St. Thomas Church

Anglican – Episcopal
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Our Vision:
We are a Jesus-centered, Spirit-filled community of diverse followers working to transform the world.

Our Mission:
To know Christ.
To make Christ known.
To serve others in Christ's name.

January 11, 2026

Announcements

Morning Prayer
M,T,TH—**9:30am**

Evening Prayer
M,T,W,TH— **4pm**

Weekday Eucharist
Wednesday — **8:30am**

Office Hours are 9am— 1pm, clergy by appointment
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If you are visiting St Thomas, or if you are considering joining the ST Thomas Family, welcome, we are grateful you are here. Please sign the guest book in the back of the Church so we can connect with you.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Are you interested in the Holy Land?? Have you ever thought about a pilgrimage that would let you walk in the steps of Jesus? Fr. Ralph will be doing another pilgrimage to the Holy Land **Oct 20– Nov 4, 2026.** If you are interested in joining or would like more information please contact Fr. Ralph or the St. Thomas Office.

St Thomas Faithfull,
Your Vestry is excited and enthused by **Laura's Music Ministry Leadership**. We are supportive of Laura and Fr Andy's idea of music scholarships for local college students to enhance our worship. We plan to offer three scholarships to students. (I am sure you have noticed over the past few weeks, what a joy!)
Your Vestry has set up a separate account to fund these scholarships. If you would like to contribute, please do so. Any size donation would help and show our support for our Music Ministry. Please mark any contribution: "Music Scholarship."
Thank you for your prayerful consideration in growing our Ministry.
Blessings, David Morton, Anne Peterson & Laura Rothe.

Ladies of St. Thomas (All ages) You are invited to the St. Margarita Society gathering on **January 26th** at Solea's Mexican Grill, 1350 Gillingham Rd., Neenah beginning at **6PM** It is an informal gathering with no agenda other than to spend time with each other in a relaxed and fun manner. Come for just a short while or stay as long as you like. No RSVP necessary. Invite a friend to come along. Wonderful time sharing a meal and fellowship with your friends of St. Thomas.

Host Coffee Hour Openings!
Please help by occasionally hosting Coffee Hour after the 10AM service. We will train you! Sign up is in the Parish Hall or contact Bev Johnston (920)729-6320.

Double Portion Donation item of the Month is... Hearty soups and Kleenex! Please consider donating a non-perishable or personal care item this month. Please leave it in the basket in the back of the church, on the kitchen island or on the pantry stairs.

Double Portion Volunteer Opportunities: We welcome anyone who is looking to help out at Double Portion. Most activities require standing for an extended period of time but do not require heavy lifting. If you are interested in learning more about volunteer opportunities, contact Melanie Miller at DoublePortionSoupKitchen@gmail.com or visit Doubleportionsoupkitchen.com.

WORSHIP

YOUTH MINISTRY (WWW.STYG.COM)
Youth Group —all Sunday youth group events are for 6th-12th graders unless otherwise noted.
Upcoming Events: **Terminator Night** Sunday, February 1 5:00 – 7:00 PM
Fr. Carr's Pantry Sunday, February 22 11:30 AM – 3:00 PM

Film School is a way for **7th graders and up** to read from the scriptures, view films, and chat about how those things line up or . . . don't. www.styg.com/filmschool

D-Groups "Accept one another just as God has accepted you." (Romans 15:7) D-Groups are open to all **7th – 12th** graders and their friends on **Wednesdays at St. Thomas 6:15 – 8:00pm** D-Groups are ALL about **Community, Scripture, Playing, Growing, and Jesus.** Here's what's coming up for D-Groups.www.styg.com/d-groups
Upcoming Events: **Mosaic Party** Wednesday, January 28 6:00 – 8:00 PM

For more info please contact: **jessicalzaborski@gmail.com**

Children's Sunday School is for kids 3 years through 6th grade. **We meet Sunday mornings 9-9:50 in the downstairs classrooms from September 21st - May.**

St. Thomas Kid's Club is for children in K- 6th grades. We meet **Wednesday evenings in the parish hall at 6:30-8pm. September 17th- May.** We utilize the "Weaving God's Promises" curriculum.

FELLOWSHIP

The Chosen/Bible Study

The Chosen is a drama video series about the life of Jesus. It currently has 5 seasons. This group gathers for Morning Prayer in the chapel on Thursdays at 9:30am. Afterwards we move to the lounge where we alternate each week with either watching an episode of The Chosen; or discussing our assigned reading from The One Year Chronological Bible. **Come join us Thursdays from 9:30 to 11**. If you have questions, please contact Mary Kay Hietpas at 920-740-5737 or marykayhietpas@gmail.com.

Scrumptious Spaghetti Supper!

Mark your calendars for the upcoming Spaghetti Suppers, **Wednesday, January 14. At 5:30pm.** A delicious dinner and fellowship! We will be serving homemade red sauce over spaghetti, salad, and homemade parmesan bread. All prepared by our spaghetti dinner team. We would also love to have volunteers to toss the salad, set up, serve, and clean up. Together we make it better:) Please call the office to sign up to be on the team.

<u>SCRIP PROGRAM</u> – Scrip cards can also be ordered for over 500 of the country's biggest brands. If you would like to order some scrip cards that we don't have on hand, please call the office at (920)725-5601 by Monday morning. They will be available to be picked up by Thursday of that week.

St Thomas Housing Committee - The church would like to extend an invitation to the church body to participate with this working group. If interested please let the church office know.
Meeting: The First Monday of Every Month in the St. Thomas Lounge @ 5:30pm

St. Thomas Acolyte Opportunity—If you or one of your children have an interest in serving St. Thomas as an Acolyte, we would love to have you. As you know, Acolytes serve as an important part of the 10:00 service every Sunday. It is very rewarding and is a great way to serve God and our St. Thomas family. If you or a family member have an interest in serving in this ministry, please reach out to Wade, Decon Lisa, Martina or contact the church office. Thank you!

Opportunity for Individual Prayer—(Available weekly during 10am service) During Holy Communion, individual prayer will be available in the small chapel just off the sanctuary. If you desire a special prayer of healing, thanksgiving, or other petitions, members of the St. Thomas Prayer Team will be there to pray with you and, if you wish, offer anointing with oil.

<u>MISSION PARTNER PRAYER REQUESTS FOR JANUARY 2026</u>

<u>BETSY HAKE – JERICHO MINISTRIES IN HONDURAS:</u> <u>www.jerichoministries.org</u>

Praise God for:

- A special donation that allowed us to pay all staff through July 31st.

Prayer Requests:

- That a visit to St. Thomas by Betsy may be arranged soon.
- For continued spiritual growth of the 115 children in the school and 40 in the children's home.

<u>DOUBLE PORTION:</u> <u>www.doubleportionsoupkitchen.com</u>

Praise God for:

- Our many faithful volunteers

Prayer Requests:

- For increased donations of food and hygiene items during the Government Shutdown which will delay November FoodShare benefits to families.

<u>MOTHERS' MERCY HOME – DIOCESE OF MT KENYA SOUTH:</u> <u>www.mmhpp.org</u>

Praise God for:

- The staff of Mother' Mercy Home who give so much of their special gifts to serve the children.

Prayer Requests:

- For improvements in the economy which is challenging for all Kenyans.