

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 2, 2021 | 11:00am

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*The people's responses are in bold.*

OPENING VOLUNTARY *Master Tallis' Testament*

*Herbert Howells*

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## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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*We ask our in-person congregation to refrain from singing during today's music selections in order to abide by safety guidelines. Our choir will sing the hymns and service music on behalf of all of us. We invite those worshipping at home to join the choir in singing.*

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

OPENING HYMN • 304 vv 1–4 I come with joy to meet my Lord

*Land of Rest*

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord,  
forgiven, loved, and free,  
in awe and wonder to recall  
his life laid down for me.

3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,  
each proud division ends.  
That love that made us makes us one,  
and strangers now are friends.

2 I come with Christians far and near  
to find, as all are fed,  
the new community of love  
in Christ's communion bread.

4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord.  
His presence, always near,  
is in such friendship better known:  
we see, and praise him here.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*The Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 323*

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

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

*BCP, p. 324*

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.

Glory be to God on high,  
and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee,  
we worship thee,  
we glorify thee,  
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,  
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,  
have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy;  
thou only art the Lord;  
Thou only, O Christ,  
with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

*BCP, p. 173*

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

O Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

THE READING

*1 John 4:7-21*

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

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

*Sung by the choir.*

- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly;  
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who  
worship him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,  
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him:  
“May your heart live for ever!”
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to  
the Lord,  
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 For kingship belongs to the Lord;  
he rules over the nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down  
in worship;  
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him;  
my descendants shall serve him;  
they shall be known as the Lord’s for ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn  
the saving deeds that he has done.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

*John 15:1–8*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
**Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples, “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.”

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

## THE SERMON

*The Rev. Margery Kennelly*

*Please stand, as you are able, for the Creed.*

## THE NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,**

God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
    he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
    he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
    and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
    he suffered death and was buried.  
    On the third day he rose again  
    in accordance with the Scriptures;  
He ascended into heaven  
    and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
    and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM III

*BCP, p. 387*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
**That we all may be one.**

In the Anglican Communion we pray for the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin, and the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East.

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

In the Diocese of Tennessee we pray for our Bishop, John; Otey Memorial Parish in Sewanee; All Saints Chapel in Sewanee; and Chapel of the Apostles and St. Andrews Sewanee School.

In the community we pray for St. Mark's Coptic Church.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

In our parish we pray for our Kindergarten Director, Teachers, Staff, and Students; and our Nashville Fellows Brianna, Clay, DeLacy, and Garner. We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

We pray for our president, Joe, our governor, Bill, and our mayor, John. We pray for the members of our parish serving our country in the armed forces. We pray for our enemies and those who wish us harm.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble,  
**that they may be delivered from their distress;**  
especially Sue Atkinson, Reba Barker, Rick Hart, Marge Maxwell, Alec McDougall, Susan Narramore, Acra Samuels,  
Mary Sharp, Mary Ready Taylor, and the people of India – those who have the Coronavirus, those who love them,  
and those who care for them

Give to the departed eternal rest;  
**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**  
especially Calvin Lewis Casey, grandfather of Garner Nottingham; Mary Eller Lane, sister of Martha Worley; and  
Nancy Moore Smith, aunt of Robbie Moore.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. You are invited to add your own intercessions and thanksgivings,  
either silently or aloud.

*Silence is kept.*

*The celebrant prays the concluding Collect and the people respond Amen.*

#### CONFESSION OF SIN

*BCP, p. 330*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

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

#### THE ABSOLUTION

*BCP, p. 332*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

#### SENTENCE OF SCRIPTURE

*BCP, p. 332*

#### THE PEACE

*BCP, p. 332*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And with thy spirit.**

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## THE OFFERTORY

*My Eyes for Beauty Pine*

*Herbert Howells*

My eyes for beauty pine, my soul for God's grace,  
No other care nor hope is mine, to heaven I turn my face.  
One splendor thence is shed from all the stars above:  
'Tis named when God's Name is said, 'tis love, 'tis heavenly love.  
And every gentle heart that burns with true desire  
Is lit from eyes that mirror part of that celestial fire.

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

## AT THE PRESENTATION The Doxology *Sung by choir*

*(Hymn 380, verse 3) Old 100th*

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

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer II*

*BCP, p. 340*

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is meet and right so to do.**

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; through Jesus Christ our Lord. But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath won for us everlasting life. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

*The choir sings* Holy, holy, holy

*(Hymnal S117) McGregor*

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. Amen.

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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 *Sung by the choir*

(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 NOTES ON RECEIVING COMMUNION *Please stay at your seats until an usher releases your row. Proceed up the side aisle, maintaining appropriate social distancing, and wait at the first pew until the lay eucharistic minister or vergier indicates you may go receive the bread. Return to your seat by the center aisle and consume the bread once you are seated. 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. You may indicate your desire for a blessing by simply crossing your arms over your chest.*

**After receiving communion, those who desire it may go to the Chapel for healing prayer.**

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

*Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether*

*Harold 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:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! 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,  
Alleluia! Alleluia! So knit Thou our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living make us sacraments of Thee,  
That be caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! We will serve thee faithfully.

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

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*BCP, p. 339*

Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; 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 Closing Hymn.*

CLOSING HYMN • 657 vv. 1 and 2 Love divine, all loves excelling

*Hyfrydol*

1 Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
all thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all compassion,  
pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation,  
enter every trembling heart.

2 Come, almighty to deliver,  
let us all thy life receive;  
suddenly return, and never,  
nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect love.

THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

## WORSHIP NOTES

*Clergy* The Rev. David Barr, celebrant; the Rev. Margery Kennelly, preacher; and the Rev. Colin Ambrose  
*Verger* Frank Puryear  
*Lay Eucharistic Minister* Jeff Overby  
*Acolyte* Thomas Collins  
*Lector* Doug Gortner  
*Ushers* Doris Matthews, Jim McGregor, Nip Trabue, and Suzanne Malone

The flowers on the altar today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Francis Farris Garrison & William Lee Garrison by Mr. & Mrs. Frank M. Garrison.

The aumbry candle in the church this week is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Hudson Goodyear Walker by Shawn Curley.

The aumbry candle in the Jane Tompkins Weeks Chapel this week is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Mary Lines Cummings by her family.

MUSIC NOTES Herbert Howells (1892-1983) is well-known for his beautiful *Requiem* and numerous Anglican settings of canticles and anthems that are sung often all over the world. His musical language is described as sumptuous, rich, and full of vigor and complex harmonies, which marks him as one of the unique musical minds of his generation for sacred music. His anthem *My Eyes for Beauty Pine* is an early work of his, written in 1925. It has a simple texture, sung mostly in unison with occasional vocal harmonies, and the organ does all the heavy lifting to bring complexity to the piece. Fluid melodic lines and complex meters bring a level of sophistication to this beautiful text written by Robert Bridges (1844-1930). *Draw Us in Spirit's Tether* by Harold Friedell (1905-1958), an influential American composer from New York City, is one of the most quintessential sacred anthems written by an American composer. The beautiful text is written by theologian Percy Dearmer (1867-1936), who was extremely important in the development of sacred hymnody in the English language. The anthem brings wonderfully rich musical language to the text with beautiful harmonies, rich organ accompaniment, and soaring melodic lines.

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SUNDAY CLASSES

*For more information and Zoom links, please visit [stgeorgesnashville.org](http://stgeorgesnashville.org).*

#### **Adult Classes at 10:05am** [stgeorgesnashville.org/adults](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/adults)

- Lessons from the Wilderness  
team-taught by the clergy in Hampton Hall and via Zoom
- The Witness of the Apostles' Faith in the Book of Acts  
taught by the Ven. Dr. Martin Odidi in the Library and via Zoom
- ETC: Ethics, Theology & Conversation  
led by Shirley Hercules via Zoom

#### **Youth Offering** [stgeorgesnashville.org/youth](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/youth)

- Youth Group Sundays, 4:30 - 6:00pm outside

#### **Children's Offering**

- STG Kids Online [stgeorgesnashville.org/children](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/children)

*Don't forget to pick up a bag of materials that go with the lessons for each month (found by the church office).*

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**Congratulations to Our Youth** Today at the 9am service we celebrate Youth Sunday. Please join us in lifting up our youth and the many ministries they provide to our parish community.

**Farmers Market Volunteers** Are you looking for ways to safely re-engage with your St. George's community? Consider serving as one of our farmers market volunteers this summer! Volunteers are needed every Thursday afternoon beginning May 6. Contact Catherine Grace for more details at 405-590-0006 or [crgrace@graceny.com](mailto:crgrace@graceny.com).

**Farmers Market Opening** Save the date for the opening of the St. George's Farmers Market—Thursday, May 6 from 3:30 to 6:00pm. Come by the church office parking lot every Thursday afternoon to support local vendors at this producers-only market. You'll find everything from fruits and veggies to meats and baked goodies.

**Children's Chapel** Sunday during the 9:00am services. Children age 3 through 2nd graders meet in the Gathering Space Courtyard, and 3rd-6th graders meet in Johnson Hall. Parents will need to drop their children off before the start of the 9:00am services. Volunteers will return children to their parents during the peace. Contact Cate Jones at [cate.jones@stgeorgesnashville.org](mailto:cate.jones@stgeorgesnashville.org) with questions or to volunteer to help. Reservations are no longer necessary.

**Girls' Bible Study for 6th Graders** Our 6th grade girls are invited to join us on Sunday afternoons when we will focus on the Trinity and how the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are all one, yet different. We meet with the mission to have fun and to learn what it looks like to cultivate community in middle school. If you are interested in learning more, please email Julie Gibbons at [julie.gibbons@stgeorgesnashville.org](mailto:julie.gibbons@stgeorgesnashville.org).

**New Youth Parent Resource Page** We are excited to announce our brand new parent resources page on our website! This page will serve as a library of Christian books, articles, podcasts, organizations, and other tools that we recommend to our parents and families on a variety of important topics. We will gradually add more resources over time and are always on the lookout for more so feel free to recommend. In the meantime, we hope it serves to answer tough questions and offer Godly guidance. Check it out at [stgeorgesnashville.org/youth](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/youth).

**Jones Paideia Volunteer Opportunities** Our relationship with the people and community of Jones Paideia Elementary School continues to bless us all. This spring they are looking for Community Pantry volunteers, testing proctors, and written letters to encourage their teachers for Teacher Appreciation Week. To learn more about these opportunities, visit [stgeorgesnashville.org/volunteer](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/volunteer) or contact Breck Wheeler at 615-294-8925.

**Pillars of Faith | The Art of Ted Jones** We are thrilled that the first featured artist in the new Bradford Gallery is Ted Jones of Hendersonville. In addition to numerous artistic accolades, Mr. Jones was an art professor at both Fisk University and Tennessee State University. This exciting collection is on exhibit for the first time, as many of the pieces have been created in the last year. Visit [stgeorgesnashville.org/gallery](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/gallery) for more information.

**Coming Home** As we all know, we have not been able to gather as we wanted to this past year for worship, fellowship, and service. As we look ahead to the next few months, we are preparing for many ways to do that safely again. We are anxious for this church family to come home to St. George's soon, and we ask for your help inviting those who haven't been here for a while. We can't be St. George's without you—our church family. Look for more details to come at [stgeorgesnashville.org/cominghome](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/cominghome).

**Bible Reading Plan for May and June Now Available** Our Bible Reading Plan organizes the lectionary into a pattern of daily readings that follow the church calendar, and provides a way for parishioners to deepen their knowledge of the Bible, prepare for Sunday worship, and become more familiar with the enduring themes of the church calendar. Pick up a card in the pew today or go to [stgeorgesnashville.org/biblereadingplan](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/biblereadingplan) to download the plan.

**Neighborhood Groups** St. George's members are making connections all over Nashville! There's never been a better time to build relationships with your neighbors—through service, fellowship, and worship. Contact Martha Rodes at 615-385-2150 x 249 or [martha.rodos@stgeorgesnashville.org](mailto:martha.rodos@stgeorgesnashville.org) to learn more about getting involved in your corner of the city.

**An Invitation to Receive Prayer** If you desire prayers for yourself or others, we invite you to go to the Chapel after receiving communion at the 9:00 and 11:00am services. A priest and a lay person will be present to pray with you for any need including physical, mental, or emotional healing.

**Your Support Makes a Difference** The ministries of St. George's continue to bless our parish and community. And we need your faithful support of our ministries to ensure they continue. You may give or pledge to St. George's any time. It's easy to do online via Realm or our website. If you would like to talk about your giving plans for 2021, contact Catherine Beemer, Director of Parish Giving, at [catherine.beemer@stgeorgesnashville.org](mailto:catherine.beemer@stgeorgesnashville.org) or 615-385-2150 x 244. More information about giving online can be found at [stgeorgesnashville.org/give](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/give).

**Inreach Shepherd for May** | Allison King, 703-965-7318

## OUTREACH: SHARING THE ABUNDANT LIFE OF JESUS CHRIST



**ST. LUKE'S COMMUNITY HOUSE** creates a community where children, families, and seniors from different backgrounds can easily access the resources needed to live fulfilling lives. This past year was particularly hard due to the March 3, 2020 tornado, the pandemic, and social injustice. Even with closures and precautions in place due to COVID-19, St. Luke's provided 7,567 hours of childcare including opening its doors to children of essential workers; 22,124 Mobile Meals delivered to Seniors and homebound individuals in West Nashville; 1,500 wellness check calls made to Seniors; 2,697 food boxes distributed; 19,600 diapers given to families; 267 children received Christmas presents via the Toy Store; 106 seniors were adopted for Christmas; and 1,889 volunteer hours were donated. We are so proud to partner with such an amazing organization that has provided valuable services to our community since 1920! If you want to learn more about St. Luke's, including how to volunteer, visit [stlch.org](http://stlch.org).

## CONSTRUCTION CORNER



New brick has been laid in the rotunda and chancel furnishings are in place for our lay worship leaders. Outside, the final coat of asphalt is finished and the portecochere will be completed soon. Except for a few loose ends, The Parent Company will complete their work before month's end. Visit [stgeorgesnashville.org/legacy](http://stgeorgesnashville.org/legacy) for details.

## STAFF MINISTRY TEAM

The Rev. Colin Ambrose, Priest-in-Charge  
The Rev. David Barr, Associate Rector  
The Rev. Margery Kennelly, Associate Rector  
The Rev. Caroline Osborne, Associate Rector  
The Rev. Richard Kew, Priest Associate  
The Ven. Dr. Martin Odidi, Priest Associate  
The Rev. Roger Senechal, Priest Assoc. for Senior Ministries  
The Rev. Tim Taylor, Priest Associate  
The Rev. James K. Polk Van Zandt, Priest Associate

Dr. Woosug Kang, Dir. of Music Ministries  
Mr. Gerry Senechal, Assoc. Dir. of Music Ministries & Organist  
Ms. Becca Jordan, Music Leader for The Table  
Dr. Wilma Jensen, Organist/Choirmaster Emerita  
Mrs. Martha Rodes, Dir. of Lay Ministry Engagement  
Mrs. Robin Puryear, Pastoral Care Coordinator  
Mrs. Cate Jones, Dir. of Children's & Family Ministry  
Mrs. Sadie Zoradi, Dir. of Youth Ministries  
Mrs. Catherine Beemer, Dir. of Parish Giving  
Mrs. Rebecca Teel, Dir. of Communications  
Mrs. Laura Zabaski, Parish Administrative Officer

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St. George's takes your safety seriously. We have implemented protective measures in accordance with local and national public health guidelines to mitigate the risk posed by COVID-19. However, we cannot guarantee your safety. By worshiping in person you agree that you understand and assume the risk of exposure to COVID-19, and agree to release and hold St. George's harmless from any claim associated with exposure to the virus. In order for us to better care for our community, we ask that you follow all posted guidelines and verbal instructions while in the building or on church grounds. Thank you for your cooperation.