Retired Priest Associate; or if they’d rather lead alone, I’ll disappear for at least a year as the “Former Rector.”

Either way, I trust Jesus to take great care of this parish family... as he’s done for 75 years so far.

And I trust him to take great care of me and my family... as he’s done for 70 years so far.

In the meantime, I hope you’ll get as excited as I am:

- ✦ to see how this adventure unfolds,
- ✦ to meet the person God has as our next leader,
- ✦ to equip and empower them to lead with confidence and competence,
- ✦ and to serve God, this parish family, our community, and our diocese in any way the Lord leads.

St. Paul urges us: Don’t be anxious about ANYTHING, but in EVERYTHING, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God that transcends all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:6-7).

I live by those verses. I urge you to, too. There’s NO reason to be anxious.

God’s got this!

I love you all.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert" with a flourish above the name.

Let us Pray:

Be Present, O merciful God, and protect us, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this life may rest in your eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Adapted from the *Book of Common Prayer* 133

2026 February Vestry Minutes

Sunday * February 15, 2026 * 2pm

Present: Rector Tom Rutherford, Senior Warden Chris Brown, Junior Warden Lamar Powers, Laura Buckner, Bob Greene, Paulette Isaacs, Ron Lancioni, Jean Pinder, Mary Kay Predmore, Wayne Sparks, Wally Stewart, Marie Tassy, and Treasurer Bob Tate.

Absent: Clerk Don Grimes (ill)

I. FORMATION: Marie Tassy led Noonday Prayer. Based on Exodus 18:5, 7-9, 13-27, Tom Rutherford talked about Shared Leadership, so we don't repeat Moses' mistake. You are co-leaders alongside the Rector and not his "staff."

II. INFORMATION:

A. Vestry Ministry Team Reports

1. Junior Warden Lamar Powers reports:

- a) Rick's Electric replaced the lights on the covered walk at the classrooms. Lenses were missing and damaged on the old lights. They checked the outlets in the parish hall. The one to the right of the stage was dead and the wiring was inaccessible. A blank plate was installed. There are outlets in the nearby closet. They repaired a loose wire on an emergency light in the Narthex. They will come back and switch the parking lot lights from a timer to a photocell.
- b) Automated Mechanical Systems (AMS) replaced a burned connector and wire caused by a loose connection on the church mechanical unit. They fixed a static pressure sensor in the parish hall.
- c) Rainaldi Home Services cleaned roots from the sewer serving the church bathrooms. The line runs under the church and the parking lot. It would cost thousands to replace.
- d) Heichel Plumbing replaced the manifold and mixing valve to eliminate a leak and provide hot water to the parish hall bathrooms and nursery.
- e) West End Safe & Lock repaired the lock on the church mechanical room and the lock on the youth hall kitchen doors. They lubricated and adjusted the vertical rods on the parish hall doors.
- f) A loose step on the playground equipment was secured.
- g) Felt pads were installed on the baby changing stations in the parish hall restrooms to keep them closed when not in use.
- h) The clogged spray nozzle by the dishwasher in the parish hall was cleaned.
- i) A loose tile on the base in the parish hall ladies' room was glued in place.
- j) A damaged toilet seat in the parish hall ladies' room was replaced.
- k) The toilet paper dispensers in the youth hall bathrooms were replaced.
- l) Mike King repaired lights by the Daughters of the King table.

2. Laura Buckner reports:

- a) Prayer Labyrinth: I have ordered both the wall plaque and the bench plaque. I need to do the flame tile above the chalice, but I have to learn how to resin both it and the Alpha + Omega stone. Still to work out is the informational sign but I'm working on it.
- b) Our Scout troop is growing, and we will be having a Galentine lock in Feb 13-15, and attending the 11:00 service for Scout Sunday, when Calvin Collins Lamberth will be presented his religious award.
- c) I haven't forgotten the wall of time for our clergy. I need to talk to Kathy for the creative input on wall murals.

- d) I have enough young adults interested in a YA group to get going soon. I will check in with the dio office and start asap.
- e) Chris Brown asked me to be COTM point of contact for the military with the diocese. It was already on my radar as a female advisor.

3. **History Team leader Paulette Isaacs** reported the Team (with Maureen Farrar and co-chair Sandy Sparks) is keeping an ongoing chronicle about the family to make it easy for folks to publish the Centennial version of our parish history in 2050.

B. Staff Ministry Reports:

1. Media Minister Vita Mazzaluna reports:

- a) I have been busy revamping and refreshing all of our Lent advertising. We are providing the "refrigerator page" again this year so that people can bring home a Lenten Events flyer that will keep them updated for the whole season!
- b) This year I also made a separate 1/4 sheet flyer for the French Lenten events offered by Fr Soner. We hope some folks from the other services will check some of those out and experience the Great Litany and Way of the Cross in French!
- c) I continue to work with Office Minister Wendy King on learning the new Church Management Software, Amplify.

2. Office Minister Wendy King reports:

- a) Massey completed the annual termite inspection and the quarterly bait station inspection. A few bait stations were active; so they will return next month. I continue to monitor the church.
- b) Helped Preschool Director Barbara Ellerbe with the Preschool brochures. Office Angels helped with folding.
- c) DBS cleaning crew got us through the holidays and on January 4th. Donnato Mazzaluna rejoined our staff as one of our Maintenance Ministers. DBS returned to Saturday cleaning only. I am happy to report that Matthew Barrett was cleared of his Worker's Comp restrictions on February 3, and he returned to work on Monday February 9. Donny will continue with the regular weekly cleaning; and Matthew will get our quarterly and deep cleaning caught up. I had a meeting with Donny and Matthew to reacquaint them with the responsibilities of the job. The Maintenance Minister responsibilities check sheet was updated with the current needs.
- d) Continued to check in with our Jr Warden, Lamar Powers. Thank you, Lamar, for fixing and repairing the various things on campus. This month we had electrical repairs, plumbing unclogged, hardware in the women's restroom replaced, changing station fixed, tile and metal plate glued. AMS was also on campus to repair a few units that were not heating properly.
- e) Made Baptismal certificates and prayers for the Godparents of Joey Griffin.
- f) Amplify church management software training was February 6th. Vita attended too. I learned a few new skills in Excel for sorting birthday and anniversary reports, and how to send emails and text through Amplify. The training session was recorded, so we can view it again.
- g) Parochial Report is due March 1. I have been working to collect all the information to complete the report early.
- h) Maureen Farrar has worked to ensure all the Messiah recorded baptisms, confirmations, and receptions were added in Amplify, and Paulette Isaacs has continued to also update Amplify. This will help in answering the Parochial report questions.
- i) Met with Chris Brown to discuss Shrove Tuesday supper needs, and I ordered supplies for the supper. Thank you, Chris and Men's Bible study, for taking the lead on this event.

- j) I created Community Sunday Supper stickers for the leftover containers. After each dinner, the team packs up the leftovers that Amy and Steve deliver to needy families through Eight-Waves.
- k) Met with Steve and Amy Raetz, and they agreed to be the Kitchen Crew leads. They are reaching out to each of the Messiah Ministry leaders that use the kitchen to inquire what their needs are. Amy and her mom cleaned out the Youth Hall freezer, and Mary Kay Predmore and Lamar defrosted the freezer.
- l) Amy Raetz is also our newest Office Angel. She updates our Narthex bulletin boards. Thank you, Amy!
- m) Office Angel Dawn Wirbel helped with the Vestry onboarding & retreat. She created binders for our new Vestry folks and updated the office mailboxes.

C. Co-Rector Search Team members Mary Kay Predmore, Chris Brown, and Wally Stewart shared the progress so far and will add Prayer #13 for the election of a Bishop or other Minister on BCP 818 to the weekly Prayers of the People at all five Sunday liturgies.

D. Stations of the Cross will be offered through Lent on February 25 (Wednesday) at noon, March 6 (Friday) at noon, March 11 (Wednesday) at noon, March 20 (Friday) at noon, March 25 (Wednesday) at noon, March 27 (Friday) at noon and 7pm, and April 1 (Wednesday in Holy Week) at noon and 7pm.

III. DISCUSSIONS (to help make a decision next month): (None)

IV. DECISIONS (usually based on the Discussion last month):

- A. Co-Rector Search Budget:** Canon Dan Smith recommends budgeting \$20,000 for the search and moving expenses instead of the \$10,000 in our current budget. Any needs beyond the \$10,000 will be paid from our Contingency Fund. APPROVED.
- B. Diocesan Assessment:** The Diocese requires we pay 11% of our 2024 Plate & Pledge Income. APPROVED.
- C. Mortgage Payoff:** Treasurer Bob Tate will receive the payoff amount for the mortgage later this month. Vestry APPROVED paying it off as soon as he gets that number!

V. MEETING MINUTES & FINANCIAL REPORT – (9 MINUTES):

A. Minutes from last month's meeting: APPROVED.

B. Financial Report from Treasurer Bob Tate: APPROVED.

1. **Operating Income** last month was MORE than expenses, giving us a Year-to-date SURPLUS of \$13,580.41. THANK YOU, JESUS!!!
2. **Building Fund Income** past month was MORE than needed to pay the \$11,996.00 mortgage, other expenses, and the extra \$10,000 a month on the mortgage, giving us a SURPLUS for the year of \$29,133.25. THANK YOU, JESUS!!!
3. **Balance on the Mortgage** as of January 31 was \$85,381.11, and the Cash & Brokerage Account balance was \$457,744.44. THANK YOU, JESUS!!!

Respectfully submitted,

The Rev. Tom Rutherford, Rector and Acting Clerk

Messiah's Missionaries

We are representing our Church of the Messiah family and sharing the love of Jesus wherever we go!



If you visit another church, please pick up a copy of the bulletin and drop it in Wendy's mailbox. Don't forget to add a note letting us know who you are and the location of the church. If you can, please send pictures to: Office@ChurchOfTheMessiah.com

News from the Search Committee

The search is going well. Chris Brown and I met Canon Dan at his office and on February 12, he came to Messiah and met with the Search Committee and two Vestry members who attended. It was a very productive meeting. We know the next step and when that is accomplished, he will come back and walk us through the next one. Canon Dan has a well-oiled machine for the search process. It's very reassuring to have a concrete plan and someone in your corner. Everyone on the Search Team has Canon Dan's business card and permission to reach out at any time.

Canon Dan stated over and over again that prayer is the most important aspect of the search. God already knows who we will call. Let's trust in Him.

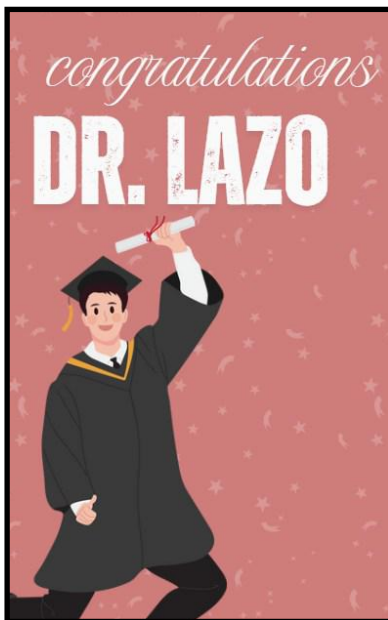
Will you join us in prayer by praying the prayer listed in the BCP 818? (see below)

Mary Kay Predmore, Search Chair

Let us Pray:

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on the Messiah family; so guide the minds of those who shall choose a Co-rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; and prepare us also to receive them as a gift of your love for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

adapted from the *Book of Common Prayer* 818



Andrew and Christin Lazo as Andrew was awarded a Doctor of Theology and Ministry from Northwind Seminary.

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Vestry Door Duty for March

Opener at 7:30 a.m. ~ Lamar Powers
Closer after 1:00 p.m. ~ Chris Brown
Vestry Meeting Host ~ Chris Brown

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Preschool News

In February, the preschool registration began for the upcoming school year. The preschool is almost full for next year. We have limited openings left in our Three year old room. This is due, in no small part, to our wonderful teachers who work tirelessly to make each child and family feel loved. They are shining examples of Christ's love.

Ms. Stacey's Pre-K class joined children from other preschools at the Jessie Brock Community Center for Lil' Cupid's Carnival on Valentine's Day for games, crafts, and snacks. The younger children celebrated Valentines Day with classroom parties where they exchanged Valentines, crafted, and had lots of yummy snacks provided by their parents.

The month ended with Father Field and Fun Days on February 19 and 20. The dads were served a yummy breakfast, and played space themed games with their children. There was asteroid throwing, pin the rocket on the moon, and lava dancing.

In March the preschool will be closed the week of March 16-20.

Upcoming Events

March 11—SAC Meeting

March 13 – No School

– 9:00 am Teacher Staff

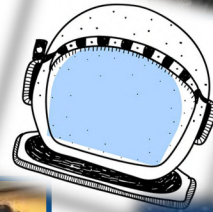
Meeting in the Library

March 16-20—Spring Break

March 26 and 27—Picture Days



Father Field and Fun Days





Faith Family Fun Night
with Orlando City Soccer
April 18th, 7:30pm

Faith & Family Group Night
655 W Church St., Orlando, FL 32805

Orlando City V.S. Houston
April 18th - 7:30PM
Tickets are \$30 each.

Enjoy a post match Q&A with an Orlando City First team player as we enjoy a night of family and fun!
Children and families are welcome to attend.

Please email Megan Adlam at meganadlam@churchofthemessiah.com for details on how to purchase tickets. If you are planning to send your children to this event and they need transportation, please reach out to Megan Adlam to make arrangements.

Kids' Club!!

K-5th Graders Join Mrs. Megan

Sundays from 1 p.m.- 2 p.m.

in the Youth Hall.



Kids' Club is the place to be for kids in K-5th grade!

Each week, children will learn more about Jesus' love through scripture, games, crafts, and stories.

Children will grow in faith, build lifelong friendships, and have lots of fun along the way!

Some weeks we'll go on special preplanned adventures outside the church - because following Jesus leads to many adventures!

Speak with Children's Minister, Megan Adlam, to learn more!

Meganadlam@churchofthemessiah.com



Silver Sneakers class at the Roper YMCA.

At the beginning of each class the instructor will ask a dad joke and Mary Katulic has been guessing the jokes repeatedly.

- Why can't the bicycle get up?

Answer: It's too tired.

- Why don't the circus animals eat the clowns?

Answer: Because they taste funny.

- How do you attract the attention of a squirrel?

Answer: Act like a Nut!!

Mary Katulic at the Roper YMCA
with her Silver Sneaker instructor,
Julia. *Photo courtesy of Patty Tate.*

MARCH

Happy
BirthDay
To You

2– Nichole Babcock
Chase Farwell
Sariyah Morrison

3– Jeremy Burns
Jack Cottle

5– Don Stanton
Reese Smith

7– Pat Crawford
Will Dugger

9– Marvin Haughton

10– Harry Hull

11– Don Grimes
Taylor Smith

13– Paul Robertson
Patty Tate

15– Bobbie Warren
Sandy Sparks

17– Merrily Peacock

20– Mary Kay Predmore
John Ficquette
Melissa Cottrill
Rosemarie Hubert

21– Rita Cho-Sam

22– Stacey Figueroa

25– Linda White
Delilah Brueggeman

26– Aidan Brandenburg

27– Lauren Gossett
Amy Farwell
Tracy Dugger

28– Rose Erler
Karen Stewart

29– Cathy Penn
Anastasia Switzer
Jacob Borst
Yolwenn Alexandre

30– Jason Eaton
Ayden Cho-Sam

Happy
Anniversary

5– Raul and Angela Lopez
Nick and Elaine Myers

15– Bob and Lynn Neill

16– Jason and Michelle Taylor

20– Jonathan and Anne Niebch

21– Bobby and Lisa Field

22– Lamar and Darlene Powers

24– Steve and Lisa Borst

28– Zachary and Yesika King



welcome baby





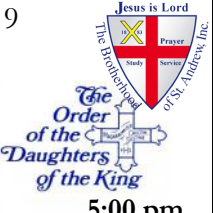











Please pray for our expectant moms,
Megan Adlam, Regan Flemming, and Rebecca Stewart.

“I chose you before I formed you in the womb;
I set you apart before you were born.” Jeremiah 1:5

We want to celebrate you! Please share birthdays, anniversaries, and new arrivals with us.

Call the Office at 407.656.3218 or drop a note in Wendy's Office mailbox.

MARCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 	2	3  6:30 p.m. Ladies' Dinner Parish Hall Men's Supper Youth Hall	4	5	6 12:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross 	7  You are invited to Megan Adlam's Baby Shower 2—5 p.m. in the Parish Hall
8	9  5:00 pm	10	11 12:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross 	12	13	14  7:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Volunteer & Drop off your treasures for the RUMMAGE SALE 9 a.m.—4:30 p.m.						
15 2:00 pm Vestry Meeting 	16	17	18	19	20 12:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross 	21
----- The Preschool is Closed for Spring Break. -----						
Sun 7:00 p.m. - Tues @ 9:00 a.m. Parish Hall Carpet Cleaning		Mon 7:00 a.m. - Wed @ 9:00 a.m. Narthex Tile Cleaning		7:00 p.m. B.A.M.M Fire Pit 		
22	23	24	25 12:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross 	26  7:00 p.m. Book Club	27 12:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross 	28  Lay Weeder Work Day 8 a.m. — Noon Haitian Family Tea Party 1 p.m. —5 p.m. 
29	30	31	April 1 12:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross 	April 2 Maundy Thursday Supper 6 p.m. Service 7 p.m.	April 3 Good Friday 12, 5, & 7 p.m. Tuesday– Fr. Tom's Day Off Office Hours: Mon - Fri 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	April 4 9 a.m.—Noon Altar Guild Work Day

Sunday's Schedule

8:00 a.m. Rite I
9:30 a.m. Rite II
Nursery and Children's Church
11:00 a.m. Rite III
Nursery and Children's Church
1:00 p.m. Kid's Club
in the Youth Hall
4:00 p.m. French Service

5:00 p.m. Youth Band
in the Youth Hall
4:30 p.m. Diving Deeper
with Fr. Tom in the Library
5:30 p.m. Community Sunday
Supper in the Parish Hall
7:00 p.m. Rite III

Weekly Schedule

Monday: 5:15 p.m. Men's Bible Study
2nd Monday: 5:00 p.m. Brotherhood of St Andrew in the Parish Hall & Daughters of the King in the Youth Hall.
Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion
11:00 a.m. Bible Study in the Library
Thursday: 6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. Praise Band Rehearsal

For questions or to volunteer to serve, please contact Mary Kay Predmore at predmoremarykay@gmail.com.
 If you see an opening that you can fill, please email Mary Kay or call the office at 407-656-3218.

Altar Guild	March 1	March 8	March 15	March 22	March 29
Team Leader	Kelley McRae	Dawn Wirbel	Jennifer Roper	Karen Stewart	Kelley McRae
	Marlene Cambridge-McCarthy	Amy Farwell	Wilna Brown	Marcia Collins	Marlene Cambridge-McCarthy
	Marsha Dymond	Becky Gossett	Aliena Gaye	Pattie Range	Marsha Dymond
	Sue Cardaci-Grimes	Linda Ogata	Janice Hull	Pauline Wilson	Sue Cardaci-Grimes

Sunday Servants 8:00 a.m.

8:00 am	March 1	March 8	March 15	March 22	March 29
Lector	Aliena Gaye	Sandy Sparks	Alex Hujik	Joyce Taylor	Maureen Farrar
LEM 1	MK Predmore	Joyce Taylor	Dianne Donaldson	Wayne Sparks	Joyce Taylor
LEM 2	Maureen Farrar	Deborah Alleyne	Joyce Taylor	Maureen Farrar	MK Predmore
Altar Server	Dianne Donaldson	Wayne Sparks	MK Predmore	Dianne Donaldson	Wayne Sparks
Ushers	Jim Farrar	Dan Kem	Alex Hujik	Joyce Taylor	Jay Predmore
& Greeters	Jay Predmore	Bob Tope	Jay Predmore	Jim Farrar	Jim Farrar
P. Intercessor	Joyce Taylor	Sandy Sparks	Gretchen Tope	Sandy Sparks	Gretchen Tope

Sunday Servants 9:30 a.m.

9:30 am	March 1	March 8	March 15	March 22	March 29
Lector	Beth Ann Carr	Joe Eiden	Dawn Wirbel	Jay Williams	Vince Truglia
LEM 1	Chris Brown	Vince Truglia	Tom Buckner	Rodger Watson	Stacey Beck
LEM 2	Stacey Beck	Rodger Watson	Laura Buckner	Mary Lynn Levine	Chris Brown
Altar Server	Taylor Smith	Melanie Field	Kendall Gilmore	Melanie Field	Taylor Smith
Crucifer	Preston Smith	Addison Lynn	Calvin Lambeth	Addison Lynn	Reese Smith
Torch Bearer 1	Reese Smith		Ainsley Gilmore		Preston Smith
Torch Bearer 2					
Ushers & Greeters	Beth Ann Carr Jean Pinder	George & Anida Daniel	Alex & Nicole Babcock	Jay & Patti Williams	Ken Miller John Puchein
P. Intercessor	Karen Stewart	Doreen Stachowski	Susan Kiehm	Chris Brown	Don Stanton
Tech Slides	Laura Buckner	Sam Lynn	Jim Farrar	Wilna Brown	Wilna Brown
Tech Sound	Vita Mazzaluna	Aaron Abney	Maureen Farrar	Sam Lynn	Vita Mazzaluna

Sunday Servants 11:00 a.m.

11:00 am	March 1	March 8	March 15	March 22	March 29
Lector	Paul Buzzonetti	Bob Tate	Paul Buzzonetti	Patty Tate	Giada Mazzaluna
LEM 1	Lionel Williams	Lionel Williams	Marc Boese	MK Predmore	Marc Boese
LEM 2	Karen Williams	Karen Williams	MK Predmore	Steve Borst	Vita Mazzaluna
Altar Server	Jackson Groenendaal	Logan McRae	Savannah Armstrong	Anastasia Switzer	Logan McRae
Ushers & Greeters	Steve & Lisa Borst	McRae Family	Mary Katulic Jay Predmore	Steve & Lisa Borst	McRae Family
P. Intercessor	Karen Boese		Karen Boese		
Tech Slides	Donny Mazzaluna	Marc Boese	Lily Groenendaal	Marc Boese	Lionel Williams
Tech Sound					

Sunday Servants 7:00 p.m.

7:00 pm	March 1	March 8	March 15	March 22	March 29
Lector	Jason Eaton	Nancy Gordon	Violet Eaton	Ode' Mendoza	Jason Eaton
LEM	Steve Raetz	Susie Marshall	Wendy King	Susie Marshall	Larry Cartelli
Usher/Greeter	Amy Raetz	Cindi Shaffer	Bob Greene	Terry Kraft	Bob Greene
P. Intercessor	Susie Marshall		Susie Marshall		Susie Marshall
Tech Slides	Jane Cartelli	Mike King	Jane Cartelli	Mike King	Jane Cartelli

Lay Eucharistic Visitors

LEV	March 1	March 8	March 15	March 22	March 29
Visitor	Lionel & Karen Williams	Don Stanton	Chris Brown	Marc Boese	Don Stanton

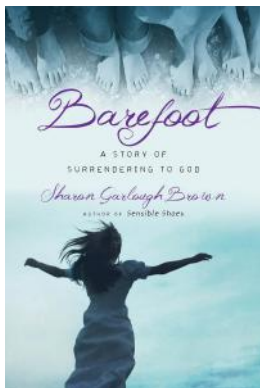
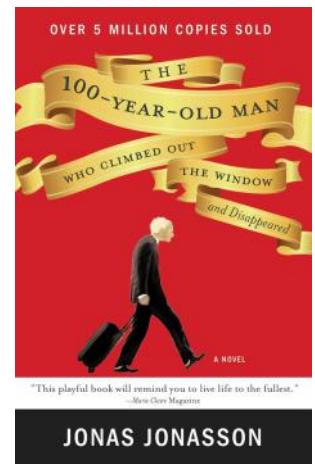
Readings

Readings	March 1	March 8	March 15	March 22	March 29
1 st Lesson	Genesis 12:1-4	Exodus 17:1-7	1 Samuel 16:1-13	Ezekiel 37:1-14	Isaiah 50:4-9
Psalm	Psalm 121	Psalm 95	Psalm 23	Psalm 130	Psalm 31
2 nd Lesson	Romans 4:1-5,13-17	Romans 5:1-11	Ephesians 5:8-14	Romans 8:6-11	Philippians 2:5-11
Gospel	John 3:1-17	John 4:5-42	John 9:1-41	John 11:1-45	Matthew 21:1-11

BOOK CLUB by Patty Tate

In February the Messiah Book Club read “The 100-Year Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared” by Jonas Jonasson. Quite a long title but short compared to the many adventures Allan Karlson encounters in his 100 year old life! He travels through history including meeting Mao’s wife, President Truman (my favorite funny story), Albert Einstein’s hapless half-brother ... just to name a few! Far-fetched? Maybe. But hilarious.

The Book Club people loved this book and hope you will! A copy is now available in the Church of the Messiah library on the special Book Club stand!



Join us next month on March 26, at 7:00.

The Messiah Book Club has read Book 1 and Book 2 of the Sensible Shoes series. It's time to read Book 3 "Barefoot" a story of surrendering to God by Sharon Garlough Brown.

All are welcome to join us!

CURSILLO ULTREYA!!

An Ultreya gathering is a time of spiritual renewal with food, music, and witness talks. Attending a Cursillo weekend is not necessary to attend and can provide a “taste of Cursillo”.

[Upcoming Central Florida Cursillo Ultreya gathering](#)

Friday, March 27

Holy Spirit-Apopka

Begins 6:30pm with pot-luck dinner

601 S. Highland Avenue, Apopka, FL 32703



Sunday Community Supper Ministry update

It seems best to open an update to the Messiah community with a Thank You! Our Sunday Community Supper ministry would not be possible without the amazing core team of volunteers we have. Our team is constructed of people who volunteer every week, once per month, or as they are able. We continue to enjoy the generous volunteering of time and food with people offering their contribution to the weekly sign-up sheets. Thank you again to all who contribute in every way and any way they can. This is truly a parish ministry to the community.

We are making a difference in people's lives every week:

Left overs are brought to those in need every week in the Winter Garden community via [Eight Waves](#)

- o 20-40 servings are distributed weekly to communities near Messiah Church.
- o Messiah members have been providing additional fruit and bread that we add to the leftovers.
- o Messiah members have donated diaper supplies to help families in need.
- o Our food donations have helped Eight Waves to add a new community in need to their broader efforts.

Our Community Sunday Supper invitation has also been presented to: [Christian Service Center](#), [Hope Center](#), and [Dream Center](#).

- o Messiah's parish family continues to be fed nourishment and community every Sunday evening

We welcomed our first community guest this past Sunday.

Messiah is living out Jesus' call for us to love our neighbors as ourselves and to offer works of love to our neighbors. It is together that we are serving two Winter Garden Communities:

- Those that need us to bring food and community to them.
- Those that have the ability to come to us on Sunday evenings.

If you are interested in going into the community with Eight Waves to share our food gifts, you are welcome to let us know and we can share their contact info.

Sarah Waters and her team, including Winter Garden District 3 commissioner Chloe Johnson Brunson, would love to have you! It is usually a 20-30 minute commitment.

God's Peace

Amy and Steve Raetz

**Community Sunday Supper
in the Parish Hall**



Come, dine, fellowship, and
maybe even volunteer for
this new ministry.

Sunday evenings at 5:30 p.m.

Come Fellowship with your Messiah Family and Friends

The First Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m.



**Ladies' Dinner
Irish Feast**
in the Parish Hall.

Men's Supper in the Youth Hall.



Sign-ups for both are in the Narthex!



JOIN US TO CELEBRATE
THE PARENTS TO BE

Megan and Connor Adlam

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

IN THE PARISH HALL



Scan the QR code for more details
and bring a dish to share.



Church Rummage Sale

SATURDAY, MARCH 14TH
7:00 AM - 1:00 PM

TREASURES AND VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
CONTACT MARC BOESE.

Being a Messiah's Man B.A.M.M

Men's Fire Pit!

Wednesday, March 18
at 7:00 p.m.

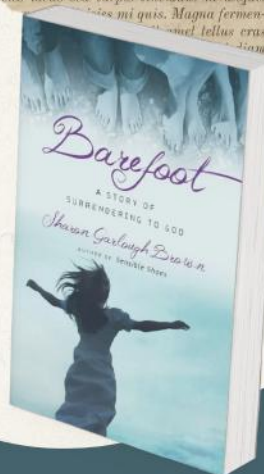
Contact Chris Brown
407-864-1708

BOOK CLUB

March Book

Barefoot

A story of surrendering to God
Sharon Garlough Brown



Thursday
March 26th at 7pm
in the Library *(A Sensible Shoes Book)

Baptisms on Easter (April 5th)



If you'd like to be baptized, or you have a child to be baptized, Easter is the PERFECT day to do that. Please contact one of our clergy.