



ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

April 2019

Volume 26, No. 4

This is a free publication
for members and friends.

www.stgeorgesonline.org

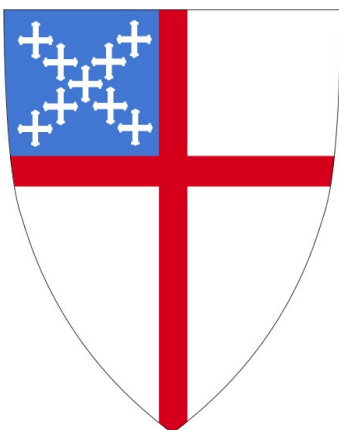
CONTACT

5224 Minnetonka Blvd
St. Louis Park, MN 55416

952-926-1646

Office Hours: 9am - 2pm
Monday - Friday

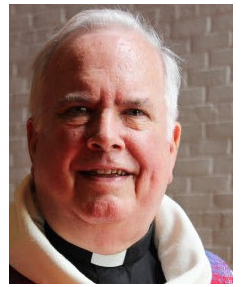
info@stgeorgesonline.org



Uniting in Worship. Welcoming in Grace.

REFLECTIONS ON HOLY WEEK & EASTER

by Fr. Tom Gehlsen



On the first day of Holy Week, in our Palm Sunday Service (April 14th), we remember how Jesus and his friends enter Jerusalem. Riding abreast the humble donkey Jesus enters this holiest of cities in defiant criticism of the power that oppresses it and he confirms his role as the one who is destined to suffer at the hands of this same imperial power. While Jesus does promise kingship, he promises a different kind of kingship. One which willing and non-violently accepts the judgement and violence of those who demand to be served for their own purposes. As we gather at the door of St. George's on Palm Sunday and as we process in, we align ourselves with this Jesus, and with this kind of kingship. We bear public witness to God's rule, with its non-violent, creative movement of peace, justice and love.

During our service on Maundy Thursday (Thursday April 18th at 7 pm) we remember afresh what God has done for us in instituting the Eucharist and what we are called to do for each other, symbolised so poignantly in the Washing of Feet.

During our Good Friday Liturgy at 3 pm on Friday April 19th, we proclaim the power of Jesus to save: the power to save every single one of us, irrespective of the number and seriousness of our sins and irrespective of how late we leave our true moment of repentance. On the cross Jesus demonstrates the cornerstone of his royal power, which is the power and authority to forgive sin.

On Easter Morning (April 21st) we will celebrate the awesome reality of the resurrection, by which God invites us all to let Him live in our hearts and minds through the power and presence of the Holy Spirit. At Easter we are invited to open ourselves afresh to the risen Jesus. To welcome Him as a friend, with trust, and to see that only He is life.

Happy Easter!

Fr. Tom



EDUCATION UPDATE

by Heather Whitesell, Youth & Children's Coordinator



Children's Corner

Following the Church year, we are in the season of Lent. Our Alleluia banner is hidden away for 40 days. This month we learned about St Patrick and his mission to promote Christianity in Ireland. He used the three leaves of the shamrock to signify the Trinity.

Youth News

Teens are busy with sports and school and we appreciate their contribution to the service as acolytes. We still have Chai tea jars available for sale through Easter. All proceeds go to Rosebud Indian reservation.



April Birthdays

- 2 Gregg Jacobson
- 6 Ed Altmeyer
- 7 John Carlson
- 15 Mark Schulte
- 20 Jack Voorhees
- 21 Geri Alberg
- 22 Amanda Swartwood
- 23 Sonja Kilberg
- 24 Gordy Justus



KIDS CAFÉ MONDAY, APRIL 22 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

by Gregg Jacobson

Please come join us the fourth Monday of each month at Perspectives Kids Café, 3381 Gorham Ave. in St. Louis Park. We help elementary-aged children prepare an evening meal and set the tables. Then we help clean up afterwards.

We need two shifts of volunteers. The first shift is from 3:30-5 p.m. and then 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Please sign up in the Parish Hall, and feel free to reach out to Gregg Jacobson for further information, 952-938-4194.



LENTEN, HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

Volunteers are needed!

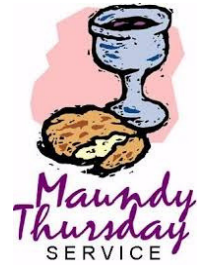


myHealth is looking for volunteers to help fundraise at Twins Games from March 28 – May 15. Contact Laura at laurah@myhealthmn.org for more information.

Maundy Thursday

Holy Eucharist
Commemorating the Last Supper

7 pm



Good Friday

Solemn Liturgy
Commemorating the Death of Christ

3 pm



Easter

Holy Eucharist, Rite I

8 am

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

10:30 am



ADULT FORUM SCHEDULE

APRIL

Adult Forum		April 2019	
Date	Topic	Synopsis	Presenter
April			
4/7/2019	Wisdom from the Rule of St. Benedict for today	Obedience, Speech & Humility	Tom Boe
4/14/2019	Renewing the Mind – Word 3	Ch 5 The Third Word – You shall not take the name of YHWH your God in vain	Rev. Dr. Alison Bucklin
4/21/2019	Easter	Community Coffee	
4/28/2019	Renewing the Mind group discussion	Discuss our findings from Ch. 5	Lay Leader





Key: GBD – Gospel Based Discipleship HE – Holy Eucharist CEB – Christian Education Building
LL – Library Lounge DAYD –Dinner at Your Door

© Can Stock Photo - csp23997756



MINISTERS OF THE EUCCHARISTIC ASSEMBLY

	April 7 Fifth Sunday in Lent	April 14 PALM SUNDAY	April 18 MAUNDY THURSDAY	April 19 GOOD FRIDAY	April 21 EASTER	April 28 Second Sunday after Easter
Readings	Isaiah 43:16-21 Psalm 126 Philippians 3:4b-14 John 12:1-8	Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31:9-16 Philippians 2:5-11 Mark 11:1-11	Exodus 12:1-14 Psalm 116:1, 10-17 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 John 13:1-15	Isaiah 52:13-53:12 Psalm 22:1-11 Hebrews 10:16-25 John 18:1-19:42	Acts 10:34-43 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 Luke 24:1-12	Acts 5:27-32 Psalm 118:14-29 Revelation 1:4-8 John 20:19-31
Lectors 8 am	Carole Leonard Mary Kuhfeld	Marilyn Clark	TBD	Mary Kuhfeld	Jean Wayne	Tom Harmon
10:30 am	Ron Ottsen Jessica Olson	Cyprian Troyer Darlynn Benjamin	Mark Schulte John Rash	NA	Kathie Brown Lindsay Benjamin	Mike Oiler Sarah Schulte
Chalice 8 am	Mary Kuhfeld	Marilyn Clark	TBD	Laura Harmon Mary Kuhfeld	Jean Wayne	Laura Harmon
10:30 am	Kathie Brown Devin Snyders	John Rash Leslie O'Donnell	John Rash Kris Kelley	NA	Kris Kelley John Rash	Leslie O'Donnell Kathie Brown
Ushers: 8 am	Mike & Jane Sandsmark	Mike & Jane Sandsmark	TBD	TBD	Tom Harmon Gregg Jacobson	Ron Holbach
10:30 am	Bill Stromberg Sarah Schulte	Tom Zaun Lou Michelich	TBD	TBD	Bob Jones Mark Schulte	Deb Rash Tom Zaun
Acolytes: 10:30 am	Ian Rash, Lilly Schulte	Brendon Snyders, Calista Snyders, Sarah Rash	TBD	TBD	Ian Rash, Sarah Rash, Lilly Schulte	Brendon Snyders, Nolyn Snyders, Sarah Rash
Altar Guild	Kitty Reese/Bill Stromberg/Kris Kelley	Kathleen Boe/ Katy Campbell/ Rachel Santos	TBD	TBD	Nancy Becker/ Bruce Becker/ Kristin Malone	Geri Alberg/ Barb Behrens
Coffee Hour: 8 am	Ron Holbach	Mary Kuhfeld, Mike & Jane Sandsmark	NA	NA	Betty Bauer	Carole Leonard Geri Alberg
10:30 am	Bob & Bonnie Jones	Don & Patricia Janke	NA	NA	John & Jane Carlson	Alan & Mary Poulsen





JOIN US

Want to join a group or committee at St George's? Get in touch with the contact in the directory for more information

Supper Club will be at Betty Bauers on April 12 at 6 pm.

Everyone is welcome!

RSVP to Betty at 763-545-6372 if you are coming and what dish you are bringing.

Hors d'oeuvres
Salad
Main Course
Desert

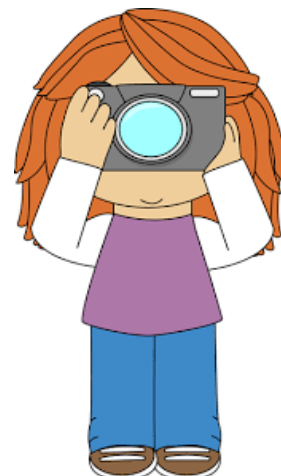


ST. GEORGE'S NEEDS SOMEONE TO TAKE PHOTOS

by Heather Grieger

St. George's church needs someone who is willing to take photos at church special events during the year; someone who would be able to take the initiative to think of the need ahead of time and be prepared to bring their camera (or cell phone).

Are you just the person we are looking for? For more information, contact the office at 952-926-1646 or office@stgeorgesonline.org.



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PROJECT TEAM UPDATE ON A HANDICAP RESTROOM

by Bill Stromberg, Chairman

The Capital Campaign Project Team recently selected an architect to draw up plans for a handicap restroom. The Project Team took bids from three architectural firms and unanimously voted to select the firm of Miller Dunwiddie. Their architect will first check with the City of St. Louis Park for any restrictions they need to be aware of, and will then draw up plans for St. George's to use when hiring a contractor. Stay tuned for further updates on this project.





KEEPING OUR CHURCH IN GOOD SHAPE: VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

by Carole Leonard, Buildings & Grounds Chair

Do you have a talent that you would be willing to share with us at St. George's in order to keep our buildings and our grounds maintained? Our Buildings and Grounds Committee could really use your volunteer help.

• NOTE: You DO NOT need to be a member of the committee in order to help us.

• We can use your help in many ways:

- o Do you paint?
- o Do you have electrical skills?
- o Are you now, or have you been, a carpenter?
- o Are you now or have you been an engineer?
- o Do you hang wallpaper?
- o Do you have plumbing skills?
- o Would you be willing to work at keeping the buckthorn and burdock weeds at bay along the parking lot?
- o Are you willing to shovel some sidewalks in the winter?
- o Would you be willing to organize drawers in the kitchen?
- o Would you be willing to clean the refrigerator, stove and/or oven in the kitchen?
- o Would you replace the rubber feet on the folding chairs in the Parish Hall?
(We have a supply of the rubber feet on hand.)
- o Would you dust the shelves in the Library Lounge and keep the books straightened – every few months?

If you feel you can help out in any way, I would appreciate hearing from you.

Please contact me, Carole Leonard at carole2hike@gmail.com, or call me at 952-544-4394.

THANK YOU

by Randy Egan



I am very grateful to the good people of St. George's for the wonderful hospitality shown me at the February 24th farewell reception. The warmth and kindness for which St. George's has long been known was in full evidence—I basked in it.

Thank you too for the very generous bursary. I have earmarked it for a piece of art by a living Minnesota artist—and that piece of art will always be St. George's gift to me. God bless you and your ministry in the years ahead!



PARISH STAFF:

Rector: The Rev. Thomas J. Gehlsen, Ph.D.

tomg@stgeorgesonline.org

Deacon: The Rev. Diane McGowan smarl@aol.com

Parish Administrator: Heather Grieger

office@stgeorgesonline.org

Children and Youth Coordinator: Heather Whitesell

heatherw@stgeorgesonline.org

ARTISTS IN RESIDENCE

Elizabeth Woolner, mezzo-soprano; Darrius Jacob Morton, tenor; Don Moyer, bass

VESTRY

Kathleen Boe, Rector's Warden; TBD, Parish Warden; Cathy Asgian, Lindsay Benjamin, Marilyn Clark, Jane Sandsmark, Sarah Schulte, Cyprian Troyer, Lou Michelich, and Jessica Olson.

CLERK OF THE VESTRY

Laura Harmon

PARISH TREASURER

Connie Kotula



ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

REMINDER: DONATIONS FOR EASTER FLOWERS ARE DUE IN BY APRIL 16 TO THE OFFICE

