

JESUS ON THE FUTURE
LUKE: JESUS FOR PAGANS AND SKEPTICS

The First Reading
1 John 5: 4-12

The Gospel
Luke 21: 5-38

*Free Bibles available on
stage near Besserer door.



Making disciples gripped by the gospel, living for God's glory.

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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 third worship song.

LEADERSHIP TEAM

Rev. Canon George Sinclair Rector	Jeremy Giles Ministry Intern	Wardens Dick Butler
Shirley Allan Administrative Manager	Daniel Gilman Ministry Intern	Gary Graber
Jeremiah Smith Worship Leader		John Rayson
		Shannon Ripley
		Karl Ruban
		Dana Scherf

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Giving

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

- 1) Place cash or cheques, payable to "Church of the Messiah", in the offering plate on Sunday, or mail to the church office.
- 2) Visit messiahchurch.ca/give to donate online via CanadaHelps.

Financial Update at March 31:

Target Offering: \$80,499
Actual Offering: \$67,842

We need you! Will you help collect the offering or act as a door host on Sunday mornings? If you feel led to serve in either of these ways, please contact Shirley: shirley@messiahchurch.ca or 613.235.0596

A big thanks to all who contributed to the St Joe's Easter bin.

Where you are is a guide to prayer

Dear friends,

Please engage in "front line" prayer - prayer beyond yourself. It is a good thing to pray for the sick. It is a good thing to pray for friends and family. It is a good thing to pray for yourself. However, we also need to pray like missionaries in the mission field. We need to pray for ourselves and our church, asking God to reveal to us the "divine assignments" He has for us as individuals and as a church. Here are some suggestions.

First, please pray, by name, for people to come to a saving faith in Jesus Christ. I think you have a special obligation to pray for family members. But ask God to bring to mind others that you should pray for evangelistically. This might include "unlikely" people that your mind tells you will come to faith. Pray for them!

Second, pray evangelistically for your neighbours and your co-workers/fellow students/profs. Your words can be simple. "Dear God, please bring _____ to saving faith in Jesus." Lately I have come under conviction that I have not prayed for my neighbours. Now I try to remember to pray for the people who live on my street. Please pray for me that I will be diligent in such prayers!

Third, please pray for Messiah's neighbours. In particular, the neighbours to our offices and where we gather on Sunday. We have both a city-wide ministry and a local ministry! Please pray for the: condo dwellers near the Ottawa Little Theatre; the University of Ottawa; the theatre community of actors, directors and other creative people; the gay community (our offices are in the gay village); those who attend the mosque across the street from our offices. In all of these cases, please pray something like the following: "Dear God, please bring many in _____ to a saving faith in Jesus. Please show us, as a church, if there are things you would have us do, so the people in _____ will come to a saving faith in Jesus."

One final request. Please pray that God will plant solid, evangelical ANiC churches in: Kanata, Manotick, Leitrim, Orleans, Arnprior and Cornwall. Please pray that God will make clear to us what He would have us do to raise up prayerful, Bible-teaching evangelical churches with a heart for the city and a heart for the world in these communities.

George +

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) Dear God, deliver me from presumption and grow in me true faith in You.
- 2) Dear God, please help me to remember what Your word says, not what people say.
- 3) I will reject every messianic and utopian movement.

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.

Dear God, please help me not to fear what the world fears. When all around are overcome with fear and foreboding, please turn my eyes to Jesus. Please turn my heart to what Jesus accomplished for me on the cross. Please turn my mind to His resurrection and His coming again in glory. Then, help me rise from prayer and stand straight, head held high, bearing witness to you and living for Your glory. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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

"Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away."
Luke 21:33

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 you were a kid, was there a special day that you always looked forward to?

Getting into the Bible.

Remember to ask God to lead you into all truth as you read His word.

- 1) Read Luke 21: 5-38
- 2) Read Matthew 24: 1-35
- 3) Read Mark 13: 1-37

Getting real.

How has God spoken to you? What has He "pressed" upon you? Can you share something of this so others can pray for you?

TUE / APR 14 Messiah Prayer Meeting
7pm @ Messiah Office / 315 Lisgar St.

The House (Home Group)
7pm @ 148 Augusta St.

Lowertown Home Group
7pm @ 110 Nelson St.

WED / APR 15 Church on Wednesday
7pm @ uOttawa, Agora

The Wurtemberg Home Group
7:30pm @ 84 Fairmont Ave.

THU / APR 16 Church on Thursday
5pm @ Algonquin
Visit churchonthursday.ca for details.

The Old Ottawa South Home Group
7:15pm @ 267 Sunnyside Ave.

FRI / APR 17 Revive Youth!
7pm @ Ecole Sainte-Anne / 340 York St.

SAT / APR 18 Women's Potluck Breakfast
9:30 am @ The Bible House /315 Lisgar
Sign up: at coffee after the service, 613.235.0596
or shirley@messiahchurch.ca

SUN / APR 19 Sex Education? - What's a Parent to Do?
3 - 5pm @ Metropolitan Bible Church. Parent info event on the new Ontario Health and Physical Education curriculum. Keynote speakers: Peter Jon Mitchell, Senior Researcher, Institute of Marriage and Family Canada and Julie Beazley, Policy Analyst, Evangelical Fellowship of Canada. There will also be an expert panel ready to answer questions.

Caring for God's Creation.

7:30 - 9pm @ Monique & Paul Heintzman's home /264 Kingsmere, Chelsea - an evening of conversation on the topic of Creation Care with Dr. Loren & Mary Ruth Wilkinson, Regent College, Vancouver. RSVP: pheintzm@uottawa.ca or 819-827-8280.

SAT / MAY 2 Bishop Charlie visits Church of the Messiah
SUN / MAY 3 Join Bishop Charlie for a time of teaching and sharing on Saturday morning and for worship on Sunday. Details to follow.