

THE NEVIL MEMORIAL CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE

-EPISCOPAL-
ARDMORE, PA



The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Sunday, February 16, 2025

10:00 a.m., Rite II

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Coming together from our week in the world, we ready ourselves to worship God.

Note: † Where this mark is seen, it is traditional to make the sign of the cross.

*We welcome to St. George's today the Rev. Canon Shawn Wamsley,
Canon to the Ordinary of the Diocese of Pennsylvania.*

Prelude

Salut d'Amour

Edward Elgar

Hymn 537

Christ for the world we sing

Moscow

Celebrant

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

People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Collect for Purity *in unison*

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.

Gloria

Pew music, S-280

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated. Sunday School students may proceed to the Parish Hall.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Lord speaks to us in scripture and preaching about the revelation of his Son, Jesus.

First Lesson

Jeremiah 17:5-10

Reader

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah.

Thus says the Lord:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals
and make mere flesh their strength,
whose hearts turn away from the Lord.

They shall be like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,
in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,
whose trust is the Lord.

They shall be like a tree planted by water,
sending out its roots by the stream.

It shall not fear when heat comes,
and its leaves shall stay green;
in the year of drought it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse--
who can understand it?

I the Lord test the mind
and search the heart,
to give to all according to their ways,
according to the fruit of their doings.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 1 *sung by choir*

Beatus vir qui non abiit

Frederick A. Gore Ouseley

Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

Their delight is in the law of the Lord, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.

It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Reader A reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has

not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ -- whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

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

Hymn 660

O Master let me walk with thee

Maryton

The Gospel

Luke 6:17-26

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

Woe to you when all speak well of you,
for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

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

The Nicene Creed

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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.

The Prayers of the People*Please kneel.*

With a sure and certain faith in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, let us offer prayers for all our sisters and brothers, in the Church and the world.

For Daniel our bishop; for all bishops, priests, and deacons; and for all who minister in Christ, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all the people of God, and especially for those in our Anglican cycle of prayer: The Church of

England; the churches in our diocesan cycle of prayer: Diocese of East Carolina; Diocese of East Tennessee; the Resolutions Committee; Trinity, Buckingham; St. John's Church, Compass; and St. Mary's, Philadelphia; let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For our parish community of St. George's; for Joel, our priest; for the members of the Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament and the Guild of Saint Sebastian; for all of the children and youth of this parish; that God will guide us with his wisdom, protect us with his strength, and provide for us from his bounty, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation: Aurelia Strickland, Liam Freberg, Grady Wickersham, Everett Patterson, Jordan Patterson, Trent Coonradt, Kara Cherwinski, and Xander Fingerut, and their families, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those preparing for pilgrimage: Grace Rafferty, James Fingerut, Ryan Block, Morgan Dorey, and Brody Dorey, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For ourselves, our families, and those we love; and especially for Eric Taylor, Lisa, Grace Powell, Andreas Pas, Fr. Steve Snider, Roberta Clements, the Grimsley family, Melinda, Bernadette Gaudio, Robert Gaudio, Megan Shields, Steve, Kennedy, David Bullock, Sharlene Levin, Debra Weiss, Hugh Walsh, Valerie Smith, Marie Weder, Vic Velez, Stephanie, Chris Coleman, the Pili family, Caroline Welty, Sue and Rich Kratzinger, Matthew Hetznecker, the Blatstein family, Theresa, Jessica Jones, Richard Pound, Joe, Meg, Dan Little, Lyla Rose Dwyer, Pat Carrafa, Carrie, Karen Slossburg, Philippa Painter Pay, Howard, Jamie, Cynthia Pound, Mark Alston, and Tina; let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those celebrating their birthdays, especially Summer Rose Drabkowski, John Bullock, Bryn Smythe, Cynthia Pound, and Shirley Jones, that they may grow in grace as they grow in years, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those celebrating their anniversaries, that God may reveal himself to them more and more through each other in the sacrament of holy matrimony, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those who † have gone before us under the sign of faith, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Joining our voices with the blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, St. George our patron, and all the saints and angels of God, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ, as we pray to the Lord. **Lord, 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. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin *in unison*

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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.

Please stand following the † absolution.

The Peace

All stand.

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

Community Announcements and Welcome of Visitors

Offertory sentence

THE LITURGY OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

Our risen Lord comes to us in His sacrificial banquet and we receive Him with grateful hearts.

Offertory Anthem

Greater love hath no man

John Ireland

Solos by Ree Randolph, soprano, and Henry Malueg, tenor

Many waters cannot quench Love, neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Who His own Self bare our sins in His own Body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness. Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, yet are justified, in the Name of the Lord Jesus; Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, That ye should shew forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness, into His marvelous light. I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies, a living sacrifice, holy acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

Please stand as our monetary gifts are brought forward and all sing,

The Doxology

Old 100th

Pew music

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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The people remain standing.

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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son 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:

Sanctus and Benedictus *in unison*

Pew music, S-129

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.

Please kneel 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:

Celebrant and People

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.** †

The Lord's Prayer *in unison*

Pew music, S-119

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

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

Fraction Anthems

Christ our Passover
Agnus Dei

Hymnal, S-155
Hymnal, S-158

Invitation to Communion †

*All baptized persons regardless of denomination are welcome to receive Holy Communion.
If you desire a blessing instead, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest.*

Hymn 126

The people who in darkness walked

Dundee

The Postcommunion Prayer *in unison*

Please kneel.

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 SENDING OUT OF THE LORD'S PEOPLE

We go out into the world having received the Body and Blood of Christ.

As our time of worship has ended, our time of service begins.

Blessing †

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 493

O for a thousand tongues to sing

Azmon

Postlude

Chanson de Matin

Elgar



Each weekday, at least one member of the Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament will pray with special intention for the Church and for the world, usually in the presence of the Holy Sacrament. The intercessions include those on our parish intercession list. In addition to those named in the Prayers of the People above, the Confraternity will also pray for:

Elise, Rita Strassburg, Lita Orlay, Neal Kearny, Shirley Jones, Elaine Tambon, Rasmus, Christine Boggi, Stephanie Tanner, Kukki, the Aurora family, Melissa Rhodes, Karen Garcia, Selma Slossburg, Renee Saraiva, Jessie, Leslie Taylor, Mary Liberi, Frank Dennis, the Lewis family, Lee West, Megan Pinkham, Betty O'Connor, Catherine Hunyadi, Ann Calef, Rita Leedy, Walter Haenn, and Marcia Bloom

Our celebrant this morning is the Rev. Canon Shawn Wamsley. Born and raised in Albuquerque, New Mexico, Canon Wamsley came to Pennsylvania in 2016 to undertake the ministry of Canon to the Ordinary,

Chief Operating Officer, and Chief of Staff for The Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania. He serves as an advisor to the bishop, manages the bishop's team, and provides support and resources for all diocesan parishes and the clergy and laity that are part of them. In his personal life, he has found joy in his 27-year marriage to Miriam. Together, they cherish their three children and their boxer dog, Argos.



GODLY PLAY SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM

Our Godly Play Sunday School meets most Sundays at 10 a.m. from September to May. Godly Play is widely recognized as a premier Sunday School curriculum, where children learn about the love of God for them through the stories of the Holy Bible.

GODLY PLAY SCHEDULE FOR WINTER & SPRING 2025

Jan. 12:	Epiphany/ Holy Baptism	Mar. 23:	The story of David
Jan. 19:	Adam & Eve	Mar. 30:	The story of Daniel
Jan. 26:	The story of Moses	Apr. 6:	Jonah and the whale
Feb. 2:	Youth Sunday	Apr. 13:	Jesus in Jerusalem
Feb. 9:	The story of Sarah	May 4:	The story of Job
Feb. 16:	The story of Jacob	May 11:	The story of St. Mary
Feb. 23:	The story of Joseph	May 18:	The story of Esther
Mar. 2:	The story of Abraham	May 25:	The Lord's Prayer
Mar. 9:	The story of Ruth	Jun. 1:	The Mystery of Pentecost
Mar. 16:	The story of Samuel	Jun. 8:	Youth Sunday



The Guild of Saint Sebastian, a membership guild for parishioners 18 years of age and younger, is intended for children and youth who are involved in athletics, the arts, or other extra-curricular activities. The purpose of the guild is to inspire these younger parishioners to achieve excellence to the glory of God, and for them to benefit from the prayerful support of the congregation by publicizing their accomplishments and including their important events in the Sunday prayers of the people. Members of the guild will receive a certificate of participation and gift at the end of the academic year. Please email me for more information or to apply. – Fr. Joel (rector@stgeorgeschurch.org)

Calling St. George's more
"experienced" parishioners...

ST GEORGE'S

Sages Luncheon

Wednesday, February 26
12:00 p.m.



LADIES GAME NIGHT

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2025

7 PM PARISH HALL

CARD GAMES
BOARD GAMES

BRING A GAME TO PLAY ALONG WITH DRINKS
AND SNACKS TO SHARE. IF YOU'D LIKE TO JOIN OR
NEED A RIDE EMAIL EMMBUB@GMAIL.COM



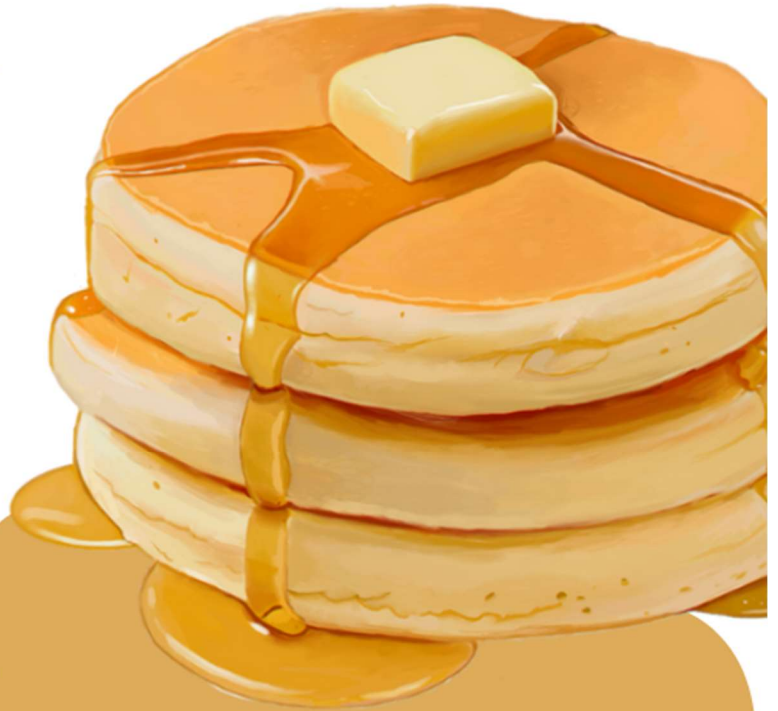
Join us for a weekly gathering of knitters at St. George's on Sunday evenings at 7:00 pm. If you would like to learn to knit, improve your knitting skills, or work on a project in the company of other knitters, this is the group for you. We encourage any man, woman, boy, or girl (age 10 and up), interested in learning to knit to join us. St. George's is blessed to have our very own expert knitter, Suzanne Clune, who will be available for instruction, guidance, and encouragement. Our first meeting will take place Sunday, February 16 at 7:00 p.m. in Jerusalem Hall. Please bring your own supplies. Any questions, contact Catherine Stuart, cmgstuart@gmail.com.

HOSTED BY THE ST. GEORGE'S YOUTH

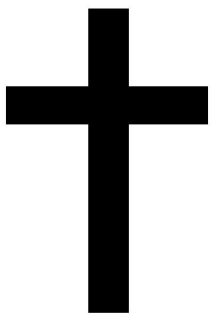
SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

MARCH 4
6 PM

DONATIONS BENEFIT THE ST. GEORGE'S YOUTH PILGRIMAGE



"I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent..." Book of Common Prayer, p. 265.



Ash Wednesday services, marking the beginning of the season of Lent, will be held on Wednesday, March 5 at 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.

"Remember that you are dust,
and to dust you shall return."

Community Announcements

Music Notes: Today's anthem is a setting from the scriptures and is one of the monumental anthems of the Anglican church. It was published in 1912. The anthem is quite dramatic and operatic, with sudden changes of volume and tempo, and uses solo voices as well as full choir. Sopranos and tenors often sing in octaves, as do the altos and basses.

Outreach: We are collecting cereal (hot or cold), peanut butter, fruit or applesauce cups, macaroni and cheese for **The Ardmore Food Pantry**. Collection bins are in the Sulgrave entryway. **The St. James School/Welcome Table** collection of cleaning products (Clorox wipes, Windex, liquid or powder cleaners) can be placed in the large red bucket outside the parish office. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATES:

February 16, 7 p.m.: Knitting Group, Jerusalem Hall

February 21, 7 p.m.: Ladies Game Night (details in E-tale)

February 26, 12 p.m.: Sages Luncheon (RSVP to office by 2/16)

March 1, 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.: Shortbread Gardeners

March 4, 5:30 p.m.: Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

March 5, 12 p.m. & 7p.m.: Ash Wednesday Services

March 7, 6 p.m.: Floral & Decorating Committee Gathering

March 8, 8 a.m.: Good Works

March 12, 7 p.m.: Vestry Meeting

April 2, 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.: Red Cross Blood Drive

April 5, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Pony Rides & Petting Zoo

October 11: National Acolyte Festival in Washington D.C.



Sunday School for children meets most Sunday mornings during the 10 a.m. service. Children leave church following the Collect of the Day and return for Communion.

Nursery: Nursery care is available each Sunday during the 10 a.m. service for our youngest members and visitors. The nursery is located in The Children's Ark and staffed by certified childcare providers. Please ask an ambassador to direct you.





THE NEVIL MEMORIAL CHURCH OF SAINT GEORGE

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The Rev. Joel C. Daniels, PhD, *Rector*

Thanks to those who are helping today:

Acolytes: TBD

Lectors: Gary Bullock, Marlee Bullock

Intercessor: Doug Stuart

Chalice Bearers: April Chester, Stephen Krouse

Ambassadors: Susan LaBrake, Lorraine Wickersham, Cathy Hetznecker

Altar Guild: Steve Drabkowski, Roland Noreika

Tellers: Kirsten Curry, Cathy Hetznecker

Coffee Hour: Catherine Stuart

Sunday School: Jessica Jones, Sam Soldan, Vicki Strickland, and Joseph Yamulla

Nursery: Nikki Woods and Carleen Megow

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Lou Carol Fix, *Organist/Choirmaster*
Violette DeSantis, *Parish Administrator*
Mark Alston, *Sexton*

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SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES

Holy Eucharist, Rite I - 8:00 a.m. ~::~~ Holy Eucharist, Rite II - 10:00 a.m.

OUR MISSION

St. George's mission is to share together God's work in our lives through liturgy and sacrament, through joyous and caring fellowship, and through courageous and compassionate engagement with the world.