



St. George's
Episcopal
Church

The Third Sunday
after Pentecost
June 13, 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.

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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.

Thank you for continuing to wear your facial covering (such as a mask) during indoor services as it allows us to more safely reduce other restrictions on distancing and singing.

Connect with Us

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.



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Giving

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Your generous gifts help fund our ministries and serve the community. Thank you.

In person donations are welcomed at one of the collection plates in the entryway or in the aisle.

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:

- Support the Micah Street Church congregation which offers worship and community among neighbors who have experienced homelessness and neighbors who care.
- Empower our youth to give to others in service to the local community during an upcoming Mission Week.

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

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 the changes to our children and youth formation for the summer (June - August)

Children's Ministry Summer Schedule

Our Formation will be held from 9 – 9:30 am. The first Sunday of the month will be a children's live Zoom gathering (except for July 4th). The link will be provided in the children and families Facebook Group. The third Sunday of the month we will offer an in-person story time for our children in front of the Renwick building downtown (the grassy area across the street from Sydnor Hall). The last Sunday of the month will be a pre-recorded children's homily led by one of our clergy (posted to our [St. George's children's YouTube page](#)). Our program year resumes in September.

Youth Ministry Summer Schedule

Our youth group will be held from 11:30 am – 1pm the second Sunday of every month (6/13 tubing at the Virginia Outdoor Center followed by picnic at Old Mill Park, 7/11 Scavenger hunt at the Fredericksburg Area Museum, 8/8 tubing at the Virginia Outdoor Center followed by picnic at Old Mill Park). Our program year resumes in September.

Worship Schedule:

Updated for the Summer!

Sundays:

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

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: Join us for a guided Bible study and sermon talkback.

www.zoom.us/join or call

929.205.6099

Webinar ID: 392 738 239

Password: 107758

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.

Please note our Compline service is taking a break over the summer

Wednesdays:

Noon Prayer via [Facebook Live](#)

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

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

Collect for Purity

BCP 323

The Summary of the Law

BCP 324

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy.

People: Christ, have mercy.

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy.

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 178

Keep, O Lord, we beseech thee, thy household the Church in thy steadfast faith and love, that by the help of thy grace we may proclaim thy truth with boldness, and minister thy justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

1 Samuel 15:34 - 16:13

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the LORD was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel. The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do

you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 20

BCP 608

II Corinthians 5:6 - 10, 14 - 17

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord-- for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark 4:26 - 34

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come." He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

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

The Confession

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 <i>Prayer I</i>	BCP 333
Sanctus + Benedictus	BCP 334
The Lord's Prayer	BCP 336
The Breaking of the Bread	BCP 337
O Lamb of God, Prayer of Humble Access	BCP 337

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
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The Blessing

BCP 339

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst 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
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One Body Response Team Gathering

Today at 4 pm in Sydnor Hall, all current OBRT members are invited to gather for a brief time of fellowship and connection. Feel free to bring a light snack to share and dress in the color of your team if you like. Our OBRT members provide encouragement through prayers, cards, and meals to parishioners needing support. If you would like to learn more about this powerful ministry, please attend!

Celebrating Juneteenth

The oldest nationally celebrated commemoration of the ending of slavery in the U.S., Juneteenth is a time for the entire community to rejoice and reflect. A regional Juneteenth celebration will take place on Saturday, June 19 from 12 - 9 pm in Pratt Park in south Stafford County, including speakers, performances, food, a car parade (St. George's will be represented) at 5 pm and fireworks. See a flyer in the narthex or here: <https://www.facebook.com/stafford.juneteenth>

Today's Altar Arrangement:

is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of John Bollendorf by the Millier-Richards family.

Pride Month:

St. George's love and supports LGBTQ+ persons (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and other expressions of gender and sexuality), many of whom are observing Pride month in June as a celebration of their identity, culture, history, and community. This pride is about people who have experienced persecution affirming who God has made us to be. St. George's has a long history of being an affirming and welcoming congregation, and we are stepping up our support this year for Queer (a term that has been reclaimed by many as positive and inclusive of the range of LGBTQ+) persons as God's beloved children.

Celtic Evensong Next Sunday!

Worship with us next Sunday (June 20) at 5:30 pm for our Celtic Evensong. The service will include Holy Communion. We will offer it in-person and live stream via our YouTube Live Channel.

Recurring Gifts Keep on Giving

Summer is wonderful time to make the switch to gifts which recur automatically from your bank account or credit card. This ensures a steady flow of resources to empower our ministries and helps the donor as well. For more information, contact our business manager, [Ben Hicks](#). Thank you for your generous support.

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Shrine Mont Registrations

We are cautiously optimistic that we will be able to gather in the mountains of Shrine Mont this Fall! We plan to gather the weekend of October 8-10 for a chance to reconnect with nature and each other, and we still have about 25 more spots left! We are limiting the number of people in our group, so act fast if you would like to join us! Register online at (stgeorgesepiscopal.net). [Contact Danielle Davis](#) for more info.

Staff Transition Announcement

Hecti Musa, our Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministry, has discerned a call to step down from their role at St. George's to pursue their education in New York City. In thanksgiving for Hecti's ministry, we will be collecting a care package, and we invite you to send cards and other expressions of gratitude to the church office by Friday, July 2. Please join us in offering prayers for Hecti and Karin as they prepare to embark on this exciting adventure.

Announcing the St. George's Landmark Building Fund

We established this fund, which is housed at the Community Foundation of the Rappahannock River Region a few years ago, in anticipation of the 300th anniversary, for the preservation of the historic landmark of St. George's Church in the long term. Between now and November 22, we have a goal to reach \$300,000 in this fund. We are inviting the parish and the entire community of Fredericksburg to consider making a gift or designating the fund in your estate plans, to give thanks for and preserve our iconic landmark which is so closely linked with our city. You can donate via the [Community Foundation here](#).

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!

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 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, and Riley; and for our Vestry.

Pray for those expecting babies:

Andrea Wilkins and Thomas Cunningham, daughter of Marsha Wilkins; 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:

Corbin Jefferson Carter, son of Philip and Peyton Carter and grandson of Bob and Laurie Carter; *Cora, daughter of Michael and Lucy Monte.*

Pray for those recently died:

Barbara Willis; Joseph McGee, father of Mandy McGee; *Bill Cheatham*

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.

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

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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, 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, Barbara Backus, Dwight Ellis, Anne Funston, *Mary Smith*.

Pray for those with ongoing concerns:

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

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

Jenn Funes, Nancy Wood, Nell Childs, Burch Mixon, FaraJemima Rasoamanoaivo, Mina Sabik, Barbara Goldstein and family in Israel, Jason S.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray

for: Christ Church, Alexandria; St. John's, Tappahannock; St. Paul's, Hanover.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

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.

Serving This Sunday

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

Clergy:

The Rev. Joseph H. Hensley, Jr.
The Rev. Areeta D. Bridgemohan
The Rev. William S. Dickinson

Preacher:

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Lector:

Jessica Atkinson

Greeter:

Alma Withers
Joanna Catron

Ushers:

Tommy Thompson
Julie Lang

Flowers:

Gail Braxton

Altar Guild:

Jane Bailey
Cynthia Ellis
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