# JESUS CRUCIFIED, DEAD AND BURIED LUKE: JESUS FOR PAGANS AND SKEPTICS

First ReadingThe G1 John 4: 7-21Luke

 The Gospel
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 Luke 23: 26 - 56
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\*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 Sin	clair Jeremy Giles	Wardens
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<b>Shirley Allan</b> Administrator	<b>Daniel Gilman</b> Ministry Intern	Gary Graber John Rayson Shannon Ripley
<b>Jeremiah Smith</b> Worship Leader		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 May 31: Target Offering: \$126, 520 Actual Offering: \$115, 904

# BEFORE WE PRAY FOR MONEY

#### Dear friends,

I always need money. Note, I am not saying that I always need more money than I already have. I am just saying that to live in Canada requires money to pay for food and clothing and - well, we just need money to live. Despite this simple, obvious fact, people are surprised to think that a church always needs money. We need money to pay The Ottawa Little Theatre and our office rental and salaries and missionaries and ministries. Basically, ministry costs money. I am going to ask you to pray that God will provide financially for us. However, there are several things we should pray before we pray for money.

First off is a quote by Hudson Taylor. "God's work done in God's way will not lack God's supply." I think this summarizes a great deal of biblical wisdom. So please pray that we are seeking God's will for Messiah. Please pray that we truly want to know His will for us. Please pray that we are willing to stop doing things because it is not His will that we do those things. Please pray that we will be willing to do new things and be willing to continue doing old things - all because it is His will. Please pray that we will do God's will, God's way, for God's glory.

The second area of prayer builds on the first. Please pray that God will make us fruitful! This is a simple request that has some depth. We need to allow God to determine fruitfulness! It is too easy to only think of "fruitfulness" in a worldly way by the criteria of our culture. If God is determining our fruitfulness, then it will have some connection to cultural understanding, but it will also be quite different. So we need to pray that we will grow into God's understanding of fruitfulness and pray that God will make us fruitful as He is glorified. Mere busyness is not fruitfulness! Lord, please make us truly fruitful!

Third, pray our mission and vision statement! They are designed to be prayed! Pray that God will use us to make disciples of Jesus gripped by the gospel living for His glory. Pray that God will build us into a prayerful, Bible-teaching evangelical church with a heart for Ottawa and a heart for the world. What is an evangelical church? One that has received the gospel and wants to be shaped by the gospel and share the gospel.

Finally, please pray that God will provide for us financially. Thank you for praying!

George +

# GROWING IN GRACE

## UPCOMING EVENTS + ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### 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.

I will learn to practice forgiving without forgetting.
 Jesus bears my curse, but He Himself never curses.
 Every day, in every way, I will commit myself into the hands of my Lord.

#### 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 flatter myself too much to detect or hate my own sin. I confess before You that it could have been me who placed the thorns upon Your head, or nailed You to the cross or mocked You as You hung bleeding on the cross. I thank You, that You, the sinless One, did not save Yourself but died to save the thief and me and all who put their faith in You. I am Yours. You are my only Saviour and my only Lord. Amen.

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

" And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." Luke 23:43 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.

Not counting concerts or political rallies, who is the most famous person you have seen face-to-face?

#### Getting into the Bible.

Remember to pray for God to lead you and guide you into all truth as you read His Word written.

1. Read Luke 23: 26-56. 2. Read Psalm 22 and Hebrews 9:1- 10:25.

### Getting real.

Has God impressed some truth on you? Has he convicted you of sin? Has He convicted you to do something? Can you share some of this so others can pray for you?

**TUE / JUN 9** 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 / JUN 10 Church on Wednesday

7pm @ uOttawa, Agora

# Wurtemburg Home Group

7:30pm @ 84 Fairmont Ave.

## FRI / JUN 12 Revive! Youth

7pm @ Ecole Sainte-Anne / 340 York St.

## MON / JUN 15 Electoral Vestry

7pm@ 315 Lisgar All are welcome to attend this meeting. The election of several officers will take place and there will be an overview of church ministries and finances.

**Messiah Women: save the date!** A Fall Retreat will be held October 2, 3 and 4 at Bethesda Renewal Centre in Ashton. Vikki Ruby will be the speaker and the theme will be God's faithfulness, sustenance and the power of prayer! Mark your calendar!

## You can park at the Target indoor garage just beside

**the OLT!** Parking passes are available from the Besserer St host. Please note that, effective July 1, parking passes will no longer be valid at the 250 Besserer St and 339 King Edward Ave lots.

Messiah Prayer Chain: prayers@messiahchurch.ca

**We have a new Treasurer!** Marlene Sage has agreed to serve as the Messiah Treasurer.