



St. George's
Episcopal
Church

The Seventh Sunday of Easter May 16, 2021

7:45 am Rite I with Holy Communion

You are welcome at
St. George's Church:
Regardless of race,
nationality,
sexual orientation,
gender expression,
or tradition.

May 16, 2021

**The mission of the Church is to
restore all people to unity with God
and each other in Christ.**
- Book of Common Prayer, pg. 855

Welcome to St. George's!

Whether you are worshiping online or in person, we are glad you are here.

Connect with Us

During this time of staying apart, we are finding new ways to connect. If you'd like to find out more about St. George's, please fill out an online Newcomer Card on our website at: bit.ly/stgnewcomer.

To stay up-to-date on the latest news and events, sign up for our weekly e-newsletter, The St. Georgian: bit.ly/stgnews.

Request Prayer

We share in each other's joys and concerns. Send us your prayer requests at: bit.ly/stgprayer.

Giving

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Your generous gifts help fund our ministries and serve the community. Thank you. You can make a one-time or recurring gift electronically or text to give (send a text message with the dollar amount [e.g. \$50] to: 540.701.4133). You can also mail a check to the church office. For assistance, contact Business Manager [Ben Hicks](#).

Your Gifts at Work

Recently, your gifts to St. George's have helped us to:

- Offer a Zoom conversation with our Presiding Bishop Michael Curry
- Commemorate the 300th Anniversary of our parish and celebrate the parish building's designation on the Registry of Historic Places
- Support the ministries of our Diocese and the wider Episcopal church to promote racial justice and healing

These and many other ministries happen because of your generosity. Thank you!



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Formation for All Ages

**"Make me to know your ways,
O Lord; teach me your paths."
Psalm 25:4**

Learning and Growing in Christ

No matter where you are on your faith journey, there's a place for you here.

We offer a number of faith formation opportunities for all ages. You are invited to visit or join at any time.

Please note that our worship schedule changes next week. The updated schedule is included later in the bulletin.

Children Formation Videos:

<http://bit.ly/stgchildrenvideos>

The St. George's Youth Ministry is offering Sunday evening youth group virtually! [Follow this link](#) to register your young person and you will receive an email with the Zoom link.

What Are You Looking For?

We'd love to get to know you and to hear your story. Contact the church office (office@stgeorgesepiscopal.net).

Worship Schedule: Updated!

Sundays:

7:45 am: Rite I with Holy Communion, in-person worship

9 am: Join our Rector, Joe Hensley, for a parish update. We will check-in with one another, learn about regathering, various long-term projects underway and ask questions.

www.zoom.us/join or call

929.205.6099

Webinar ID: 392 738 239

Password: 107758

10 am: Rite II with Holy Communion, in-person and livestreamed. Features liturgies from the *Book of Common Prayer* and *Enriching Our Worship*. It premieres on YouTube Live at 10 am and is posted on Facebook after the service ends.

11 am: Virtual Coffee Half Hour (same login as Adult Forum)

Distribution of Holy Communion in the narthex for those who have participated in the online service. The church will also be open for private prayer.

5:30 pm: 3rd Sundays Celtic Evensong. It premieres on YouTube Live and is posted on Facebook after the service ends.

8 pm: Sung Compline on Facebook Live via our [Compline Facebook page](#).

Wednesdays:

Noon Prayer via [Facebook Live](#)

The Seventh Sunday of Easter May 16, 2021

from the red Book of Common Prayer
(BCP)

We invite you to prepare for worship by observing silence or taking time for private prayer.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Collect for Purity

BCP 323

The Summary of the Law

BCP 324

Christ our Passover *Pascha nostrum*
Said in unison

BCP 46

The Word of God

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect of the Day

BCP 175

O God, the King of glory, who hast exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless, but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Savior Christ is gone before; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus-- for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us-- one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two,

Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1

BCP 585

I John 5:9 - 13

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John 17:6 - 19

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

Looking up to heaven, Jesus prayed, "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am

not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

Deacon or Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Homily The Rev. Areeta D. Bridgemohan

The Nicene Creed BCP 326

Prayers of the People BCP 328

Confession of Sin BCP 330

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

All are now invited to exchange a sign of peace with a wave or bow.

Announcements

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. We invite you to share your gifts in support of our ministry within and beyond our congregation. You may place your gift in the offering plate. You can also give online (bit.ly/stggive) or text to give (send a text message with the dollar amount [e.g. \$50] to: 540.701.4133).

The Great Thanksgiving Prayer I BCP 333
Sanctus + Benedictus BCP 334

The Lord's Prayer BCP 336

The Breaking of the Bread BCP 337
During the Easter Season, we omit the Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) and the Prayer of Humble Access as we focus on the grace received in Christ's resurrection.

Invitation to Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Post-communion prayer BCP 339

A Blessing for Easter

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

The congregation responds **Thanks be to God!**

Announcements

For details on these events
and more visit
stgeorgesepiscopal.net

Rite 13 Celebration Today

At our 10 am service today we are celebrating the Journey to Adulthood with our Rite 13 liturgy. Please join us in praying for our celebrities: Elijah Harris, Samantha Hugh, Brenden Lane, Grace Rollins, Halen Seals, and Kathrine Webb.

Love Offering for Fr. David Casey

On May 30, formally ends his ministry with Christ Lutheran, Trinity Episcopal and St. George's. To contribute to a love offering for him, you can [give on-line](#) (select "David Casey Purse" from the funds dropdown) or make a check payable to St. George's and write "Purse" in the memo line. Checks may be mailed to the church office (P. O. Box 7127, Fredericksburg, VA 22404) or given in the offering on Sundays. Pastor David will be presented a single purse from the three congregations.

300th Anniversary Art Show

"Brushes to Bridges" is an art exhibit extended to artists who know Fredericksburg and St. George's best, those in our local region. We have published the official Call for Entries on our website. Please visit bit.ly/stg300thart for more information and share with your local artists friends!

High School Senior Recognition Day!

St. George's would like to honor all high school seniors this year at our 10 am service on May 30 with a special blessing accompanied by a short senior bio to share with our parish. Follow this link to fill out the [senior bio form](#) and send it to Hecti Musa by Sunday, May 16.

Save the Date! Spiritual Gifts Workshop May 22 9 am - 12 pm

Do you ever wonder what God is calling you to do, whether as part of St. George's or in your wider world? Where do you find your greatest joy? How might that connect with needs in the church and community? Who are your role models for service? This workshop is for anyone looking for a next step in ministry and service as we listen for God's guidance and identify the gifts we have that maybe we didn't know about. Join Rev. Bob Miller, for a morning of exploration on Saturday, May 22 from 9 am - 12 pm, in-person in Sydnor Hall. To sign up, [click here](#) or visit our website: www.stgeorgesepiscopal.net.

St. George's Prayer List

"Prayer is powerful"
James 5:16

Regarding the Prayer List: We strive to extend the power of the congregation's prayer to those who feel they would benefit from its embrace. Please submit prayer requests in writing. New additions this week are in italics. For rehabilitation, concerns, and grace and assistance lists, we keep a name on the list for 1 month, unless asked to do otherwise. If a name is removed that should still be on, please contact the church office to have their name returned to the list.

Pray for our leadership:

For our bishops, Justin, Michael, Susan, Porter, and Jennifer; for Joe, Areeta, Will and David our clergy; for those who are priests and pastors in our community; for our staff—John, Ben, Jan, Nicholas, Amy, Danielle, Lisa, Achim, Hecti, Laurel, Barbara, Emily, and Riley; and for our Vestry.

Today's Altar Arrangement:

is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Helmuth Pepmeir and Adelaide P. Shelton.

Pray for those expecting babies:

Andrea Wilkins and Thomas Cunningham, daughter of Marsha Wilkins; Philip and Peyton Carter, son of Bob and Laurie Carter; Michael and Lucy Monte; Emily and Colin Walthall, daughter of Mark and Joyce Steele; Nicholas and Brianna Gregory; Jenny Neff-Norman and Matt Norman, Kaylee and Sai Babbie, son of Mary Woolls, Katherine and Major Donald Meyer, Daughter of Bill and Michele Redding.

Pray for those recently born:

Mary Kate Sheil, daughter of Katie and Eamonn Sheil, and granddaughter of Mary and Bob Ryan; Cassidy James Coker, son of Tug and Kathryn Coker and grandson of John and Linda Coker.

Pray for those recently died:

Geordie Beddoe, Margaret Freeman, Charles Wood, father of Anne Steppe, Nancy Behrmann; Jean Jarosz, mother of Sheryl Stroud Bryant.

Pray for All who are affected during the COVID-19 pandemic, including:

All those sick with the novel corona virus and their loved ones, those who have died, health workers and chaplains, undertakers, food workers, internet service workers, educators, social service providers, families at home adjusting to new routines and roles, homeless neighbors with nowhere to shelter, government and community leaders, all who are out of work, and so many others.

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Pray for healthcare workers and first responders:

Dr. Betsy Schinstock, Dr. Heather Masters, Cameron Simmons, Elizabeth Anderson, Morgan Ellis, Leilani Blose, John Gleason, Brad Houck, Jeffrey French, Susan Larson, Randi Thompson, Robin Rose, Zach Rose, Suzanne Simmons, William McNitt, Heidi Taft, Charlotte Martin, Philip Pendleton, Dr. John Chinault, Dr. Mark Macedon, Dr. Jeniffer Huhn, Dr. Joe Lee, Amy Bogardus, Kristen Brandford, Dr. Matthew Whitehurst, Trish Stenger, Cindy Hales Tyler.

Pray for those serving our country overseas:

Ian Patrick Hume, Andrew Rodriguez, Robert BP Thompson, Jr., Michael Sweaney

Pray for homebound parishioners:

Bill Poole, Judy Barton, Betty Stephens, All persons in care facilities who cannot receive visitors right now, Anne Brooks Brauer.

Pray for those in rehabilitation or in convalescence:

Al Sharp, Kathleen Pool, Dottie Davis, Barbara Willis, Cary Montague, Deloris Smith, Marion Zimmerman, Judy Thomson, Donald Wykoff, Dori Eglevsky, Cynthia Ferguson, Cayce Boyles, Dee Spanos, Tatiana Younger, Sharon Carmody, Pat Smith, Susan Thomas, *Lynne, Joan Diaz-Mendez.*

Arya Holmes, Molly Myers, Wayne and Dot Morris, Scott Boyd, Paris Swisher, Pam Allen, Just Thompson, Barbara Webster, Wade Webster.

Pray for those who need God's grace and assistance:

Tom Rotella, Jenn Funes, Nancy Wood, Nell Childs, Burch Mixon, *FaraJemima Rasoamanarivo.*

Pray for those in discernment: Kris Boyd, Rev. David P. Casey, O.P.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: St. James', Leesburg; St. James's, Richmond; Ware, Gloucester

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: The Anglican Church of Korea

Pray for: Our Little Roses (Honduras); Notre Dame Parish and School (Port-au-Prince, Haiti), Père Frantz Cole; Red Door Young Adult Ministry; SAWs Virginia; Rev. Ōshin Jennings, No Barriers Zen Temple; Micah Ecumenical Ministries (our work to do justice, love, mercy, and walk humbly with our God along with other congregations in Fredericksburg).

Pray for: St. George's Preschool.

Pray for: Stephen Ministers, St. George's lay pastoral care visitors, and their ministry of spiritual and emotional support for others in the congregation.

Pray for those with ongoing concerns:

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Serving This Sunday

Thank you to our worship leaders
serving today. If you would like to
volunteer, contact the church office:
office@stgeorgesepiscopal.net.

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The Rev. Areeta D. Bridgemohan
The Rev. William S. Dickinson

Preacher:

The Rev. Areeta D. Bridgemohan

Lector:

Rene Rodriguez

Greeter:

Peggy Verdine

Ushers:

Tommy Thompson

Virtual Coffee Hour Host:

Ann Tebbutt

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Cindy Helton

Altar Guild:

Barbara Blose
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