



St. George's
Episcopal
Church

Holy Eucharist

10:00 am

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
August 16, 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.



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. We welcome the chance to meet you!

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:

- Nurture the faith of children through music, Bible stories, and fun fellowship at our Vacation Bible School Music Camp in July.
- Share clothes and school supplies with families in need through the annual School Dressing Days project.

Families with children: Nursing mothers are welcome to nurse anywhere in the church. Childcare services are also available during the 10 am service in our nursery room (in the office hallway, one level below the main church). Please see an usher or greeter for directions. A "Soft Space" is available at the front of the church for children and families to stretch out, move around or sit more comfortably.



You can make a financial gift:

- **In-person:** place gift in collection plate in the aisle.
- **Online - one-time or recurring:**
StGeorgesEpiscopal.net/giving. Or scan the QR code.
- **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
- **Mail:** P.O. Box 7127, Fredericksburg, VA 22404



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.

Prelude: Offertoire

Hedwige Chrétien

Welcome and Prayerful Breath

Opening Hymn 390: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Lobe den Herren

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
join the great throng, psaltery, organ, and song,
sounding in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord; over all things he gloriously reigneth:
Borne as on eagle-wings, safely his saints he sustaineth.
Hast thou not seen how all thou needest hath been
granted in what he ordaineth?**

**Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy way and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy shall ever attend thee;
ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
who with his love doth befriend thee.**

**Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again;
gladly for ever adore him.**

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.

The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity

BCP 355

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Song of Praise: "Glory to God"

Peruvian

[Cantor]
 Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!

5 [All]
 Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!

9 [Cantor] [All]
 To God be glo - ry for - ev - er! To God be glo - ry for - ev - er!

13 [Cantor] [All] [Cantor] [All]
 Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

17 [Cantor] [All] [Cantor] [All]
 Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

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 232

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Genesis 45:1-15 *New Revised Standard Version*

Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there-- since there are five more years of famine to come-- so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 133**BCP 787**

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

- 1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, *
when brethren live together in unity!
- 2 It is like fine oil upon the head *
that runs down upon the beard,
- 3 Upon the beard of Aaron, *
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
- 4 It is like the dew of Hermon *
that falls upon the hills of Zion.
- 5 For there the LORD has ordained the blessing: *
life for evermore.

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.

Sequence Hymn WLP 773: "Heal me, hands of Jesus"
Heal me, hands of Jesus, and search out all my pain:
restore my hope, remove my fear and bring me peace again.

Sharpe

Cleanse me, blood of Jesus, take bitterness away;
Let me forgive as one forgiven and bring me peace today.

Know me, mind of Jesus, and show me all my sin;
Dispel the memories of guilt, and bring me peace within.

Fill me, joy of Jesus: anxiety shall cease
and heaven's serenity be mine, for Jesus brings me peace!

The Gospel

All children are invited to leave their pews and join the Gospel procession to gather around the Deacon as the Gospel is proclaimed.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 15: 10-28 NRSV

People: Glory to you, O Christ.

Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile." Jesus left Gennesaret and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

Deacon or Priest: The Gospel of our Savior.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
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 and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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.

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Dame Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury, Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and Mark, Gayle, and Mark our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers.

For all who serve God in God's Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you

Celebrant: Almighty God, Mother and Father of us all, we offer our prayers to you in the name of Jesus Christ and through the power of your Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. 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.**

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.**

Commissioning of New Staff Members

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 Hymn 636: "How Firm a Foundation, Ye Saints of the Lord" *Foundation congregation remains seated*

**How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in his excellent word!
What more can he say than to you he hath said,
to you that for refuge to Jesus have fled?**

**"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed!
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand."**

**"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress."**

**"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine."**

**"The soul that on Jesus hath fled for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."**

Presentation Hymn 380: "From all that dwell below the skies" *Old 100th congregation stands*

**From all that dwell below the skies let the Creator's praise arise!
Let the Redeemer's Name be sung through every land, by every tongue!**

**Eternal are thy mercies, Lord, and truth eternal is thy word:
thy praise shall sound from shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP Expansive Language Version

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.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

The Celebrant proceeds using a Proper Preface Of God the Son

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of 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: Holy, holy, holy Lord

Mark A. Miller

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow - er and might. Heav - en and earth are
full of your glo - ry.
— Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho -
san - na in the high - est! Blest is the
one who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the
high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

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 and 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 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 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, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ. 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 Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for 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: WLP 878

Carl Haywood

**Whoever comes to me shall not hunger
and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.
*repeat 3 times***

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, 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.

Communion Hymn 325: "Let us break bread together on our knees" *Let us break bread*

Let us break bread together on our knees;

let us break bread together on our knees;

Refrain:

when I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;

let us drink wine together on our knees;

Refrain

Let us praise God together on our knees;

let us praise God together on our knees;

Refrain

Music During Communion

Instrumental Music

"The Lord is my song"

Taize

The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: All my hope comes from God.

The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: God, the wellspring of life.

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.

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 his 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.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn WLP 812: "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

Daniel Schutte

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in deepest sin My hand will save.

I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me, I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.

I have wept for love of them, They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them, My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide Till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain

The Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude: Prelude and Fugue in D Minor. Op. 16 No. 3

Clara Schumann

Announcements

Godly Play Story Today

Join us today during the 11 am coffee hour for a special Godly Play story about Joseph with The Rev. Dr. Rosemary Beales. Learn more about our Children's Formation groups and please consider sticking around afterward for a Sunday School Teachers meeting. Whether you are interested in joining us as a Sunday School teacher, or if you are curious about the different formation groups we offer, you are welcome to join.

Music Retreat - Saturday, August 22

Interested in making music? Come and join the St. George's Music Retreat on Saturday, August 22 beginning at 9.30 am. All are welcome whether you are High school students, working adults, retirees, or someone who enjoys music or wants to explore it for the first time. The Jazz Band (Nave) and Celtic Musicians (Music Room) begin at 9:30 AM, followed by a short welcome and coffee break to which singers are invited to join at 10:15 AM in the Music Room. No music-reading skills are needed for choir singers; Jazz and Celtic participants should have basic music-reading ability. Questions? Contact Achim Loch and Lucy Monte at music@stgeorgese-piscopal.net.

Today's Altar Arrangement:

The altar arrangement is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Patricia Jones by her husband Harry, her children and family, arranged by Flower Guild member Cindy Helton.

For the latest news and events,
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The St. Georgian:
StGeorgesEpiscopal.net/enews

New Youth Group begins August 23

Under the leadership of Fr. Ethan Lowery and Amy Bogardus, Youth from St. George's, Trinity, and Christ Lutheran will gather together twice a month at the Campus Christian Center (1213 Dandridge St. near UMW) from 12-1:30 with lunch included. Upcoming dates are 8/23, 9/6, and 9/20. Building on the experience of our shared campus ministry, this Episcopal/Lutheran youth community will be a place of welcome, friendship, and fun. Contact Fr. Ethan (missioner@thehouseofxbg.org) for more information.

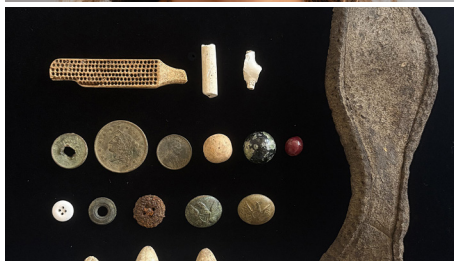
Children and Youth Formation Resumes August 23

Get ready for an exciting year of Children and Youth Formation! Join us on Sunday, August 23 at 9 am as we kick off a new school year with Sunday School opportunities for all ages. This year's programs include:

- Godly Play for children in Pre-K through 2nd grade
- SPLASH (Spirit, Play, Love All Spoken Here) for 3rd-5th graders
- The Dragon's Den, our new formation group for middle school students in grades 6-8
- Youth Formation for high school students in grades 9-12

We're looking forward to a wonderful year of faith, learning, and fellowship as our children and youth grow in their relationship with God. Be sure to register your child by scanning the QR code:





Presentation of the Archaeological Study of St. George's Church Property

St. George's Episcopal Church invites the public to attend a special presentation of the recently completed archaeological study of the church property on Sunday, August 30, from 2 pm – 4 pm in Sydnor Hall.

The presentation will be led by Dr. Kerri Barile Tambs, Principal Investigator with Mead & Hunt, who directed the archaeological research conducted as part of St. George's ongoing Open to All in Love construction and accessibility project. The study examined areas within McGuire Hall, Faulkner Hall, and the historic churchyard and has yielded significant new insights into nearly 300 years of Fredericksburg history.

Among the report's most important findings are the discovery of previously unknown remains of St. George's second church, built in 1815, and new evidence documenting how the church grounds and graveyard have changed over time. Archaeologists uncovered foundation features, stone column supports, architectural materials, and other evidence that allowed researchers to reconstruct the appearance and location of the long-lost church building.



Scan the QR code to learn more:

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, Sean, Mark, Gayle, and Mark (Bishops); for Joe, Paige, Frank 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, Emma, Meredith, Sojo, Juliann, Stephanie and Lucy; and for our Vestry.

Those needing God's grace:

Rev. Aaron Dobynes, Paul Sungenis, Helen Soheili, Soheili Family, Emily Croner, Chris and Cynthia McRae, Jillian Pabalan, John Danello, Ellen Sharp, Makenna M, Lisa Bogardus, Jennifer Haines, Fisher Family, Kathy Dozois (mother of Christine McElhinney), Gabi Kelly, Linda Dolph, Shane Kanatous, Julie Bergeria, Peggy McGirr, *Bridgitte Castillo and family, Deborah and Chris, Miriam DeArce (mother of Tom Kanatous)*

Those in convalescence:

Barry Krause, Rev. Carey Connors, Annie Redmond, Ella (daughter of former parishioner Jill Brown), Bob Sarkisian, Ann Tebbutt

Those expecting children:

Maren Cadwallender and Em Sleza, Bernadette Aylward

Those who have died:

Gene Kubal, Patrick Dougherty, Sandra Fisher (daughter of Kevin and Sujei Fisher), Gloria Davis, Bill Upshaw, *Foncee Maym Coker (sister of John Coker)*

Those serving our country overseas:

Jeff Bryant, Travis Weber, Avery Endler

Those with ongoing concerns:

Arya Holmes, Dick Roth, Molly Myers, Claire Simpson, Paula Mullins, Logan Vaaler, Russ Carter, Ron Tebbutt, Janis Hales, Scott Fray, Makai Kingston, Bernardi Brown, Elizabeth Martel, Barbara Atkins

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Altar and Flower Guilds, Choirs, Ushers, Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers and Lay Readers

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

The Church in Wales

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

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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.

Clergy:

The Rev. Joseph H. Hensley, Jr.
The Rev. K. Paige Trivett, Deacon
The Rev. Frank Uwaezuoke

Preacher:

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Liturgical Coordinator:

Joyce Steele

Greeters:

Julie Lang
Beverly Bley

Ushers:

Tommy Thompson
John Castles
Nick Calamos

Lectors:

Sara Bumsted
Joyce Steele

Livestream Tech:

Ruth Smith

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Ann Tebbutt

Acolytes:

Nora Kuykendall
Sam Kuykendall
Neal Kuykendall
Nico DeNap

Lay Eucharistic Ministers:

Joyce Steele
Mark Steele

Lay Eucharistic Visitors:

Rev. Joyce Beschta
Trish

Altar Guild:

Jemma Judd
Lee Anne Hecker
Joyce Steele
Marilyn Farrington

Flower Guild:

Cindy Helton

Coffee Hour:

Gabi Kelly

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

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