

The Church of the Messiah's
Good News
November 14, 2021

*Welcome to the Church of the Messiah
We are delighted to have you worshipping with us.*



A Prayer for Veterans who Died

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, in whose hands are the living and the dead: We give thee thanks for all thy servants who have laid down their lives in the service of our country. Grant to them thy mercy and the light of thy presence; and give us such a lively sense of thy righteous will, that the work which thou hast begun in them may be perfected; this we pray, through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. Amen.

- *Book of Common Prayer (1979) p. 488*

Church of the Messiah
Mission Statement

The Church of the Messiah is an inclusive and welcoming community

- *Committed to serving God by serving neighbors near and far;*
- *Affirming the dignity of every human being;*
- *Believing we are called to be stewards of creation.*

- *adopted by the Vestry of the Church of the Messiah on February 10, 2015.*

ALL ARE WELCOME: A Word from the Rector and Wardens

As an Episcopal parish, our intention is to welcome any and all who come into our midst whether physically or virtually. We are delighted to have you here. Welcome!

ZOOM AND LIVE-STREAMING INFORMATION

Our Sunday worship service will be live-streamed at 9 AM via Zoom.

INSTRUCTIONS TO DOWNLOAD ZOOM:

1) Go to this link: <https://zoom.us/download> and follow the directions to download Zoom. Depending on what type of device you are using, the link will take you to the Zoom website or the App Store if you are on a mobile device. Zoom is **free**, and **there is no need to sign up or create an account**. All you need is the software/app installed on your device.

2) Then join us for Sunday services at this link: <https://zoom.us/j/632447285> We suggest you plan on getting to our virtual church at 9:45am to give yourself plenty of time to get settled. You can go ahead and test this link now ahead of time to make sure that everything is working. Because virtual church hasn't actually started yet, you will end up looking at a screen that may show a live video of you if you have a camera. On Sunday at 8:45am when you join, you will be looking at the sanctuary.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE and LATEST UPDATE ON
REGATHERING IN-PERSON SERVICE SCHEDULE:
SUNDAYS at 9 AM**

Since mid-summer, our services have been held in-person in the church at 9 AM. MASKS must be worn by any person over 2 years of age who worships inside the church, whether or not he or she has been vaccinated. Please follow the directions of the ushers regarding entry, seating and exiting procedures

As of August 16th, the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts updated our COVID 19 protocol. In addition to requiring everyone (above age 2) to wear masks when inside, the distance between people outside one's family or "pod" must be 6 feet. Please adhere to this when gathering for worship and in receiving communion

For proper ventilation, we must keep our front and side door open during services. Now that the weather has cooled off, PLEASE WEAR YOUR COAT (and hat and gloves, if necessary) throughout the service.

As noted above, we continue to have the Sunday services online via Zoom for those who are unable to attend in-person.

Thank you very much. – The Rev. Deborah Warner, Rector

BEGINNING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28th: Two Sunday services: 8 and 10 AM

At the vestry meeting on Monday, November 8, 2021, the vestry voted to have us offer two service on Sundays: 8 AM and 10 AM. Unless, otherwise noted, both services will be Holy Communion.

The 10 o'clock service will also be available on Zoom for any and all persons who wish to attend the service remotely.

ALL SAFETY PROTOCOLS WILL CONTINUE TO BE IN PLACE:

- Practicing social distancing;
- Wearing a mask throughout the service;
- Giving your name and contact information (if we don't have the latter) for contact tracing purposes;
- Following directions of the ushers upon entering the service, going forward for communion and exiting the building.

Additional information will be forthcoming as needed.

Thank you very much for your continuing patience as we share in the worship of God as a community which is committed to the health and wellbeing of all.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Our prayers are asked for those who suffer from racial profiling, addiction, anxiety, abuse, dementia, cancer, emotional distress, are suffering from or ministering to those with the COVID-19 here and around the world. We pray for all who are unemployed or homeless, are refugees seeking safety and security in this and other countries and for all who are ministering to their needs and for those in the armed forces. We pray for those who are victims of natural disasters and changes in the earth's climate and for the people of Afghanistan, and Haiti.

In our parish prayer list, we continue to pray for Charlie, Larry, David, Robert, Michael, Katherine, Axel, Miyoko, Richard, Emily, Alan, Bob, John, Boyd, Carol, Kathryn, Fredrica, Pam, Jim, Steve, Janet, Bunk, Sarah and John.

We join with Randy and Lynn Evans and their family in welcoming the birth of their granddaughter, Vivian Evans Hirst, born on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 in Atlanta.

Finally, we pray in thanksgiving for the life, ministry and love of Betsy Bolton, the beloved wife of Tom Bolton, mother of Elisa B. Hooper and sister of Pam Pelletreau and Roger Day. Betsy died peacefully at home in Asheville, NC on October 22, 2021.

OUTREACH UPDATES

PBS DOCUMENTARY

There is a PBS documentary on Independent Lens airing on Channel 2, Tuesday, 11/23 at 7:00 PM It is called, *Home from School. The Children of Carlisle*. It's a journey into the troubled history of Indian boarding schools and a quest to heal generational wounds. If you receive the GBH Explore magazine, there is a wonderful article about the program and snippets about some of the families who suffered.

<https://www.youtube.com/hashtag/homefromschoolpbs>



DON'T FORGET!! GIVE THE WORLD A GIFT

The Alternative Gift Market website is up (alternativegiftmarketcapecod.org) and ready for review. For shoppers using credit cards or PayPal, the market goes live Friday, November 12 throughout Sunday, November 21. Should you wish to pay by check, the market is open now. When you go to the website, click on the tab "Shop". The menu selections include: How the Market Works; descriptions of the 2021 local, national, and international organizations; and the 2021 shopping list, that can be printed out. Instructions for paying by check and credit are on the bottom of the tab "How the Market Works".

An itemized receipt will be emailed to shoppers. Included will be gift announcements describing the selected organizations. These gift announcements can then be printed, folded, and inserted in the holiday or birthday cards you are sending to your friends or family members.

Please consider the Alternative Gift Market when planning your holiday giving. What a wonderful way to honor family members and friends!

Carol Casey, Sandy Rogers, and Mary Fran Buckley, Church of the Messiah committee members for the Alternative Gift Market

CELEBRATE NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

Please follow the link below for information about the Virtual Screening of a film, with panel discussion, and a Virtual Book Club. The book is available to borrow from Falmouth and Woods Hole Libraries (hard copy and audio), and for purchase at Eight Cousins Books in Falmouth. *The Outreach Committee*

<https://www.woodsholediversity.org/native-american-heritage-month/>

CELEBRATING GOD'S CREATION: Caring for this corner of the earth

SEASON OF THE OSPREY

PBS has a tremendous program on Osprey which can be viewed through the program "Nature" on the PBS website. It is very informative and beautifully photographed. - DMW

COURANTE CONCERT, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21st, 3:00 PM

Courante

Baroque Music Ensemble



Photo: Tom Noonan

presents

Fantasy and Invention

*A live performance of 17th and 18th century music
on authentic period instruments*

Sunday, November 21

at 3:00pm

Church of the Messiah

22 Church St., Woods Hole, MA

\$20 suggested donation; children free

More info at: ellifordjan@aol.com or 508-540-0865

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS AND DONATIONS CAN NOW BE MADE ONLINE

The church office is now open Mondays through Thursdays from 10 AM to 2 PM. Whenever it is closed, we monitor the mail, voicemail and email on a regular basis. Please continue to send financial contributions by mail to the Church of the Messiah, 16 Church Street, Woods Hole, MA 02543.

Also, a reminder that contributions may now be made **online** through Vanco Payment Solutions. These can be scheduled on a weekly, monthly, quarterly, semiannual or annual basis. If you wish to donate now, please go to the church website: www.churchofthemessiahwoodshole.org and click on the *Donate Now* tab on the upper right of the page.

Third, we also have the capacity to receive stock transfers. For further information on any of the above, please call the church office at 508-548-2145 and leave a voice mail.

LEARN - PRAY - ACT

NOVEMBER 2021

Resources to help us look inside ourselves and respond to systemic racism and violence as the people of God...

LEARN

Explore the online presence of the Equal Justice Initiative (eji.org), founded by public interest attorney and *Just Mercy* author, Bryan Stevenson. EJI believes we need a new era of truth and justice that starts with confronting our history of racial injustice and the dehumanizing myth of racial hierarchy. In the section on Racial Justice (<https://eji.org/racial-justice/>), gain new insights from EJI's descriptions of enslavement, racial terror lynching, segregation, presumption of guilt and mass incarceration. Or consider some of the issues in depth through reports and videos on the site.

PRAY

Look with pity, O heavenly Father, upon the people in this land who live with injustice, terror, disease and death as their constant companions. Have mercy upon us. Help us to eliminate our cruelty to these our neighbors. Strengthen those who spend their lives establishing equal protection of the law and equal opportunities for all. And grant that every one of us may enjoy a fair portion of the riches of this land, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ACT

Visit The Episcopal Public Policy Network (<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/ministries/office-government-relations/>) website, and join the grassroots network of Episcopalians across the country dedicated to carrying out the Baptismal Covenant call to "strive for justice and peace" through the active ministry of public policy advocacy. Become an ally and an advocate.

Note: Many thanks to Barbara Billings for compiling this list of resources on racial justice resources. DMW

BEWARE OF SCAMS TARGETING CHURCHES

PLEASE NOTE: The Parish Lists are only for church members and church business. They are not to be shared by anyone at any time beyond the church community. If you do not have a current parish list, please contact Nancy McDonald who will be happy to mail you a copy (through the US Mail.) - *Thanks very much, Deborah*

A PRAYER FOR OUR PARISH'S MINISTRY

O God, Giver of all good gifts,
We thank You for the grace of serving You by serving our neighbors.
May our hearts be kind and generous.
May our ministry be rooted in love and bold in imagination.
And may our lives and the lives of all who join us, continue to be renewed by
Your love and the power of the Spirit. Amen.



Please like us on [Facebook](#)

November 2021 - December 2021

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Nov 14	15	16	17	18	19	20
9:00am Holy Eucharist (In person & live streamed)	10:00am - 2:00 PM Office Open 10:00am Outreach 3:00pm W H Meditation	10:00am - 2:00 PM Office Open	10:00am - 2:00 PM Office Open 10:00am Environmental Comm. Mtg.	10:00am - 2:00 PM Office Open 6:00pm Choir rehearsal (PCC)		2:30pm Burial
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2021 Vestry

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Staff

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