

Prayers of the People

In your prayers this week, please pray for the following:

In the Anglican Communion: The Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan; the Church in Western Kansas, Province VII of the United States; the Parish of St. Thomas in Kagiso, South Africa; Our Little Roses Home in Honduras; and the Holy Land Christians.

In the Episcopal Church USA: Our Presiding Bishop, Katharine.

In the Diocese of Tennessee: Our Bishop, John, and Christ Church Cathedral, Nashville.

In the Community: West End Synagogue.

In Our Parish: The Caring Connections Volunteers and for our seminarian, Monica Carlson.

The men and women in the armed forces serving our country overseas, especially David Amiot, Kayla Bailey, Todd Charles, Matt Dane, Charles Ezzell, Peter Richard Johnson, Mitch Moore, John Sansbury, Daryl Stickler, Kit Wilkinson Thomson, and John Womack. **In Thanksgiving for the safe return of** Lauren Clodfelter.

In Thanksgiving for the Birth of: Fielding, daughter of Taylor and Whit Moloney; and John Grayson Bickley, grandson of Gail and John Thompson.

Those Who Are Ill: Jill Baker, Reba Barker, Mike Craig, Polly Craig, Connie DeWitt, Brian Felber, Meredith Friedman, Grace Hamilton, Beth Higham, James Hoppe, Sr., Frances Jackson, Margaret Grace Lewicki, Murray Lynch, Marge Maxwell, Mike McConnell, Ashley Parish, Bard Quillman, Pat Rooney, John Sanders, Teri Simon, Rick Smith, Mary Louise Tidwell, Jim Tygret, and Todd Wilson.

For Those Who Have Departed This Life: Mary Sue Croker.

Weekly Announcements

Christmas Flower deadline is December 14th.

Don't have an Advent Calendar yet? It's not too late! Visit the St. George's Bookstore for yours. Also check out all the great Christmas decorations, gifts, and spiritual books for all ages. All profits from Bookstore sales go to support the Mission and Outreach activities of St. George's.

New LIFE Group Forming! In a LIFE group, we learn how to receive, live, and share the abundant life of Jesus Christ. It is focused for and about women in Christian leadership. There will be an organizational meeting for a new LIFE group on Wednesday, December 7th at 6:00pm in Dandridge A. If you have any questions, contact the Rev. Marcia King at marcia.king@stgeorgesnashville.org or 385-2150 x 214.

Masterpieces of Advent with Donia Dickerson, Wednesday, December 7th at 6:00pm Come and here Donia talk about 10 great works of art with Advent as the theme. All are invited so please bring your friends.

Newcomer Reception December 11th at 5:00pm in the Library - Are you new to St. George's? Would you like to learn more about the programs and offerings here? Please join us for a wine and cheese reception prior to Lessons and Carols on Sunday, December 11th. Please RSVP to 385-2150 x 262 or reserve@stgeorgesnashville.org.

Festival of Lessons and Carols Sunday, December 11th at 6:00pm - Our annual Festival of Lessons and Carols will feature all five choirs of St. George's Church, conducted by Dr. Mark Ring, Gerry Senechal, and Rachel Hansbury. Come and hear the story of salvation as told through scripture and song.

Christmas Luncheon Sponsored by Prime Time Thursday, December 15th at 11:30am - The Rev. Roger Senechal will give a presentation on "Handel's *Messiah* - The Bible, the History, and the Music" accompanied by Gerry Senechal on the piano. This is an opportunity to go deeper into one of the best-loved musical compositions of all times. RSVP for the \$10 lunch by December 12th to 385-2150 x 262.

Silent Night: A Service of Remembrance, Hope, and Healing December 18th - If Christmas is a difficult time for you or a loved one, if you would just like a quiet service to remember and hope for the future, or would like to pray for healing for yourself or others, please join us Sunday, December 18th at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary. Also, remember the clergy are always available for help and counseling.

Inquirers/Confirmation Classes for Membership in St. George's and the Episcopal Church - Classes will begin Sunday, January 8th, at 10:05am in Dandridge B. For more information, fill out a card in the pew, stop at the tables in the Rotunda and Gathering Space on Sunday mornings, or contact the Rev. Tim Jones at 385-2150 x 217 or Marcy and Seawell Brandau at 352-4824.

The Gift That Gives - Simplify your holidays! Avoid the hustle and bustle of the mall and help those in need by donating to The Gift That Gives charities in your loved one's honor. Go to the St. George's website at www.stgeorgesnashville.org and click on The Gift That Gives to order. When you give, everyone receives!

The Marriage Course January 5-February 16 - This course is for any couple who want to learn the practical tools to help improve and strengthen their relationship. Classes are from 6:00-8:30pm each Thursday in Hampton Hall and include dinner for two, a practical talk, and discussion with your spouse. There is NO group work. The cost is \$125; this includes dinner for two at every session and materials. Space is limited to 30 couples. Registration and advance full payment of \$125 must both be complete to secure your reservation. Go to www.stgeorgesnashville.org and click on Adults - Marriage and Relationships to sign-up today!

SUNDAY SERVICES	DAILY SERVICES
7:30, 8:45am, 9:00am, and 11:15am 5:00pm	7:00am Monday - Saturday 10:00am Wednesdays
SHEPHERD FOR DECEMBER: Kim DeMoss, 356-3036	

Staff Ministry Team

The Rev. R. Leigh Spruill, Rector
The Rev. Marcia King, Assoc. Rector & Dir. of Ministry
The Rev. Sarah Kerr, Assoc. Rector
The Rev. Timothy Jones, Senior Assoc. Rector
The Rev. J. Malone Gilliam, Assoc. Rector
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Mrs. Joanna Williams, Dir. of Children's Discipleship
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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Receive, Live, Share

Welcome to worship! We pray that our time of worship will express praise and thanks to God for the gift of Christ, and help you live a more faithful, abundant life.

If you are a visitor, please know that we are delighted that you are here. We know that following the beautiful and ancient worship of the Episcopal Church is not always easy for those unfamiliar with the Anglican tradition. Please do not feel obligated to do anything but to enjoy the service reverently and expectantly.

We invite **newcomers** to fill out a visitor's card, found in the pew rack, placing it in the offering plate or handing it to a member of the clergy.

Inside this bulletin, page numbers on the far right column refer to the **red** Book of Common Prayer in the pew racks. You will find the hymns and other sung parts of the service in the **blue** book, The Hymnal 1982. If a song has an "S" in front of it, it will be found in the service music section of the Hymnal, near the front.

At the time of The Holy Communion, **all baptized Christians** are welcome to receive the sacrament, regardless of age or denomination. Ushers will direct you to the altar rail, and you may return to your pew on an outside aisle. Gluten-free wafers are available at the 8:45am and 11:15am services from the intinction cup.

Nursery care is available for infants, toddlers, and two-year-olds during the 8:45am and 11:15am services as well as the Christian Discipleship hour that begins at 10:05am. **Childcare** (for ages 3-5) is also available during the 8:45am service.

Large Print Prayer Books and Hearing Assistance Aids are available in the church foyer. Ask an usher for help.

We are grateful for your presence!

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The Holy Eucharist: Rite I – 11:15am

The Rev. Marcia C. King, Celebrant

Opening Voluntary: Chorale Prelude on “Savior of the nations, come” **J. S. Bach**

The Word of God

The Lighting of the Advent Candle (*standing*)

Let us pray.

Grant us Lord, the lamp of charity which never fails, that it may burn in us and shed its light on those around us, and that by its brightness, we may have a vision of that holy city, where dwells the true and never-failing Light, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Processional Hymn #59:

Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding

Merton

Book of Common Prayer, p.319

The Celebrant says
People

Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.
His mercy endureth for ever.

The Celebrant continues

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. *Matthew 22:37-40*

Confession & Absolution

BCP 320

Lord, have mercy (*Kyrie*)

(S91) Healey Willan

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant

BCP 159

Merciful God, who sent thy messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.. **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 40:1-11

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13

Hymn #68: Rejoice! rejoice, believers

Llangloffan

The Holy Gospel

Mark 1:1-8

All standing, a priest reads the Gospel, saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mark.

People

Glory be to thee, O Lord.



At the conclusion of the Gospel, the reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise be to thee, O Christ.



Sermon

The Rev. Timothy Jones

Nicene Creed

Prayers of the People, Form II (*kneeling*)

BCP 326

BCP 385

All stand

The Peace

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

And the Glory of the Lord

G. F. Handel

And the glory, the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,
And all flesh shall see it together,
For the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

At the Presentation:

The Doxology (Hymn 380, verse 3)

Old 100th

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer I

BCP 333

The people remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Celebrant Proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. . . .

Celebrant and People Sing “Holy, Holy, Holy . . .”

(S113) Merbecke

The people may stand or kneel as the Celebrant continues

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept as the Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. Then is sung:

Fraction Anthem: “Christ our Passover”

(S154)

Immediately following distribution of the Eucharist, the Chapel is open for healing prayer. People desiring personal prayers for healing may go to the Chapel after receiving communion. A priest and a lay person will be present to pray for them. In addition to prayers for personal healing, persons may request healing prayer on behalf of another person.

Music during the communion

There is No Rose

Robert Powell

St. George’s Choir

There is no rose of such virtue as is the rose that bare Jesu: alleluia.

For in this rose contained was heav’n and earth in little space: a wondrous thing.

By that rose we may well see there be one God in Persons Three: in equal form.

Then leave we all this worldly mirth and follow we this joyous birth: let us cross over. Alleluia.

Comfort Ye

G. F. Handel

Derek Meler, soloist

Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God.
Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry to her,
That her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardon’d.
The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness,
Prepare ye the way of the Lord,
Make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Communion Hymn #64:

O heavenly Word, eternal Light

O Heiland, reiss

Postcommunion Prayer

BCP 339

The Blessing

May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we wait, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn #67:

Comfort, comfort ye my people

Psalms 42

The Minister dismisses the people with these words

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People

Thanks be to God.

Closing Voluntary: Toccata

Eugene Gigout

The Advent Greens on the altar today are given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for our children & our family by Mr. & Mrs. Wentworth Caldwell, Jr..

The aumbry candle this week is given to the Glory of God.

Verger: Don Greene

Lector: Kathleen Briordy

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Dale Fitzgerald, Neal Clayton, Cathy Barksdale, and Beth Ross

Acolytes: Winn Van Cleave, Peter Spruill, and Lauren Lewis

Ushers: Nip Trabue, Bennett Tarleton, Haskell Tidman, Rick Carter, and John Hayes