

75th Anniversary Celebration of St. George's Episcopal Church

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost October 27, 2024 8:45am

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Today we celebrate the 75th anniversary of the founding of St. George's Episcopal Church, a congregation which has grown from a small mission of Christ Church to the bustling parish it is today. We give great thanks for those who came before us with the vision to see what God might do in this corner of the kingdom. Thank you for being here to celebrate with us.

Our worship service features several unique elements as we mark this special occasion in our history:

Although we are still in the Season after Pentecost, which would typically be marked by green altar cloths and vestments, today the church is dressed in red, the color used for church dedications and a symbol of the Holy Spirit.

Each Sunday we read a prayer from the collects of the church year found in *The Book of Common Prayer*. These collects are organized around the liturgical year and often harken back to the Scripture readings for that day. Instead of this Sunday's traditional collect, our collect is the prayer for the Anniversary of the Dedication of a Church.

The *Gloria*, *Sanctus*, and *Fraction Anthem* are from the *St. George's Mass* and were written especially for the parishioners of St. George's by Director of Music Ministries, Woosug Kang, to celebrate 75th Anniversary. Kang focused on writing tuneful music that can be picked up easily for congregational singing.

St. George's has experienced seasons of both challenge and flourishing by God's grace. This congregation has shown a steadfast commitment to the primary ministry with which it is entrusted: the message of reconciliation. God is not done with the people of St. George's, and we know the future is full of promise. Thanks be to God!

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please stand, as you are able.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN • 410 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

Lauda Anima

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p.355

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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. **Amen.**



COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP, p. 254

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate the dedication of this house of prayer: We give you thanks for the fellowship of those who have worshiped in this place, and we pray that all who seek you here may find you, and be filled with your joy and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE LESSON 2 Corinthians 5:14-21

For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 34:1-8 chant by F.A.G. Ouseley

The response is sung first by the choir, then by all as indicated.



I will bless the Lord at all times; *

his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

I will glory in the Lord; *

let the humble hear and rejoice.

Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; *

let us exalt his Name together.

I sought the Lord, and he answered me *

and delivered me out of all my terror.

Response

Look upon him and be radiant, *
and let not your faces be ashamed.

I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me *
and saved me from all my troubles.

The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, *
and he will deliver them.

Taste and see that the Lord is good; *
happy are they who trust in him!

Response

Please stand, as you are able.

SEQUENCE HYMN • 525 The Church's one foundation

AURELIA

Children in Grades K-4 process to Johnson Hall for Kids Chapel, returning at the Peace.

THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 10:46-52

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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

THE SERMON The Rev. J. Malone Gilliam

Please stand, as you are able.

THE NICENE CREED BCP, p. 358

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.

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

We pray for Joe, our President; Bill, our Governor; Freddie, our Mayor; and the members of our parish in the armed forces serving our country, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. We also pray for our enemies and those who wish us harm.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

We pray especially for those recovering from Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Milton, and for those affected by the violence and suffering in Israel, the Middle East, and Ukraine.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

We pray for those who are ill, especially Reba Barker, Lucius Burch, Bob Daggett, Bill Davis, Livi Grasman, Ruth Hagerty, Rick Hart, Mary Jackson, Susan Narramore, Acra Samuels, Noel Sullivan, Trish Thomas, and Mike Waller.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

We pray for persecuted Christians throughout the world and for all who are threatened for their religious beliefs.

For Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; and John, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

We invite your prayers for the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, especially Mickey Langstaff, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

The deacon says

We invite you to kneel for the confession of our sins.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION BCP, p. 360

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. **Amen.**

Please stand, as you are able.

THE PEACE BCP, p. 360

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Please be seated.

THE OFFERTORY

Jubilate Deo

William Walton Soloists: Mareike Sattler, Ben Petty, James Masanotti, and Katie DuTemple

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands; serve the Lord with gladness,

and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;

we are his people and the sheep of his pasture,

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise:

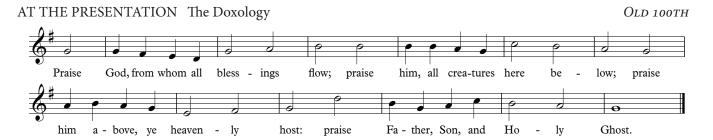
be thankful unto him and speak good of his name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting:

and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Please stand, as you are able.



The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

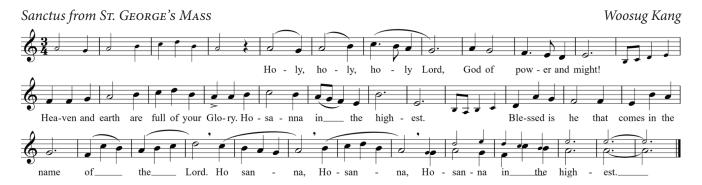
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

The celebrant says the proper preface.

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:



Please kneel or remain standing, as you are able.

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:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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. **AMEN**.

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

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 & THE FRACTION ANTHEM

BCP, p. 364

Fraction Anthem from St. George's Mass





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.

Notes on Receiving Communion All baptized Christians are invited to receive the sacrament, regardless of age or denomination. Those who have not been baptized are welcome to a blessing—indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest. If desired, you may intinct (dip) your wafer at the altar rail or have the LEM intinct it for you. Gluten-free wafers are available at the side station.

After receiving communion, a Prayer Minister is available in the front right corner of the Nave to pray with you for intercessions, thanksgivings, or other petitions.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

O Lord, increase our faith

Henry Loosemore

O Lord, increase our faith, Strengthen us and confirm us in thy true faith; Endue us with wisdom, charity, chastity, and patience, In all our adversities. Sweet Jesu, say Amen.

Please kneel, as you are able.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, p. 366

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING BCP, p. 366

Please stand, as you are able.

CLOSING HYMN • 535 Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim

PADERBORN

THE DISMISSAL BCP, p. 366

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Carillon de Westminster

Louis Vierne

WORSHIP NOTES

Clergy The Rev. Colin Ambrose, celebrant; the Rev. J. Malone Gilliam, preacher; the Rev. Dr. David Barr; and the Rev. Joe Ananias Verger David Puryear

Acolytes Reiling Hillenmeyer, Austin Cox, Elizabeth Agnew, and Keaton Reavis

Lector Rebecca Harris

Oblation Bearers The Walker Family: Emily, Chris, Morgan, and Lawson

Lay Eucharistic Ministers Ella Redkevitch, Tom Gormley, Dyer Rodes, and Greg Wilbur

Greeter Boo Sanders

The aumbry candle in the Nave is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Bonnie Reed Ewing and Jess David Ewing by Debbie & Darrell Townsend.

MUSIC NOTES

Jubilate Deo is paraphrased from the text of Psalm 100. Sir William Walton (1902-1983) brings this psalm to life through an organ part bursting with energetic rhythm. Walton is a well-known composer, though only produced a handful of sacred works, including his Coronation Te Deum which highlights his use of complex rhythm filled with jubilant harmonic languages. Today's anthem is packed with exuberant melodies that create an amazing force of praise while still expressing feelings of comfort and assurance. O Lord, increase our faith by Henry Loosemore (1607-1670), a lesser-known composer from the 17th century who served as organist at King's College, Cambridge. Initially, this specific anthem was attributed to a number of different composers until scholars finally identified the compositional style and determined that this piece was in fact written by Loosemore. In this anthem, the music clearly communicates the text by using rhythms that replicate the natural speaking rhythm of the words.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In your prayers this week, please pray for the following:

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, and for the Scottish Episcopal Church.

In the Episcopal Church, we pray for Michael, the Presiding Bishop.

In the Diocese of Tennessee, we pray for John, our Bishop, and Church of Our Saviour in Gallatin.

In our community, we pray for Congregation Serith Israel.

In our parish, we pray for the volunteers serving at all of our 75th Anniversary events; our Nashville Fellows, Abby, Sarah Beth, Parker, and Joe; and our organ scholar, Kateri.

SUNDAY SCHOOL September 8 - December 8 at 10:05am

ADULTS

Please enjoy the 75th Anniversary Reception in Hampton Hall.

YOUTH

Sermon on the Mount (9th-12th Grade) - Akers Hall Confirmation (8th Grade) - Youth Confirmation Room The Gospel Project (7th Grade) - Room 219

CHILDREN

Please enjoy the 75th Anniversary Reception in Hampton Hall.

TODAY! 75th Anniversary Reception Join us in Hampton Hall at 10:05am for fellowship as we celebrate our anniversary together.

TODAY! 75th Anniversary Choir & Orchestra Concert This fall, St. George's celebrates 75 years of ministry together, including a longstanding tradition of sacred music concerts and community partnerships. To mark the occasion, the Choir & Choristers of St. George's will join forces with an orchestra to present movements from two beloved masterworks: Haydn's "Lord Nelson" Mass and Handel's Messiah, including the famous Hallelujah Chorus. Join us this evening, October 27, at 6:00pm in the Nave.

Our Little Roses Dress Drive Please support our annual dress drive supports the girls at Our Little Roses in Honduras. Your donations of new or gently-used party dresses for ages 0 to 18 will be given in time for Christmas. Junior sizes are especially needed. Bring a dress to the church on Sundays, October 27 and November 3, or shop our wishlist at stgeorgesnashville.org/ourlittleroses.

Room in the Inn St. George's continues to serve unhoused individuals each winter through our winter shelter program. Volunteers host 12 individuals on Tuesday evenings from November through March, providing a hot meal, shower, clean bed, breakfast, a sack lunch, and the hospitality of two innkeepers. Visit stgeorgesnashville.org/riti for details. Returning and interested volunteers are invited to our volunteer kick off on Tuesday, October 29, from 6:00 to 7:30pm in Akers Hall.

Interest Meeting for Honduras Mission Trip Are you interested to learn more about the ministry at Our Little Roses? Come to an informal gathering on Sunday, November 3, at 11:00am in the Library to hear a personal account from Emely Zelaya, who is the daughter of an OLR graduate. It's also a great time to ask questions about the upcoming mission trips in February and June 2025.

Honoring the Rev. Tim Taylor The occasion of All Saints Sunday is a perfect time to celebrate one of the living saints among us. You're invited to join us next Sunday, November 3, at the 8:45am service as we honor the Rev. Tim Taylor for 1964 years of ministry serving the kingdom of God. We'll have small bites in the Gathering Space after the service for a time of celebrating Tim.

ESN Sunday at The Table Join us in Legacy Hall on November 3, after The Table service for a special presentation from our friends at Episcopal School of Nashville.

NEW! Prayer and Presence: A Service of Healing and Restoration Join us for a relaxed and restful time together in the presence of God. We will begin with a short time of singing, Scripture reading,

and reflection, followed by an extended time to receive prayer from prayer ministers or to remain in quiet contemplation. We'll gather the first Wednesday of every month from 7:00 to 8:00pm in Chapel. We invite you to join us on November 6 for our first service.

3rd Annual Christmas Bazaar Just in time for the holidays, the Christmas Bazaar will have more than 40 of your favorite local vendors for everyone on your shopping list. Enjoy cookies with Santa, children's activities, and giftwrapping to make your shopping day a memorable one. Twenty percent of sales proceeds are donated to St. George's Kindergarten. Don't miss this opportunity to support SGK this holiday season! Shop in Legacy Hall on Thursday, November 7, from 9:00am to 5:00pm.

Coffee and Conversation Seniors are invited to join us in the Gathering Space every second Thursday at 9:00am to enjoy conversation without any agenda. Sweet treats and coffee provided. No reservations, just join us on Thursday, November 7.

Seniors Helping Others Join us Thursday, November 7, at 10:00am in the Library as we support St. George's children's ministry with crafts and continue writing Thanksgiving cards for at-home parishioners. Contact Karen Lackey if you can help at lackeykab@ gmail.com or 615-352-6263.

Choral Evensong Please join us on Sunday, November 10, at 5:00pm in the Nave for a contemplative service of choral music and chant led by our Music Ministry. This month, our service is offered in commemoration of All Saints Day and of all those who have gone before us in the 75-year history of our parish. Stay after the service for a reception with members of the choir.

Men's Leadership Dinner Join us for A Legacy of Leadership with guest speaker Vanderbilt baseball coach Tim Corbin on Monday, November 11, at 6:00pm in Legacy Hall. Since his tenure began at Vanderbilt in 2003, Corbin has transformed the Commodores into an elite program. This is the perfect evening to share with your sons, friends, and neighbors — please register online for this special event at stgeorgesnashville.org/men.

Chorister Pie Market The Choristers of St. George's will be holding their 7th Annual Pie Market on Sunday, November 24, from 10:00-11:00am, featuring an assortment of homemade pies and treats available to purchase just in time for your busy Thanksgiving week! Stop by the Gathering Space on Sunday, November 24 and support the Choristers program. For more information, to pre-order a pie, or make a donation, visit stgeorgesnashville.org/dessert.

Boulevard Bolt Registration is open! This annual Thanksgiving Day race is a joint effort between The Temple, Immanuel Baptist, and St. George's, with proceeds donated to organizations responding to homelessness. Register for the 5-mile run/walk or make a donation at boulevardbolt.org. Volunteer sign-ups posted soon.



We invite you to join us! As we celebrate 75 years of ministry, we are grateful for all those who helped to build a strong foundation for St. George's. A special thanks to all those who already have made pledges for

2025 to begin our next 75 years of ministry. If you have not made a pledge yet, please consider how you will support our parish next year and be as generous as you are able. Pledge now via mail, Realm, online, or use one of the pledge cards in the pews. Contact Catherine Beemer, Director of Parish Giving, at catherine.beemer@ stgeorgesnashville.org.

STAFF MINISTRY TEAM

The Rev. J. Malone Gilliam, Rector
The Rev. Colin Ambrose, Vice Rector & Chief of Staff
The Rev. Dr. David Barr, Associate Rector
The Rev. Margery Kennelly, Associate Rector
The Rev. Jason Terhune, Associate Rector
The Rev. Joe Ananias, Priest Associate
The Rev. Richard Kew, Priest Associate
The Ven. Dr. Martin Odidi, Priest Associate
The Rev. Sarah Puryear, Priest Assoc. for Family Ministries
The Rev. Roger Senechal, Priest Assoc. for Senior Ministries
The Rev. Tim Taylor, Priest Associate

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Using a smartphone and headphones or a Bluetooth-enabled hearing device, you can tune into the service using AudioFetch. Connect to the Wi-Fi network called AudioFetchExpress,

then open the AudioFetch app to start listening.

SUNDAY SERVICES
7:30, 8:45, and 11:00am | Holy Eucharist
9:00am | The Table
5:00pm | Evening Prayer & Holy Eucharist

WEEKDAY SERVICES (CHAPEL) 7:00am Monday - Saturday | Daily Worship 10:00am Wednesday | Healing Prayer

