

JESUS ON TRIAL  
LUKE: JESUS FOR PAGANS AND SKEPTICS

**First Reading**  
Acts 2: 1-11

**The Gospel**  
Luke 23:1-25

\*Free Bibles available on stage near Besserer door.



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

**May 24, 2015**  
**Morning Prayer**

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## WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH!

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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](mailto:info@messiahchurch.ca) or call **613.235.0596**. Also check out our website at [messiahchurch.ca](http://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

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

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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### 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](http://messiahchurch.ca/give) to donate online via CanadaHelps.

### Financial Update at April 30:

Target Offering: \$97,319  
Actual Offering: \$90,736

## CITY-WIDE AND LOCAL

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Dear friends,

The hotel next door to The Ottawa Little Theatre has been sold to the University of Ottawa. It is my understanding that the university is in the process of turning most of the building into a residence for first and second-year university students. This leads me to ask for you to pray about certain things.

First of all, pray for the students who will be living there! Pray for the Christian students that they will emerge from their year at Ottawa U a stronger and deeper Christian than when they started their academic year. Please pray, as well, for seekers. As is well known, a person's university years are sometimes a season of great change. The student's studies and experiences lead them to question and to a search for answers. Please pray that God will impress upon many students deep questions. Pray that many students will come to a saving faith in Jesus during their academic year.

Second, please pray that God will lead us and guide us to minister to the students and to humbly share the gospel with them. Ask God to open doors for us. Ask God to make us sensitive to His leading and guiding.

This leads me to an aside before I ask for more prayer! Messiah is to have both a local ministry and a city-wide ministry. While Jesus commands us to go to the ends of the earth to share the gospel and make disciples, we also have to cover our Jerusalem. In other words, we need to pray and work with a world perspective and a city perspective and a neighbourhood perspective. So we need to pay attention to two key neighbourhoods - where our office is and where we gather in public worship on Sunday. However, we can minister and begin ministries anywhere in the city. There is no reason we cannot start something where we live or where we work, even if where we live or work is not near 315 Lisgar St or the Ottawa Little Theatre. Please pray for your neighbours and your neighbourhood. If people become Christians, or are seeking, invite them to Messiah or a good local gospel church. So this is my third request. Please pray for your neighbours and your neighbourhood.

Finally, please pray for God to do the impossible! Please pray that God will use us to plant evangelical ANiC churches in: Kanata, Leitrim, Manotick, Orleans, Arnprior and Cornwall.

Thank you for praying!

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) If Jesus was misunderstood, then I will be misunderstood as I follow Him.
- 2) If Jesus was slandered, then I will be slandered as I follow Him.
- 3) I will learn to live in Jesus' Kingdom with Jesus as my crucified King.

**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, I confess before You that I fear drawing close to You. I fear that You will mislead me and make me act against my best interest. I fear that You will hurt me financially. I fear that You will undermine my own rule of my life. Jesus, please grip me with the gospel! Thank You that Your death upon the cross was a powerful act of love and mercy to reconcile me to the living God and to restore me to full humanity as God's image-bearer. Amen.

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

"For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God." 1 Corinthians 1: 22-24 ESV

**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.**

Do you have "two left feet" or are you a good dancer?

**Getting into the Bible.**

Remember to ask God to help you understand and live His Word written.

- 1. Read Luke 23: 1-25
- 2. Read Luke 23: 18-25. Then read Leviticus 16: 20-22; Acts 4: 23-31; 1 Corinthians 1: 18-31

**Getting real.**

Has God spoken in your life as you have read and talked and thought about His Word? Can you share something of this so others can pray for you?

**TUE / MAY 26 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 / MAY 27 Church on Wednesday**

7pm @ uOttawa, Agora

**Wurtemberg Home Group**

7:30pm @ 84 Fairmont Ave.

**FRI / MAY 29 30-hour Famine**

**SAT / MAY 30** Support the Messiah Revive Youth as they fast for 30 hours and raise funds for World Vision. You can donate by cash or cheque (see a Youth) or by credit card: [30hourfamine.org/donate](http://30hourfamine.org/donate) Click on Donate - Find a Famine student or group - enter the name "Revive".

**SAT / JUNE 6 The Big Give**

9am-1pm Details coming soon!

**Did you know there is a Prayer Chain at Church of the Messiah?**

There is a dedicated group of individuals who would love the privilege of praying, in confidence, for you. Please send your requests to: [shirley@messiahchurch.ca](mailto:shirley@messiahchurch.ca)

There is **no coffee fellowship after today's service**. Why don't you go out for a late breakfast or coffee with some of your church friends?