



St. George's
Episcopal Church

ALL SAINTS' DAY

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

OCTOBER 31, 2021
10:30 AM

The Rev. Ann McLemore, *Interim Rector*

Ms. Dia Park, *Music Minister*

The mission of St. George's Episcopal Church is to worship God and share our faith through word, action, and service.

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE WITH US.

For those worshipping in person: Masks are required for all worshipers in the church. (Disposable masks are available in the narthex.) Please continue to practice social distancing throughout the service. Please do not sit in the pews with yellow cards. When the service ends, please join us for Coffee Hour in Kleberg Hall.

For those worshipping from home: Please know that you are still valued members of the congregation! And we look forward to seeing you in person, whenever you feel safe doing so. Our services continue to be available on the [Online Worship](#) page of our website.

Today we celebrate ALL SAINTS' DAY. On this day, the Church honors all the saints, known and unknown. In the broad sense, all we who are baptized are included in this category, but from the beginning of the Christian tradition, certain of the faithful whose lives were exemplary have been held before us as our models and guides. The COMMEMORATION OF ALL FAITHFUL DEPARTED, more commonly known as ALL SOULS' DAY, falls on November 2nd. This day is set aside to remember those who have died to whom we have a more personal connection. DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS is the traditional Mexican celebration of these days, which often features altars like the one here at St. George's, honoring those who have died. These celebrations – All Saints', All Souls', and Día de los Muertos – are tied in with the belief in the Communion of Saints, that all of God's people, in this earthly life and in the various states of the larger life, are connected in one communion.

GUIDE TO ABBREVIATIONS

H – 1982 Hymnal

G – Gather Hymnal

BCP – Book of Common Prayer

THE WORD OF GOD**OPENING HYMN** **By All Your Saints Still Striving** (verse 1 and All Saints' Day verse)**H 232***Please stand, as able. Worshippers in the church are asked not to sing.*

1 By all your saints still striv - ing, for all your saints at rest,
 2 A - pos - tles, pro - phets, mar - tyrs, and all the no - ble throug



your ho - ly Name, O Je - sus for ev - er - more be blessed.
 who wear the spot - less rai - ment and raise the cease - less song:



You rose, our King vic - to - rious, that they might wear the crown
 for them and those whose wit - ness is on - ly known to you—



and ev - er shine in splen - dor re - flect - ed from your throne.
 by walk - ing in your foot - steps we give you praise a - new.

Words: Horatio Bolton Nelson (1832-1913); ver. Hymnal 1982.

Music: Nyland, Finnish folk melody; adapt. David Evans (1874-1948).

WELCOME**COLLECT FOR PURITY****BCP 355***Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 245

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

People **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings.

FIRST READING

WISDOM OF SOLOMON 3:1-9

Reader A reading from the Wisdom of Solomon.

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,
and no torment will ever touch them.

In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died,
and their departure was thought to be a disaster,
and their going from us to be their destruction;
but they are at peace.

For though in the sight of others they were punished,
their hope is full of immortality.

Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good,
because God tested them and found them worthy of himself;

like gold in the furnace he tried them,
and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them.

In the time of their visitation they will shine forth,
and will run like sparks through the stubble.

They will govern nations and rule over peoples,
and the Lord will reign over them forever.

Those who trust in him will understand truth,
and the faithful will abide with him in love,
because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones,
and he watches over his elect.

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

PSALM 24

DOMINI EST TERRA

Please join in reading the psalm in unison.

- 1 **The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, *
the world and all who dwell therein.**
- 2 **For it is he who founded it upon the seas *
and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.**
- 3 **"Who can ascend the hill of the LORD? *
and who can stand in his holy place?"**
- 4 **"Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, *
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor sworn by what is a fraud.**
- 5 **They shall receive a blessing from the LORD *
and a just reward from the God of their salvation."**
- 6 **Such is the generation of those who seek him, *
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.**
- 7 **Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.**
- 8 **"Who is this King of glory?" *
"The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle."**
- 9 **Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.**
- 10 **"Who is he, this King of glory?" *
"The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory."**

SECOND READING

REVELATION 21:1-6A

Reader A reading from the Revelation to John.

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals.
 He will dwell with them as their God;
 they will be his peoples,
 and God himself will be with them;
 he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
 Death will be no more;
 mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
 for the first things have passed away.”

And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.”

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

SEQUENCE HYMN

Soon and Very Soon (verses 1, 3)

G 555

Please stand, as able. Worshippers in the church are asked not to sing.



1. Soon and ver - y soon___ we are goin' to see the King,___
 3. No more dy - in' there___ we are goin' to see the King,___



soon and ver - y soon___ we are goin' to see the King,___
 no more dy - in' there___ we are goin' to see the King,___



soon and ver - y soon___ we are goin' to see the King,___
 no more dy - in' there___ we are goin' to see the King,___ Hal-le-



lu - jah, Hal-le lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!_____



___ Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu -



jah, Hal - le - lu - jah, Hal - le - lu - jah.

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Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

RAUL CARRERA

Please be seated.

THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

BCP 292

Please stand, as able.

Celebrant Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People **I do.**

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.**

Celebrant May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

People **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM III

BCP 387

Intercessor Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People **That we all may be one.**

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

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

Intercessor We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop, Andy, Jeff, Hector, and Kai, our bishops, Ann our Interim Rector, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons; and for all lay leaders, especially our vestry: Josh, Rob, Mark, Ed, Dale, Brad, Hye Na, Belinda, and Samantha;

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

Intercessor We pray for Joe our president, Greg our governor, Steve our mayor, and for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

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

Intercessor Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Intercessor Have compassion on August, Gladys, Gerry, Ralph, Ginny, Kirk, David, Terrie, Betty, Divesh, Joan, George, Mary, Noelia, Charles, Rochelle, Jon, Travis, JoAnn, Pamela, those suffering from COVID-19, and all those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Intercessor We give you thanks for the Lucy family, on the birth of Liam; for Gabriel, as he celebrates his birthday; for Ashley and Joe, and Dale and James, as they celebrate their anniversaries; and for all the blessings of this life.

(Silence)

Intercessor Give to those who have died from COVID-19, and to all the departed, eternal rest;

People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

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

NECROLOGY

*In thanksgiving for all the saints, St. George's remembers those
who have passed from this life to the next in the last year.*

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

BCP 360

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus
Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in
eternal life.

People **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Please stand, as able.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of Christ. Please maintain social distance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be seated.

BLESSING OF SAFE ALLIANCE COMFORT BAGS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

*Thank you for your generosity. You may place checks or cash in the offering basket.
If you prefer, you may give online at the [St. George's Donation page](#).*

THE DOXOLOGY

Please stand, as able.

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

BCP 361

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; for in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away. 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:

All **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.

All **AMEN.**

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All **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

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

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.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*We will be receiving only the consecrated host, and not the wine.
To receive communion, please come forward up the center aisle.
Please let the Celebrant know if you desire a gluten-free wafer.*

*If you do not wish to receive Communion, please cross your arms over your heart,
and the Celebrant will pray for God's blessing upon you.*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

Please stand, as able.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us
as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

For All the Saints (verses 1, 4, 8)

H 287

All are invited to sing the final hymn.

1 For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who
 4 O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine!
 8 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through
 thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
 We feeb - ly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet
 gates of pearl streams in the count - less host,
 Name, O Je - sus, be for ev - er blessed.
 all are one in thee, for all are thine.
 sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Words: William Walsham How (1823-1897).
 Music: Sine Nomine, Ralph Vaughn Williams (1872-1958).

DISMISSAL

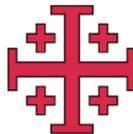
Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
 People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones
 Ralph Vaughan Williams

DIA PARK

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The altar flowers are given by Carolyn Moreau, in thanksgiving for Adam and Gabriel.

The altar candles are given by James and Gayle Wall,
 in thanksgiving for Sydney, Tori, Alet, and Astrid on their birthdays.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

For those who are sick or facing medical issues, especially:

August Dolan-Henderson
Gladys Dykes
Gerry Gram
Ralph Hausser
Ginny Hein
Kirk Hoffman
David & Terrie Hoster
Betty Jacobson
Divesh Manohar

Joan Moreau
George Neher
Mary Parker
Noelia Villareal
Charles Wallace
Rochelle & Jon Winkle
Travis
Those suffering from COVID-19

For those who have died and their families, especially

Those who have died from COVID-19

For those facing difficult circumstances, especially:

JoAnn Mays
Pamela Miller

For those serving in the armed forces and their families, especially:

Andrew Hutton

For those who celebrate birthdays, especially:

Gabriel Moreau (Nov 5)

For those who celebrate anniversaries, especially:

Ashley & Joe Carrera (Nov 1)
Dale Curry & James Duran (Nov 1)

For those with other thanksgivings, especially:

The Lucy family, on the birth of Liam Joseph Won Lucy

In the Anglican cycle of prayer:

The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria

In the Diocese of Texas cycle of prayer:

Holy Cross, Sugar Land
St. Catherine of Sienna, Missouri City
St. John's, Palacios

Names newly added to the list of prayer requests are in bold.

Names can be added to this list by emailing Jennifer at stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com.

THE SUNDAY BANNER – October 31, 2021

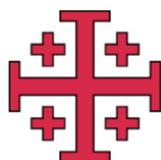
- ❖ **IN-PERSON WORSHIP** – Join us for in-person Eucharist in the church on Sundays at 10:30. As conditions change, we are continuing to re-assess our practices in light of health and safety concerns. We practice social distancing, and we ask everyone to wear a mask. The service continues to be accessible via both Zoom and Facebook Live.
- ❖ **COFFEE HOUR IN KLEBERG!** – We’ve moved back into Kleberg Hall for Coffee Hour! Please join us after the service in Kleberg for this time of fellowship. We are also once again inviting folks to sign up to host Coffee Hour, so look for the sign-up sheet in Kleberg.
- ❖ **ALL SAINTS’ SUNDAY** – At St. George’s, we observe the sacred time of All Saints and Día de los Muertos with a special altar. Denise Hope and Mark Cassstevens decorated the altar yesterday. At the beginning of today’s service you are invited to place on the altar pictures and/or mementos of loved ones who have died.
- ❖ **SAFE ALLIANCE COMFORT BAGS** – For many years, St. George’s has created beautiful, hand-sewn bags for the SAFE Alliance, which gives them to the survivors of sexual abuse who come to SAFE for help. Although we have not been able to get together for a sew-in yet, our amazing angels with sewing machines have made another supply of 200 beautiful bags, and a small group gathered yesterday to fill them. We are thrilled to welcome representatives from SAFE to worship with us this morning, as we bless 200 comfort bags for SAFE to distribute to survivors of sexual assault. Please say hello if you get a chance!
- ❖ **WEDNESDAY WEAVINGS** – Join the St. George’s adult discussion group this **Wednesday, November 3rd, from 7:00 to 8:00 pm, via Zoom**. We are currently reading and discussing *The Way of Love*. All are welcome to join the group for discussion and a closing service of Compline. Frances Rickard will send the reading along with the Zoom link to the group’s email list before the meeting. Contact Frances at fajrickard@gmail.com to be added to the list or with any questions.
- ❖ **STEWARDSHIP** – We are currently in our annual season of stewardship at St. George’s, culminating on Gratitude Sunday on November 7th. This year’s theme, **Every Perfect Gift**, highlights all the ways in which we have been blessed by God and how that inspires us to give back to our neighbors, our church, the world. During this season, we prayerfully consider our financial commitment to St. George’s in the year ahead. An insert in the bulletin each week will address a different way that we as individuals and as a community can more fully acknowledge the gifts we both give and receive. Pledge cards have been mailed out and are available in the pews and the church entrances. You can submit your pledge by placing your pledge cards in the offering basket, by mailing your card to the church office, or online. You are encouraged to make your pledge by **next Sunday, November 7th**, when we will observe **Gratitude Sunday**, giving special thanks for God’s goodness and grace in our lives. For more information or to pledge online, visit our website at www.sgchurch.org/stewardship. Many thanks to Raul and Nancy Carrera, our Stewardship co-chairs.
- ❖ **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS** – It finally feels (a little bit) like fall, which means that Daylight Savings Time is coming to an end! Early on the morning of **next Sunday, November 7th** (or on the evening of **Saturday, November 3rd**), remember to **FALL BACK** and set your clocks back one hour. Otherwise, you’ll wonder where everyone is when you arrive at church, and then realize you missed out on an extra hour of sleep!

- ❖ **PARISH RETREAT**– We are excited to announce that the parish retreat is happening! From **Friday to Sunday, November 12-14**, we will gather for a fun time of rest, relaxation, and community-building for our parish family at the Well Spring Retreat Center in the beautiful Texas Hill Country near Blanco. To make the retreat work, we need your help! Please consider helping to coordinate a meal and/or lead one of our worship services. Contact Belinda McGhee at belindam18@gmail.com to volunteer. Online registration and more information are available on the PARISH RETREAT page of the St. George’s website (www.sgchurch.org/parish-retreat).

- ❖ **CHRISTMAS OUTREACH BLING-IN** – As in past years, we will once again be asking the congregation to donate \$20 H-E-B gift cards for the residents of St. George’s Court and Casa Marianella. In order to make those gifts extra special, we’ll be using our traditional decorated stockings for them. And you’re invited to help decorate stockings! To do the decoration, we will be having a “bling-in” at coffee hour in Kleberg Hall on **Sundays, November 14th and 21st**. (We know that the 14th is the Sunday of the parish retreat, but those who are still in Austin are invited, and we hope more of you will join us on the 21st.) All ages can participate; all supplies are furnished; and no previous experience or talent is required. We will wear masks as appropriate, stay fairly distant and use copious amounts of hand sanitizer so please join us for a fun community [re]builder.

- ❖ **HANDS FOR HOPE** – El Buen Samaritano Episcopal Mission, our Outreach Ministry Highlight for the month of November, is hosting its 31st annual Hands for Hope meal drive with the goal of providing holiday meal kits to more than 1000 families. St. George’s is participating in the Hands for Hope campaign. Please visit our personalized [St. George’s Hands for Hope page](#) to donate online, or use this QR code. (You can also give by check; make the check out to “El Buen Samaritano,” with “Hands for Hope/St. George’s” in the memo line, and mail it to El Buen Samaritano, 7000 Woodhue Drive, Austin, TX 78745.) El Buen also needs volunteers for Hands for Hope! To register to help distribute meal kits on **Saturday, November 20th**, please visit www.elbuen.org/handsforhope. A variety of volunteer roles are available, in multiple time slots. To volunteer, you must be 18 years of age and vaccinated, and you must attend a virtual volunteer training on Tuesday, November 16th, at 5:00 pm. More details can be found on the website.

- ❖ **ALTAR FLOWER/CANDLE DONATIONS** – Just one more Sunday in 2021 is available for which you can donate altar flowers or candles. The only remaining date for flower donations is next Sunday, November 7th. The month of December is available if you would like to donate the altar candles that month. To sign up and indicate a dedication, if any, please [click here for the Online Calendar](#). A donation of \$35 is requested for either flowers or candles. Checks can be made payable to St. George’s with “altar flowers” or “altar candles” in the memo line. Payments by credit card or electronic fund withdrawal can be made on the [St. George’s online donation form](#).



PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMON LIFE

PRAYER IN TIMES OF TRANSITION

THE REV. CANON KRISTI PHILIP

Ever-present God. You call us on a journey to a place we do not know. We are not where we started. We have not reached our destination. We are not sure where we are or who we are. This is not a comfortable place. Be among us, we pray. Calm our fears, save us from discouragement. And help us to stay on course. Open our hearts to your guidance so that our journey to this Unknown place continues as a journey of trust. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE HUMAN FAMILY

BCP 815

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

BCP 260

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health: Comfort and relieve your sick servants, and give your power of healing to those who minister to their needs, that those for whom our prayers are offered may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your loving care; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, November 1

All Saints' Day

Tuesday, November 2

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

All Souls / All Faithful Departed

Wednesday, November 3

7:00 pm Wednesday Weavings

Richard Hooker, Priest and Theologian, 1600

Thursday, November 4

Friday, November 5

Saturday, November 6

William Temple, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1944

Sunday, November 7

10:30 am Holy Eucharist

11:30 am Coffee Hour

THOSE WHO SERVE

Vestry Person of the Day – Dale Curry

Altar Guild – Hal Stevens, John Rickard

Flower Guild – Jan Phillips

Usher – Terry O'Donnell

Streaming Technicians – Liam Dolan-Henderson, Lydia Fortuna

Lector/Intercessor – Mikail McIntosh-Doty

Lay Eucharistic Minister – Jan Phillips

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