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GEORGE'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

HOLY BAPTISM AND
THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

JANUARY 7, 2024
8:45AM

Welcome to St. George's Episcopal Church on this special day when we gather to worship God and rejoice at the baptism of these new members into God's household.

"God is love" (1 John 4:16). God loves every man, woman, and child unconditionally and forever. At baptism, God's love for us is not changed — our relationship with him is. Baptism is the way that we are united with the life, death, and Resurrection of Christ "so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life" (Romans 6:4). Through the power of the Holy Spirit who seals us as his own at baptism, we are adopted by God as his children, we are engrafted into the living spiritual organism that is his Church, and we are empowered to share God's royal status and his ongoing work to redeem the world.

Furthermore, at our baptism, we are not only united with Christ; we are also united with one another through Christ. "We, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another" (Romans 12:5). Having been adopted through baptism into a family of God's saints that is bigger than we can ever imagine, we are heirs of an experience of life that Jesus described as the kingdom of God, in which we continually grow in an awareness of the love of God that starts today and lasts forever. Our baptism into the life of Jesus Christ gives us the power to love God and to love one another the way God loves us.

Following the ancient practice of the Apostles and the early Church, we baptize infants as well as adults. The gift of salvation and of new life in Christ is a free gift, preceding and making possible our response to it. "We love God because he first loved us" (1 John 4:19). In the same way that we were born into earthly life as a gift, so too we are born anew by God into heavenly life as a gift. The spiritual promises that are made on behalf of infants by their parents and godparents at baptism are affirmed when those children mature and are ready to participate in the Rite of Confirmation.

Because of our baptism, even when we feel lonely, we know that we are never alone because we trust in the indwelling presence of God. Because of our baptism, even when we feel sad, we know that we can place our hope in God whom we can trust to bring all things to serve his purpose. Because of our baptism, even when we feel weary, we know that we can trust in the power of God's Spirit who will always restore and renew us and will never leave us. All of these gifts, and so many more, are made possible through the gift that God makes of us himself to us and to all who receive him at baptism.

The people's responses are in bold.

OPENING VOLUNTARY *Chorale Fantasia on WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET, BuxWV 223*

Dieterich Buxtehude

THE WORD OF GOD

Please stand, as you are able.

OPENING HYMN • 381 Thy strong word did cleave the darkness

TON-Y-BOTEL

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 299

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

There is one Body and one Spirit;

There is one hope in God's call to us;

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

One God and Father of all.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP, p. 214

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE READING

Genesis 1:1-5

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The response is sung first by the choir, then by all as indicated.

A-scribe to the Lord glo - ry and strength. GPS

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, *
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; *
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders; *
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.

Response

- 10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; *
the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to his people; *
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Response

Please stand, as you are able.

SEQUENCE HYMN • 449 (vv.1-2, 4-6) O love, how deep, how broad, how high

DEO GRACIAS

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 1:4-11

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

Glorify to You, Lord Christ.

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. J. Malone Gilliam

HOLY BAPTISM

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

BCP, p. 301

The congregation rises for the procession to the baptistry.

Celebrant The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents & Godparents I present *N.* to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

When all have been presented, the Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents.

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents & Godparents I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents & Godparents I will, with God's help.

Then the celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children.

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

After all have been presented, the celebrant addresses the congregation.

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People **We will.**

Celebrant Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

BCP, p. 304

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

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

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
People **I will, with God's help.**
Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
People **I will, with God's help.**
Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People **I will, with God's help.**
Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People **I will, with God's help.**
Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People **I will, with God's help.**

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

BCP, p. 305

Celebrant Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**
Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**
Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**
Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**
Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**
Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**
Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

BCP, p. 306

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE BAPTISM

BCP, p. 307

Each candidate is presented by name to the celebrant, who then pours water upon the candidate, saying:

I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The celebrant places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross and saying:

You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

The godparents are presented with a candle, and the celebrant says:

Receive the light of Christ. Bear it faithfully in the world.

After all have been baptized, the celebrant says:

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

THE CALL

Alexander Brent Smith

Please see Hymn 487 for text.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Please be seated.

THE OFFERTORY

The Baptism of Jesus

Peter Hallock

Soloist: Mareike Sattler

Jesus autem hodie regressus est a Jordane [Jesus again today returned to the Jordan.]

When Jesus Christ baptised was,
The Holy Ghost descended with grace;
The Father's voice was heard in this place:
Hic est Filius meus, ipsum intende. [This is my Son, listen to him.]

There were three Persons and one Lord,
The Son baptised with one accord,
The Father said this blessed word:
Hic est Filius meus, ipsum intende.

Now, Jesu, as thou art both God and Man,
And were baptised in from Jordan,
At our last end we pray thee, say then:
Hic est Filius meus, ipsum intende.

Please stand, as you are able.

AT THE PRESENTATION The Doxology

(Hymn 380, verse 3) Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here be - low; praise
him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer C*

BCP, p. 369

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy

(Hymnal S129) Powell

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he whocomes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high- est.

Please kneel or remain standing, as you are able.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

And now, 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.

*Christ our Passover**(Hymnal S152) Martens*

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

NOTES ON RECEIVING COMMUNION All baptized Christians are invited to receive the sacrament, regardless of age or denomination. Those who have not been baptized are welcome to a blessing—indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest. If desired, you may intinct (dip) your wafer at the altar rail or have the LEM intinct it for you. Gluten-free wafers are available at the side station.

After receiving communion, those who desire it may visit a Healing Prayer Minister in the front right corner of the Nave for healing prayer — for yourself or others.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

*The Blessed Son of God**Ralph Vaughan Williams*

The blessed Son of God only
In a crib full poor did lie;
With our poor flesh and our poor blood
Was clothed that everlasting good.
Kyrie eleison. [Lord, have mercy.]

The Lord Christ Jesu, God's Son dear,
Was a guest and a stranger here;
Us for to bring from misery,
That we might live eternally.
Kyrie eleison.

All this did he for us freely,
For to declare his great mercy;
All Christendom be merry therefore,
And give him thanks for evermore.
Kyrie eleison.

Please kneel, as you are able.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, p. 366

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

BCP, p. 366

Please stand, as you are able.

CLOSING HYMN • 135 Songs of thankfulness and praise

SALZBURG

THE DISMISSAL

BCP, p. 339

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY *Allegro from Op. 105*

Charles V. Stanford

WORSHIP NOTES

Clergy The Rev. Colin Ambrose, celebrant; the Rev. J. Malone Gilliam, preacher; the Rev. Margery Kennelly; and the Ven. Dr. Martin Odidi
Verger David Puryear
Acolytes Lyon Playfair, Eliza Baggott, Izzie Playfair, and Stewart Clay
Lector Julie Hullett
Lay Eucharistic Ministers Brad Pendleton, Walter Choate, Red Martin, and Mary Chris Waller
Greeters Harry Allen, Nancy Dugger, and Kristen Gallimore

The flowers in the Nave are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Caroline Gray Trabue by her family.

MUSIC NOTE

Today's dramatic musical setting of the story of *The Baptism of Jesus* is written by Peter Hallock (1924-2014), an American composer known for his tenure at St. Mark's Cathedral, Seattle. A soloist tells the story of the baptism in English with the choir responding in Latin in an austere and mysterious fashion. The composer uses beautifully flowing lines for the soloist against clashing and dissonant chords to depict the mysterious and awesome event that took place. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) was a prominent English composer whose influences came from English folk song as well as the English Tudor period. Some of his notable compositions that are more familiar may include *THE OLD 100TH Psalm Tune* and *O Clap Your Hands*. His anthem *The Blessed Son of God* is an *a capella* work from his Christmas Cantata *Hodie*, which means "Today" as in "Christ is born today." This anthem is a reflection of today's Gospel reading with beautifully flowing rhythms and warm harmonies.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, and the Scottish Episcopal Church.

In the Episcopal Church, we pray for Presiding Bishop, Michael Curry.

In the Diocese of Tennessee, we pray for our Bishop, John Bauerschmidt, and Epiphany Mission Church in Sherwood.

In our community, we pray for Bellevue Baptist Church.

In our parish, we pray for the participants and leaders of Journey of Hope; those baptized this morning; our Nashville Fellows, Alex, Derek, Laura, and Olivia; and our Organ Intern, Abe.

We pray for those affected by the violence and suffering in Israel and the Middle East and in Ukraine.

We pray for those who are ill, especially Reba Barker, Sandy Berry, Lucius Burch, Chris Carter, Anna Kate Craig, Ruth Cate, Charlie Gore, Livi Grasman, Susan Narramore, Acra Samuels, Trish Thomas, Mike Waller, and Trilby Williams.

We pray for those faithfully departed, especially Carole Keller, mother of Nicole Baker.



THE WORRY-FREE PARENT

AN EVENING WITH SISSY GOFF

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25
5:30-7:30PM IN HAMPTON HALL



Register online for this FREE event at stgeorgesnashville.org/parenting.

Space is limited!

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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Essentials Small Groups Our next series of small groups will dive into the dramatic story of Exodus. In Exodus, we have the story of God's redemptive work through Moses, the shepherding of God's people into a new life with him, and the giving of God's own words in the Law. This spring, please join us as we walk alongside Moses and learn more of God's strength, power, and profound compassion for his people. Join a 10-week, small group study today. Groups launch in mid-January. Details at stgeorgesnashville.org/essentials.

New Opportunities in 2024 There are so many ways to engage at St. George's – from Bible studies to church events, from new college grads to our robust senior adults. We invite you to pick up the new 2024 opportunities brochure or visit stgeorgesnashville.org for a complete list of offerings this season.

Seniors Helping Others Our senior adults gather on Tuesday, January 9 at 10:00am in the Library to write Valentine cards for our veterans. New people are welcome anytime, and we organize a new project each month. Contact church member Karen Lackey if you can help: lackeykab@gmail.com or 615-260-8063.

Youth Group Youth group for 7th-12th graders resumes on Wednesday, January 10 from 6:30-8:00pm in Akers Hall (upstairs). This is a casual time for students to gather for games and fellowship. Each week, we break out into small groups to learn about Jesus.

Journey of Hope Anyone who has experienced a deep loss of any kind is invited to participate in this series on Thursdays, January 11 - February 15, from 9:00 to 10:30am. This 6-week course is led by a licensed professional counselor who specializes in grief and trauma. Under the care of a professional, you will learn about tools to process your grief in a safe and loving Christian environment. Please contact Robin Puryear to learn more or join the class: robin.puryear@stgeorgesnashville.org or 615-385-2150 x 247.

Coffee & Conversation Seniors are invited to join us in the Gathering Space the second Thursday of every month from 9:00 to 10:30am to enjoy conversation without any agenda. Sweet treats and coffee provided. No reservations, just join us on January 11.

Newcomer Gathering Meet clergy, parishioners, and other newcomers during an informal Sunday morning gathering at 10:05am in the church library. Our next event is Sunday, January 14 at 10:05am.

Church in the Yard We're always looking for volunteers for our ongoing partnership with Church in the Yard continues on Sunday, January 14. Volunteers are needed to prepare food Saturday morning prior and/or to set up worship and serve the meal on Sunday afternoon at Church of the Holy Trinity (615 6th Ave. S). Details at stgeorgesnashville.org/outreach.

Final Interest Meeting for Our Little Roses Youth and adults interested in learn more about serving on our annual summer mission trip to Honduras are invited to a meeting on Sunday, January 14 at 10:05am in Dandridge Hall (upstairs). Jency Maldonado Castejon will serve as our guest speaker and will be eager to answer your questions. Details and trip registration can be found online at stgeorgesnashville.org/ourlittleroses.

Choral Evensong Please join us on Sunday, January 14 at 5:00pm in the Nave for a contemplative service of choral music and chant led by St. George's Choir. Stay after the service for a reception with members of the choir.

Application Season for Nashville Fellows Did you know that each year, our church hosts a group of recent college graduates as they study, grow in faith, and pursue their vocations? These Nashville Fellows live with host families from our church, participate in graduate-level seminary classes one day a week, and work in their field of choice four days a week. Do you know a college senior who desires to start their next chapter well? Encourage them to apply now for the 12th Nashville Fellows Class at thenashvillefellows.com. The next application deadline is January 15.

Breaking Bread This parish-wide fellowship dinner is a fun way to share a meal with your church family. Come to Hampton Hall on Wednesday, January 17, at 6:00pm. Suggested donation is \$8 per person, and proceeds are donated to the Choristers program. RSVP at reserve@stgeorgesnashville.org or 615-385-2150 x 262.

Prime Time Speakers Series This popular monthly series begins with lunch at 11:30am followed by an engaging speaker on a variety of topics. Join us Thursday, January 18 to hear from the Rev. Margery Kennelly on "Glimpses of Christ: Pilgrimage on the Camino." Please make a reservation for the \$12 lunch online at stgeorgesnashville.org/seniors.

Room in the Inn Winter Shelter Our Room in the Inn ministry continues as we host both men and women overnight during the cold months ahead. There are now additional volunteer opportunities posted for our

men's shelters on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, and our next women's shelter is Thursday, January 18. We hope you will join us in providing food, shelter, friendship, and care to our unhoused neighbors. Visit stgeorgesnashville.org/riti for details and to sign up.

Sunday School Classes Sunday School classes resume on Sunday, January 21 at 10:05am, with offerings for children, youth, and adults. Newcomers are welcome at any time! Visit stgeorgesnashville.org/ministries for details.

Adult Confirmation & Anglican Christianity Begins Sunday, January 21, at 10:05am in Hampton Hall. Already attended STG 101 and looking for the next step? Join David Barr for adult confirmation! Confirmation in the Episcopal church is the gateway to stepping into a way of being Christian that has endured for many centuries and given hope and endurance to millions. Anglicanism is one of Christianity's largest faith traditions with a rich inheritance of theology, worship, song, and liturgical practice. We encourage you to sign up for the class, even if you are still considering whether to be confirmed.

Compline This brief and beautiful service set in a darkened church is sung by a small men's choir. Usually held every third Wednesday at 9:15pm in the Nave, this special offering of Compline will be held on Sunday at 5:00pm, so new people might be able to experience this quiet and meditative form of worship with us.

20s & 30s Kick-Off Party Calling all young adults! Join us Sunday, January 21 for a fun event to kick off the semester. Watch for details at stgeorgesnashville.org/youngadults.

Visual Silence in the Bradford Gallery Our next event in the Bradford Gallery is titled *Visual Silence*, featuring Christina Ananias, a candidate in the Doctor of Theology program at Duke Divinity School and a Faculty Fellow at Belmont University. She specializes in the intersection of systematic theology and modernist visual art. Come at 5:30pm on Thursday, January 18, to enjoy a reception with time to view Makoto Fujimura's exhibit, followed by a discussion.

The Worry-Free Parent with Sissy Goff Mark your calendars and make plans to join us on Thursday, January 25 at 5:30pm for a special evening with Sissy Goff of Daystar Counseling Ministries. This free event will invite us to reflect on a critical topic for our community: managing worry and anxiety in parenting. Space is limited, so register soon at stgeorgesnashville.org/parenting.

Vestry Nominees and Annual Meeting Please join us in gratitude for this year's slate of vestry nominees: Elizabeth Cox, Eric Grasman, Louis Garrard, and Laura Wright. These nominees have been thoughtfully and prayerfully chosen by your vestry nominating committee to serve a three-year term beginning in 2024. We invite you to participate in the upcoming Annual Meeting, which includes a ratifying election for this slate of candidates, details of whom are available online at stgeorgesnashville.org/news. This year's Annual Meeting will be Sunday, January 28 at 10:05am in Legacy Hall

Wellness As our bodies age, we can proactively engage in practices that build strength, flexibility, balance, cognition, and overall wellness. Mary Gilliam leads several classes for all ages and abilities. Each week, she offers tai chi, gentle yoga, yoga flow, and seated exercise. Classes are free or for a \$5 donation. Details at stgeorgesnashville.org/wellness.



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7:30, 8:45, and 11:00am: Holy Eucharist
9:00am: The Table
5:00pm: Evening Prayer & Holy Eucharist

WEEKDAY SERVICES (CHAPEL)

7:00am Monday - Saturday | Daily Worship
10:00am Wednesday | Healing Prayer



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