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EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY:  
THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

HOLY BAPTISM AND  
THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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.

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*The people's responses are in bold.*

OPENING VOLUNTARY Allegretto from *Sonata IV*

*Felix Mendelssohn*

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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*Please stand, as you are able, for the Processional Hymn.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN • 76 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

*Winchester New*

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

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

**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.*

FIRST READING

*Isaiah 42:1-9*

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



## HOLY BAPTISM

### PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

BCP, p. 301

*The congregation remains seated. The candidates for baptism, their sponsors, and family stand.*

*Celebrant* The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

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

*When they have been presented, the Celebrant asks the parents and godparents*

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 infant*

*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.**

*The congregation is invited to stand, as you are able.*

*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 these children 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 heart 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*

*The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying*  
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.**

*Celebrant*

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 congregation is invited to be seated as the baptismal parties come forward.*

#### THE BAPTISM

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

*The Priest 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 Priest says*

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

*After they have been baptized, the congregation is invited to stand. The Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her 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

*BCP, p. 332*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

#### BLESSING OF THE CONFIRMANDS

*Youth Confirmands, their Mentors, and their Small Group Leaders will come forward during the announcements for a time of prayer. Please join us in praying for our confirmands that God will strengthen and confirm their faith in Christ.*

*Leaders & Mentors* We present to you these confirmands, who are preparing to make a mature commitment to Christ and receive strength from the Holy Spirit through the laying on of hands by the Bishop.

*Celebrant* Confirmands, as you prepare for confirmation, will you devote yourselves to worship, study, and fellowship together?

*Confirmands* We will, with God's help.

*Celebrant* Leaders and Mentors, will you support these confirmands by prayer and example and help them to grow in the knowledge and love of God?

*Leaders & Mentors* We will, with God's help.

*Celebrant* Will you, the people of St. George's, support these young people as they prepare for confirmation?

*Congregation* **We will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Blessed are you, Almighty God, for you have formed us in your image and restored us in Jesus Christ. In baptism, these confirmands were buried with Christ and rose to new life in him. Renew them in your Holy Spirit, that they may grow as members of Christ. Strengthen their union with the rest of his Body as they join us in our life of praise and service; and may the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you now and forever. **Amen.**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

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### THE OFFERTORY

The Baptism of Jesus (Jesus Autem Hodie)  
*Soloist: Mareike Sattler*

*Peter Hallock*

*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]  
*Jesus autem hodie regressus est a Jordane.*

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.*  
*Jesus autem hodie regressus est a Jordane.*

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.*  
*Jesus autem hodie regressus est a Jordane.*

*Please stand, as you are able, as the offerings are brought forward.*

### 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 B*

*BCP, p. 367*

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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children. 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:

*The people sing* Holy, holy, holy Lord

*(Hymnal S128) Mathias*

The musical score is written on three staves of music. The first staff begins with the lyrics 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, -'. The second staff continues with 'heaven and earth are full of your glo- ry. Ho-san-na in the high- est.' The third staff concludes with 'Bless- ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high- est.' The music is in a simple, melodic style with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat.

*Please kneel or remain standing, as you are able.*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord 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 he 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, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD & THE FRACTION ANTHEM

BCP, p. 364

Christ our Passover

(Hymnal S154) Hurd

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, 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, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Celebrant*

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 come to the communion rail for a blessing. You may indicate your desire for a blessing by simply crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available from the intinction cup to the left of the lectern. If it is not easy for you to come to the altar rail, please inform an usher and we will bring the Eucharist to you.

*AN INVITATION TO RECEIVE HEALING PRAYER* During the distribution of communion, the chapel is open for healing prayer. If you desire prayers for healing, for yourself or others, you may go to the Chapel after receiving communion. A priest and a lay person will be present to pray with you.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Draw us in the Spirit's tether

Harold W. Friedell

Draw us in the Spirit's tether;  
For when humbly, in Thy name,  
Two or three are met together,  
Thou art in the midst of them: Alleluya!  
Touch we now Thy garment's hem.

As the brethren used to gather  
In the name of Christ to sup,  
Then with thanks to God the Father  
Break the bread and bless the cup, Alleluya!  
So knit Thou our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living  
Make as sacraments of Thee,  
That by caring, helping, giving,  
We may true disciples be. Alleluya!  
We will serve Thee faithfully.

*Please kneel, as you are able, for the prayer.*

## 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

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the Only-begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out that Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new birth; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*Please stand, as you are able, for the Processional Hymn.*

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN • 616 Hail to the Lord's Anointed

*Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*

## THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

## CLOSING VOLUNTARY Preludium in C

*D. Buxtehude*

## WORSHIP NOTES

*Clergy* The Rev. Dr. R. Leigh Spruill, celebrant; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Joseph Wandera, preacher; the Rev. Colin Ambrose; and the Rev. Margery Kennelly

*Verger* Gail Thompson

*Acolytes* Bo Wilbanks, Carmen Darst, Peter Darst, and Cate Beemer

*Lector* Jan Allison

*Oblation Bearers* Raleigh, Amy, Maida, and Lily Harwell

*Lay Eucharistic Ministers* Red Martin, Heather Lawrence, Eric Grasman, Ella Redkevitch, and Brad Pendleton

*Ushers* Tim Gianikas, Miles Kirkland, George Mabry, Jr., Thompson Patterson, and Bruce Wilbanks

*Greeters* Susie and Jan Callen, John Witherspoon, Nancy Crook, De Dawkins, and Will Newman

The flowers on the altar today are given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for the baptism of John Joseph Ritchie III by Jean and Lee Bowden.

The aumbry candle in the church this week is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Virginia and Joe Pendergrass by Suzanne DeMoss Pendergrass and Steven Pendergrass.

**MUSIC NOTES** The offertory anthem for today is written by Peter Hallock (1924-2014), an American composer and respected musician, especially for his tenure at St. Mark's Cathedral, Seattle. The setting depicts today's Gospel reading simply. He cleverly uses a soloist with the English text for "story telling," while the choir responds in Latin text. Hallock uses beautifully flowing lines for the soloist and clashing dissonant chords to depict the mysterious and awesome event that took place. "Draw us in the Spirit's tether" is a well-known anthem by Harold Friedell (1905-1958), an American organist and teacher, mainly at Juilliard and Union Seminary. He is regarded as a great example of an American Episcopal musician and this anthem brings out the beautiful lyricism and hymn-like melody with the delicate organ accompaniment. He brings sensitive variations to each of the three verses of this anthem.

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### CLASSES TODAY AT 10:05AM

For complete descriptions of all classes, please visit [stgeorgesnashville.org](http://stgeorgesnashville.org).

#### Adult Classes

- Believing and Belonging led by the Rev. Dr. R. Leigh Spruill and the Rev. Colin Ambrose *Hampton Hall*
- Ancient Story: Our Story led by the Revs. David Barr and Margery Kennelly *Johnson Hall*
- Parenting Class led by Elizabeth and Craig Reavis *Rooms 210-211*
- Body, Mind, & Spirit led by the Ven. Dr. Martin Odidi *Chapel*
- ETC: Ethics, Theology, and Conversation facilitated by Shirley Hercules *Conference Room (upstairs)*

#### Youth *Upstairs*

6th Grade 209 | 7th Grade/Confirmation *Dandridge A & B* | 8th Grade Youth *Outer Offices*

9th - 10th Grade 206 | 11th - 12th Grade *Akers Hall*

#### Children *Sunday School*

4th and 5th Grades *Murray Hall* | 3rd Grade 118 | 2nd Grade 119 | 1st Grade 117 | Kindergarten 115

Preschool 116 and 217

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### TODAY

**Today We Welcome Bishop Wandera, Anglican Diocese of Mumias, Kenya** Bishop Wandera will preach at the 8:45 and 11:15am services. Holding a Ph.D. in Religious Studies from the University of Cape Town, Bishop Wandera taught for several years at St. Paul's University, Limuru, Kenya. In addition to teaching courses in Religious Studies and Mission, he also co-founded the Centre for Christian Muslim Relations in Eastleigh.

**Daughters of the King** The St. Francis Chapter of Daughters of the King will have their first meeting of 2020 today at 10:05am in the Bride/Family Room. All women of the church are invited.

**Choral Evensong Tonight at 5:00pm** The St. George's Choir will lead Choral Evensong this month featuring the season of Epiphany including "When to the Temple Mary Went" by German composer Johannes Eccard to lead this beautiful ancient liturgy. All are invited.

### UPCOMING

**St. George's: The Annual Stewardship Campaign 2020** The 2020 Stewardship campaign is coming to a close – have you made your **annual** pledge? Thanks to all those who already have made a pledge. Please think about what part of God's treasure you are willing to share with him and pledge today via Realm, online, or with a pledge card in the offering plate. If you made a pledge to the Living Our Legacy campaign, thank you. But it is **annual stewardship** which enables us to continue to provide opportunities for worship, education, and fellowship

throughout the year. Questions? Contact Catherine Beemer, director of parish giving, at [catherine.beemer@stgeorgesnashville.org](mailto:catherine.beemer@stgeorgesnashville.org).

**Foyer Groups Are Forming** Foyer Groups are 8-12 adults who gather to enjoy casual fellowship and a meal once a month. Registration is for one semester at a time so you can come and go with life seasons. Groups will be scrambled and remade each semester. Reserve your place for January - April online at [stgeorgesnashville.org/foyergroups](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/foyergroups) or call 615-385-2150 x 262.

**Tuesday Morning Wake-up Call** invites you to join as we discuss the Bible readings for the upcoming Sunday. These are the same as being used in the church-wide Bible Reading Plan. Class meets Tuesdays from 7:00 to 8:00am in Dandridge A. Just show up or call Julie Malott at 615-665-9499 or Jan Callen at 304-676-5038 for more information.

**You're Invited!** Everyone is invited to Edley's Bar-B-Que in Sylvan Park on Tuesday, January 14, from 3:00-5:00pm to celebrate Fr. Clint Wilson and his family. Thanks to parishioners Catharine and Will Newman for graciously hosting this send-off event for the Wilson's.

**Journey to Freedom** Join us for "Journey to Freedom," a small group in which you will learn to identify your feelings and respond in healthy ways to them and create a plan for change. This series meets on Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:00pm for eight weeks beginning January 16. Cost of the book is \$10. Please contact Sally Nesbitt at [sallyshepnes@gmail.com](mailto:sallyshepnes@gmail.com) for more information.

**Breaking Bread this Wednesday, January 15** Nourish body and soul in one of the oldest and most fundamental acts of community. Breaking Bread is a community meal from 6:00 to 8:00pm in Hampton Hall. Reservations are required to [reserve@stgeorgesnashville.org](mailto:reserve@stgeorgesnashville.org). Suggested donation of \$7 per person with proceeds after meal cost going to the St. George's Choristers.

**Walk in Love Thursday, January 16** Walk in Love is an opportunity for women to focus on a verse of scripture and attend to how God speaks into our life in the present moment accompanied by friends all while walking. Meet at Edwin Warner Nature Center, 7311 Hwy 100 at 9:15am on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. We will gather rain or shine and walk for about 45 minutes on paved roads so if you have a stroller that works too.

**Prime Time Speakers Series Thursday, January 16** from 11:30am to 1:00pm in Hampton Hall. This month's program is "Famous Tennesseans You've Never Heard Of" presented by Dr. Bill McKee, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs at Cumberland University. RSVP for the \$10 lunch by Monday, January 13, to 615-385-2150 x 262 or [reserve@stgeorgesnashville.org](mailto:reserve@stgeorgesnashville.org).

**Mozart's Birthday Concert Friday, January 17**, at 12:00pm in the Nave. We are delighted to host Nashville Symphony oboist Roger Wiesmeyer and Friends for the annual favorite "Mozart's Birthday Concert." This lunchtime program never fails to inspire and delight with the brilliant and virtuosic music of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

**Newcomer Gathering Next Sunday, January 19**, at 10:05am in the Library. Finding your place in a new church can be challenging. Here at St. George's, we want to make the transition easy. Our Newcomer Gathering is an informal gathering between morning services where you'll meet clergy and other parishioners. Over refreshments we'll share the vision for our church family and

answer any questions you may have. Please plan to join us!

**Matinee Compline Sunday, January 19 at 5:00pm** Continuing our annual tradition, the Men of St. George's Choir will present "Matinee" Compline. This ancient, candlelit service lasting 25 minutes is typically held on the third Wednesday of the month at 9:15pm but is offered earlier once a year so that those who cannot come at the usual time can experience this truly unique, beautiful form of worship.

**St. George's Annual Meeting Sunday, January 26**, at 10:05am in Hampton Hall. Vestry voting will take place during the meeting. This year's vestry nominee slate is Suann Davis, David Moroney, Bob Van Cleave, and Kelly Worman.

**Dinner and Dessert Auction** On Sunday, February 9, the Choristers of St. George's will hold their 2nd Annual Dinner and Dessert Auction immediately following the Choral Evensong service. The evening will include dinner, special music, a live dessert auction and more. All proceeds from the event will benefit the Choristers program. Tickets and more information about the event will be available soon at [stgeorgesnashville.org/dessert](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/dessert).

**Inreach Shepherd for January**  
Gail Molen, 772-696-2267

**Next Sunday's Readings:**  
**The Second Sunday After the Epiphany**  
**January 19, 2020**

Isaiah 49:1-7  
Psalm 40:1-12  
1 Corinthians 1:1-9  
John 1:29-42



## CONSTRUCTION CORNER

Foundations are being poured for the new Legacy Hall. The new parking area (previously 104 Belle Meade Boulevard) is available for use where not roped off. Please respect all barriers, cones, and warning tapes. The Kindergarten parking lot behind the church is now closed. The porte cochere doors are limited to emergencies only.

We offer shuttle service to and from overflow parking at Truxton Trust (4525 Harding Pike) starting at 8:15am through the 11:15am service. The shuttle picks up and drops off at the office entrance closest to Belle Meade City Hall. Thank you!

Visit [stgeorgesnashville.org/legacy](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/legacy) for the latest information about construction. Questions? Contact Laura Zabaski, Parish Administrative Officer, at 615-385-2150 x 242 or [laura.zabaski@stgeorgesnashville.org](mailto:laura.zabaski@stgeorgesnashville.org).



# THE FUTURE OF CHRISTIANITY IN THE WEST: AUGUSTINE AND BENEDICT



Join St. George's and the Living Church Institute for a conference exploring what faithful Christian community engagement looks like in our modern age. Along with experts Rod Dreher and the Rev. Dr. Mark Clavier, we will discuss two different visions rooted in the ancient works of St. Benedict and St. Augustine. While these ideas date back to antiquity there are many ways that they speak to our contemporary lives.

Please join us for a variety of experiences including presentations from local and national speakers, round table discussions, Evening Prayer, Evensong, and meals. For more information and to register, visit [stgeorgesnashville.org/conference](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/conference).

**ROD DREHER** Author, *The Benedict Option* and Senior Editor at *The American Conservative*

**THE REV. DR. MARK CLAVIER** Canon of Brecon Cathedral in Wales and featured expert in Bloomsbury's *Reading Augustine* series

In addition to our key speakers, several local leaders in the areas of evangelism and renewal will lead break-out sessions and participate in a roundtable discussion, including:

**TODD L. LAKE** Vice President for Spiritual Development, Belmont University

**JON MEACHAM** Pulitzer Prize-Winning Author

**TOM DOUGLAS** Grammy Award-Winning Songwriter

**CHRISTIE HOLMES** Founder and Managing Partner, Global CommUnity

**DR. AARON HOWARD** Director of Diversity, Community, and Inclusion, Franklin Road Academy

**DR. JOY RILEY** Executive Director, The Tennessee Center for Bioethics and Culture

**DR. MORGAN WILLS** President and CEO, Siloam Health

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## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We invite newcomers to fill out a Connect Card, found in the pew rack, placing it in the offering plate or handing it to an usher or priest.

Nursery care is available for infants, toddlers, and two-year-olds during the 8:45, 9:00, and 11:15am services and during Sunday school at 10:05am. Childcare (for ages 3-5) is also available during the 8:45, 9:00, and 11:15am services.

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

If you have a “T” switch that is compatible with audio induction systems on your hearing aids, you may switch it on in order to hear the service better.



## STAFF MINISTRY TEAM

The Rev. Dr. R. Leigh Spruill, Rector  
The Rev. Colin Ambrose, Vice Rector  
The Rev. David Barr, Assoc. Rector  
The Rev. Margery Kennelly, Assoc. Rector  
The Rev. Richard Kew, Priest Assoc.  
The Ven. Dr. Martin Odidi, Priest Assoc.  
The Rev. Tim Taylor, Priest Assoc.  
The Rev. Roger Senechal, Senior Ministries

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## SUNDAY SERVICES

7:30, 8:45, 9:00, & 11:15am | Holy Eucharist  
5:00pm | Evening Prayer with Holy Eucharist

## WEEKDAY SERVICES (CHAPEL)

7:00am Monday – Saturday | Holy Eucharist  
10:00am Wednesday | Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayer



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