# JESUS ON HIS PURPOSE LUKE: JESUS FOR PAGANS & SKEPTICS

First Reading 1 Corinthians 13:1-13	The Gospel Luke 19:1-27	*Free Bibles available on stage near Besserer door.





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

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Quinquagesima

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SIMPLE WAYS TO GROW WITH 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 Sinclair** Rector

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# 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.
- 2) Visit messiahchurch.ca/give to donate online via CanadaHelps.

Dear friends,

Almost every week we provide new, simple resources to help you grow in your walk with Jesus. I thought I would refresh your memory, and invite you to take advantage of these resources. All of the resources are also found on our website, messiahchurch.ca. As an aside, we are in the process of revamping our webpage. Please pray for this and please feel free to share your best wisdom with us. You can contact us at info@messiahchurch.ca.

Every week we have a section in our bulletin called "Growing in Grace." This has four things to help you grow. First is a simple description of how to change your attitude or develop new attitudes. Then we provide two or three simple attitudes that emerge from the scripture passage for the week. The scripture passage for the week is the sermon text for that Sunday. Actually, all of the new resources for the week are connected to the Sunday sermon text.

Growing in grace also proposes a memory verse to memorize. We also take all or part of the Scripture and turn it into a prayer or we take the message of the text and turn it into a prayer. Finally, we invite you to ask yourself a question (How has God spoken to you, convicted you today). It is important that we hear God speak to us and act on it. It is also important that we learn to pray the Bible, memorize the Bible and develop Biblical attitudes.

Going Deeper is another weekly resource for private and/or group use. First we provide an "ice breaker" question if you are Going Deeper with others. Then we ask you to read the sermon text again. Then we provide other Bible passages to read which throw light on all or part of the sermon text. Finally, there is a "getting real" section to spur prayer requests and action. Please pray for the Messiah Home Groups. Please consider joining one or starting one. It is important that we have larger common worship on Sundays AND private devotional times day-by-day AND be regularly connected to some "in-between" experience - a home group or the prayer meeting or the men's / women's ministry events. These "in-between" gatherings can be key in developing friendships.

Finally, every week the audio of the sermon is posted on the website, along with the sermon points and bulletin. Please pray we will be a growing church!

#### 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) Until I die, or until Jesus returns, I am His steward of His resources for His glory.
- 2) God, please make me wise, godly and fruitful.
- 3) God's grace will lead me to be more honest, more just and more generous.

#### 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 God, please make me a disciple of Jesus, gripped by the gospel, living for His glory. As I am gripped by the good news of the person and work of Jesus, please help me to know You truly and be more honest, more just, more fruitful, more generous and live for Your glory. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

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

"For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost." (Luke 19:10 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.

What is your favorite (or one of your favorites) movie of all time?

# Getting into the Bible.

Please pray to God and ask Him to lead you and guide you into all truth as you read the Bible.

- 1) Get the bigger flow! Read Luke 18:18 19:10.
- 2) Read Luke 19:10. Then read Luke 5:32 and 15:11-32.

# Getting real.

Has God spoken to you or "convicted you as you read the Bible and thought about it? Can you share some of this so others can pray for you?

#### MON / FEB 16 Family Day

Church of the Messiah's office will be closed.

#### TUE / FEB 17 Messiah Prayer Meeting

7:00pm @ Messiah Office / 315 Lisgar St.

# The House (Home Group)

7:00pm @ 148 Augusta St.

# Lowertown Home Group

7:00pm @ 110 Nelson St.

## WED / FEB 18 Ash Wednesday

10:00am @ Messiah Office / 315 Lisgar St. 7:30pm @ Jules Morin Park Fieldhouse See insert for map and details.

# THU / FEB 19 Church on Thursday

7:30pm @ Algonquin

Visit churchonthursday.ca for details.

# **Old Ottawa South Home Group**

7:15pm @ 267 Sunnyside Ave.

#### FRI / FEB 20 Revive Youth!

7:00pm @ Ecole Sainte-Anne / 340 York St.

# SUN / FEB 22 Vestry Reports Due

# SAT / FEB 28 Messiah Annual Vestry & Potluck

4:00pm @ St. Peter & St. Paul's / 152 Metcalfe St.

# WED / MAR 4 Jericho Road Coffeehouse

7:00pm @ St. Paul's United / 473 Cumberland St.

# FRI / MAR 6 Against Critical Thinking by Dr. RR Reno

Weston Lecture (Augustine College)
7:30pm @ Saint Paul University Auditorium
223 Main Street

In this free public lecture, Dr. Reno will argue that the life of the mind is based on our capacity to know and affirm truth.

# SUN / MAR 8 Daylight Savings Time starts (spring forward) Early Service

9:00am @ Ottawa Little Theatre

The regular 10:00am Service will take place at 9:00am on Sunday, March 8.