

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

Shirley Allan

Administrator

Amy Dagenais

Guest Worship Leader

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 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. Please contact the office if you are interested in using offering envelopes.
- 2) Visit messiahchurch.ca/give to donate online via CanadaHelps.

Financial Update at July 30:

Target Offering: \$174,372

Actual Offering: \$155,430

MORNING PRAYER

Dear friends,

I hope you have been enjoying our Morning Prayer services these last few weeks. Morning Prayer (and Evening Prayer) is a service suitable to pray through by yourself, in a small group or as a congregation. The service is virtually unchanged from the English Reformation [mid 16th century]. The written prayers are very wise and packed with much to teach us. Read (and pray) the following:

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desires not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live; and has given power and commandment, to His ministers to declare and pronounce to His people, being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins: He pardons and absolves all them that truly repent, and unfeignedly believe His holy Gospel. Wherefore, let us beseech Him to grant us true repentance, and His Holy Spirit, that those things may please Him, which we do at this present time, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy, so that we may, at the last, come to His eternal joy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The above prayer is prayed by the Presbyter after the congregation has confessed their sin to God. Note several wonderful features of this prayer.

First, it reminds us of God's loving heart. He does not desire that we continue in sin and rebellion far from Him. He loves us and desires that we would call out to Him.

Second, it reminds us of the Gospel. The Gospel emerges out of God's love for us. Out of love for us, God provides salvation when we could not save ourselves. The Gospel is the proclamation that by His death upon the cross and resurrection, all who repent and put their faith in Jesus will receive from God "the power of God for salvation."

Third, we are encouraged to call out to God for "true repentance and His Holy Spirit." It is not that we are saved by our frequency of asking for "true repentance". No, we ask for true repentance in light of our present sins, confident of God's forgiveness because we truly repented and believed the Gospel and, thereby, received God's power for salvation. Grace enables daily repentance. Daily repentance does not replace grace.

Finally, we ask God to help us live a pure and holy life, mindful that through the Gospel, our destiny is to live in God's eternal joy. God has made us for Himself. He has made us for joy! 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) The marriage of one man to one woman is intrinsic to creation.
- 2) The Bible is realistic, sane and wise about marriage.
- 3) I will pray for my spouse more and complain less.

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 Lord, please make my marriage (or the marriage of _____) godly, holy, fun, fruitful, close and filled with mutual delight. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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

But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. So they are no longer two but one flesh. Mark 10: 6-8

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.

What is the marital history of your mother and/or your father?

Getting into the Bible.

Ask God to help you to be both a hearer and a doer of His Word.

Read: Proverbs 5: 15-23; 12:4; 18:22; 19:13-14; 21:9 and 19; 27:15-16; 31:10

Read: Genesis 2: 4-25 and then Ephesians 5: 22-33

Read: Matthew 5: 27-30; 5: 38-42; 7:3-5

Getting real.

Has God's Word convicted you in some area of your life or has it illumined something in your life? Can you share some of this so others can pray for you?

TUE / AUG 18 Moms and Tots Drop-in

10am-noon@ 119 Rochester St.
Lowertown Home Group
 7pm @ 110 Nelson St.

WED / AUG 19 Wurtemberg Home Group

7:30pm @84 Fairmont Ave.

We are thankful to have Amy Dagenais as our Guest Worship Leader today. Welcome, Amy.

The weekly **Tuesday Prayer Meeting** will resume on Tuesday, September 8 at 7pm.

Being part of a **Home Group** is a great way to get connected to friends at Church of the Messiah. Not only do you get to know people on a more personal level, but you learn about God and Jesus as you study together. You are welcome to join any of the currently established Home Groups: (Tuesday - in Lowertown; Wednesday - in Westboro; Thursday - in Old Ottawa South (taking a break in the summer) Looking for something else? Let us know!

- A group that meets in a different part of the city?
- Men or Women only?
- A group that meets in your workplace?
- A group meeting Sunday @ 9am @ the OLT?

Please contact the office (info@messiahchurch.ca) if you would like more information or have some suggestions!

Thank you for your support of our friend, **Norman Igloopialik**. Norman will graduate from his program at the Mamisarvik Healing Centre on August 28 @ 3pm. You are invited to attend this ceremony. The Mamisarvik Healing Centre is located at 1863 Russell Rd.

Interested in seeing an Ottawa Redblacks game at a reduced price? You can purchase tickets for the game against the Saskatchewan Roughriders on Faith Day, Sunday, August 30 @ 4pm. Tickets are \$35 (regular price \$50.50). You will also have an opportunity to meet after the game with the team chaplain and players who want to talk about their faith. Contact info@messiahchurch.ca to get an order form!

Have you lost a **Literary Study Bible** (ESV version) enclosed in a black case? A gift card inside it is signed "Your Sunflower". Contact info@messiahchurch.ca