



St. George's
Episcopal Church

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

JULY 11, 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 practice social distancing throughout the service. Masks are now optional for those who have been vaccinated. (Disposable masks are available in the narthex.) Please sit only where bulletins have been distributed. 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.

The Church is now in the long season known as the SEASON AFTER PENTECOST or ORDINARY TIME. Most holidays and seasons of the church year focus on the events of the earthly life of Jesus, but the Season after Pentecost shifts to a focus on how we, following the example of the first disciples, will take what we have learned from Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, into the world and our everyday lives. The term "ordinary" comes from the word "ordinal," which refers to counting, because we number each Sunday of Ordinary Time based on how many Sundays after Pentecost it is. But in some ways, it might be appropriate to think of this time as ordinary in the more common sense – time not marked by a constant stream of high points and low points, but simply the everyday life of the church. May we all take this opportunity to settle into our ordinary lives, being exactly where we are, and finding ways to live our faith in each of those ordinary moments.

GUIDE TO ABBREVIATIONS

H – 1982 Hymnal

G – Gather Hymnal

BCP – Book of Common Prayer

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING HYMN

Open Your Ears, O Faithful People (verses 1-3)

H 536

Please stand, as able.



1 O - pen your ears, O faith - ful peo - ple, o - pen your ears and hear God's word.
2 They who have ears to hear the mes - sage, they who have ears, then let them hear.
3 Is - ra - el comes to greet the Sa - vior, Ju - dah is glad to see his day.



Fine

O - pen your hearts, O roy - al priest - hood, God has come to you.
They who would learn the way of wis - dom, let them hear God's word.
From east and west the peo - ples tra - vel, he will show the way.



God has spo - ken to his peo - ple, Ha - le - lu - jah!_____



And his words are words of wis - dom, Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!



God has spo - ken to his peo - ple, Hal - le - lu - jah!_____
To - rah o - ra, To - rah o - ra,



And his words are words of wis - dom, Hal - le - lu - jah!
To - rah o - ra, To - ra o - ra,

D.C.

Words: Willard F. Jabusch (b. 1930), alt.

Music: Torah Song [Yisrael V'oraita], Hasidic melody; arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937).

"Torah ora" is Hebrew for "The Law is our Light."

WELCOME

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.**

Refrain

Lift up your hearts to the Lord, praise God's gra-cious mer - cy!

Sing out your joy to the Lord, whose love is en - dur - ing.

Verses

1 Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth!
2 Let the earth wor - ship, sing - ing your praise.

Praise the name a - bove all names! Say to God, "How
Praise the glo - ry of your name! Come and see what

D.C.

won - drous your works, how glo - rious your name!"
God has re - vealed, bless God's ho - ly name!

Text: Psalm 66; Roc O'Connor, SJ (b. 1949), © 1981, 1993, and New Dawn Music, alt.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 231

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings.

FIRST READING

2 SAMUEL 6:1-5, 12B-19

Reader A reading from the second book of Samuel.

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the LORD of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. They carried the ark of God on a new

cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the LORD with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals.

So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; and when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. David danced before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

As the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the LORD; and she despised him in her heart.

They brought in the ark of the LORD, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt offerings and offerings of well-being before the LORD. When David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD of hosts, and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

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."**

Reader A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates (verses 1, 3, 5)

H 436

Please stand, as able.

1 Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates; be - hold the
 3 Fling wide the portals of your heart; make it a
 5 So come, my Sovereign; enter in! Let new and
 King of glo - ry wait! The King of kings is
 tem - ple, set a - part from earth - ly use for
 no - bler life be - gin; thy Ho - ly Spi - rit
 draw - ing near; the Sa - vior of the world is here.
 heaven's em - ploy, a - dorned with prayer and love and joy.
 guide us on, un - til the glo - rious crown be won.

Words: Georg Weissel (1590-1635); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878).
 Music: Truro, melody from *Psalmodia Evangelica*, Part II, 1789; harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872), alt.

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

King Herod heard of Jesus and his disciples, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

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

THE SERMON

THE REV. ANN MCLEMORE

Please be seated.

NICENE CREED

BCP 358

Please stand, as able.

**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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM I

BCP 383

Intercessor With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Andy, Jeff, Hector, and Kai, our Bishops; and for all the clergy and people, especially our vestry: Josh, Rob, Mark, Ed, Dale, Brad, Hye Na, Belinda, and Samantha. let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For Joe our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, and for HELPS International, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially David, Linda, Ellie, Gladys, Sue, Charles, Ralph, Kirk, Terrie, Kim, Nancy, Divesh, Mark, Mary, Brad, Ben, Lisa, Rochelle, Jon, JoAnn, Julie, Bruce, Bill, Donna, Bonnie, and those suffering from COVID-19, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, especially Tom, Roy, and those who have died from COVID-19, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor In thanksgiving for Evan, as he celebrates his birthday; for Samantha and Hal, and Carolyn and Walter, as they celebrate their anniversaries; and for all the blessings of this life, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor In the communion of St. George and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People **To you, O Lord our God.**

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 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

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 gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

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

ANTHEM

Sing Out Earth and Skies (Marty Haugen)

THE CHOIR

1. Come, O God of all the earth:
come to us, O Righteous One;
Come and bring our love to birth:
in the glory of your Son.

REFRAIN: Sing out, earth and skies!
Sing of the God who loves you!
Raise your joyful cries!
Dance to the life around you!

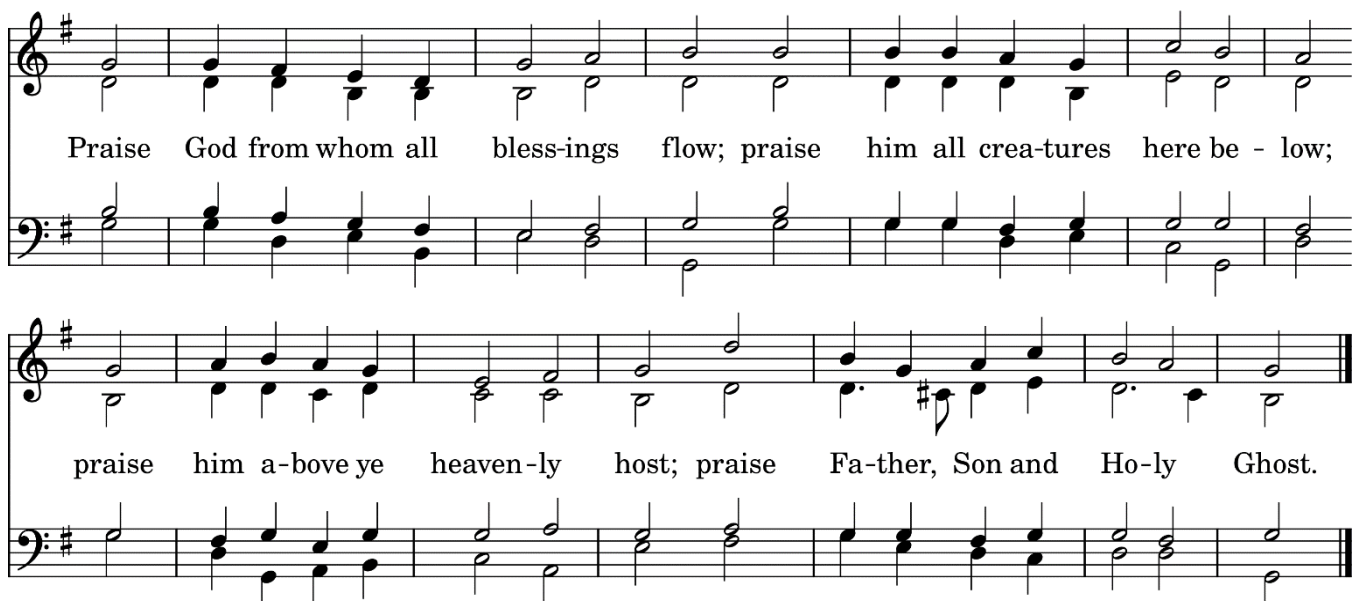
2. Come, O God of wind and flame:
fill the earth with righteousness;
Teach us all to sing your name:
may our lives your love confess. **[REFRAIN]**

5. Come, O Justice, come, O Peace:
come and shape our hearts anew;
Come and make oppression cease:
bring us all to life in you. **[REFRAIN]**

THE DOXOLOGY

H 380, VERSE 3

Please stand, as able.



Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here be - low;
praise him a - bove ye heaven - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.

Words: verse 3, Thomas Ken. Music: Old 100th, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?).

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please stand, as able.

BCP 367

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

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, for you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father:

People **We remember his death;
We proclaim his resurrection;
We await his coming in glory.**

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to

your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with George and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 to the altar rail, maintaining social distance.

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

Please stand, as able.

Verses



1 Glo - ri - ous in ma - jes - ty, ho - ly in his prai - ses,
 2 Vic - to - ry he won for us. free-ing us from dark - ness,



Je - sus, our Sa - vior and our King. Born a man, yet God of old,
 dy - ing and ris - ing from the dead. Liv - ing with the Fa - ther now,



let us all a - dore him: filled with his Spi - rit, let us sing.
 yet he is a - mong us: we are the bo - dy, he the head.

Refrain



Liv - ing is to love him, serv - ing him to know his free - dom.



Come a - long with us to join the praise of Je - sus.



Come to Je - sus now, go to live his word re - joic - ing.

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DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

Postlude in D
(Healey Willan)

MI-YOUNG KIM, PIANO

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The altar candles are given by Sarah Campbell, in loving memory of Chuck Webb.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING

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

David Applewhite	Kirk Hoffman	Brad Schwarz
Linda Bible	Terrie Hoster	Ben Sears
Ellie Chang	Kim Jackson	Lisa Treviño
Gladys Dykes	Nancy Loveless	Rochelle & Jon Winkle
Sue Flanagan	Divesh Manohar	Those suffering from COVID-19
Charles Foster	Mark Mays	
Ralph Hausser	Mary Parker	

For those who have died and their families, especially

Tom Bell	Those who have died from COVID-19
Roy Eby	

For those facing difficult circumstances, especially:

JoAnn Mays	Bill & Donna Schwarz
Julie & Bruce Pearson	Bonnie Wood

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

Andrew Hutton

For those who celebrate birthdays, especially:

Evan O'Donnell (Jul 16)

For those who celebrate anniversaries, especially:

Samantha & Hal Stevens (Jul 11)
Carolyn & Walter Moreau (Jul 13)

In the Anglican cycle of prayer:

The Episcopal Church in the Philippines

In the Diocese of Texas cycle of prayer:

St. Michael & All Angels, Longview
St. Paul's, Kilgore
St. Philip's, Palestine

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 – July 11, 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 continue to practice social distancing, but masks are now optional for those who have been vaccinated, and we are no longer requiring pre-registration. We are welcoming back the choir today, and we are once again allowing full congregational singing. The service continues to be accessible via both Zoom and Facebook Live.
- ❖ **THE RETURN OF COFFEE HOUR!** – Beginning **TODAY**, please join us after the 10:30 service for Coffee Hour in Kleberg Hall! St. George's School has returned Kleberg Hall to its pre-2019 configuration, complete with new paint and new flooring in the main space. You'll certainly want to come check it out! A sign-up sheet will be available for your household to sign up to host one or more coffee hours between now and the end of September.
- ❖ **WEDNESDAY WEAVINGS** – Join the St. George's adult discussion group this **Wednesday, July 14th, from 6:30 to 8:00 pm**, in the front room of the **Wright-Giles House** for our first in-person meeting! 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. If you wish, you are welcome to bring and eat your supper. Frances Rickard will send the reading 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.
- ❖ **PHOTOS NEEDED!** – As the Parish Profile Committee develops the profile we will use to call our next rector, we need good photos to convey who we are! If you have any recent photos that help express who St. George's is now, please send them (no more than five, please!) to Mary Stewart Miller at millermarystewart@gmail.com no later than **TOMORROW, Monday, July 12th**.
- ❖ **OUTREACH MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT OF THE MONTH** – Our Outreach Ministry Highlight for the month of July is **HELPS International**. HELPS International works to address the root causes of poverty in Guatemala by focusing on four key areas: agriculture, community development, education, and health care. St. George's involvement with HELPS has been primarily with the educational aspect of their work. The barriers Guatemalan children face to make it into classrooms are very high, and most children receive only four years of formal education. For several years, the St. George's Women's Book Group has sponsored a child in the village of Santa Avelina to attend HELPS International's elementary school there. In more recent years, the parish's partnership with HELPS has expanded to include financial and hands-on support for a spring field trip for fifth graders to visit the university, trade school, and museums in a neighboring city to inspire them to continue their education and break the cycle of poverty. For more information on HELPS International, visit their website at www.helpsintl.org.
- ❖ **OFFICE OPEN** – The church office in the Wright House is 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 mclmore.a@gmail.com and at **769-257-2377**.

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, July 12	7:00 pm	Vestry Meeting	
Tuesday, July 13			
Wednesday, July 14	6:30 pm	Wednesday Weavings (in person)	<i>Argula von Grumbach, Scholar and Church Reformer, c.1554</i>
Thursday, July 15			
Friday, July 16			
Saturday, July 17			<i>William White, Bishop, 1836</i>
Sunday, July 18	10:30 am	Holy Eucharist	
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour	

THOSE WHO SERVE

Vestry Person of the Day – Mark Casstevens
Altar Guild – Denise Hope
Flower Guild – Alice Nelson
Usher – Team B
Streaming Technicians – Liam Dolan-Henderson, Lydia Fortuna
Lector/Intercessor – Team B
Lay Eucharistic Minister – Jan Phillips
Coffee Hour Hosts – Vestry

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