

# The MESSENGER



The monthly newsletter of Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA)  
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Please join us on Sunday, February 10th, immediately after the worship service, for our annual Chili Cook-off.

Make your favorite chili recipe to share or just come to sample and "judge" the entries. Hot dogs will also be served. It's always a good time of food and fellowship.

Prizes for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners! See you there!

Questions? Contact **Becky Collie**.



A special closing worship/fellowship event was held on Friday, January 25th, to honor **Pastor Lou and Kristine**.

Pastor Lou has completed his call with us, and we are entering into an interim period leading to the eventual call of a new pastor. In the immediate event of a pastoral care issue during business hours, contact our office (746-7134 or Messiah-Mech@gmail.com). After hours, your council's current executive committee (**James Anderson, Donna Shaw or Sally Bennett**) can be contacted. Every effort will be made to connect you with the help you

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## New series for adults



Adult Sunday School is continuing. We are starting a DVD series on the New Testament put out by "The Great Courses". The series will study the New Testament from a historical perspective. Each video lesson is 30 minutes and we will have discussion to follow.

We will meet in the small room at the back of the fellowship hall at 9:15. If you have any questions, see **Daren Williams**.

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## New format for notices in the Wednesday Update & in the Sunday bulletin

Those of you who want to place announcements in the Wednesday update as well as in the Sunday bulletin need to send them to Sally Bennett (her e-mail address is in the directory) instead of Davina for inclusion. Please understand that if they are too long, they may be edited.

Also, please send you're your information on Monday or Tuesday since some of the notices may be used in both places. Many thanks in advance.

## Your 2019 Church Council And Associate Members

**James Anderson** ..... Council President  
**Donna Shaw** ..... Vice-President  
**Sally Bennett** ..... Secretary

**John Cline**                      **Becky Collie**  
**Karen Morris**                 **Roger Schroeder**  
**Daren Williams**

### Council Liaisons

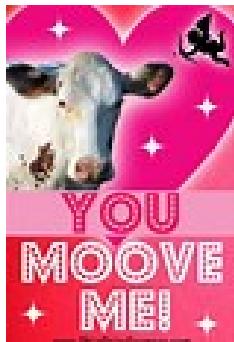
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 Social Ministry ..... **Karen Morris**  
 Stewardship ..... **Daren Williams**  
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**Shawn Warmbrod** ..... Treasurer  
**Bill Weaver** ..... Financial Secretary  
**Sue Gilnett, RN**... Parish Nurse

Trustees: **Leroy Albertson, Gordon Gunn, Pat Hubert.**



The Annual Reporting meeting took place on Sunday, January 20th. If you were not able to attend, print copies of the Annual Report are available in the narthex. A digital copy can be obtained by contacting **Davina Winn**, our Administrative Assistant, via email [messiahmech@gmail.com](mailto:messiahmech@gmail.com) or call Davina (746-7134).



## Valentine's Day will be a MOOOOIVING experience this year!

In the ongoing effort to bolster the "Cow Fund" for the Sunday School kids, you are being offered the opportunity to make this Valentine's Day unique for you and your loved ones!

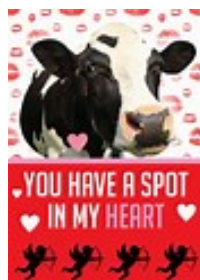
**Williams Bakery** has graciously offered to donate cow-shaped gingerbread cookies to our cause. Each cookie will be individually packaged with a Valentine's theme. Flowers and candy are SO last year. For a mere \$1.50, you can give your loved ones a unique expression of your love and devotion.

The cookies will be available before and after the service on Sunday, February 10.

Not interested in cookies, but want to help the cause? There will also be a "cow tipping" jar available – you can tip the kids for their cow efforts! The fund currently has less than half the cost of a cow, so any help towards the goal is most welcome!

Thank you for your support!

- **Jean Wightman**



## A parting message from Pastor Lou

Parting from people you love is always difficult. It is more so under the cold reality of the recent winter storm (cancelling my final service) and shadow of my father-in-law's death. Yet as we discussed over the Christmas season, Jesus the Morning Star, still shines bright. God will guide us all to where we need to be for the sake of the Kingdom. In fact, Jesus is reaching out to guide us even now. Look for him. Trust in him. And, love one another as you have come to do so well. The words of a Julian of Norwich come to my mind, "All shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of thing shall be well."

As I wrote your council, I am so terribly sad to leave you in such haste and in such a fashion. I take comfort in the meaningful and joyous Advent, Christmas and Epiphany events we shared this year. If I'm not mistaken, it was our biggest Epiphany event yet. Perhaps the cherished memory of us gathered around a large bonfire with smiling members of All Souls, L'Arche Metro Richmond and Messiah present isn't such a bad way to conclude my time as your pastor after all. For God's love (as Br. Roger of Taizé said so often) is like a fire, and my heart has been made warm by this sacred time spent walking with you.

Christ's peace be with you always! Kristine and I hope to see you soon for a final community farewell. Our 11+ years have been nothing but special. We will be praying for you, and I ask you to pray for us as well. Also, pray with me for your future interim and called pastor. Yes, even now, God has plans for them. They just might need your prayers to help guide and affirm them as you wait for all to be made clear.

I will remain in communion with you through the Spirit, but let me say one last time that I love you... each and every one of you. - **Pastor Lou**

## Congratulations and Many Blessings!

On November 25th, Messiah members rejoiced as **Michael and Karen Morris** reaffirmed their vows after 50 years of marriage. Congratulations to the happy couple!

Congratulations also to members **Curtis Pfohl and Kristin Trent** as they begin their married life together next Saturday, December 1. **Pastor Lou** presided.

Please pray that God continue to bless and sustain these couples and all families.



## ELCA Federal Chaplaincy



New offices of ELCA Advocacy and Federal Chaplaincy were dedicated on Thursday, December 6th, in Washington, DC. The Presiding Bishop of the ELCA, the **Rev. Elizabeth Eaton**, presented and helped place a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier on December 7th, Pearl Harbor Day. The Federal Chaplaincy Ministries of the ELCA seeks out, supports, nurtures and sends exemplary pastors and seminary students to serve as federal chaplains or chaplain candidates for the U.S. military, Veterans Affairs hospitals and federal correctional institutions.

Our former intern, the **Rev. Nathan Huffman**, currently serves as a chaplain with the US Navy.



February 2 **Taylor Starret**  
7 **Jean Martin**  
21 **Victoria Gustafson**  
23 **Karen Jones**  
23 **Grace Anderson**  
28 **Sophia Knab**

If you would like **YOUR** birthdays & anniversary included in the newsletter, please send an email to [messiahmech@gmail.com](mailto:messiahmech@gmail.com) or call **Davina** (746-7134).

## Welcome back!

**John and Linda Mahovtas** have transferred their membership to Messiah. They had been active members in the past. We are happy that they have now returned to Messiah.

Welcome back, John and Linda!

## Kroger Fundraising: Update your account!

Thanks to all of you who renewed your connection with their Community Rewards Program for Messiah! Remember, this is "free" money that goes to support our ministry, and your account must be renewed each year. If you have not renewed or signed up yet, please do so by going to [kroger.com/account/update](http://kroger.com/account/update).



## We pray for each other:

**Charlie Absher; Ray Ash; Kenneth Deere; Adam Dw orak, Sr.; JoAn Firebaugh; Elisabeth Gardner; Werner Gardner; Steve Gilnett; “Doc” Kondaki; Mac McAllister; Pat Motley; Jack Ordazzo; Ruth Schroeder; Judy Schwerdtfege; Marc Thomas.**

## We pray for our extended family and neighbors:

**Debra Anton**, sister of Ruth Schroeder; **Family & Friends of Chuck Anton**, brother of Ruth Schroeder; **Bowman Balleh**, friend of Geoffrey Honan; **Cyndi Bauer**, sister of Lois Schroeder; **Lewis Brothers**, friend of the Schwerdtfegers; **David and Sandy Elliot**, friends of the Whirleys; **Laura Heltzel; Connie Gambini**, friend and coworker of Becky Collie; **Family & Friends of Sam Markovich**, Kristine Florio’s father; **Alvin & Lucille Morlan**, father & stepmother of Donna Shaw; **Dieter Niklas**, brother of Erna Jung; **Family & Friends of Wayne Peace**, friend of the Schwerdtfegers; **Tim Schroeder**, Roger’s nephew; **Sarah; Wanda Umlauf**, mother of Vicar Ginny Banister; **Our veterans, their fellow soldiers & their waiting families, especially Andrew Adair, Ian Schwerdtfege, & LJ Spray; Law enforcement, firefighters and first responders; The people of All Souls Episcopal and our shared ministry; All those persecuted in any way for their**

**faith in Christ, especially in North Korea, Afghanistan, Somalia, and Libya.** <sup>1</sup>

## <sup>1</sup> Open Doors World WatchList 2019

*To add or remove a name from the prayer list, please call the church office, 746-7134. If leaving a message, include your contact information for follow-up. Unless we hear otherwise, individuals will be removed quarterly. Memorial prayers will run a minimum of two weeks and then be included in our All Saints Sunday activities.*

## Fond farewell

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need. Their contact information is in your congregational address book. If at a local hospital, know that you may also request a chaplain’s assistance from your medical staff.

While Pastor Lou is still a rostered minister in the church, he is no longer our called pastor. We love and cherish the relationship we have had, but we should not ask for further pastoral services such as counseling, baptisms, funerals, and weddings. Our upcoming vice pastor/interim pastor will soon be available for pastoral care and concerns. The **Rev. Katherine** from All Souls Episcopal and the **The Rev. Katie Pocalyko**, Dean of the Richmond Conference, will help Messiah address emergencies. The Shepherds Team is also available to assist.

Meanwhile, notes and cards with general news remain welcome. Pastor Lou and Kristine’s address remains the same: 9708 Glenn Brooke Ct., Fredericksburg, VA 22407. Pastor Lou’s new email is [lou@christ-lutheran-church.org](mailto:lou@christ-lutheran-church.org).



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## Calendar of events

- 1 Church Office Closed on Fridays  
Feast of St. Brigid  
(Local Remembrance)
- 2 Happy Candlemas!
- 3 Commemoration of Ansgar, Bishop and  
Missionary  
Local Remembrance of the  
Four Chaplains  
9:15 AM All Souls Episcopal: Worship  
9:15 AM Messiah Lutheran:  
Faith Formation for All Ages  
10:45 AM Messiah Lutheran: Worship  
11:00 AM All Souls Episcopal:  
Faith Formation for All Ages
- 4 World Cancer Day
- 5 Commemoration of the Martyrs  
of Japan  
10:00 AM Richmond Conference Mtg. \*  
7:30 PM Taizé Prayer (Richmond Hill)
- 6
- 7 7:00 PM Choir Practice
- 8 Church Office Closed on Fridays
- 9
- 10 Virginia Lutheran Items Due  
9:15 AM All Souls Episcopal: Worship  
9:15 AM Messiah Lutheran:  
Faith Formation for All Ages  
10:45 AM Messiah Lutheran: Worship  
11:00 AM All Souls Episcopal:  
Faith Formation for All Ages  
12:00 PM Chili Cook-Off  
12:00 PM Special Cow Promotion  
(Cookie Sale)
- 11
- 12 7:00 PM Women's Bible Study
- 13 6:30 PM Girl Scout Troop #557 Meeting
- 14 Commemorations of Valentinus, Martyr  
(local only); Cyril, Monk & Missionary;  
and Methodius, Bishop & Missionary  
7:00 PM Choir Practice
- 15 Church Office Closed on Fridays
- 16
- 17 9:15 AM All Souls Episcopal: Worship  
9:15 AM Messiah Lutheran:  
Faith Formation for All Ages  
10:45 AM Messiah Lutheran: Worship  
11:00 AM All Souls Episcopal:  
Faith Formation for All Ages
- 18 Commemoration: Martin Luther,  
renewer of the church  
President's Day - Office Closed  
5:00 PM Stevie B night for MCEF
- 19 6:15 PM Council Meeting
- 20
- 21 7:00 PM Choir Practice
- 22 Church Office Closed on Fridays  
Local Remembrance: Sophia Scholl
- 23 Commemoration of Polycarp, Bishop  
and Martyr
- 24 9:15 AM All Souls Episcopal: Worship  
9:15 AM Messiah Lutheran:  
Faith Formation for All Ages  
10:45 AM Messiah Lutheran: Worship  
11:00 AM All Souls Episcopal:  
Faith Formation for All Ages
- 25 Commemoration of Elizabeth Fedde
- 26 10:00 AM Terrific Tuesday Club  
(Hanover Parks & Rec.)  
7:00 PM Women's Bible Study
- 27 6:30 PM Girl Scout Troop #557 Meeting
- 28 7:00 PM Choir Practice

\* Off Site



## Charitable giving changes and the tax law

As we all know, 2018 is the first year for some tax law changes that affect our charitable giving. Since the single standard deduction is \$12,000 and the married couple standard deduction is \$24,000 starting this tax year, it will be harder to reach the threshold where you can itemize and deduct your charitable donations.

But some of the members of our congregation are retirees who are age 70 1/2 and older who may still be able to take a tax break for their charitable donations. If you are receiving a required minimum distribution (RMD), you can reduce your taxes on it by making a flat amount or a percentage amount transfer directly to a qualified charitable entity. Messiah Lutheran Church is a qualified charity. It is an easy way to make an annual donation to our church and reduce your taxable income at the same time from your RMD. This would take the place of your whole or part of your weekly offering.

Many people who have to take their required minimum distributions are doing so at this time of year and all you need to do is let your financial person know that you want a flat amount or percentage amount (your annual pledge or gift to the church) of your RMD to be made out to and sent to Messiah Lutheran Church. You will need to provide them with Messiah's Federal Tax Identification number and mailing address. You can get this information from the church secretary. They will then make out a check and send it directly to the church. You will receive the remainder of your RMD and will have less income that will be taxable. It is really a win-win situation.

Of course we don't contribute to our church because of tax deductions, but because of our love for our Lord, what He

has done for us and what we feel from our hearts that we want to give back to the Lord. This idea not only let's some of us take advantage of this tax break; it also makes us better stewards of our resources.

## ELCA seminaries partner on new website

Through grants from the Richard Hay Barkalow Charitable Fund at InFaith Community Foundation, the seven ELCA seminaries launched a new website: [elcaseminaries.org](http://elcaseminaries.org). The new website provides a central place for people to learn more about the seminaries, scholarship opportunities and explore other resources. The website will continue to grow and include more features, including an opportunity for people to share their stories.

## Commemorative Brick program



Orders continue to be taken for our commemorative brick program. If you would like to honor someone or perhaps remember someone who died this past year, your purchase allows for a personalized dedication on a brick which is then placed in the garden by our outside cross. Proceeds benefit Messiah's ministries. More information is available in our narthex or contact **Jake Addair**.



**Join Messiah on Facebook!**



## CFFY Corner

(Christian Formation for You)

### MOVIE:

***I Believe*** (November, 2017): 9-year-old Brian (Rowen Smyth) has a supernatural encounter with God, an experience that sends him on an adventurous quest to “find out more about what Christians believe”. He faces heavy opposition from the world around him especially his own father Simon (Matt Lindquist), an atheist TV newscaster. Brian finds allies in the pastor of a local church (Wilford Brimley) and a wounded U.S. Marine (Jeremy London). Brian’s pure and innocent faith brings about manifestations of God’s extraordinary power that quickly become breaking news. Don’t miss out on this miracle-packed adventure! This film received a 7.5 IMDb rating and runs 1 hr.29 min. It also received a Faith-Friendly Seal for All ages from Dove. This movie proves that child-like faith brings about great results!

### ADULT BOOK:

***The Great Divorce*** by C.S Lewis is the adult book of the month. In "The Great Divorce," C.S. Lewis's classic vision of the Afterworld, the narrator boards a bus on a drizzly English afternoon and embarks on an incredible voyage through Heaven and Hell. He meets a host of supernatural beings far removed from his expectations, and comes to some significant realizations about the nature of good and evil. A stunning new edition of this timeless allegory of heaven and hell repackaged and re-branded as part of the C.S. Lewis Signature Classics range. It received a 4.3 rating on Goodreads Best Christian Reads list, with over 90,000 ratings.

### YOUTH BOOK:

***The Christy Miller Series*** by Robin Jones Gunn is a collection of novels for young women. It all starts the summer Christy vacations on a California beach and meets two friends who change her life forever. But after moving across the country with her family, Christy must begin her sophomore year of high school uncertain where she'll fit in. As these memorable years unfold, Christy and her God-loving friends find out what it means to be a “peculiar treasure.” Follow Christy Miller as she stays true to her identity in Christ, drawing closer to God for help in realizing her dreams and dealing with her disappointments. There are 20 books in this series. Goodreads gives them all at least a 4.0 rating on the Christian Fiction for Youth list. Age level 12+.

### DEVOTIONAL:

Go to <https://www.elca.org/Faith/DailyBible> for a daily Bible reading



## With Christian sympathy

We extend our heartfelt condolences and prayers to the family of **Sam Markovich**. He died on January 12, 2019 from complications from a fall. He was **Kristine Florio's** father, and you might remember him from his many visits with Messiah over the last eleven years. His obituary was shared via email and is posted on our Facebook page, or request assistance from our office.

May Christ's peace be with his family and all who grieve for him.





## MCEF News

2018 was a busy year for MCEF. It was the first full year in the new One Stop Shop. 470 households were served in some way with 5,680 bags of food given out, 1,472 bags of clothing and 250 bags of linens given to these families. So you see, everything you donate helps.

Current food needs include pasta sauce and canned vegetables (except corn and green beans), jelly and pancake mix and syrup.

The clothing closets will begin accepting summer clothing in February, see Donation guidelines posted on the narthex bulletin board.

The Hanover Senior Rides is in need of drivers to take seniors to doctor appointments, to do banking and grocery shopping, call 804-357-9360 for more information or talk to **Glady Hubert**.

## Thank you!

- To **Marilyn Gunn** for the new Advent tradition idea to benefit MCEF.
- To **Michael Morris** for our new sign (at the Redeemer entrance).



## Terrific Tuesday Club

If you come by our Fellowship Hall on some Tuesdays, don't be surprised to be met with an energetic, joyful group. Council has approved the Terrific Tuesday Club to once again use our facilities. The Terrific Tuesday Club is designed for adults with special needs or disabilities. Each month the activities will vary but may include exercise, music, games, craft or more. In-home support personnel encouraged to attend program with participant at no cost. The club is a program of Hanover Parks and Recreation.

## Roanoke Rising

Roanoke College, the Lutheran college of Virginia, announced the record-breaking conclusion of its Roanoke Rising Campaign, launched in April 2013, which surpassed its goal of \$200 million to each a total of \$204,047,431. This is the largest campaign in the College's 176-year history. More than 28,000 donors contributed to the campaign, coming from all 50 states, Washington, D.C., Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and 35 other countries.

## Thank you!

Once again, I find myself in awe of our church family. During my current health dilemma, there have been so many offers of help, prayers, and just loving support that if the occasion arises, we will be blessed with what we might need. Thank heavens, it has not been necessary to call on anyone, but it's good to know it's available. Thank you for all you do and say.

- **Judy Schwerdtfeger**

## Transition Notes 1-16-19

**On Friday, January 25, we will have a service of closing/worship/fellowship at 7PM in the Sanctuary. This is the Feast Day of the Conversion of St. Paul as well as the end of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The 25th is a special day for our former pastor, and he also feels that the Week of Prayer reflects our ministry well. All are invited as it will afford us the opportunity to say "good-bye" to Lou and Kristine.**

**Pastor Lou will be leaving on January 15th for his call at Christ Lutheran (Fredericksburg), and at our quarterly Worship Team meeting on January 6th he reviewed the following with us (which is quoted here for you):**

"His call was kept absolutely confidential until it was voted on by the Christ Council, presented to the Messiah Council, and voted upon by our Council. Both councils agreed that Pastor Lou could remain at Messiah through January 15th in order for us to have a smooth transition through Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany.

He indicated that Messiah is relatively healthy and that God is with us through the process; he feels that we are "in a good place." There will undoubtedly be some changes "so don't be surprised." It is important for all of us to continue to attend church regularly during this time.

His last Sunday to preside with us will be January 13th, **(see updated information above)** when we celebrate the Baptism of Jesus. **(The remainder of this information is current.)** The following Sunday, the 20th, Assistant to the Bishop, Kelly Bayer Derrick will preside, and the Annual Reporting Meeting will follow. Pastor Kelly will then meet with congregational members who are interested in the process.

Your council has asked for an Interim Pastor, one who is contracted for the special purpose of filling in while we search for a new pastor. (The Interim is recommended by the Bishop and approved by the Messiah Council.) The Executive Committee of the Council (President, Vice-President, and Secretary) has contacted the Synod for someone to cover emergencies, and we should have a plan by next week. All Souls can help us if necessary. The Messiah Council is in charge until the Interim is here.

What we do for Lent will depend on who becomes our Interim Pastor; Lent is a little later this year, and we would like to preserve this practice of experiencing Lent together with All Souls.

The Call Process is confidential, and the Synod will send us the names of three candidates at a time. Patience is important. This shouldn't be an adversarial process and requires intentional, prayerful discernment by all. Candidates can be discovered through recommendations, or rostered ministers can come forward who have interest. The Bishop sends suitable applicants' packets to the congregation's call committee for discernment. When tentative candidates are identified by the committee, they have an opportunity to interview. If one seems promising as a primary candidate, our council has an opportunity to reflect and vote to forward that name to the congregation. A visit is scheduled, and the call committee then receives feedback. If all goes well, the candidate can be forwarded to the council for final review. If the candidate appears a good one, a congregational meeting and vote is scheduled by council. We seek a Pastor who will fit the theology, needs and character of this congregation. The creation of the Mission Site Profile (MSP) with input from the congregation will help guide the

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## Transition notes (cont'd)

process and is made available to candidates. Candidates describe themselves and their ministry through a Rostered Minister Profile. Read the "Call Process Handbook" available at VaSynod.org

There will be a period of separation since the Interim and eventually the new Pastor need to be in charge once they are in place. We must be open to change since that is part of growing, but changes should be made for a reason and fit the theology of the congregation as well as our traditions. If this is a First Call, the new Pastor cannot be ordained until he/she is called. If already (or once ordained), the new Pastor will be installed."

Respectfully submitted,  
**Sally Bennett**, Council Worship Team  
 Liaison and Council Secretary

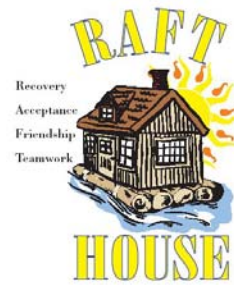
[Your council wants to keep you regularly informed as they follow the process, selecting an interim pastor, selecting a call committee, and concluding with calling a new pastor. As **Pastor Bayer Derrick** stated, "this process is confidential, not secretive." Please be patient and ask questions if you have them; but realize that they might not always be answered at that time.]



To everyone who worked to make Pastor Lou's farewell reception a success. From contributions of food, set up and clean up, and everything in between, it was a group effort.

What a lovely way to say "see you later" to  
**Pastor Lou and Kristine!**

- **Becky Collier**



## The Raft House Sends Thanks

The Hanover County Community Services Board's RAFT House (Recovery, Acceptance, Friendship and Teamwork) is a rehabilitation clubhouse program which provides services, such as day treatment and recovery and pre-employment training for up to 40 adults with chronic mental illness. It assists those persons who need to establish a daily routine, who need to develop a broader social network, or who need to develop life or pre-vocational skills in order to live independently or to maintain employment.

Some members of Messiah benefit from these services, and they invited **Pastor Lou** to the Raft House for a wonderful holiday luncheon with all the fixings. The meal was prepared by program participants. During the introductions, Messiah was once again thanked publicly for its ongoing cooperation and support in caring for our members and neighbors with special needs. As their literature explains, "RAFT House is a healing community based on choice and unconditional acceptance where team efforts inspire individuals to recognize their own worth and the potential that they bring to the world."

Our ongoing support of such programs helps us share the Good News concretely – freeing the captive, visiting the sick, fostering a more abundant life as we share the love of Christ with our neighbors.



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## Traveling? Sick? Bad Weather? Working?

If inclement weather, we make every effort to publish our operating status on our website (the updates page), WRIC/Channel 8, our voicemail message and social media. In the end, whatever our published status, please use your best judgment to stay safe.

If you can't join us on a Sunday, please remember that online giving (one-time gifts or as repeated donations scheduled by you) is available. Visit our website at <https://messiahmech.com/stewardshipdonate/>



The DEADLINE for the  
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**Sunday, February 17th**

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submission, hand me a written  
submission OR email  
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