



St. George's
Episcopal
Church

Holy Eucharist

10:00 am

The Third Sunday of Easter
April 19, 2026

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

Welcome to St. George's!

View Our Complete Weekly
Worship Schedule on our Website:
StGeorgesEpiscopal.net/worship

Whether you are worshipping online or in person, we are glad you are here. We hope you will find comfort in the beauty of the worship and encouragement in your personal faith journey.

New to St. George's?

Thank you for joining us today!

You can use this bulletin to follow along with the worship service. We use liturgies based in the red *Book of Common Prayer*. Hymns are from the blue *Hymnal 1982* and green *Wonder, Love, and Praise*. All are located in your pew. Watch fellow worshipers for when to stand or sit, and please only do what is comfortable for you. We'd love to get to know you and help get you connected with our parish ministries, formation, and fellowship groups.

Families with children: Nursery services are available during the 10 am service. Our nursery room (in the office hallway, one level below the main church) is now ready after a period of construction! Please see an usher or greeter for directions.



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. Our rector (senior pastor), Rev. Joe Hensley, would welcome the chance to meet you, either after the worship service or via email: joe.hensley@stgeorgesepiscopal.net

Thank You for Your Generous Gifts!

Your financial gifts fund our ministries so we may show the Love of God to all. This month your gifts have helped:

- Offer a holy and inspiring Holy Week and Easter with fifteen liturgies, baptisms of new members, and faithful welcome for numerous visitors and guests.
- Support neighbors who are facing increased financial stress as they receive food and fellowship at the Community Dinner and The Table at St. George's

You can make a financial gift:

- **In-person:** place gift in collection plate in the aisle.
- **Online - one-time or recurring:**

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- **Text:** Send a text message with the dollar amount [e.g. \$50] to: 540.701.4133)
 - **Automated bank withdrawal** (contact our parish finance manager, Kevin Carey, to arrange this)
 - **Paypal:** www.paypal.com/paypalme/stgeorgesfxbg
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Walking Together

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.

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.

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. These mantles of healing and comfort are made by our ministry teams.

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.

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

Land and Labor Acknowledgment

We give thanks for the land which God created as a precious gift. We honor the Indigenous peoples who long knew the land of our parish more than 10,000 years before it was established over 300 years ago, including the Patowomeck and Rappahannock Tribes who still live here. Please see our website for the full text of our land acknowledgement.

We also honor the people of African descent whose enslaved labor supported the parish for the first half of its history. Rooted in the Gospel, repentant of sin, we are nurturing faith and seeking justice, healing, and repair of relationships amid the complexity of our times.

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from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)

We are delighted that you have come to St. George's. This bulletin will guide you through the worship service, including times when you need to open one of the books in the pew rack.

Take a breath and know that this is a friendly community. Ask for help or directions if you need it. In preparation for the service, we try to observe silence and take time for prayer. Please take a moment to silence cell phones and alarms. We hope this worship service is a time of joy and wonder for all.

The congregation is encouraged, as able, to turn in the blue Hymnal 1982 or green Wonder Love and Praise (WLP) for musical notation to aid in singing.

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Hymn 178: "Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord" *Alleluia* #1
Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks for the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his Name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
He is the King of creation.
Refrain

Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
Jesus has died and has risen.
Refrain

We have been crucified with Christ.
Now we shall live forever.
Refrain

Come let us praise the living God,
Joyfully sing to our Savior.
Refrain

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Glory to 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

The Word of God

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect (Prayer) of the Day

BCP 224

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

1 Peter 1:17-23 *New Revised Standard Version*

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able and face the aisle. The Psalm is said antiphonally¹ (alternating sides of the church) by whole verse beginning on the left (Eagle lectern) side.

1 I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, *
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.

2 The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; *
I came to grief and sorrow.

3 Then I called upon the Name of the LORD: *
"O LORD, I pray you, save my life."

10 How shall I repay the LORD *
for all the good things he has done for me?

11 I will lift up the cup of salvation *
and call upon the Name of the LORD.

12 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *
in the presence of all his people.

13 Precious in the sight of the LORD *
is the death of his servants.

14 O LORD, I am your servant; *
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.

15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and call upon the Name of the LORD.

16 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *
in the presence of all his people,

17 In the courts of the LORD'S house, *
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

Sequence Hymn 193: "That Easter Day with Joy was Bright" *Puer Nobis*
That Easter day with joy was bright: The sun shone out with fairer light
When, to their longing eyes restored, The apostles saw their risen Lord!

His risen flesh with radiance glowed; His wounded hands and feet He showed;
Those scars their solemn witness gave That Christ was risen from the grave.

O Jesus, King of gentleness, With constant love our hearts possess
That we may give You all our days The tribute of our grateful praise.

O Lord of all, with us abide In this our joyful Eastertide;
From ev'ry weapon death can wield Your own redeemed forever shield.

1 This method reminds us of the monastic roots of psalm recitation, allows us to listen as well as speak in prayer, and gives us another opportunity to look for the face of Christ in one another.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 24:13-35 NRSV

People: Glory to you, O Christ.

That very day, the first day of the week, two of the disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Deacon or Priest: The Gospel of our Savior.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Rock Higgins

The Nicene Creed ²

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

² The Nicene Creed, written in 325 C.E. and updated in 381, is a shared statement of faith that connects us with Christians across time and around the world.

We speak of God as “Father, Son, and Holy Spirit” to reflect the deep relationship within the Trinity. These words come from Scripture and tradition, but they’re symbolic—not literal. God goes beyond all human categories, including gender.

While we honor traditional language, we also affirm that God is beyond male or female—embracing all, limited by none. This more inclusive version of the Creed is faithful to the original and approved for use in The Episcopal Church.

Prayers of the People

Christ is risen indeed, O God. We join together in prayer and praise in this joyful season, saying Hear us, risen Christ: Alleluia, hear our prayer.³

We tell out the Good News with joyful voice! Bless the whole Church throughout the world, especially our Diocese and St. George's Church.

Hear us, risen Christ:

Alleluia, hear our prayer.

You have opened heaven's gate! Inspire all ministers who witness to your glory on earth, especially our lay and clergy leaders.

Hear us, risen Christ:

Alleluia, hear our prayer.

Jesus burst his three days' prison! Help us proclaim release to all in captivity, freedom to all oppressed, food for those who hunger, and safety to those who fear.

Hear us, risen Christ:

Alleluia, hear our prayer.

Death's long shadows have departed! Bring peace to places ravaged by war and violence, especially to Iran, Lebanon, Ukraine, Haiti, the Holy Land, and to this land, and bring peace to the fear and anger in our own hearts.

Hear us, risen Christ:

Alleluia, hear our prayer.

We are risen to a holier state! Help us to live out the grace we have been given, and hear the prayers we bring with us today, silently or aloud:

The people offer their prayers silently or aloud.

Hear us, risen Christ:

Alleluia, hear our prayer.

Death is conquered and we are free! Let your will for all who have died be fulfilled, and may we rise with them in glory.

Hear us, risen Christ:

Alleluia, hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

Celebrant: Grant, we pray, Almighty God, that we who celebrate with awe the Paschal feast may be found worthy to attain to everlasting joys. Accept the prayers of your people and breathe new life into us as we seek to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

³ These prayers are inspired by lines from the classic Easter hymn, "He is risen" (Hymnal 180).

A special "peace" candle is lit and this prayer is offered

Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth, that in tranquility your dominion may increase until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Confession

Enriching Our Worship

Let us confess our sins to God.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **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.

Offertory and Announcements

Celebrant: As we prepare the altar to receive the offering of Christ in the sacrament, we make our offerings in gratitude for God's abundant grace. Please see the instructions later in the bulletin about participating in Communion or receiving a blessing, and the invitation to pray with the personal prayer minister. Know that you are most welcome. Thank you for sharing your gifts in commitment to God and to our ministry together. As we give thanks for God's abundant grace, "Since you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God." (Colossians 3:1). *You can make your offering in the plate as you come forward for communion or send your offering electronically, by mail, or by automated bank withdrawal. See details on the inside cover of this bulletin for an easy to use QR code. Thank you!*

Offertory Anthem: "Resignation"

Florence Price

Presentation Hymn 199 (St. 2,3): "Tis the spring of souls today"
'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.

St. Kevin

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.

Eucharistic Prayer 1

Enriching Our Worship

Celebrant: The Lord 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 says

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

The Celebrant proceeds using a Proper Preface for Easter

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.

The Celebrant continues

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

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

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all 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.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with [_____ and] all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **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 Communion⁴

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, either by receiving the Sacrament or receiving a blessing. Communion is the sacramental body and blood of Jesus Christ received in bread and wine blessed by the Holy Spirit.

- *Proceed forward toward the communion ministers when prompted (notify an usher if you need to receive at your seat).*
- *To receive the bread, hold your hands out, palms up.*
- *To receive the wine, sip from the cup (a.k.a. chalice) or point to the cup for the bread to be dipped by the minister.*
- *Gluten-free? Hold your hands palms down, then take the wafer from the separate container when offered. Ask for the gluten-free cup if preferred.*
- *To receive a blessing (prayed by the minister), cross your arms over your chest.*

*Receiving just the bread or just the wine is a full and valid participation.
For more information about participation in the sacraments of Holy Communion or Holy Baptism, contact the clergy.*

Personal Prayer Ministers During Communion

The Celebrant prays for the Personal Prayer Minister in front of the altar. Those desiring to ask for personal prayers of healing, thanksgiving, or for other concerns are invited to come to the prayer minister in the corner to the left. If you would like to receive prayer, please receive Communion from the left line. Those waiting for prayer are asked to stand to the side or may be seated in the nearby reserved front pew.

⁴ The communion rails are removed during the Easter season as a sign of Christ's victory which has opened for us the way of freedom and peace.

Communion Hymn 324: "Let all mortal flesh keep silence"

Picardy

**Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.**

**King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords in human vesture, in the Body and the Blood
he will give to all the faithful his own self for heavenly food.**

**Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of Light descendeth from the realms of endless day,
that the powers of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.**

**At his feet the six-winged seraph; cherubim with sleepless eye,
veil their faces to the Presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry,
"Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, Lord Most High!"**

Music During Communion

Instrumental Music

"Come and fill"

Taize

**Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone O Lord are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace, alleluia!**

Lay Eucharistic Minister Sending *Said on Sundays when a LEV visit occurs.*

Celebrant: [Name of LEV], in the name of this congregation of St. George's, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that [name of parishioner] may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People: We who are many are truly one body, because we all share one bread and one cup.

The Prayer After Communion

Enriching Our Worship

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of 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 through the power of your Holy Spirit; 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.

Closing Hymn: "Halle Halle Hallelujah"

Jazz Band

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Alleluia, Alleluia, let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ.

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude



Formation for All Ages at 9 am:

View staff directory on our website:
StGeorgesEpiscopal.net/staff
Or call the church office: 540.373.4133

One way we explore our spirituality is through learning - be it presentations, reading, or even talking with one another during coffee hour.

Nursery

Nursery care is available for little ones ages 0 - 4 years old during the 9 am formation hour and the 10 am worship service. Please see an usher for directions to the nursery.

Children

Montessori-based faith exploration

- Age 3 - 2nd Grade: Godly Play, a Montessori-based program of stories, wondering, and expressive art or play. Located in the Godly Play room of the Preschool floor.
- Grades 3 - 5: SPLASH (Spirit, Play, Love All Spoken Here) using a curriculum designed by the Episcopal Church. We will meet in the Library behind Sydnor Hall.

Youth

An inclusive, welcoming community

- Youth in grades 6-12 gather on the Youth Floor for some interesting conversation and explorations of topics related to our faith and how we practice it in the world.
- Youth Group: Meets first and third Sunday evenings from 5 - 7 pm on the youth floor. To be added to our text and/or email list, contact Youth Group Coordinator, Amy Bogardus at bogardae@yahoo.com or 540-226-5183.

Adults:

Coffee and Fellowship in Sydnor Hall

- **Adult Forum:**
Stepping into Pilgrimage
Father Rock will discuss his experiences leading pilgrimages around the Commonwealth of Virginia, and various places around the world.

Questions about formation offerings?

General inquiries:
Church Office - 540.373.4133
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Announcements

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The Peacemakers Concert - Today

Our 2025-2026 Concert Series concludes today at 3 pm with The Peacemakers. The Peacemakers are a musical duo featuring Jackie (guitar and vocals) and Eddie (guitar, violin, and vocals). Together they share their renditions of world music and modern folk tunes with both covers and original songs. The concert is free with donations accepted at the door. As our concert season comes to a close, many thanks to our sponsors for the season and all who attended and donated. Your generosity helps us make beautiful music in a beautiful space welcome to all.

Parish Prayer Partners in Easter (3P in E)

It is time for another season of praying with and for one another. Sign up to be a prayer partner for another St. Georgian from April 26-May 24. You will receive the name of another person or household to pray for in secret. Someone else will pray for you or your household. The partners will be revealed at the end of the season. You will receive regular reminders to pray and encouragement from clergy. Contact the church office office@stgeorgesepiscopal.net to sign up by April 20.

Today's Altar Arrangement:

The altar arrangement is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Janet Fray by Mike Fray, arranged by Flower Guild member Anne Carey O'Connor.

ECW Meeting - April 22

Aging can come with unexpected challenges! Join us on April 22, from 5-7pm in Sydnor Hall for our ECW meeting where we will discuss *Navigating Dementia: What We Know, What We Can Do*. A community Educator with Alzheimer's Association will address your questions and concerns: What is the difference between normal aging and possible signs of dementia? What can I do now to retain my mental sharpness? All are warmly welcome to attend.

Shrine Mont Sunday - April 26

Join us at the Adult Forum on Sunday, April 26 at 9 am as we unveil the theme for this year's Parish Weekend Oct. 10 -12 at Shrine Mont! Registrations open that day. Any questions, please contact Danielle Davis (danielle@stgeorgesepiscopal.net.)

St. George's Celebrates the Faulkners

Join us May 3, 2-4 pm, to celebrate the legacy of the Rev. Tom and Mary Faulkner who served St. George's for 30+ years. Special guests include Anne Faulkner Ridgeway and the Rev. Charles Sydnor as well as an opportunity for participants to share memories. Includes a reception in newly restored Faulkner Hall, part of our Open to All in Love capital project.

St. George's Prayer List

For the most up-to-date list of prayers and thanksgivings, sign up to receive our email prayer list: StGeorgesEpiscopal.net/signup

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 to office@stgeorgesepiscopal.net. Names remain on the list for 1 month. All new additions listed in italics.

Our leadership:

Sarah (newly installed Archbishop of Canterbury), Sean, Mark, Gayle, and Mark; for Joe, Rock and Ethan, our clergy; for those who are priests and pastors in our community; for our staff—Laurel, Jake, Kevin, Danielle, Barbara, Achim, Riley, Amy, Juliann, and Stephanie; and for our Vestry.

Those needing God's grace:

Dennis and Cindy Sale, Jim Davis, Teresa Gordon, Stacy Glessner, Abraham Cochin, Alec Benso, Mary Miller, Martha Wilson, Douglas Ferris, Dao Arthur, Sharon Gibson, Marcia Kole, Dan King, Kevin Compton, Mark Steele, Rev. Aaron Dobyne, Zee Sprouse, Sue Hu (Mother of Stephen Hu), Cathy Powers, Paul Sungenis, Helen Soheili, Soheili Family, Emily Croner, Chris and Cynthia McRae, Jillian Pabalan

Those in convalescence:

Joyce Snead, Gunnar Burns, Ellen Sharp, Vicki Harrison, Barry Krause, Barbara Atkins, Charles Bullock, Stuart Whitford, Rev. Carey Connors, Annie Redmond, *Maureen Aylward*

Those recently married:

Lt. Avery Endler and Emmy Endler (April 6)

Those recently born:

Mercer Hinkebein

Those expecting children:

Emma and Alberto Means; Captain Charles Lewis and Olivia Lewis

Those who have died:

Dr. Herb Green, Katrina Smith, daughter of Carol Sweeney, *Candace Allshouse*

Those attending seminary:

Anne-Tillery Melson, John Hager

Those serving our country overseas:

Jeff Bryant, Travis Weber, Avery Endler

Those with ongoing concerns:

Arya Holmes, Dick Roth, Molly Myers, Randy Donaldson, Martha and Sarah Turner, Claire Simpson, Paula Mullins, Logan Vaaler, Bill Marshall, Christina Shiel, Annette, Russ Carter, Ron Tebbutt, Betsy, Isobel Hornung, Janis Hales, Helen Taylor, Stephanie Cumming (stepdaughter of Vicki Harrison), John Janney and family, Scott Fray, Bill Becker, Makai Kingston Bernardi Brown, Elizabeth Martel, Frank Rowe

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

St. John's, Centreville; St. Paul's Memorial, Charlottesville; Bishop Harris – Holy Land Pilgrimage

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)

Our Partners: St. George's Episcopal Preschool; Notre Dame Parish and School (Port-au-Prince, Haiti), Père Geffrard Ricot; The House college chaplaincy and young adult ministry; SAWs Virginia; Rev. Ōshin Jennings, No Barriers Zen Temple; Micah Ecumenical Ministries; Our Little Roses - Honduras

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.

Kit Burns, 2027

Senior Warden

Wendy Cannon, 2027

Junior Warden

Robert Powers, 2027

Buildings and Grounds Warden

Katie Green, 2026

Gabi Kelly, 2026

Rogers Lawson, 2026

Jennifer Vaughan, 2026

Linda Wickersham, 2027

Caleb Cherry, 2028

Joseph Lyttle, 2028

Kathy Maxfield, 2028

Elvin Rivera-Orellano 2028

Peggy Mathias

Treasurer

Laurel Loch

Register

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. Rock Higgins
The Rev. Dr. Rosemary Beales
The Rev. Deacon Joyce Beschta

Preacher:

The Rev. Rock Higgins

Liturgical Coordinator:

Ann Tebbutt

Lectors:

Marty Bass
Ann Tebbutt

Lay Eucharistic Ministers:

Ann Tebbutt
Jeanette Cadwallender
Dick Juergens
Ralph Powell

Personal Prayer Minister:

Vicki Lewis

Lay Eucharistic Visitors:

Pam and Charles Bullock

Livestream Tech:

Ruth Smith

Contact Our Vestry:

The Vestry is our elected, lay leadership council led by our Senior Warden Kit Burns and our Junior Warden Wendy Cannon. The Vestry welcomes your questions, concerns, and feedback. Email them at: vestry@stgeorgesepiscopal.net

Greeters:

JoAnne Rose
Laurie Carter

Acolytes:

Nora Kuykendall
Neal Kuykendall
Crockett Webb
Caroline Prtichard

Ushers:

Tommy Thompson
Mac Smith
Bob Carter

Altar Guild:

Jane Bailey
Ann Tebbutt
Kathy Lober
Marilyn Farrington

Flowers Guild:

Anne Carey O'Connor

Coffee Hour:

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