



St. George's
Episcopal
Church

Holy Eucharist

10:00 am

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 6, 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:

- Offer to college students a welcoming community and space to explore faith through The House FXBG ministry, led by Fr. Ethan, that we share with Trinity Episcopal and Christ Lutheran that has now expanded to include the ecumenical Campus Christian Center.
- Encourage growth in Christian faith and discipleship through our formation and education offerings to adults, youth, and children.

You can make a financial gift:

- **In-person:** place gift in collection plate in the aisle or when passed by the ushers
- **Online - one-time or recurring:** StGeorgesEpiscopal.net/giving.
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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
- **Mail:** P.O. Box 7127, Fredericksburg, VA 22404



Families with children: Children are welcome in worship! Parents may nurse or feed infants anywhere in the church. Free childcare services are offered during the 10 am service in our nursery (in the office hallway, see an usher/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. See an usher for a Children's Bulletin. We are glad you are here.



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)
and *Enriching Our Worship*

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: Fotografia

Antonio Carlos Jobim

Welcome and Prayerful Breath

Opening Hymn 529: "In Christ there is no East or West"

McKee

**In Christ there is no East or West, in him no South or North,
but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.**

**Join hands, disciples of the faith, whate'er your race may be!
Who serves my Father as his child is surely kin to me.**

**In Christ, now meet both East and West, in him meet South and North,
all Christly souls are one in him throughout the whole wide earth.**

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.**

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 233

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever **Amen.**

Exodus 12:1-14 *New Revised Standard Version*

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over

you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 149

BCP 807

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 Hallelujah!

Sing to the LORD a new song; *

sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.

2 Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; *

let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

3 Let them praise his Name in the dance; *

let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.

4 For the LORD takes pleasure in his people *

and adorns the poor with victory.

5 Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; *

let them be joyful on their beds.

6 Let the praises of God be in their throat *

and a two-edged sword in their hand;

7 To wreak vengeance on the nations *

and punishment on the peoples;

8 To bind their kings in chains *

and their nobles with links of iron;

9 To inflict on them the judgment decreed; *

this is glory for all his faithful people.

Hallelujah!

Romans 13:8-14 New Revised Standard Version

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

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: *Alleluia* from Jazz Mass for the Masses
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia to the King of kings,
the everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia to the King of kings,
the everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Michael Benshish

God of gods and gods, Lord of lords,
God of gods and Lord of lords,
King of all creation, King of all creation,
We sing your praise forevermore.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia to the King of kings,
the everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia to the King of kings,
the everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
Ah, everlasting Father, Prince of 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 18:15-20 NRSV
People: Glory to you, O Christ.

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Deacon or Priest: The Gospel of our Savior.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

The Homily

The Rev. Joseph H. Hensley, Jr.

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.

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.

Collect for Labor Day

BCP 261

Almighty God, you have so linked our lives one with another that all we do affects, for good or ill, all other lives: So guide us in the work we do, that we may do it not for self alone, but for the common good; and, as we seek a proper return for our own labor, make us mindful of the rightful aspirations of other workers, and arouse our concern for those who are out of work; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Confession

Enriching Our Worship

Deacon: 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.**

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 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

As we prepare 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. See instructions in the front of this bulletin about ways to make your monetary offering. Thank you for sharing your gifts in commitment to God and to our ministry together!

Offertory Anthem: "How Can I Keep from Singing?"

Greg Gilpin

My life flows on in endless song, how can I keep from singing?
No storm can shake my inmost calm, how can I keep from singing?

What, though the tempest around me roars, I know the truth it liveth.
What, though the darkness around me close, songs in the night it giveth.
I hear the real, though far off hymn, that hails a new creation.
It sounds an echo in my soul, above earth's lamentation.
My life flows on in endless song...

Oh, to the Rock! To the Rock, I'm clinging! How can I stop singing?
I'm clinging to the Rock, now. Hear me singing!
My life flows on in endless song...

Presentation Hymn WLP 778 (St. 1+4): "We all are one in mission"

Nyland

congregation stands

**We all are one in mission, we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single, great commission compels us from above
to plan and work together that all may know Christ's love.**

**Now let us be united and let our song be heard.
Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming Word.
We all are one in mission, we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united and Christ the Lord of all.**

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 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.

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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
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: S154
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

David Hurd

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.

Personal Prayer Ministers During Communion

The Celebrant prays for the Personal Prayer Minister in front of the altar. Those desiring to ask for prayers of healing (with an option to be anointed with holy oil), thanksgiving, or for other concerns are invited to come to the prayer minister in the corner to the left. If receiving Communion, use the closer left line. Those waiting for prayer are asked to stand to the side or may be seated in the nearby reserved front pew.

Communion Hymn LEVAS 184: "Blessed Assurance"

Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!

Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of His spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song, Praising my savior all the day long;

This is my story, this is my song, Praising my savior all the day long.

**Perfect submission, perfect delight, Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels descending, bring from above Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.**

Refrain

Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my savior am happy and blest;

Watching and waiting, looking above, Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

Refrain

Music During Communion

Instrumental Music

"Laudate Dominum"

Taize

Laudate Dominum, laudate Dominum omnes gentes, Alleluia!

Translation: Praise the Lord, all you peoples.

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.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: "Halle, halle, hallelujah!"

Traditional Caribbean

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

The Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude: Flying Home

Lionel Hampton

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

Child 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

- **Grades PreK - 2: 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. Located in the Library behind Sydnor Hall.

Youth

An inclusive, welcoming community

- **Grades 6 - 8: The Dragon's Den** - Join us for some interesting conversation of topics related to our faith, with art as our main reflection tool. Located on the Youth Floor.
- **Grades 9 - 12: Youth Formation** - Youth-led discussions on how Scripture, theology, worship, popular culture, and personal experience all intersect in our high school years. Located in Faulkner Hall.
- **Youth Group:** For grades 6-12, meets twice a month from 12 pm - 1:30 pm at the Campus Christian Center (1213 Dandridge St) Lunch is provided. The next meeting is today, Sept 6.

Adults:

Coffee and Fellowship in Sydnor Hall

- **Adult Forum: Life in Christ Series**
In conjunction with our preaching series, we will be exploring what it means to live as disciples of Jesus. The series will go from August 23 through October 4 and will be led by our Rector, Joe Hensley. Each session will include opportunities for small and large group conversation about joys and challenges of life in Christ as well as a presentation on the theme of each week and reflection on relevant Scriptures. Today's Theme: "Loving God and our Neighbors."

Questions about formation offerings?

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Announcements

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Life in Christ Preaching Series Continues

As we return to the program year, it is a good time to return to a basic question: "What does it mean to live as a disciple of Jesus?" Each week in our morning services, we will examine some qualities of "life in Christ" based on the appointed scriptures in the Lectionary.

- Aug 23: Seeking Freedom Together
- Aug 30: Listening to God's call.
- Sept 6: Loving God and our Neighbors.
- Sept 13: Forgiving abundantly.
- Sept 20: Practicing Generosity.
- Sept 27: Changing our Minds and Hearts.
- Oct 4: Living our Best Life.

The adult forum at 9 am will offer a deeper dive into these themes as well.

Newcomers Lunch – September 13

The Vestry of St. George's is happy to host a Newcomer's Luncheon in Sydnor Hall on September 13, at 11:45 am following the 10 am service. We welcome anyone new or returning to St. George's within the past year to join us for lunch and a time of fellowship. Staff and vestry will be there to introduce themselves and their roles. We will also have time to answer any questions you may have about our parish. We are excited to share this time with newcomers and look forward to building connections! Please RSVP to vestry@stgeorgesepiscopal.net

Today's Altar Arrangement:

The Altar Flowers are given in memory of R. Cameron Thompson & Bev Thompson by Bob and Pam Thompson, arranged by Flower Guild members Jane Hunsucker and Ann Tebbutt.

Youth Group Meeting – Today

Our joint youth group will be meeting today from 12 – 1:30 pm at the Campus Christian Center (1213 Dandridge Street). Lunch is provided. All youth in grades 6 -12 are invited to attend. Reminder that we will be joined by youth from Christ Lutheran and Trinity Episcopal.

Children's Choir and Chimes

We are excited to usher in our 2026-2027 choir season at St. George's! Our first rehearsal will be on Sept. 13 at 3 pm in the choir room. Children's choir and chimes will rehearse from 3 - 4:30 pm on Sunday afternoons. Email Juliann Jones (juliann.jones@stgeorgesepiscopal.net) to sign up.

Office Notes

Our office is closed on Monday, September 7 for Labor Day. If you have a pastoral emergency and need to speak with clergy, please call or text: 540.361.8573.

Concert Series – September 20

Join us for a free concert on Sunday, September 20, 2026, at 3:00 pm, featuring acclaimed jazz musicians Peter and Will Anderson performing on clarinet and saxophone, and guitarist Adam Moezinia. The concert is free with donations accepted at the door.

Sign up for Coffee Hour

We are in need of coffee hour hosts! Please see the sign up form posted in Sydnor Hall and consider hosting a Sunday!

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, Lucy and Nana; and for our Vestry.

Those needing God's grace:

Rev. Aaron Dobyne, Paul Sungenis, Helen Soheili, Soheili Family, Emily Croner, Chris and Cynthia McRae, Jillian Pabalan, John Danello, Ellen Sharp, Makenna M, Lisa Bogardus, Hurley 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), *Eleonore Spears, Haven Hair*

Those in convalescence:

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

Those expecting children:

Bernadette Aylward

Those recently born:

August Wayne Cadwallender (grand-child of Nick and Jeanette Cadwallender)

Those who have died:

Foncee Maym Coker (sister of John Coker), Ralph Tuffy Hicks, *Joyce Sneed (mother of Joyce Steele), Lola Delbridge (mother of Catherine Hicks)*

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:

The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

The Church in the Province of the West Indies

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

Preacher:

The Rev. Joseph H. Hensley, Jr.

Liturgical Coordinator:

Vicki Lewis

Greeter:

Ann Tebbutt

Ushers:

Tommy Thompson
Mac Smith
Dori Eglevsky

Lectors:

Peter Bumsted
Vicki Lewis

Livestream Tech:

Josh Rollins

Personal Prayer Minister:

Linda Wickersham

Acolytes:

Sandi Davis
Crockett Webb
Neal Kuykendall
William Mills

Lay Eucharistic Ministers:

Vicki Lewis
Ann Tebbutt
Dick Juergens
Liz Talbot

Lay Eucharistic Visitors:

Pam and Charles Bullock

Altar Guild:

Lee Anne Hecker
Ann Tebbutt
Kathy Lober
Sharon Null

Flower Guild:

Jane Hunsucker
Ann Tebbutt

Coffee Hour:

Laurel Loch

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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