



St. George's
Episcopal
Church

The Great Vigil of Easter

8:00 pm
March 30, 2024

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.

Office Hours

Please note our office is closed April 1 - 2. If you have a pastoral emergency and need to speak with clergy, please call or text 540.361.8573.

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We'd love to get to know you and help get you connected with our parish ministries, formation, and fellowship groups.



Visit StGeorgesEpiscopal.net/connect or scan the QR code and we'll be in touch. You can also fill out the Newcomer Card in your pew and drop it in the offering plate.

For the latest news and events, sign-up to receive our weekly e-newsletter, The St. Georgian: StGeorgesEpiscopal.net/enews.

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- **Text:** 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:

P.O. Box 7127

Fredericksburg, VA 22404 *Thank you!*

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from the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP), and *Enriching Our Worship*, supplemental liturgical materials approved by the Episcopal Church.

A Note on This Bulletin

The Easter Vigil is an emotional journey, from the beginning to the proclamation of the resurrection. In order to help focus our attention, the bulletin often uses simple headings instead of full text.

Greeting and Welcome

*The congregation gathers on the church steps.
The Celebrant addresses the people and offers prayer.*

The Lighting of the Paschal Candle

The new fire is kindled. The Paschal Candle is then lighted from the newly kindled fire. The people follow the Candle into the church as their own candles are lit.

Cantor: The light of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

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The Paschal Candle is placed in its stand.

The person appointed, standing near the Candle, sings the Exsultet (BCP 286), an ancient chant of praise inspired by the Paschal light.

Cantor: Rejoice now, heavenly hosts and choirs of angels, and let your trumpets shout Salvation for the victory of our mighty King.

Rejoice and sing now, all the round earth, bright with a glorious splendor, for darkness has been vanquished by our eternal King.

Rejoice and be glad now, Mother Church, and let your holy courts, in radiant light, resound with the praises of your people.

All you who stand near this marvelous and holy flame, pray with me to God the Almighty for the grace to sing the worthy praise of this great light; through Jesus Christ his Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Cantor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Cantor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Cantor continues

It is truly right and good, always and everywhere, with our whole heart and mind and voice, to praise you, the invisible, almighty and eternal God, and your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who at the feast of the Passover paid for us the debt of Adam's sin, and by his blood delivered your faithful people.

This is the night, when you brought our fathers, the children of Israel, out of bondage in Egypt, and led them through the Red Sea on dry land.

This is the night, when all who believe in Christ are delivered from the gloom of sin, and are restored to grace and holiness of life.

This is the night, when Christ broke the bonds of death and hell, and rose victorious from the grave.

How wonderful and beyond our knowing, O God, is your mercy and loving kindness to us, that to redeem a slave, you gave a Son.

How holy is this night, when wickedness is put to flight, and sin is washed away. It restores innocence to the fallen, and joy to those who mourn. It casts out pride and hatred, and brings peace and concord.

How blessed is this night, when earth and heaven are joined and man is reconciled to God.

Holy Father, accept our evening sacrifice, the offering of this candle in your honor. May it shine continually to drive away all darkness. May Christ, the Morning Star who knows no setting, find it ever burning—he who gives his light to all creation, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Celebrant introduces the Scripture readings

Let us hear the record of God's saving deeds in history, the salvation of God's people in ages past; and let us pray that our God will bring us to the fullness of redemption.

The people are seated

Hymn 8: "Morning has broken"

Bunessan

Unison or harmony

1 Morn-ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing,
 2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from hea - ven,

black-bird has spo - ken like the first bird. _____
 like the first dew - fall on the first grass. _____

Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!
 Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den,

Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word! _____
 sprung in com - plete - ness where his feet pass. _____

Reflection

Hymn 648: "When Israel was in Egypt's land"

Go Down, Moses

When Is - rael was in E-gypt's land, let my peo-ple go,
The Lord told Mo-ses what to do, let my peo-ple go,

op - pressed so hard they could not stand, let my peo-ple go.
to lead the chil-dren of Is - rael through, let my peo-ple go.

9
Go down, Mo - ses, way down in E - gypt's land;

13
tell old Pha - raoh to let my peo-ple go.

Reflection

Hymn: "Spirit of the Living God"

Daniel Iverson

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

The first system of the hymn consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 4/4 time signature. The bottom staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The melody in the treble clef starts with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note Bb4, and a quarter note C5. The bass line consists of a series of chords: a dotted quarter note G2, an eighth note F2, a quarter note G2, a dotted quarter note F2, an eighth note E2, a quarter note F2, a dotted quarter note E2, an eighth note D2, and a quarter note E2.

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Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.

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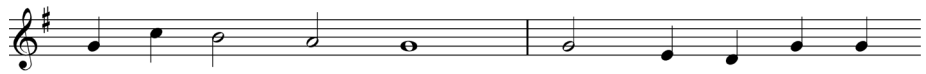
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Reflection

Hymn 413: "New songs of celebration"

Rendez a Dieu

1 New songs of cel - e - bra - tion ren - der to him who
 2 Joy - ful - ly, heart - i - ly re - sound - ing, let ev - ery



has great won - ders done; awed by his love his
 in - stru - ment and voice peal out the praise of



foes sur - ren - der and fall be - fore the Might - y One.
 grace a - bound - ing, call - ing the whole world to re - joice.



He has made known his great sal - va - tion which
 Trum - pets and or - gans set in mo - tion such



all his friends with joy con - fess; he has re - vealed to
 sounds as make the hea - vens ring: all things that live in



ev - ery na - tion his ev - er - last - ing right - eous - ness.
 earth and o - cean, make mu - sic for your might - y King.

Reflection and Pouring of the Water

Stand as able

Celebrant: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People: I do.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

The Celebrant concludes the Renewal of Vows as follows

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

The Blessing of the Water

The Asperges

The people are sprinkled with the blessed holy water from the font as a reminder of their own baptisms.

Romans 6:3-11

Gospel Reading: Matthew 28:1-10

Proclamation of Easter

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Candles at the Altar are lighted from the Paschal Candle.

Gloria in excelsis: S278

William Mathias

Bells and chimes are struck.

Glorify God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you,
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The celebrant continues

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers of the People

In the light of your resurrection, O Christ, all darkness falls away. In the light of your resurrection, O Christ, the ills of the world are overcome. In the light of your resurrection, O Christ, we bless you for our hope.

For the gift of the Spirit

blessed be Christ.

For the whole Christian Church

blessed be Christ.

For all those who serve God

blessed be Christ

For the means of grace

blessed be Christ.

For the hope of glory

blessed be Christ.

For the love of the lonely

blessed be Christ.

For the feeding of the hungry

blessed be Christ

For the triumphs of the Gospel

blessed be Christ.

For the lives of the saints

blessed be Christ.

In joy and in sorrow

blessed be Christ.

In life and in death

blessed be Christ.

Now and to the end of the ages:

blessed be Christ.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

O God, who made this most holy night to shine with the glory of the Lord's resurrection: Stir up in your Church that Spirit of adoption which is given to us in Baptism, that we, being renewed both in body and mind, may worship you in sincerity and truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

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).

Anthem: Christ Is Our Cornerstone

David Thorne

Christ is our cornerstone on him alone we build. The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. Alleluia.

Presentation Hymn 199 (st. 2, 3):

"'Tis the spring of souls today"

St. Kevin

**'Tis the spring of souls today; Christ hath burst his prison,
and from three days sleep in death as a sun hath risen;
all the winter of our sins, long and dark, is flying
from his light, to whom we give laud and praise undying.**

**Now the queen of seasons, bright with the day of splendor,
with the royal feast of feasts, comes its joy to render;
comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection
welcomes in unwearied strains Jesus' resurrection.**

The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer A)

BCP 361

Celebrant: God 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 our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth: But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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 S128

William Mathias

**Holy, holy holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all.

Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By him and with him and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours Almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem: S155

Gerald Near

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Invitation to Communion

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. *and may add*

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

All are welcome to participate in Communion through receiving the Sacrament in the form of Bread and Wine or receiving a blessing. You may come forward as invited by an usher. For those receiving the Sacrament, hold out your hands over each other, palms up. If you require a gluten-free wafer, hold your hands palms down. You may sip the wine from the chalice or simply touch the base. For those receiving a blessing instead, please cross your arms over your chest. After, please return to your pew by the side aisle.

Hymn 204: "Now the green blade riseth"

Noël nouvelet

Music During Communion
Instrumental Music

"Jesus, the Lord, Is Risen"

Taizé

Jesus, the Lord, is risen! Alleluia, alleluia.

Jesus, the Lord, is risen today! Alleluia, alleluia.

The Prayer after Communion

BCP 365

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Savior. Amen.

A Blessing for Easter

May the God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Savior Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, make you perfect in every good work to do the will of God; and the blessing of the one, holy and undivided Trinity, the author of creation, the bearer of salvation, and the advocate of life, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal Hymn 207: "Jesus Christ is risen today"

Easter Hymn

The Dismissal

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit!

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude: Fanfare

John Cook

Gratitude Offerings

**Thank you to all who offered
financial gifts in celebration of God's
blessings!**

Thank you to all those who donated to St. George's in gratitude for blessings or in memory or honor of others. Every gift is a reminder of God's gift of grace.

In Loving Memory of:

Charlotte and Charlie Fletcher

by Anonymous

My parents, Donna and Ernest Darlak

by Candace D. Allshouse, Ph.D., M.D.

Rose and John Alston

by Michael Alston

My mother Betty Lou M. Witten, and my sister Hariette W. Wheatley

by Ann W. Armstrong

My husband, Michael Baribeau

by Linda Baribeau

Marjorie and Clement Lowe

by Karin, Jonas, and Wilder Beals

Marty and Roger Bernardi

by Ann Bernardi

Jose Luis Fernandez de Bobadilla

by Pamela Booth

John Garretson Brokaw, III

by Brenda Brokaw

Howard Burns

by Kathryn G. Burns

Carol Underhill

by Susan Carol

Our parents, Nick and Mitzi Calamos

by Nick and Vicki

Carole Coen and Leon Rose

by Ron Coen and JoAnne Rose

Ginny Morton

by Bill Cole

Neda Kolega Beal

by Anna Colopy

Carl and Rachel Garrison

by Dale Fairbanks

Mike Starling

by Darlene Flemer

Betty Golembiewski

by Aron Golembiewski

My son, Christopher Graham

by John Graham

Loved ones

by Lewis and Susan Graves

George W. Haliday

by Deborah Haliday

Loved ones

by Lucy Harman

Bob and Jo Johnston

by Lee Hecker

Sarah Thornbury Amos

by Lilchy Huffman

Quayle and Edna Pomeroy Hawkes

by Lilchy Huffman

Lt. Col George Leonard Huffman (USAF Ret.), Lily Wilson Jackson Huffman,
and George L. Huffman, Jr.

by Lilchy Huffman

Rev. Franklin Anderon Ridout, Lily Willson Weisiger Ridout, and Lily Willson
Ridout

by Lilchy Huffman

Lt. Cmd. Downs L. Wilson (USN, Ret.) and Lily "Lilchy" Abbot Wilson

by Lilchy Huffman

Charles Hurlock

by Patricia Hurlock

Gladys Clark-Johnson

by John L. Johnson

My grandmother, Tomasa DeArce

by Thomas Kanatous

Cindy Branscome

by John and AnnHall Kendall

Harald Loch and Walter and Daureen Perdue

by Achim and Laurel Loch

My husband, Al Mehlbaum

by Deborah Mehlbaum

Edward Festus Mills

by Albert Mills

Bob O'Neill

by Mary Jane O'Neill

Our loved ones

by Diane and Ralph Powell

Tom Pugh

by Leslie Pugh and Family

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Redding
by Mr. and Mrs. Bill Redding
Marcia Riordan
by The Clore-Riordan Family
Our parents and grandparents
by Bob and Mary Ryan
My parents, Schuler and Lynne Ulrich
by Sally Sarkisian
Norman H. Schlemm, Jr.
by the Schlemm Family
Robert Austin Smith
by Peter and Judy Smith, and Family
Nancy Tanea and William Fisher
by Tom and Sheila Tanea
Donnie Korona
by Wes and Adam James Tankersley
Our parents
by Ian and Suzi Valentine
Steven P. Dodd
by Patricia and Kevin Wiedel
Mr. and Mrs. G.V. Reynolds
by Kathryn and Chip Willis
Mr. and Mrs. Holman Willis, Jr.
by Kathryn and Chip Willis

In Thanksgiving for:

Family and friends
by Irvin Allison and Mary Ann Stana
Our children and their spouses - Elizabeth and Will Cleland, Thomas and
Anne Logan Bass
by Sarah and Marty Bass
Our grandchildren - Henry Cleland, Margaret Bass, and Virginia Bass
by Sarah and Marty Bass
The Long Family
by Amy Bogardus
My daughter and her family: Justin and Catalina Dobson, and Heidi, Connor,
and Nora
by Brenda Brokaw
St. George's Clergy and Staff
by Charles Bullock and Pam Jewett-Bullock
Truett Riley Burns
by Kathryn G. Burns

Micah Ministries

by Brian, Danielle, and Sandi Davis

All the blessings of this life

by Jacqueline DePaulitte

Our family

by Lewis and Susan Graves

All of God's gifts to my family

by Laura Lee Hall

The people of St. George's and their prayers and healing thoughts

by Susan and Reggie Harrison

Diane Young

by Bill and Cindy Helton

The Community Dinner Ministry

by the Very Rev. Joe Hensley and Sarah White

Stephen James Dixon

by Lilchy Huffman

Jane Jackson Hunsucker

by Lilchy Huffman

My children and grandchildren

by Sharon Kohler

Fellowship leadership - Wendy, Sheryl, Diane, and Maureen

by Tom and Jan Meredith

Jeff Norton and family

by Judy and Jim Norton

Jimmy Norton and family

by Judy and Kin Norton

My "greats", Austin, Abigail, Corbin, and Greer

by Susan Tyler

My family

by Peggy A. Verdine

The women of ECW, who personify the meaning of mission

by Jan Waltonen

My friends at Community Dinner

by Diane Young

Our grandchildren

by Charles and Janet Ziegler

In Honor of:

My precious new grandson

by Ann Bernardi

Iris Cheatham

by Lucy Harman

My children, grandchildren, and great-grandchild

by Beverley King

Dr. Michael Stubblefield

by Doc and Cindy King

Virginia Rose McFarland and Grace Cecelia McFarland

by Julie Lang

Michael, newly received into the Episcopal Church

by Tom and Jan Meredith

My mother

by Mary Miller

Fredericksburg Academy Faculty and Staff

by Karen Moschetto

Our children, grandchildren, and great-grandson

by Dick and Bryn Roth

Bill and Cindy Helton

by Monecia and Tom Shelton

In Gratitude:

by Anonymous

Worship and Formation

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

Regular Worship Schedule (Sept - May) Sundays:

- **7:45 am:** Holy Eucharist (Communion), Rite I, spoken
- **9:00 am:** Holy Eucharist with Jazz Band and Choir. This service is also livestreamed via YouTube Live
- **11:15 am:** Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with organ and choir.
- **5:30 pm:** Holy Eucharist with Celtic Evensong, with Celtic ensemble

Summer Worship Schedule Begins May 25:

- **7:45 am:** Holy Eucharist (Communion), Rite I, spoken
- **10 am:** Holy Eucharist with diverse music offerings. This service is also livestreamed via YouTube Live.
- **5:30 pm:** Holy Eucharist with Celtic Evensong, with Celtic ensemble

Wednesdays:

12 pm: Rite II Eucharist with prayers for healing

Daily Office:

The Daily office (Morning and Evening Prayer from the Book of Common Prayer) is offered on Zoom and led by a group of lay persons on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 8 am and 5:30 pm. All are welcome.
Meeting ID: 890 4918 9545
Passcode: 638538
Dial in: +1 301 715 8592

Formation for All Ages Resumes Apr 7 Adults

10 am every Sunday in Sydnor Hall: Our next series is all about **Relationships**, including sessions on Friendship, Parenting, and what Scripture says about it all, with a mix of small group discussion, guided reflection, and teaching. Runs April 14 – May 12.

Young Adults (18 - 45)

Our Young Adult Missioner, Rev. Ethan Lowery leads a range of activities - both spiritual and social for college age students and older. To get involved, contact Rev. Ethan at: missioner@thehousefxbg.org.

Youth (6th - 12th Grade)

Youth group meets on 1st and 3rd Sundays from 5 - 7 pm for dinner, community and fun. Contact Fr. Will (will.dickinson@stgeorgesepiscopal.net) to learn more.

Youth Café

Sunday mornings at 10 am, youth in grades 6-8 and grades 9-12 meet with adult leaders and head to a nearby café or a room at church for conversation and treats.

Children (pre-K - 5th grade)

Sundays at 10 am, children gather to learn about our story as the people of God.

Mark Your Calendars

For the latest news and events,
sign up for our weekly e-newsletter,
The St. Georgian:
StGeorgesEpiscopal.net/enews

Special Thanks to Our Flower Guild

The beautiful flowers you see are thanks to the loving artistry and ministry of our flower guild. We hope you enjoy these blooms as a living symbol of resurrection.

Easter Egg Hunt Returns!

Our beloved Annual Easter Egg Hunt is back Easter Sunday at 10:15 am. A big thank you to all of our volunteers helping stuff and hide the eggs. 1-3 years search in Market Square; 4-7 years search Renwick Courtyard, and 8-11 years search our Graveyard.

YogaVoice returns April 26-28

The YogaVoice Weekend is a wonderful opportunity to improve your breathing, singing, and relaxation techniques. Instrumentalists and non-musicians can benefit as well. Created by opera singer and yoga teacher Mark Moliterno, the YogaVoice program helps people discover their authentic voice for singing, public speaking, and more. Plan to join us for this 3 day session in a relaxing and supportive environment. Contact john.vreeland@stgeorgesepiscopal.net for more information.

Concert Series Continues: April 21

Our monthly concert series continues on Sunday, April 21 at 3 pm with The Portland Guitar Duo. Don't miss this afternoon of classical guitar music. The concert is free with donations accepted at the door.

Save the Date: Youth Service Week: June 17-21

The St. George's Youth Group (rising grade 8-12) are participating in a week of fun, formation, and service June 17-21! This is a time to grow stronger in our connections with one another and the wider community through activities like serving at our food ministries, floating on the Rappahanock, beautifying our green spaces, and catching some rays at the pool. More information to come, but please contact Jake DeNap with questions:
jake.denap@stgeorgesepiscopal.net

Shrine Mont Sunday - April 28

Join us at the Adult Forum on Sunday, April 30 at 10:15 am as we unveil the theme for this year's Parish Weekend Oct. 11 -13 at Shrine Mont! Registrations open that day. Any questions, please contact Danielle Davis
danielle@stgeorgesepiscopal.net.

Ascension Day Service May 9, 7 pm

Join us at 7 pm on Thursday, May 9 for a regional celebration of Christ's Ascension with worship and Holy Eucharist.

Outdoor Worship and Parish Picnic

We will hold our 10 am service and parish picnic on June 2 outside, weather permitting, at Hurkamp Park. More information to come.

Get Involved

Questions? Or would you like to get connected with clergy? Please contact the church office: 540.373.4133
office@stgeorgesepiscopal.net

How are you called to serve?

Serving builds our parish and local community as we give thanks to God and follow Christ's example.

There are a number of ways you can get involved at St. George's:

- Worship services: in-front and behind-the-scenes roles
- Music ministries - singers and instrumentalists
- Feeding our neighbors at Monday night Community Dinner and at The Table - our market-style food pantry
- Media and technical support for livestream services
- Extending care and prayer for church members
- Volunteering with our children and youth ministries
- Hospitality and fellowship ministries that bring us together for fun, food, and making friends.

Want to learn more?

Contact the church office

(540.373.4133,

office@stgeorgesepiscopal.net), visit:

www.stgeorgesepiscopal.net/share, or

scan the QR code below.



Pastoral Care

If you have a pastoral care emergency (death, serious illness, job loss) and need to speak with clergy, please call or text 540.361.8573 to reach clergy on call.

Pastoral Care at St. George's is a ministry of the clergy and the laity. By walking with each other through times of joy and times of sorrow, the love of Christ is revealed.

If you need support or encouragement, please consider reaching out to our church office (540.373.4133; office@stgeorgesepiscopal.net). You may also contact clergy directly to make an appointment.

Prayer Ministers are available to pray with you during our worship services and outside of worship times on the phone. Our Prayer Group provides intercessory prayer weekly. Our One Body Response Team (OBRT) offers prayers, sends cards, and responds to other needs as able, such as meals or rides.

Lay Eucharistic Visitors (LEVs) are available to bring Holy Communion to the homebound.

Our Wednesday Noon Eucharist service in the nave includes prayers for healing and anointing.

Prayer Shawls are available upon request for those going through a difficult time. These mantles of healing and comfort are prayerfully made by our parishioners who knit or crochet.

To join one of these ministries, contact the church office or speak to a member of clergy.



Contact Staff

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540.361.8573**

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Vestry

If you have questions or concerns,
please reach out to our Vestry
(elected lay leaders).

To reach the Vestry, please email: vestry@stgeorgesepiscopal.net. To reach an individual vestry member, please contact the church office at office@stgeorgesepiscopal.net or 540.373.4133.

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John Graham, 2024

Junior Warden

Mac Smith, 2024

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Peggy Verdine, 2025

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Gabi Kelly, 2026

Rogers Lawson, 2026

Jennifer Vaughan, 2026

Peggy Mathias

Treasurer

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. William S. Dickinson

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Vigil Fire Starter:

Marvin Stearns

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Mac Smith
Ron Tebbutt
Ed Dinger

Greeters:

Ann Tebbutt
Cindy Helton

Altar Guild:

Cindy Helton
Marvin Stearns

Contact Our Vestry:

The Vestry is our elected, lay leadership council led by our Senior Warden, Michele Prout Alston, and Junior Warden, John Graham.

The Vestry welcomes your questions, concerns, and feedback. Email them at: vestry@stgeorgesepiscopal.net

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