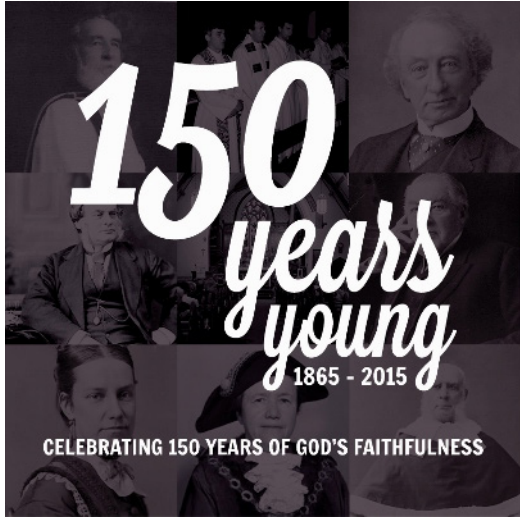


PEACE WITH GOD
GRACE SHAPED LIFE: THE BOOK OF ROMANS

First Reading: Romans 5: 1-11 *Free Bibles available on stage near Besserer door.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22: 15-22



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

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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 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	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) Visit messiahchurch.ca/give to donate online via **CanadaHelps**.
- 3) **Email your contribution** to givings@messiahchurch.ca. Please use the security question: "What is the pastor's first name?" and the answer: "George"
- 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

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

MESSIAH AND MONEY

Dear friends,

Some churches never talk about money. Some churches talk about money all the time. Some churches do not take up "the offering" during worship; others, like Messiah, do. Non-Christians often think that churches talk about money all the time or mainly care about money. The fact is that these non-Christians are right about some churches - but they are not right about all churches.

Here at Messiah we mention money from time-to-time. Obviously, this is one of those times.

We live in a culture that is both obsessed with money but also very private about money. If most of us went into a restaurant and we read the menu and the menu did not list the price of different items; well, we would be very uncomfortable. We would know the meal would not be free, so we would want to know prices before we ordered. Many government services are "free". They are not really "free". They are only "free" in the sense that there is no user-fee and the costs are paid by general tax revenue. If we went to a friend's house for supper and they handed us a menu with prices, we would be ticked-off. By the same token, if we went to a friend's house for a meal and they told us the total price of the meal, we would feel uncomfortable.

So how do churches fit into all of this? Coming to church is a bit like going to a friend's house for a meal. On the other hand, a congregation is a bit like a family or a household - money is needed to care for the family's needs and to be generous to friends and neighbours. In Canada today, the church is not at all like a government service. We are not supported by general tax revenues.

I will talk about money and Messiah a bit more next week. But for now, if you are a guest with us, please let the offering basket pass. If you are a non-Christian, you are our guest as well; please let the offering basket pass. Welcome! Stay for coffee and cookies and please come again and again and again!

If Messiah is your church home and you are a follower of Jesus, you have an obligation, as part of our Lord's household, to support the work and ministry of Messiah with your financial tithes and offerings. Please be generous in prayer and in financial giving.

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) Humbly knowing God's final word about me helps me to face today's challenges.
- 2) God wants us to walk in hope in Jesus Christ crucified.
- 3) Jesus died for me when I was a weak, ungodly sinner.

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, thank You that in Jesus, suffering, death, failure and pain are not the final words about me. Thank You that in Jesus, the final word that You will speak over me is, "Right with Me by faith in Jesus." Please help me to be gripped by the gospel when I suffer. As I am gripped by the gospel in the midst of suffering, please grow in me endurance, character and hope. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Romans 5:1

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 tend to arrive early, on time or late?

Getting into the Bible.

Pray for God to pour out His Holy Spirit upon you as you read His word written.

1. Read Romans 5:1-11.
2. Read Romans 5:2. Then read Romans 8: 18-23; 2 Corinthians 3: 17-18; 4:7-10; 1 John 3: 2-3
3. Read Romans 5:5. Then read Isaiah 32:15; Joel 2: 28-29; Acts 2: 1-4.
4. Read Romans 5:6. Then read Mark 1:15; Galatians 4:4.

Getting real.

Has some truth or course of action been pressed home to you? Can you share this with others so they can pray with you?

TUE / NOV 10 Lowertown Home Group
7pm @ 110 Nelson St.

WED / NOV 11 Church on Wednesday
7pm @ uOttawa UCU
Hintonburg Home Group
7:30pm @ 84 Fairmont Ave.

THU / NOV 12 Moms and Tots Drop-in
10am-noon @ 119 Rochester St.
King Edward Home Group
7:30pm @ 703A King Edward Ave.

FRI / NOV 13 Revive Youth Group
7pm @ École Ste Anne (235 Beausoleil)

SAT / NOV 14 Movie Night - Messiah Women
7pm @ 14 Ashdale Ave.

SUN / NOV 15 Operation Christmas Child boxes are due.

Dig & Delve is on next weekend! It's not too late to get tickets. See George or Shirley after the service!

Messiah Women. Don't miss **Movie Night** at Deane Ronayne's home (14 Ashdale Ave.) on Saturday @ 7pm. We will watch the movie, *The Hundred Foot Journey*. Please sign up at the coffee bar today or contact the office: info@messiahchurch.ca

Pick up **Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes** today. Each shoebox is filled with hygiene items, school supplies and toys, and is given to children regardless of gender, race, or religion. Please return your shoeboxes next Sunday, **November 15**.

Save the date! Our annual Advent Potluck Dinner will be held on Saturday, November 28 @ 5pm at St Peter and St Paul's (152 Metcalfe St.)

The Marriage Course is returning in 2016! The Marriage Course is for any couple who wants to invest in their marriage, whether you have been together 1 or 61 years and whether you have a strong relationship or are struggling. You will be served a candlelit meal at a romantic table for two while listening to practical talks presented on DVD. There is never any group work and you will never be asked to share anything about your relationship with anyone other than your partner. It will run on Sunday evenings beginning on February 14, 2016. There is space for six couples. Need more info? Want to sign up? info@messiahchurch.ca

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