

AMOS: LET JUSTICE ROLL DOWN

First Reading: Amos 8: 1-14 *Free Bibles available on stage near Besserer door.

Gospel Reading: Luke 17: 11-19



UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church of the Messiah is seeking those who share Christ's heart for children. Our **SUNDAY SCHOOL** ministry is seeking to fill teaching slots for three classes this fall: ages 2 - 4; ages 5 - 7 and ages 8 - 10. Training, curriculum, and prayer support will be provided. The new session begins on September 11. If you are interested or have questions please speak to Karen Cooper (e-mail: hobbit@cogeco.ca) or contact the church office at info@messiahchurch.ca

CHURCH ON WEDNESDAY resumes on September 7 @ 7pm @ uOttawa University Centre!

BISHOP CHARLIE MASTERS will visit Church of the Messiah on October 16. If you are interested in being confirmed, OR would like to be officially received into Anglicanism, OR would like to renew/reaffirm your baptism, by Bishop Charlie, please contact Shirley at info@messiahchurch.ca or 613 235 0596.

Interested in a course at Ryle Seminary? Registration is open for fall courses. Contact: info@ryleseminary.ca or 613 235 0596

Questions and/or comments about the sermon or scripture text? Email george@messiahchurch.ca

Making disciples of Jesus gripped by the Gospel
and 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 last worship song.

LEADERSHIP TEAM

Rev. Canon George Sinclair Rector	Daniel Gilman Pastor of Evangelism and Discipleship
Jonathan Camiré Ministry Intern	Rev. Neil Stephens Pastor of Discipleship and Pastoral Care
Deborah Reid Worship Leader	Wardens: Dick Butler Jeremiah Hadwen Earl Maynard Shannon Ripley Karl Ruban Dana Scherf
Shirley Allan Administrator	

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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) You can use PayPal to donate to the church. Click on the "Give" tab (far right side) on our website (messiahchurch.ca)
- 4) 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 AT JULY 31, 2016

Target Offering: \$ 171,860

Actual Offering: \$ 158,586

FINAL COMMENTS (FOR NOW) ON ANGLICAN ROOTS

Dear friends,

This summer I have written a series of blogs on "root" Anglican beliefs. For us at Messiah these are not mere root beliefs as they are part of our statement of faith. This week I will bring the series to a close by looking at several statements in the Thirty-Nine Articles of Religion that are very surprising to people who are only familiar with the "official" Anglican Church in Canada and the United States (whose "official" church is called The Episcopal Church).

Do Anglicans believe that the creeds are equal to the Bible? Answer: No. Article VIII "The three creeds, Nicene Creed, Athanasius' Creed and that which is commonly called the Apostles' Creed, ought thoroughly to be received and believed: for they may be proved by certain warrants of Holy Scripture." Please note, the creeds are not equal to the Bible. The creeds are of value because they are biblical.

Do Anglicans believe that it is by living a good life that we are Christian? No! Article XI: "We are accounted righteous before God only for the merit of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ by faith and not for our own works or deservings: wherefore, that we are justified by faith only is a most wholesome doctrine and very full of comfort...."

Do Anglicans believe that it does not matter what you believe as long as you are sincere in what you believe and try your best? That many faiths lead to God? No! Article XVIII (*Please note that 16th century documents are more blunt than we are used to*). "They also are to be had accursed that presume to say that every person shall be saved by the law or sect which they profess so that they are diligent to frame their life according to that law and the light of nature. For Holy Scripture does set out unto us only the name of Jesus Christ, whereby people must be saved."

Do Anglicans believe in purgatory? Do they pray to saints? No! Article XXII: "The Romish doctrine concerning purgatory, pardons, worshiping and adorations as well of images as of relics and also invocation of saints is a fond thing vainly invented and grounded upon no warranty of Scripture but rather repugnant to the word of God." Please note several things. The Bible is Holy Scripture, the Word of God. "Worshiping and adoration" here includes worshiping and adoring the consecrated bread, icons, statues or relics. The Article says these practices are invented by people and are, to be blunt, repugnant to what the Bible teaches.

Please pray that we be a people who daily read, mark, learn and inwardly digest the Bible. Pray we read all of the Bible on a regular basis.

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