

The Episcopal Church of the Messiah

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II
12 July 2026 AD, 10:00 a.m.

The Rev. Roy Tripp, Celebrant



Welcome! We warmly welcome all who join us in worship and invite you to join us afterwards for refreshments & fellowship in the Church Center. If you need pastoral care, reach out to Fr. Roy at RoyTripp@mac.com. If you would like the Intercessory Prayer Team to lift up yourself, family, friends, or circumstances fill out a prayer request card available on the Welcome Table and place in the red box. All requests are confidential.

If this is your first visit, kindly complete a pew card, and drop it in the offering plate to stay connected with us.

NOTES: BCP is The Book of Common Prayer, the book with the gold cross. Feel free to quietly ask a neighbor for guidance if you are “lost” at any point during worship. Gluten-free communion wafers are available. Let an usher or acolyte know prior to the start of worship if possible.



NOTES:

THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN *Bless'd Jesus, at thy word (Liebster Jesu) (H 440)*

OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT OF PURITY

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

In unison: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

SONG OF PRAISE *Glory to God (Canticle 20) (Hurd) (S 277)*



1. Glo - ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



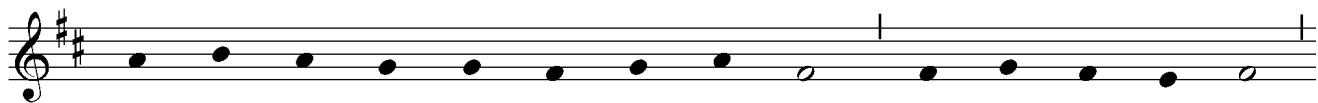
2. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you,



we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



4. you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.

6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS

FIRST READING: Isaiah 55:10-13

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

¹⁰As the rain and the snow come down from heaven,
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,

giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
¹¹so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

¹²For you shall go out in joy,
and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall burst into song,

and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
¹³Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial,
for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 119:105-112 (*simplified chant*)

¹⁰⁵Your word is a lantern to my | feet *
and a light upon my | path.
¹⁰⁶I have sworn and am de- | -termined *
to keep your righteous | judgments.
¹⁰⁷I am deeply | troubled; *
preserve my life, O Lord, according to your | word.
¹⁰⁸Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of my | lips, *
and teach me your | judgments.
¹⁰⁹My life is always in my | hand, *
yet I do not forget your | law.
¹¹⁰O The wicked have set a | trap for me, *
but I have not strayed from your com- | -mandments.
¹¹¹Your decrees are my inheritance for | ever; *
truly, they are the joy of my | heart.
¹¹²I have applied my heart to fulfill your | statutes *
for ever and to the | end.

SECOND READING: Romans 8:1-11

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

¹There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ²For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. ³For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law – indeed it cannot, ⁸and

those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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People: **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE INTROIT *Surely it is God who saves me (Thomas Merton) (H 679, v. 1)*

GOSPEL: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Clergy: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

¹Jesus went out and sat beside the sea. ²Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. ⁶But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹Let anyone with ears listen!"

¹⁸"Hear then the parable of the sower. ¹⁹When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. ²⁰As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; ²¹yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. ²²As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. ²³But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SEQUENCE *Surely it is God who saves me (Thomas Merton) (H 679, v. 2)*

SERMON

THE CREED

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor: Let us pray for the Church and for the World saying, "Hear our prayer."

We give you thanks, O Lord, for your presence in this your Church. Bless its members here in this congregation and throughout the world. Guide us in carrying out the mission you have entrusted to us.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: We pray for Sarah our Archbishop of Canterbury, for Sean, our presiding Bishop, Ruth, our bishop, for Roy, George and Jim, our clergy, for Charlie, our postulant, for all bishops, priests, and deacons, and for all the baptized who minister in your Name.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Commission on Ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of South Carolina.

In the Parish Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Billy Funderburke.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: We bless your name, O Lord, for the freedoms which we enjoy in this, our nation. Make us worthy of the abundance you have granted us. Help us to remember the lessons in sharing with those less fortunate than we are that you taught. Let us remember our duty to help bring in your kingdom on earth.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: We thank you, O God, for our friends around the world. Help us to learn to love all our neighbors. Shield your people from persecution.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: We bless you, O Lord for this our community of Horry County. Make us willing to live peacefully with all those who are part of this county. Let us walk together in your name.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: We ask your healing and comfort, O Lord, for all our fellow human beings who suffer in any way. Bring your healing power upon them. Strengthen their trust in your love for those whom you have created.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: We remember, O Lord, with thanksgiving all those who have died in the company of all the saints. We ask you to comfort those mourning the loss of a loved one. Help us to wait patiently for a joyful reunion with them.

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, silently or aloud.

Silence

Intercessor: Abide with us, O Lord. We need your loving presence. Abide with us and give us a lasting sense of peace. **Amen.**

CONFESSIO & ABSOLUTION

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

In Unison:

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,**

**and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ (Hymn 698)

Carl Flentge Schalk (1929-2021)

Eternal Spirit of the living Christ, I know not how to ask or what to say;
I only know my need, as deep as life, and only you can teach me how to pray.

Come, pray in me the prayer I need this day; help me to see your purpose and your will.

Where I have failed, what I have done amiss; held in forgiving love, let me be still.
Come with the vision and the strength I need to serve my God, and all humanity;
Fulfillment of my life in love outpoured, and only you can teach me how to pray.

- Frank von Christierson (1900-1996)

THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

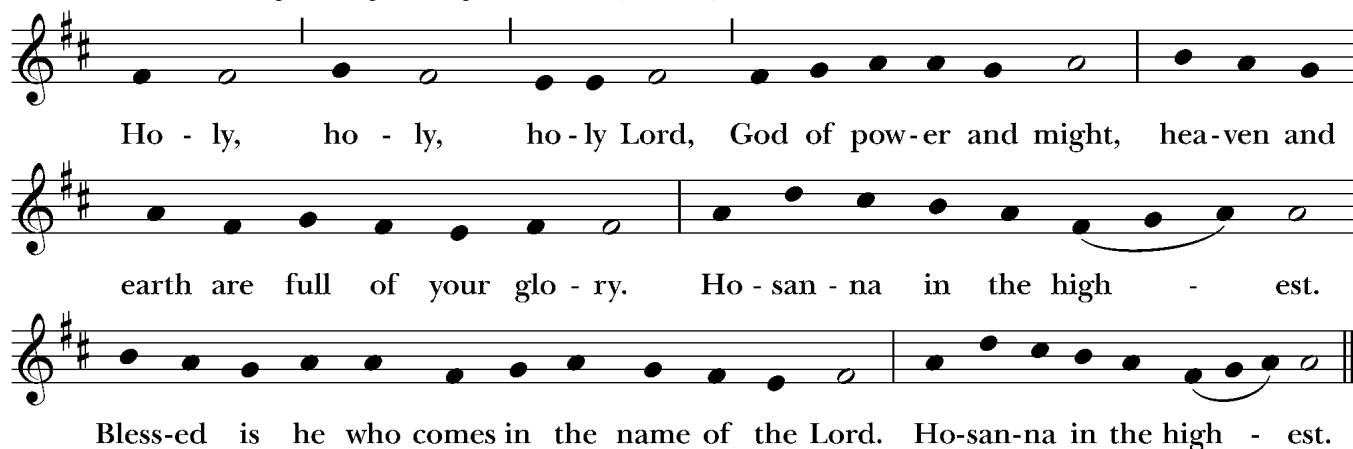
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS *Holy, holy, holy (Hurd) (S 124)*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
Celebrant and People:

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant:

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your

Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray,

Celebrant and People:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

The Presider says the following invitation:

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

FRACTION ANTHEM *Lamb of God (Hurd) (S 161)*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

The Body of Christ, the Bread of Heaven. The Blood of Christ, the Cup of Salvation.
[*Amen.*]

COMMUNION HYMN *Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart (Slane) (H 488)*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

People: Eternal Giver of love and life: you have nourished us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and with one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and earth. Now send us into the world with the power of your Spirit, to preach your redeeming love, to do your justice, and to act with courage, in the risen life of Christ our Savior.

Amen.

BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN *Come, we that love the Lord (Vineyard Haven) (H 392)*

DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH WHO WE ARE

Vision Statement

The Church of the Messiah is an intentionally inclusive community called to love the Lord and to serve God's world in a spirit of reconciliation, hope, and healing.

Mission Statement

The Church of the Messiah follows Jesus through our liturgy and music while sharing the love of Jesus by serving the Myrtle Beach community.

The People of God are the ministers of this Church and are served by
The Bishop of South Carolina, the Right Rev. Ruth Woodliff-Stanley,
and the Rev. Roy Tripp, Vicar.

They are also served by the Rev. George H. Welles, Jr.
and the Rev. James O. Craig III, Associates.

Our Vestry

Richard B. Stall, Sr. Warden

Monica Orosz, Jr. Warden

Kristi Burch, Member

Eileen Fairchild, Member

Chrissy Oppegaard, Member

Pat Patterson, Member

Charles Jordan, Legal Advisor to the Vestry

Peggy Kovacs, Treasurer

The Music Ministry is served by Dr. Charles Jones Evans.

The People of Messiah are also served by
Patty Tate, **Parish Secretary** & Chelsea Lesko, **Children's Leader**.

Love. Serve. Share.

CALENDAR

JULY 12, 2026

THIS WEEK. . .

Today, Worship in the church at 10:00 a.m. Child Care & Children's Program in the Church Center at 10:00 a.m.

Following worship, join us upstairs for refreshments & fellowship!

Tuesday, 10:00 – 12:00 noon, Rev. Roy's Open Office Hours

Tuesday, 6:00 p.m., Jordan's Tuesday Evening

LOOKING AHEAD. . .

Sunday, July 19th, Send-off for Charlie Jordan

Monday, July 20th, 5:00 p.m., Vestry Meeting

Sunday, July 26th, Gathering with Ann Fleming following worship

THOSE WHO SERVE. . .

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
Vestry of the Day	Pat Patterson	Kristi Burch
Altar Guild	David Hardin	Tracy Cobb
Greeter	Billy Funderburke	Tom Vanderford
Readers	Gay Cooke Gay Cooke	Karen Spink Chrissy Oppegaard
Intercessor	Linda Burney	Karen Spink
Acolyte	David Hardin Deb Whitaker	David Hardin Deb Whitaker
Chalice Bearer	Deb Whitaker Pat Patterson	Deb Whitaker Monica Orosz
Flower Guild	Ann Charles Jordan	Kristi Burch
Refreshments	Kristi Burch	Chelsea & Woody
Live Stream	Colin Burch	Kristi Burch

LIFE AT MESSIAH

JULY 12, 2026

FINANCIAL NEWS

The Episcopal Church of the Messiah has hit an exciting milestone! We have established an Endowment Fund. The objective of an Endowment Fund is to leave the fund untouched while having access to investment income such as interest generated by the fund, only when needed. With the guidance of the Diocese, we have established the Endowment Fund investing \$10,000 via the Episcopal Church Foundation.

These funds are the result of a \$5,000 donation received, some time ago, designated for an Endowment and a \$5,000 donation to Messiah from the Diocese early in our establishment as a mission church. The diocesan contribution was originally intended to support an early Messiah goal to found the first South Carolina chapter of the Episcopal Service Corps (ESC). After extensive efforts to organize an ESC, it became apparent that, without our own property, the venture was not feasible. We shared that decision with the diocese, expressing our intent to return the \$5,000 seed funding. We were directed to keep the funds for our own use.

Earlier this year, the Vestry voted to combine these amounts, separate them from our General Fund and establish an Endowment Fund. This is an important step in developing our financial “maturity” as a church.

VICTIMS OF VENEZUELAN EARTHQUAKES

If you are interested in helping the victims of the Venezuelan earthquakes which occurred on June 24, consider donating through the Episcopal Relief and Development where 98% of contributions go directly to the cause. ERD works with local partners to provide critical relief today and long-term recovery support to those impacted by disasters. Go to www.episcopalrelief.org to donate or for more information.

TRAVELING THIS SUMMER?

When you travel this summer, kindly pick up an extra bulletin for Patty. As you can see, we've re-formatted the bulletin to allow y'all to focus on worship. Seeing other churches' bulletins is inspiring and helps me see details that can be improved. Kindly leave it on Patty's desk upon your return.

Thanks so much to those who have already brought me a bulletin!

SEND-OFF FOR CHARLIE JORDAN SUNDAY, JULY 19



Charlie Jordan, long-time member of Messiah, and currently a postulant, will be heading off to Sewanee University as part of his preparation for ordained ministry.

During the 10:00 service, we will pray with him for his journey ahead. After the service we will gather in the Church Center to offer our gratitude and encouragement to Charlie.

PREPARING FOR CHARLIE'S SEND-OFF

- As a tangible and practical show of encouragement and support to the Jordan's we will be giving them a gift card. If you are inclined to make a gift, kindly drop a check in the offering basket today or bring to the office Tuesday from 8:00 to noon or Wednesday from 8:00 to 3:30. Be sure to write "gift for Charlie Jordan" on the memo line. If you give by cash, please place the cash in an envelope, and indicate that it is a gift for Charlie Jordan.
- On Sundays July 5 & 12 there will be a card for all to sign in the Church or in the Church Center. Take a moment to write a few encouraging words.

VISIT WITH ANN FLEMING

Ann Fleming will be visiting with us on Sunday, July 26th. After worship all are invited to gather in the Church Center as usual for an enhanced coffee time. Ann will then facilitate a discussion of where we see Messiah's involvement and ministry in the community and the world. This information will be used in the planning of the new property.

Ann Fleming is the Canon for Congregational Vitality for the Diocese of South Carolina. She is primarily focused on supporting and guiding individual congregations in their growth and development, often by facilitating leadership training, strategic planning, revitalization efforts, and connecting churches with necessary resources to address specific needs within their communities.



All are invited and encouraged to attend!

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