Happenings

St. George's Episcopal Church March 17, 2024

Thank you for worshiping with us today at 9:00 a.m. (in-person) or 10:30 a.m. (in-person or livestream). Face masks are not required, but strongly recommended for all unvaccinated and at-risk individuals during indoor worship and activities. We are aware that COVID infections are present in the community. If you feel more comfortable wearing a mask, please do so.

Eucharist

We will not drink from the common cup; rather, if you would like to receive wine, the priest or the LEM will intinct the wafer into the chalice before placing it in your hand.

Prayer Ministry

If you desire prayers for yourself or others, you may go to the back of the church after Holy Communion or after the dismissal, and either the clergy or a member from Daughters of the King will pray with you.

Children are so very welcome at St. George's!

Families, please know that children's activity bags can be found in the Narthex! These bags include activities to help your entire family talk about the day's scripture lessons. Please place bags in the basket under the coat rack after use so that we can refill them with supplies!

Our Children and Youth ministries are growing! Children's Chapel ("Worship and Wonder") for children ages 3 years old to 5th grade meets in Classroom B; children will be dismissed from church after the reading of the first lesson and return to church at The Peace. Older students will be asked to be good stewards and help assist the younger children in the classroom. Our class for youth (6th grade and up) called "Our Journey with God" meets in Classroom A, offered simultaneously with "Worship and Wonder."

Giving

Just use this QR code, to give or to pledge! It's that simple! We thank you for your support!



Coffee Hour normally follows our 10:30 a.m. worship service – except on Food & Formation Sundays! If you'd like to bring goodies to contribute to Coffee Hour or Food & Formation, or help with set-up or clean-up, please contact Sarah Bettendorf, for Brunch Bunch Ministry (Sarah@sstgeorgesgermantown.org), Sandi Bethel, for Flying Solo (slbethel@aol.com), or Perry Pennington, for Vestry (perry.pennington@memphistr.org).

We are in need of a **Coffee Hour coordinator!** If this is your calling, please reach out to karrie@stgeorgesgermantown.org.

Mother Dorothy's last Sunday at St. George's is April 7th! This is a baptism Sunday – and if you or a family member would like to be baptized, please contact the church office (901-754-7282) for more information.

COMING UP TODAY...

Sunday, March 17: No EYC, SPRING BREAK

COMING UP THIS WEEK...

Sunday, March 24th, 4pm to 6pm: EYC Dinner and Devotion and filling eggs for the Egg Hunt!

Ladies, Come Play Pokeno on Third Wednesdays! Join ladies in the parish who have begun playing Pokeno (a game similar to Bingo) on the third Wednesday of each month. The next "game day" is planned for Wednesday, March 20, from 11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Come and join the fun!

ON THE HORIZON...

Easter Gifts! If you would like to give an Easter Offering for Easter Flowers or Easter Musicians in honor of or in memory of someone special, please find the offering envelopes in the pews beginning March 17th. If you would like for your gifts to be listed in the Easter bulletin, please get your envelopes in by March 25th.

Maundy Thursday Dinner. Please make plans to join us for a time of fellowship and worship on Maundy Thursday – March 28, from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm. We will gather in the Parish Hall for a Soup, Bread, Salad and Dessert. Then, we will proceed to the Nave for Maundy Thursday service at 7:00 p.m. Cost is \$5 per person. Please RSVP to let us know that you are coming. We have a signup sheet in the Narthex or you can call the church office to RSVP. (901)754-7282.

Please join us for the **Palm Cross Workshop**, Saturday, March 30th at 10am in the Parish Hall.

Youth Sunday, April 7! If you have a graduating senior in high school or college, please let <u>Karrie</u> know as soon as possible so we are sure to recognize them during our Youth Sunday, April 7, 10:30 am service.

We are excited to announce that we are working on a **new Church Photo Directory** and are looking for volunteers from the Parish with creative and technical skills. If anyone has photography skills and/or digital directory skills that they would like to share, please contact Margaret Morley, (901)359-5294 or

mmorley123@gmail.com. We hope to begin this project in mid-April and will provide more details soon.

FAMILY/CHILDREN/YOUTH MINISTRY

Mud Camp registration is open! Overnight and day camp sessions at Mud Camp (St. Columba Episcopal Camp & Retreat Center, Memphis) start June 16. Camp sessions are open to rising first through sixth graders with CIT camp for rising seventh and eighth graders. To register today, please visit us online at www.MemphisMudCamp.org.

FAMILIES: SAVE THE DATE! EYC "Mission in Memphis" begins on the morning of May 28, and wraps up at noon on June 2nd. Nightly lodging will be at St. Columba with day trips to the Memphis area for local missions. One of the days will be a "fun" day with Zipline and fun at St. Columba.

Vacation Bible School will be held from Monday, June 10th-Friday, June 14th, 9am to noon each day.

Further details are coming soon!! Please email Karrie LaCroix (karrie@stgeorgesgermantown.org) for more information.

June 3rd-June 7th 9am to 4pm, Youth and Adult VBS "drop in" helper week: Any rising 6th graders interested in helping with Vacation Bible School, please come help us get the church ready for VBS! We will be here preparing decorations(we have a BIG vision for this!), organizing supplies and trialing games and activities in anticipation of the following BIG week of VBS! Lunch provided. Come as you are able!

A STEWARDSHIP REMINDER

It still isn't too late to submit a pledge of time, talent and treasure for 2024. Pledging forms can be found on the church website (https://stgchurch.org/giving/) or forms can be picked up in the Narthex on Sunday mornings to fill out and place in the offering plate. Thank you for your continued support!

GROWING TOGETHER!

Wednesday Morning Bible Study! During Lent, the Daughters of the King are studying the Rev. Amanda McGriff's book, *Will You?*, a Lenten meditation guide based on our baptismal promises. Please join DoK on Wednesdays, from 10:00-11:00 a.m. in the Library.

Thursday Night Bible Study! St. George's Thursday Evening Bible Study continues at 7:00 p.m. on Thursdays via Zoom with Dr. Jimmy Elam as facilitator. Thursday Night Bible Study is now studying the early Christian church and it's spread through the known western and eastern world via video lectures by various theologians and academics. Join us each week as we investigate these amazing ancient documents. For information or to register: Contact Jimmy Elam at (901) 326-2376 /

Jimmyelam@hotmail.com. You will need to register to receive the class handouts and Zoom link.

Tuesdays, at 6:30 p.m.: Tai Chi: Richard Link offers Tai Chi for Healthy Living on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Activity Center. For more information, please contact Richard at (901) 581-8456 or link1945@aol.com.

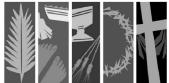
Monday, April 1, St. George's Friends of Music will



host The Balourdet Quartet from Concerts International, at 7:30 p.m. The Balourdet Quartet – currently Graduate Quartet-in-Residence at the prestigious Jacobs School of

Music at Indiana University. Members of the quartet are Russell Houston, Cello; Justin DeFilippis, Violin; Benjamin Zannoni, viola; and Angela Bae, violin, *photo by Kevin W. Condon*.

The Bookshoppe is full of Spring and Easter merchandise! We have adorable shelf sitters and plush animals plus Easter themed home decor including crystal eggs. Stop by and check out our nice selection of seasonal books, jewelry & scarves, too. The Bookshoppe is open Sundays from 10 - 12:30.



GERMANTOWN HOLY WEEK PREACHING SERIES

Tuesday, March 26 – Germantown Presbyterian Church (2363 South Germantown Road) Wednesday, March 27 – Germantown United Methodist Church (2331 S. Germantown Road) Thursday, March 28 – New Bethel Baptist Church (7786 Poplar Pike) Friday, March 29 – St. George's Episcopal Church (2425 S. Germantown Road)

Worship begins at 12:00 noon each day. A light lunch follows worship Tuesday through Thursday. Stations of the Cross will follow Good Friday's worship.

Holy Week and Easter Services

Maundy Thursday, March 28 5:30pm Lite Dinner; 7pm Service

Good Friday, March 29

Noon Service; 1pm Stations of the Cross, 7pm Service (Children's Stations of the Cross in the Parish Hall and Activity Center)

Easter Day

6:30am Sunrise Service on front porch 8:00am Holy Eucharist 11:00am Holy Eucharist 12:15pm Egg Hunt