



St. George's
Episcopal
Church

The Sixth Sunday
after Pentecost
July 4, 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: Virtual Coffee (Half) Hour. Hop on Zoom to catch up with your fellow St. Georgians.

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 179

O God, who has taught us to keep all thy commandments by loving thee and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to thee with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

II Samuel 5:1 - 5, 9 - 10

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron, and said, "Look, we are your bone and flesh. For some time, while Saul was king over us, it was you who led out Israel and brought it in. The LORD said to you: It is you who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you who shall be ruler over Israel." So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron; and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the LORD, and they anointed David king over Israel. David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years. At Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months; and at Jerusalem he reigned

over all Israel and Judah thirty-three years. David occupied the stronghold, and named it the city of David. David built the city all around from the Millo inward. And David became greater and greater, for the LORD, the God of hosts, was with him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 48

BCP 651

II Corinthians 12:2 - 10

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven-- whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person-- whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows-- was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark 6:1 - 13

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

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Jesus left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them.

And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

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

Collect for Independence Day

BCP 190

Lord God Almighty, in whose Name the founders of this country won liberty for themselves and for us, and lit the torch of freedom for nations then unborn: Grant, we beseech thee, that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain these liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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).

Birthday Blessing

BCP 830

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
stgeorgesepiscopal.net

Office Closed - Monday, July 5

The church office will be closed on Monday, July 5 for Independence Day weekend. If you have a pastoral emergency (e.g. death, hospitalization, loss of job), please text or call or text 540.361.8573 to reach the clergy on call.

Shrine Mont Wait List

We have reached our initial registration limit for the Shrine Mont parish weekend and are suspending registration for now. We are forming a waitlist and will be re-assessing our capacity closer to October 8 - 10. To place your name on the waitlist, email [Danielle Davis](mailto:Danielle.Davis@stgeorgesepiscopal.net)

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](mailto:Ben.Hicks@stgeorgesepiscopal.net). Thank you for your generous support.

Vacation Bible School (VBS) 2021

July 19 - 23 we invite all children (1st – 5th grades) to join us for Vacation Bible School (VBS). This year's program - "Compassion Camp, changing the world through lovingkindness" - will be a hybrid format. There will be pre-recorded Bible story videos to watch at home for three of the days. On July 21 and 23, we will gather in-person from 10 am - 11 am in Hurkamp Park. Register on our website (www.stgeorgesepiscopal.net). We look forward to seeing everyone at Compassion Camp!

Today's Altar Arrangement:

is given to the Glory of God and in celebration of Michael and Anne Carey O'Connor's wedding here yesterday.

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:

Cora, daughter of Michael and Lucy Monte; Miles Asher Dickinson, born to Megan and Drew Dickinson.

Pray for those recently died:

Joseph McGee, father of Mandy McGee; Bill Cheatham, Joerg von Sehlen, Ambassador Angelo Voga Morgan, father of Suzi Voga-Duffee; *Victor Boyle*

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.

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Pray for those serving our country overseas:

Ian Patrick Hume, Andrew Rodriguez, Michael Sweaney

Pray for homebound parishioners:

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

Pray for those in rehabilitation or in convalescence:

Al Sharp, Kathleen Pool, Dottie Davis, Cary Montague, Deloris Smith, Marion Zimmermann, 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, Fred McGraw, *Russell Knights*

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, Farajemima Rasoamanarivo, Mina Sabik, Barbara Goldstein and family in Israel, Jason S, Carol Rodriguez, Silke von Sehlen, Renee Henderson, Andree Davis, Scott Boyd

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: Diocese of Virginia Conference Centers: Shrine Mont, Orkney Springs and Roslyn, Richmond

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for: The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea

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.

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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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Greeter:

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