



St. George's
Episcopal Church

THE DAY OF PENTECOST

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

MAY 23, 2021
10:30 AM

The Rev. Ann McLemore, *Interim Rector*

Ms. Mi-Young Kim, *Music Director*

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. We are especially excited to welcome parishioners back into the church for worship!

For those worshipping in person: Please continue to wear masks and practice social distancing throughout the service. (Disposable masks are available in the narthex.) Please sit only where bulletins have been distributed. When the service ends, please exit one pew at a time, as directed by ushers. Please also exit the church promptly and visit with others outside, not in the church building.

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.

To attend upcoming Sunday services, [Register here](#). And our services continue to be available on the [Online Worship](#) page of our website.

Today is the Day of PENTECOST. Pentecost, celebrated 50 days after Easter Day, is one of the most ancient feasts. The Day of Pentecost recalls the coming of the Holy Spirit to the first disciples of Jesus, empowering them to preach the gospel to people from many different places, backgrounds, and cultures. The disciples who had formerly been confused and frightened after the Ascension of Jesus, not knowing what to do without his physical presence among them, were emboldened by the Spirit, and began to form a community that would be able to carry on in these new circumstances. Pentecost is sometimes called the birthday of the Church for this reason. As the contemporary embodiment of the community those first disciples began, we celebrate the fruits of the Spirit in each of us and the sharing of our gifts with our community and the world.



GUIDE TO ABBREVIATIONS

H – 1982 Hymnal

G – Gather Hymnal

BCP – Book of Common Prayer

WELCOME

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING HYMN

Send Down the Fire (verses 2, 4)

G 327

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

Refrain

Send down the fire of your jus - tice; send down the rains of your
love. Come, send down the Spi - rit, breathe life in your
peo - ple, and we shall be peo - ple of God.

Verses

2 Call us to learn of your mer - cy; teach us the
4 Call us to wit - ness your King - dom; give us the
way of your peace. Give us hearts that feel; give us
pres - ence of Christ. May your ho - ly light keep us
hands that heal; make us walk in the way of your peace.
shin - ing bright, ev - er shine with the pres -ence of Christ.

D.C.

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Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

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.**

Worshippers in the church are asked not to sing.

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on
earth. 2. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the
Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb_ of God, 4. you take a-way the sin of the world: have
mer - cy on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the
Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 227

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who on this day taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings.

FIRST READING

EZEKIEL 37:1-14

Reader A reading from the prophet Ezekiel.

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 104:25-35, 37

BENEDIC, ANIMA MEA

Please join in reading the psalm responsively by whole verse.

- 25 O LORD, how manifold are your works! *
in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- 26 **Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, *
creatures both small and great.**
- 27 There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, *
which you have made for the sport of it.
- 28 **All of them look to you *
to give them their food in due season.**
- 29 You give it to them; they gather it; *
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- 30 **You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.**

31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; *
and so you renew the face of the earth.

**32 May the glory of the LORD endure for ever; *
may the LORD rejoice in all his works.**

33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; *
he touches the mountains and they smoke.

**34 I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; *
I will praise my God while I have my being.**

35 May these words of mine please him; *
I will rejoice in the LORD.

**37 Bless the LORD, O my soul. *
Hallelujah!**

SECOND READING

ACTS 2:1-21

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs-- in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

Holy Spirit, Ever Living

H 511

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

1 Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er liv - ing as the Church's ve - ry life;
2 Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er work - ing through the Church's min - is - try;

Ho - ly Spi - rit ev - er striv - ing through her in a cease - less strife;
quick - ening, strength - ening and ab - solv - ing, set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free;

Ho - ly Spi - rit ev - er form - ing in the Church the mind of Christ;
Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er bind - ing age to age, and soul to soul,

thee we praise with end - less wor - ship for thy fruits and gifts un - priced.
in a fel - low - ship un - end - ing thee we wor - ship and ex - tol.

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

Jesus said to his disciples, “When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

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

THE SERMON

THE REV. ANN MCLEMORE

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 IV

BCP 388

Intercessor Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray especially for the leadership of our church, including our vestry: Josh, Rob, Mark, Ed, Dale, Brad, Hye Na, Belinda, and Samantha.

(Silence)

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

(Silence)

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

(Silence)

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, especially those at the SAFE Alliance, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

(Silence)

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially David, David, Elaine, August, Gladys, Charles, Ralph, Kirk, Terrie, Kim, Nancy, Divesh, Mark, Belinda, Mary, David, Brad, Ben, Rochelle, Jon, Alyssa, JoAnn, Bill, Donna, and those suffering from COVID-19; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

(Silence)

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Jake and those who have died from COVID-19, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

(Silence)

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We give you thanks for all the blessings of this life, especially for Adam, Kelly, and Grace, as they celebrate their birthdays; and for Scott and Hye Na, Anne and Eric, Andrea and Grant, and Claire and Ryan as they celebrate their anniversaries.

(Silence)

Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

THE PEACE

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.

THE OFFERTORY

Celebrant Walk in love as Christ loved us and offered himself a sacrifice for the whole world.

Offerings can be given online at the [St. George's Donation page](#).

THE DOXOLOGY

H 380, VERSE 3 (*sung to the tune of H 618*)

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

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

Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711).

Music: *Lasst uns erfreuen*, melody from *Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengeseng*, 1623; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1672-1958).

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please stand, as able.

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. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations. 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 remain in your pews, and the host will be brought to you.

*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

Wind, Wind, Blow on Me (verses 3-4)

Worshippers in the church are invited to sing the final hymn.

Refrain

Wind, wind, blow on me;— wind, wind, set me free;—
 wind, wind, my Fa - ther sent the bless - ed Ho - ly Spi - rit. —

Verses

3. When un - to the Church you came, — it was not in your own but
 4. Set us free to love each o - ther; — set us — free to
 Je - sus' name. Je - sus the Christ is
 live for oth - ers that the world the
 still the same, he sends the Ho - ly Spi - rit.
 Son might see and Je - sus' name ex - alt - ed be. D.C.

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DISMISSAL

Celebrant Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

Excerpt from “A la maniere de Brahms”
(Jean-Michel Defaye)

MI-YOUNG KIM, PIANO
NICK BELTCHEV, TUBA

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The altar flowers have been given by Denise Hope, in loving memory of Pat Shoop.

After the service, you are invited to join our [Zoom Coffee Hour](#) (Meeting ID: 818 5353 0722, Passcode: Christ), for a brief time of fellowship with other St. George's parishioners.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

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

David Applewhite

David Boling

Elaine Brightwater

August Dolan-Henderson

Gladys Dykes

Charles Foster

Ralph Hausser

Kirk Hoffman

Terrie Hoster

Kim Jackson

Nancy Loveless

Divesh Manohar

Mark Mays

Belinda McGhee

Mary Parker

David Savage

Brad Schwarz

Ben Sears

Rochelle & Jon Winkle

Those suffering from COVID-19

For those who have died and their families, especially

Jake Ellinger

Those who have died from COVID-19

For those facing difficult circumstances, especially:

Alyssa Danielle

JoAnn Mays

Bill & Donna Schwarz

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

Andrew Hutton

For our seminarian:

Joel McAlister and his family

For those who celebrate birthdays, especially:

Adam Kerrigan (May 27)

Kelly Puckett (May 28)

Grace Stallman (May 29)

For those who celebrate anniversaries, especially:

Scott & Hye Na Lucy (May 23)

Anne & Eric Bandholz (May 27)

Andrea & Grant Sparks (May 28)

Claire Jones & Ryan Wagner (May 29)

In the Anglican cycle of prayer:

The Anglican Church of Melanesia

In the Diocese of Texas cycle of prayer:

Grace, Galveston

Holy Trinity, Dickinson

Mosaic Church Plant, Pearland

St. Andrew's, Pearland

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 – May 23, 2021

- ❖ **IN-PERSON WORSHIP** – Join us for in-person Eucharist in the church, on Sundays at 10:30. Services are masked, with social distancing and minimal congregational singing. They are limited to 20 attendees, in addition to the worship leaders, and [online registration](#) is required. The service continues to be accessible via both Zoom and Facebook Live.
- ❖ **LET'S GO FLY A KITE!** – After church **TODAY**, join us for a kite-flying celebration! We have 20 kites to fly together on the church lawn as we enjoy one another's fellowship. You are welcome to come fly kites even if you don't attend the in-person service. If you would like to take one of the kites home, please speak to Ann.
- ❖ **GRADUATION SUNDAY** – **Next Sunday, May 30th**, St. George's will offer a blessing to celebrate those graduating or moving forward in their educational journey. We will bless those who are graduating from high school, college, or any other certificate or degree program. If you or your child are graduating from any such program, please contact Jennifer Joslyn-Siemiatkoski in the church office at stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com, so that we can honor them during the service.
- ❖ **OUTREACH MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT OF THE MONTH** – The [SAFE Alliance](#) exists to stop abuse for everyone by serving the survivors of child abuse, sexual assault and exploitation, and domestic violence. They work to end violence through prevention, advocacy, and comprehensive services for individuals, families, and communities that have been affected by abuse. Their vision is a just and safe community free from violence and abuse; and their guiding principles include respectful and trusting relationships, diversity and inclusiveness, a focus on survivors, shared responsibility and collaboration, and celebration.
- ❖ **OFFICE OPEN** – The church office in the Wright House is now open Monday to Thursday, from 9:30 to 2:30. Jennifer is in the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays and working from home Mondays and Wednesdays; she can be reached at stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com. Ann is in the office Monday through Thursday and can be reached at stgeorgesAustinrector@gmail.com.
- ❖ **OUTDOOR EUCHARIST SERVICES** – As you know, we have been holding an outdoor service of Eucharist service at 12:15 on Sunday afternoons for a few months. However, since we have welcomed parishioners to attend the Sunday 10:30 service in person, all the regular attenders of the outdoor service have switched to the indoor service, and we no longer appear to have a need for the later outdoor service. As a result, we have decided to discontinue that service. Thank you to everyone who has attended it and helped us kick-start our in-person worship!
- ❖ **GIVING TO ST. GEORGE'S** – We are grateful for your financial support in these challenging times. Your gifts enable us to use modern technology to connect to each other, as well as to continue to pay our ongoing expenses. Please consider giving online at the [St. George's Donation page](#) (also accessible from the Stewardship page of our website at www.sgchurch.org/stewardship), where you can set up regular weekly or monthly donation using a credit card or a bank account. You can also mail checks to the church office. Thank you for your generosity.

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

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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, May 24		<i>Jackson Kemper, Bishop and Missionary, 1870</i>
Tuesday, May 25	7:30 pm Choir Meet-up	<i>Bede, Priest and Historian, 735</i>
Wednesday, May 26		<i>Augustine of Canterbury, First Archbishop of Canterbury, 605</i>
Thursday, May 27		
Friday, May 28		<i>Mechthild of Magdeburg, Mystic, c.1282</i>
Saturday, May 29		
Sunday, May 30	10:30 am Holy Eucharist	

THOSE WHO SERVE

Vestry Person of the Day – Brad Dieringer
Altar Guild – Alice Nelson
Flower Guild – Sandra Villalaz
Usher – David McGhee
Streaming Technician – Liam Dolan-Henderson
Lay Eucharistic Minister – Rob Blech
Guest Musician – Nick Beltchev, tuba
Singers – The St. George's Choir

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