

WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH!

We are a prayerful, Bible-teaching, evangelical church in the heart of the city with a heart for the city and the world. We are a member of the Anglican Network in Canada and part of the Fellowship of Confessing Anglicans. We seek to be a biblically faithful and orthodox church within the Anglican Way of following Jesus.

Are you new? Get connected!

Are you interested in learning more about Messiah and getting connected? Email info@messiahchurch.ca or call **613.235.0596**. Also check out our website at messiahchurch.ca

Nursery & Sunday School

Nursery (0 - 24 months) and Sunday School (2 yrs - Grade 6) are available at the 10am Service. For Nursery, please bring children to the lobby before or during the service. For Sunday School, kids are invited to "follow the cross" during the last worship song.

LEADERSHIP TEAM

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| Rev. Canon George Sinclair Rector | Daniel Gilman Pastor of Evangelism and Discipleship |
| Shirley Allan Administrator | Joey McNitt Worship Leader |
| Jonathan Camiré Ministry Intern | Wardens: Dick Butler, Gary Graber, John Rayson, Shannon Ripley, Karl Ruban, Dana Scherf |

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Giving

If you are visiting, please feel free to let the basket go by. If you would like to donate, there are many ways to give:

- 1) Place **cash or cheques** payable to "Church of the Messiah" in the offering basket on Sunday, or mail to the church office. Please contact the office if you are interested in using offering envelopes.
- 2) **Email your contribution** to givings@messiahchurch.ca Please use the security question: "What is the pastor's first name?" and the answer: "George"
- 3) **Pre-authorized debit** – You can authorize the church to debit your bank account for a fixed amount on a recurring basis of your choice. To get started, please contact the office: info@messiahchurch.ca

Financial Update

Funds needed to balance the books at December 31, 2015: \$78,000
Funds given in November and December 2014: \$74,021

ONCE MORE ON MESSIAH AND MONEY

Dear friends,

Just to be clear up front, if you are a guest with us this morning, please feel free to let the offering basket pass you by. If you have been attending for a while, but you are a seeker and still do not know if you will give your life to Jesus, trusting Him as your Saviour and Lord, please let the offering basket pass you by. We are glad to have you with us and we do not need you to contribute to Messiah financially. In fact, we would like to treat you to free coffee and snacks. We want you to know that God loves you. He loves you so much that He sent His Son to die on the cross for you, so that when you put your faith in Jesus, you become God's child by adoption and grace. God held nothing back in loving you. He is grace. He is generous. He longs for you to come to Him to become free. He does not need our money. His love for you and me is not "need-love", it is "gift-love".

Money has a hold on all of our lives. For some of us it is a very tight hold. Some of us are controlled at a very deep level by money. Money is not evil. It is not a virtue to be poor. It is not a curse to be rich. To be rich does not make you of more value to God. Some people become well-off as a result of acting in an evil way. Some people work hard and well and are blessed with significant financial resources. Some people are well-off because they chose the right parents. Money is not evil; it is in many ways "a good" - but it is a good which easily and subtly becomes our god. Money no longer serves us, as we get our sense of purpose, security, worth and identity from God. We begin to serve money - it is money which gives us our sense of purpose, security, worth and identity. If we have money or are making money we feel good and of worth. If we are low-income we feel inferior and of little worth. Money has gone from being a good to being my god.

God wants us to be free from all idols and to be free in Him. After we come to faith in Jesus, we need to give money for God's purposes. This is a key discipline to break idols and to be free. The Bible sets 10% as an "ordinary Christian" rule-of-thumb guide to how much money we should seek to return to God to be used for His purposes. God sometimes calls people to give more. The local church, your church home, is where giving to God should begin. Pray and give! Pray that Messiah will use every penny to bring glory to God in Ottawa and to the ends of the earth.

George +

GROWING IN GRACE

I need to develop godly attitudes.

- A) Pray for godly attitudes in general & certain attitudes in particular.
- B) Ask others to pray the same thing for you.
- C) Repeat the attitude to help it sink in. Do this in conjunction with A & B!

Attitudes.

- 1) Sin is not just an action; it is a power that seeks dominion.
- 2) Jesus died for me so that I can live free.
- 3) I will not make a peace treaty with my sin.

I need to grow in prayer.

A great way to do this is to learn to pray the Bible. Pray this prayer until you can pray without reading:

Lord, thank You for the gift of this new day. I come to You, ready to work for You and under Your direction. I bring the best of who I am and all of who I am. I bring my mind, body, time, money, creativity, sexuality, influence, job and life. I am here to work for You. Please guide, direct and strengthen me to do what You would have me do. Please free me so I work for Your glory and not my own. In Jesus' name. Amen.

I need to get God's word in my mind and heart.

For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.
Romans 6: 10-11

I need to do something or start to do something.

Complete the following sentence: "In light of God's word, the Holy Spirit is leading me to _____."

GOING DEEPER

Getting to know me.

When and where were you baptized? How old were you?

Getting into the Bible.

Please remember to ask the Lord to lead you and guide you into all truth.

Read Romans 6: 1-14. Then read Romans 1: 16-17. Then read Romans 3: 22-23. Then read Romans 5:21 noting every time the Bible speaks of our need for faith in Jesus to be made right with God.

Getting real.

How has God used His word to speak into your life? Can you share some of this with others so they can pray for you?

UPCOMING EVENTS + ANNOUNCEMENTS

TUE / NOV 24 Lowertown Home Group
7pm @ 110 Nelson St.

WED / NOV 25 Church on Wednesday
7pm @ uOttawa UCU
Hintonburg Home Group
7:30pm @ 84 Fairmont Ave.

THU / NOV 26 Moms and Tots Drop-in
10am-noon @ 119 Rochester St.
King Edward Home Group
7:30pm @ 703A King Edward Ave.

FRI / NOV 27 Revive Youth Group
7pm @ École Ste Anne (235 Beausoleil)

SAT / NOV 28 Advent Potluck Dinner and Carol Sing
5pm @ St Peter and St Paul's Anglican Church (152 Metcalfe St.)

Our annual Advent Potluck Dinner and Carol Sing will be held on Saturday, November 28 @ 5pm at St Peter and St Paul's (152 Metcalfe St.) Don't miss this opportunity to get together with your friends for a time of fellowship, great food and carol singing! Please bring food to share.

Messiah Women! Our ever-popular **Potluck Breakfast** will be held on Saturday, December 6 at 315 Lisgar St. Please sign up at the coffee bar.

The winter term at **Ryle Theological College** begins the week of January 18! Courses on offer: Reformation History, Old Testament: Historical Books, Systematic Theology : Doctrine of God, Introduction to Greek. To register or for more information: rylecollege.com / info@messiahchurch.ca

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