

# THE MESSENGER



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To **KNOW** Christ,  
to **GROW** in Christ, and  
to **SHOW** Christ

## AUTUMN REFLECTIONS

*"THE GRASS WITHERS AND THE FLOWERS FALL,  
BUT THE WORD OF OUR GOD ENDURES FOREVER." -ISAIAH 40:8 (NIV)*



Autumn awakens a sense of nostalgia for many. The crisp air and falling leaves evoke cherished memories. A fall festival with the tantalizing aroma of funnel cake and spiced pumpkin lattes wafting through the air; cozy evenings spent by a roaring fire roasting s'mores; or attending high school football games cheering for the home team creating a sense of community and timeless joy.

During this beautiful season reflect on God's abundant blessings - family, friends, strength, guidance, and the promise of eternal life. This is also a time for a renewed commitment to Him. Some of the saddest words in the Bible are in Jeremiah 8:20, **"The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved."** Remember, it's never too late to make this life-changing decision to accept Jesus and to experience the unconditional love and salvation that He offers.

**BE GLAD, PEOPLE OF ZION, REJOICE IN THE LORD YOUR GOD,  
FOR HE HAS GIVEN YOU THE AUTUMN RAINS BECAUSE HE IS FAITHFUL.  
HE SENDS YOU ABUNDANT SHOWERS, BOTH AUTUMN AND SPRING RAINS, AS BEFORE.  
-JOEL 2:23 (NIV)**

# FROM THE EDITOR

*Jeremy Snedegar*



If you have any questions about the Newsletter or you would like to have an article placed in The Messenger, please send the submission to me by the 15th of the month. Feedback is always appreciated.

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or by phone at 717-332-0203

## Did you know we are on Facebook?

Check us out at  
Messiah Church of York Facebook, or  
[www.facebook.com/northyorkmessiah/](http://www.facebook.com/northyorkmessiah/)

You can watch our services and see  
current updates.



## A LETTER FROM PASTOR MARK WILLIAMS

Dear Messiah family,

Let me ask you an important question: why does Messiah Church exist?

To answer this question, let's consider Matthew 28:18-20, a passage known as "**The Great Commission.**"

Then Jesus came to them and said, "**All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.**"

In this passage we find our answer to this question: Messiah Church exists to make disciples.

To put this another way: Messiah Church exists to make fully-devoted and fully-developed followers of Jesus Christ. What does this look like?

What is a fully-devoted follower?

A fully-devoted follower of Jesus Christ is a person who has been drawn into our church body and experienced the miracle of salvation. He or she has committed his or her life to Christ, been baptized as a profession of faith, and is integrated into the life of the body.

What is a fully-developed follower?

A fully-developed follower of Jesus Christ is a person who lives a contagious life of faithfulness to Christ. This person has discovered his or her spiritual gifts and faithfully serves the Messiah family in an area of interest and passion. This person faithfully gives financially to the church to support God's kingdom. This person completes the circle by sharing his or her faith with others and bringing them into the church family.

I believe this is our calling together as a church, and I hope this helps you understand what I am thinking when I walk in the door each Sunday morning.

As we move forward together, let's ask ourselves this important second question:

How can we put Messiah Church in the best position possible to fulfill the Great Commission and make disciples: fully-devoted and fully-developed followers of Jesus Christ?

Everything we do should be driven by fulfilling this key command of Jesus.

Proud to be your pastor!

*Pastor Mark*



# LET'S GET INVOLVED THIS FALL!

## All are welcome!

Here are a few ways to join us in some upcoming Bible studies and events.

### Lunch Bunch

Monday, October 21, 2024

11:30 AM

Manchester Diner

4302 N George Street Extension,  
Manchester, PA 17345

### Pastor's Bible Study

Wednesday Mornings at 10am

Adult Bible Study Classroom

Study of the book of Nehemiah

### Church-Wide Dinner and Bible Study

Wednesday, October 2, 2024

Dinner at 6:00pm, Bible studies at 7:00pm

### Trunk or Treat

Sunday, October 27, 2024

Messiah Church of York, 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Fall Festival, Music, Games, Food and more!

(Please No Scary Costumes)

### Fall Sermon Series

Nehemiah-Rebuild. Restore. Revive.

September 8th-November 24th



"Not Surprised Ministries"  
is the personal ministry of Pastor Mark.

# ALTAR FLOWERS



If you would like to sponsor flowers, please contact Nancy at the church office.

### 2024 Prices

Sconces \$48.00

Centerpieces \$33.00

Rosebud in Vase \$9.00

## Quotes to live by, Dee Gembe

"Empathy  
=  
your pain in my heart."

"It's never too soon  
to accept Christ,  
but at any moment it  
could be too late."

# MESSIAH'S DISCIPLES

Jan Frey



## Getting to know Jan better...

Jan, 69, is a graduate of William Penn High School, Clarion and Millersville University. A retired school teacher, Jan currently serves as the Director of Music at Messiah, where she also plays the organ, leads the Instruments of Praise, and directs the Messiah Choir. Her musical talents are remarkable, spanning a wide range of instruments including the organ, piano, percussion, saxophone, and viola. Jan's music extends beyond Messiah, as she performs with multiple bands throughout York County. She and her husband Kirk have been married for 35 years and are the proud parents of three children and five grandchildren. Their family also includes Rosie, a Cattle Dog Mix, and Precious Pumpkin, a rescue cat.

### 1) Jan, would you share with us your healing miracle?

The journey of healing from a brain injury is nothing short of miraculous. I went from being unable to walk, talk, feed myself, and perform minimal self-care to now fully functioning, a new normal. One of the most profound moments during my recovery involved my cat, who, upon my return home, climbed onto my head and gently placed her paw on my injury. Remarkably, she had never sat on my head before nor has she done so since. Animals are angels without wings. Also, I was diagnosed with Celiac disease and as part of my recovery I primarily eat gluten-free, vegan whole plant based foods. This has helped improve my health by eating this way.



## CLAY IN THE HANDS OF THE POTTER

BY DAVID JEREMIAH

SOURCES: ANNE GRAHAM LOTZ,  
WHY?: TRUSTING GOD WHEN YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND

What would we do without the variety of containers we use every day? Plastic milk and water jugs, glass jars, plastic containers of all sorts, cotton and canvas bags, wooden and cardboard boxes, large and small. We don't think twice about what a benefit they are. But think about biblical days, especially in the Old Testament. They had one kind of container that served a multitude of purposes: clay jars. If you had a variety of different needs, you simply made or purchased a different sized clay jar or pot. Everything was clay! Whether decorative or common, they were all made of the same stuff—dirt (clay) and water.

It's no wonder the image of a potter and clay shows up so frequently in Scripture—beginning in Genesis 2:7 where **“God formed man of the dust of the ground.”** Molded out of clay, we are, in a literal sense, pottery. God physically shaped Adam from the clay of the earth and breathed life into him. We are all humans, a word that is akin to humus, meaning “earth” or “clay.” The apostle Paul referred to our bodies as **“jars of clay.”** (2 Corinthians 4:7, NIV).

To say that we are clay in the hands of the Potter acknowledges God's handiwork as the Master Potter, or Creator, of our physical body. It also recognizes God's authority to shape us inwardly, to spiritually fashion us into a vessel fit for His use, molded as an image of our Lord Jesus Christ. The apostle Paul says God wants to form us into **“a vessel for honor, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work”** (2 Timothy 2:21). This gives us a biblical basis for thinking of the events and influences of our lives as His hands and fingers, shaping us like a potter shaping clay.

In the midst of his suffering, Job reminded God, **“Your hands shaped me and made me. Will you now turn and destroy me? Remember that you molded me like clay. Will you now turn me to dust again?”** (Job 10:8–9, NIV) Isaiah rebuked Israel for thinking that she, the clay, knew more than God, the Potter (Isaiah 29:16; 45:9). Jeremiah lamented that Israel, **“once worth their weight in gold,”** had reduced themselves to mere **“pots of clay”** (Lamentations 4:2, NIV).



Scripture's dominant theme is a simple one: God is the Divine Potter, and humanity is the clay. It is another way to express God's sovereignty over all people; a way to express our need to yield to His divine plan; a way to encourage us to find the purpose for which we have been made; a way to accept the divine purpose for all of God's handiwork.

### God's Hands Form Our Life

Our life rests in God's hands. Like a skilled potter, He knows how to apply precise pressure, when to relax His grip, how to score our life with His fingernail, how to squeeze and nudge—all of which increases our fitness as a vessel for His use. At times the Master Potter places us in the kiln where the fires of life turn us into stronger vessels.

In her book *Why?* Anne Graham Lotz describes a phone call that launched her into "the wild blue yonder of faith." The call was from her son, Jonathan, who said, "Mom, the doctor thinks I have cancer." Anne instinctively prayed with Jonathan over the phone, and she later wrote this:

I was able to praise God for His divine purpose for Jonathan's life, which apparently included cancer. Although we had been caught by surprise, I knew God had known about it since before Jonathan was born... Therefore I had absolute confidence that this suffering would be for Jonathan's good and God's glory. We knew God had a plan, apparently cancer was part of it!

God permitted this trial in Jonathan's life as a tool in the skillful hands of the Master Potter to mature, develop, and conform him into the image of Christ. Romans 8:28 says, "**We know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.**" And the next verse specifies His purpose: "**to be conformed to the image of His Son**" (Romans 8:29).

Our heavenly Father wants to use the events we encounter each day as tools with which to shape and sculpt us into the image of Christ. He wants to deepen our faith, to develop within us the quality of perseverance, and to make us watertight containers of **His love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithful, gentleness, and self-control** (Galatians 5:22-23).

When we experience pressure, we can visualize the divine Potter's skillful hands using it for good in our life. Trusting Him, we can echo the prayer of Isaiah: "**But now, O Lord, You are our Father; we are the clay, and You our potter; and all we are the work of Your hand**" (Isaiah 64:8).

### God's Hands Re-Form Our Life

Sometimes we think we're unusable and even unredeemable. We've done something for which we feel shame and guilt, and we begin to believe God can no longer use us. Our problems are occasionally of our own making, and our pain may arise from our own stupidity. But when we bring our sin to the Lord, confess it earnestly, nail it to the cross of Christ, and surrender it to the power of His shed blood, God can take our sin and shame from us and then mold us into a vessel that glorifies Him.

# MESSIAH'S DISCIPLES

*Barbara Heilman*



## Getting to know Barb better...

Barb is a retired English teacher who dedicated 33 years of her life to educating students at Northeastern High School. Beyond her high school teaching career, she also served as an Adjunct Professor at York College of Pennsylvania, where she played a crucial role in supervising and mentoring student teachers. Barb's passion for teaching and nurturing future educators reflects her commitment to the field of education. She and her husband, Tim, have been happily married for 46 years, and they share a love for travel, whether it be to their timeshare or exploring new destinations together. Their enduring partnership and shared adventures highlight the joy they find in each other's company.

### 1) What is your favorite Scripture and why?

*Psalm 46:10 - Be still, and know that I am God." Quiet time with God is essential for me. First thing every morning I talk to Him. It helps me deal with life and its challenges. Being caught up in busyness without being still and listening for God causes stress. (I believe)*

### 2) Could you tell me something about yourself most people would not know?

*I am Nana to "our kids" from New York whose mother was our Fresh Air daughter from age 6-15.*

*I also belong to a Women's International Teachers Organization, Delta Kappa Gamma, and participate in a Book Club Monthly.*



# MESSIAH'S MISSIONS

Messiah's outreach ministry works with local community partners to help serve the needs of others. Showing and sharing God's love can start right here in our neighborhood.



## OCTOBER OUTREACH

### *York County Food Bank*

Let's help provide a meal this holiday season.

### *Wish List*

Canned Green Beans, Corn, Fruit or Cranberry Sauce,  
Boxed Stuffing Mix, Boxed Mashed Potatoes & Cookie Mix

YCFB supplies quality food to over 80 non-profit organizations throughout York County that provide food directly to those in need. These "Partner Agencies" include food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, senior & community centers, and schools/childcare centers. They also provide a drive-thru distribution to anyone in need and each household receives enough food to feed a family of four for a week. Their Senior Box Program is designed to improve the health and nutrition of income eligible seniors. They receive a box of free food each month, which helps stretch their limited income.

The YCFB does not accept expired food.  
Donations can be dropped off in the narthex throughout the month of October.  
York County Food Bank, 15 Marianne Drive, York, PA 17406





# Hunger Free York

## York County Food Bank



### 2.3 MILLION MEALS

We distributed 2.3 million healthy meals to food insecure York Countians in 2023.



### 2.8 MILLION LBS.

We distributed over 2.8 million lbs. of food through our Food Security Network and directly through our own programs.



### 100-125 VOLUNTEERS EVERY WEEK

Every week, 100-125 volunteers helped us pack food boxes, register guests, distribute and deliver food to those in need and to our partners, and accomplish many more tasks.



### DONATE

See various ways to make monetary donations or create a Virtual Food Drive online at [yorkfoodbank.org](http://yorkfoodbank.org).



### 1 IN 9 PEOPLE IN YORK COUNTY STRUGGLE WITH FOOD INSECURITY

Nearly 60,000 people in York County don't have consistent access to the food they need to live active, healthy lives.



### 24,000 SENIOR BOXES

The Food Bank and our partners distributed 24,000 food boxes to food insecure seniors throughout York County.



### 9,000 HOURS

Volunteers contributed over 9,000 hours of service to our operations. Without this kind of dedicated support, we could not have accomplished all we did in 2022.



### VOLUNTEER

Learn about volunteer opportunities and sign up for a shift at [yorkfoodbank.org/volunteer](http://yorkfoodbank.org/volunteer).



# CALLING ALL MUSICIANS

## Messiah Choir

Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm,  
in the upstairs Choir room.

The Messiah Singers are back in full swing for the 2024-2025 choir season. Thank you to the singers who have faithfully shared their musical talents all summer and now are back to sharing anthems!

Thank you to the Messiah Praise Team who enlighten us all with their contemporary worship sounds!

Messiah musicians make beautiful music together! Would you like to join us?

Let your desires be made known to Pr. Mark, Dustin and/or Jan.

We will help you find a place in the Messiah Music ministry programs.

## MESSIAH CHURCH FAMILY, IS IT YOUR TIME TO SERVE?

Two years ago, we took a bold leap of faith by leaving the UMC. With hearts full of prayer, we asked God to bless our endeavors and guide us through this transformative journey. Starting from scratch, our dedicated community came together, volunteering their time, talents, and resources to rebuild our temple. Much like Nehemiah, most of our volunteers were laypeople with a shared vision and unwavering commitment. Since then, we have made remarkable progress. We've rebranded, raised funds, and successfully repurchased our property. We've also navigated complex legal processes, established new bylaws, crafted a statement of beliefs, and organized our structure with an organizational chart and employee handbooks. Throughout this journey, we've revived some ministries while witnessing others fall silent. We've hired new staff and seen some depart. Despite facing challenges, our collective efforts have led to significant accomplishments. Thanks be to God for His faithfulness and for guiding us every step of the way!

### **But we still need your help!**

There is still much work to be done here at Messiah, and we're reaching out to our Church family for support.

**This year, we have seven openings on the AdBoard: five are two-year terms and two are one-year terms.** Please note; to serve you must be a member of MCY for two years and after serving on the Board for two years, a one-year break is required before you can serve again. The AdBoard meets once a month to discuss important matters that guide our Church. Your experience, insights, and commitment could make a significant impact. Will you consider serving at Messiah by joining the AdBoard?



## A New Heaven and a New Earth

He who was seated on the throne said, ***"I am making everything new!"*** Then he said, ***"Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."***

He said to me: ***"It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life. Those who are victorious will inherit all this, and I will be their God and they will be my children."***

REVELATION 21:5-7 (NIV)

## BOOK OF THE MONTH

DO YOU ENJOY READING?

HERE'S A SUGGESTION FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER.

### *What Happens Next*

A TRAVELER'S GUIDE THROUGH THE END OF THIS AGE

BY MAX LUCADO

#### **Be Prepared, Not Scared. Are we living in the end times?**

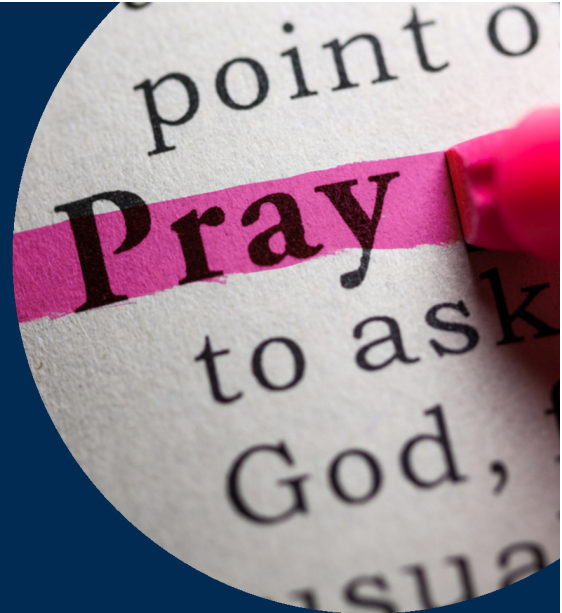
*What Happens Next* is an optimistic, accessible, and non-sensational guide to what the Bible says about heaven's time line that will empower you to face the future with faith. Max takes you on a well-researched overview of what God's Word says, exploring the following four big ideas that provide a solid foundation for understanding God's eternal plan:

- We were made to reign with Christ.
- God has made and will keep his promises.
- Heaven has a time line.
- A golden era—the millennium—awaits God's children.

Plus, Max takes you on a journey of the time line of history, examining essential milestones such as the rapture, the seven years of tribulation, and the glory of heaven.

Whether you find yourself in the "I can't wait," "I'm almost ready," or "I'm not sure about all of this" camp, you will be encouraged to ponder God's promises for the future. In Max's signature encouraging style, he reminds us, "It's all about hope. It's all about him."

**There are several copies available in the Narthex for you to borrow, read, and return to the table when finished for others to enjoy.**



# THE ROLLERCOSTER OF MARRIAGE

BY TERI LYNNE



Twenty years ago, Scott and I spent our honeymoon in Florida. We wandered through the stores on Main Street at Magic Kingdom where we bought a personalized ornament we still hang every year on our Christmas tree. I snapped a photo of Scott with Doc's DeLorean from Back to the Future while we were at Universal. And we stood in the long line more than once for the Tower of Terror at Disney's MGM {now Hollywood} Studios.

Can I admit now, twenty years later, I never would have gotten on the ride the first time much less the subsequent times except I didn't want Scott to think I was a scaredy cat? Of course, by now he knows that secret.

For those who are unfamiliar with this ride, it's a Twilight Zone-themed journey through an old hotel. After buckling into an old elevator, you are dropped multiple times. It's equal parts exhilarating and terrifying. And I rode it again several years later when we were back in Orlando with friends on vacation.





# THE ROLLERCOSTER OF MARRIAGE

Marriage can be a lot like that ride – unexpected, thrilling, and scary. There are drops and surprises and adventures we could never predict when we first meet that **"one my heart loves"** {Song of Solomon 3:4}. Over the past twenty years, Scott and I have experienced many challenges and heartbreaks but also countless joys and celebrations. We've learned life is made of seasons and God is faithful in each one {Ecclesiastes 3:1}.

We laughed about some of our more amusing adventures during a quick anniversary trip a couple of weeks ago. We reminisced about the darkest days we've faced – the unexpected death of Scott's dad and our own years of infertility. We talked about how the years have flown and dreamed about what will come in the next twenty years.

We discussed what we've done well and some areas where we could work harder. All in all, we realized, the years have made us more alike, more connected, more secure in our love, and more committed to our marriage. It hasn't been easy – but the best things in life rarely are. As we talked, I realized there are several specific choices we've made to help us stay grounded in our marriage even when the world was spinning crazy around us.

## Prayer

The foundation of our marriage has always been prayer. We are committed to praying for and with each other.

## Scripture

We've prayed Scripture, we've studied Scripture, we've taught Scripture. Every morning you can find us – Scott in his spot and me in mine – with our Bibles. From day one, we have been diligent and determined to stay in the Word and to live out the Word.

## Patience

Ahh, this one is a biggie! But here's the thing, it has to be a priority. Paul writes that **love is patient and kind** {1 Corinthians 13:4}. For us, that often boils down to two things: giving each other the benefit of the doubt and being polite. I know that sounds simplistic but the truth is, more often than not, patience means we believe the best about each other and kindness is extending common courtesy.

Marriage isn't always easy. There are days when I feel like I'm in that dark elevator on the Tower of Terror, waiting for the drop, dreading it but knowing it's coming. But marriage is also the most incredible thing I've ever done – committing my heart and life, sharing my hopes and dreams, building a life together for the glory of God. It's just as thrilling as seeing those elevator doors open and looking out across Disney World. And every day, I just keep getting in line for the ride of my life!





# Bible Study

Please join us for  
Dinner & Bible Study on October 2.  
6 pm Dinner & 7 pm Bible Study  
The cost for dinner is  
\$6/adult, \$3/child (ages 4-11)  
\$22 max per family.





# Parlor News



A heartfelt thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who dedicated their time and effort to help redo our parlor. (Pictured, Sue H., Beth, Sue M., Diana, Barry, Gil, Rob, Tom, & Jeff, not pictured Denny Miley & Hal Berger.) Your hard work has truly transformed the space, giving it a fresh and inviting new look with the beautiful paint and furniture. Thanks for creating a welcoming environment for everyone to enjoy!





# One Voice Community Choir

**"Building Unity Through Community"**

Come join your voice with ours as we present the Christmas musical.

**"Hope of a Broken World"**

by Dave Clark and David Clydesdale

**Rehearsals Begin**

**Sunday October 13, 2024 4-5:30pm**

Calvary United Methodist Church  
11 North Richland Avenue, York, PA 17404

Performances will be held;

**December 8, 2024 at 3 pm**  
**Messiah Church of York**

**January 5, 2025 at 3 pm**  
**Calvary United Methodist**

Please see Diana Patrizio, for more information or contact Linda Cross at (508)341-7082



## SEPTEMBER VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

### SANCTUARY GREETERS

OCT 6 - NANCY WAGMAN  
OCT 13 - BARRY/RENEE MONTAG  
OCT 20 - SUE HARTMAN  
OCT 27 - RUBY OLSON

If you would like to volunteer as a greeter or have any questions, please contact Sue Hartman at [suzyq19@comcast.net](mailto:suzyq19@comcast.net)

### OFFERING ASSISTANTS

OCT 6 - BETH GREEN  
OCT 13- DIANA PATRIZIO  
OCT 20 - ROBERTA RISHL  
OCT 27 - DENNY MILEY

I want to thank all who have been assisting Barry and me with counting our weekly offering. We welcome anyone else who would like to assist us with this work for the church. Please see me at church or call me at (717) 578-7527 if you are interested in helping. Renee Montag



# It's Apple Dumpling Time!

**Friday October 11**

The **"Holy Rollers"** and the **"Perky Peelers"** are coming back to make our delicious Apple Dumplings in our church kitchen. You can pre-order yours starting September 22 and going thru to October 6. Sign-up sheets will be in the lobby or call Nancy in the church office (717-843-4574). **They are \$3.50 each and can be picked up on Friday October 11 between 3 & 5 pm at the West Entrance** or make other arrangements when placing your order.

If paying by check please make it out to Messiah Church of York. You may pay at pick-up.

A sign-up sheet will also go up for volunteer workers. We will start at 8 am on that day. Please call me, Sue Miley, at 717-586-3045.



## LOOKING AHEAD

### HELLO FALL!

#### OCT

- 2 Church Dinner & Bible Study 6 pm Dinner & 7pm Bible Study
- 11 Apple Dumpling 8 am (Making) & 3-5 pm Pick Up
- 21 Lunch Bunch at Manchester Diner 11:30 am
- 27 Trunk or Treat 4 pm-7 pm

#### Nov

- 3 DST - Turn clocks back 1 hour
- 6 Church Dinner & Bible Study 6 pm Dinner & 7 pm Bible Study
- 11 Veteran's Day
- 18 Lunch Bunch 11:30 am -TBD
- 28 Happy Thanksgiving! Office Closed



# BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

## Let's Celebrate!

### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Delores Runkle\*\*  
James Christy
- 2 Diane Jacobs
- 4 Forrest Christy
- 5 Kaylee Stuart
- 8 Jordan Christy
- 9 Sarah Berger
- 11 Jan Frey
- 13 Susan Hartman  
Leslie (Skip) Wisotzkey III
- 16 Pat Eyster  
Okles Sacarellos
- 17 Tony Patrizio
- 25 Kristin Gembe
- 26 James Shindler\*\*
- 28 Brittany Geesey
- 29 Joyce Potts
- 30 Danielle Olson  
Judy Rutter

### OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 7 Josh and Mandy Stuart
- 10 Matt and Mary Lou Fishel
- 12 Doug and Ashlee March
- 14 Gary and Nancy Boyd
- 18 Craig and Marcia Shindler
- 23 Jim and Linda Fetrow

\*\*Denotes Shut-ins

*Missed Birthday or Anniversary?  
If somehow we've missed you, call the  
church office at 717-843-4574 or email  
the update to [messiah@messiahnyork.com](mailto:messiah@messiahnyork.com).  
We'll be glad to add your name to our list.*





2024

# OCTOBER

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		1	2 10:00 am Bible Study <b>6:00 pm Church Dinner</b> 7:00 pm Bible Study	3	4	5
6 9:00 am Worship <b>9:15 am Sunday School</b> 10:30 am Worship/ Children's Church	7	8 6:30 pm AdBoard Meeting	9 10:00 am Bible Study	10	11 <b>Apple Dumplings</b> 8 am - <b>Perky Peelers &amp; Holy Rollers</b>  3-5pm <b>Pick Up, West Entrance</b>	12
13 9:00 am Worship <b>9:15 am Sunday School</b> 10:30 am Worship	14	15 <b>November Newsletter Articles Due</b>	16 10:00 am Bible Study	17	18	19
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## NURSERY SCHEDULE

Please see church bulletin for more details.



# BIBLE IN A YEAR - ABOUT THE BOOKS

**Micah** prophesied at the same time as Isaiah and Hosea. He prophesied during the tragic and historic years surrounding the Assyrian invasion of the Northern Kingdom. Micah predicted the event in Micah 1:6, and it came to pass between 10 and 15 years later, in 722 BC. Micah's earlier prophecies concern judgment on the kingdoms of Israel and Judah for idolatry. His later prophecies concern the future kingdom that Jesus spoke of.



**Date Written:**  
735-710 BC



**Period Covered:**  
722 BC to future



**Author:**  
Prophet Micah

**Habakkuk** cried out to God during a very dark time in Israel. Habakkuk likely prophesied in the first five years of King Jehoiakim's reign. This king led the people into evil. The Assyrians had control of the northern kingdom (Kingdom of Israel) after a brutal invasion more than 100 years earlier. Habakkuk preached from the southern kingdom (Kingdom of Judah), which was still intact, but less than 50 years away from its own invasion by Babylon that destroyed the Temple. The pressure was on.



**Date Written:**  
615-605 BC



**Period Covered:**  
608 BC to 598 BC



**Author:**  
Prophet Habakkuk

**Colossians** - The Colossian church was trying to mix Greek philosophy with Christian theology. The result was called Gnostic philosophy. Among other things, it taught that the physical world was evil and Jesus was a spirit and not a man. The book is most well-known for teaching us to be wary of false teachers.



**Date Written:**  
60-62 AD



**Period Covered:**  
Universal



**Author:**  
Apostle Paul

**Hebrews** - This is the only book in the New Testament where scholars are unsure of its author. The author encourages the Jewish followers of Christ to endure and not return to the practices of the old Jewish covenant. It reminds the readers that Christ is superior to angels and prophets, that Christ's sacrifice is superior to Temple's sacrifices, and that Christ is superior as the Son of God.



**Date Written:**  
67-69 AD



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# BIBLE IN A YEAR - DAILY SCRIPTURE READING

## SCRIPTURE

- **Tuesday, October 1:** Isaiah 50-52, Romans 9:16-33
- **Wednesday, October 2:** Isaiah 53-55, Romans 10
- **Thursday, October 3:** Isaiah 56-58, Romans 11:1-18
- **Friday, October 4:** Isaiah 59-61, Romans 11:19-36
- **Saturday, October 5:** Isaiah 62-64, Romans 12
- **Sunday, October 6:** Isaiah 65-66, Romans 13
- **Monday, October 7:** Hosea 1-4, Romans 14
- **Tuesday, October 8:** Hosea 5-8, Romans 15:1-13
- **Wednesday, October 9:** Hosea 9-11, Romans 15:14-33
- **Thursday, October 10:** Hosea 12-14, Romans 16
- **Friday, October 11:** Micah 1-3, Acts 21:1-17
- **Saturday, October 12:** Micah 4-5, Acts 21:18-40
- **Sunday, October 13:** Micah 6-7, Acts 22
- **Monday, October 14:** Nahum 1-3, Acts 23:1-15
- **Tuesday, October 15:** 2 Chronicles 33-34, Acts 23:16-35
- **Wednesday, October 16:** Zephaniah 1-3, Acts 24
- **Thursday, October 17:** 2 Chronicles 35, Habakkuk 1-3, Acts 25

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- **Friday, October 18:** Jeremiah 1-2, Acts 26
- **Saturday, October 19:** Jeremiah 3-5, Acts 27:1-26
- **Sunday, October 20:** Jeremiah 6, Jeremiah 11-12, Acts 27:27-44
- **Monday, October 21:** Jeremiah 7-8, Jeremiah 26 Acts 28
- **Tuesday, October 22:** Jeremiah 9-10, Jeremiah 14, Colossians 1
- **Wednesday, October 23:** Jeremiah 15-17, Colossians 2
- **Thursday, October 24:** Jeremiah 18-19, Colossians 3
- **Friday, October 25:** Jeremiah 20, Jeremiah 35-36, Colossians 4
- **Saturday, October 26:** Jeremiah 25, Jeremiah 45-46, Hebrews 1
- **Sunday, October 27:** Jeremiah 47-48, Hebrews 2
- **Monday, October 28:** Jeremiah 49, Jeremiah 13, Jeremiah 22, Hebrews 3
- **Tuesday, October 29:** Jeremiah 23-24, Hebrews 4
- **Wednesday, October 30:** Jeremiah 27-29, Hebrews 5
- **Thursday, October 31:** Jeremiah 50, Hebrews 6
- **Friday, November 1:** Jeremiah 51, Jeremiah 30, Hebrews 7
- **Saturday, November 2:** Jeremiah 31-32, Hebrews 8
- **Sunday, November 3:** Jeremiah 33, Jeremiah 21, Hebrews 9



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