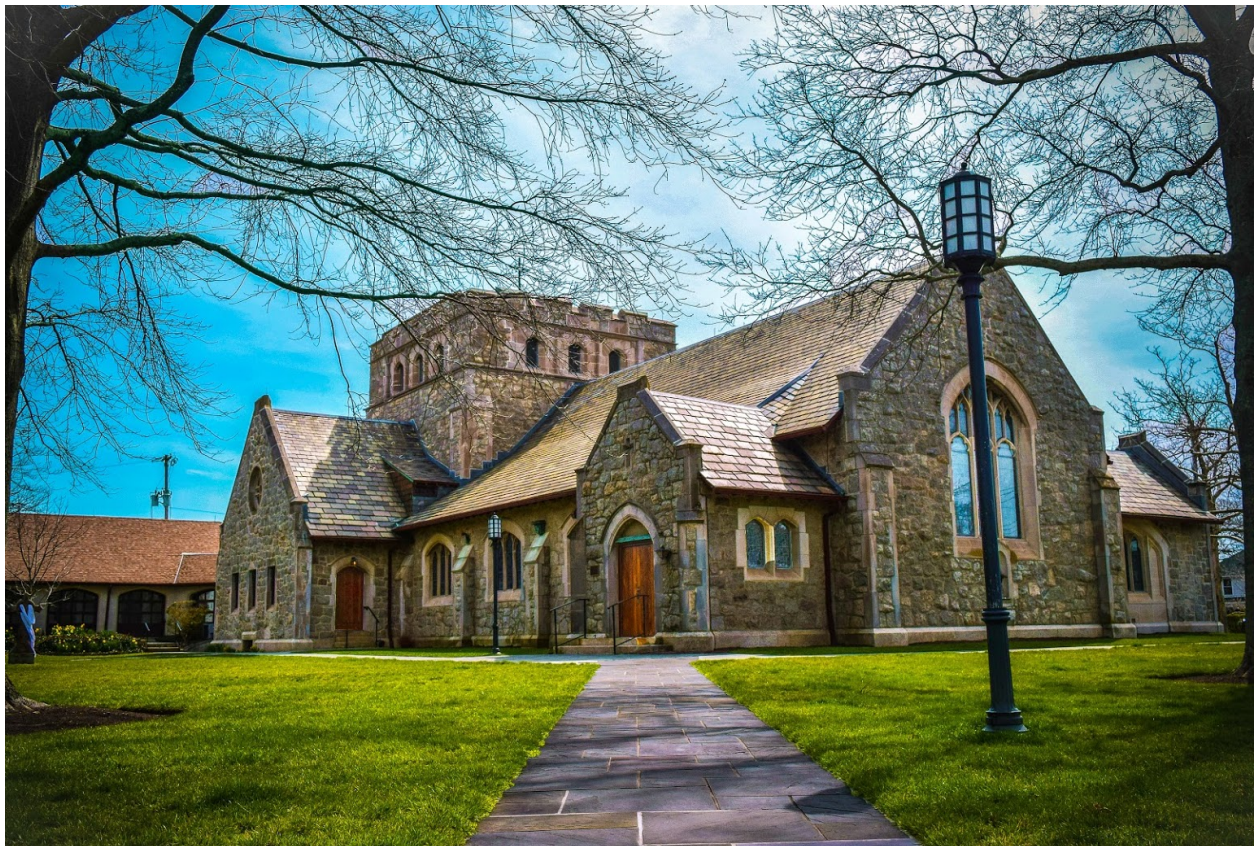


St. George's-by-the-River

Rumson, New Jersey

April 27, 2024 5:00pm

Come As You Are



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Preludes: I Saw Water Flowing
Over My Head

Curtis Stephan
Tom Kendzia

Please stand

Gathering Song: Christ is Alive, Let Christians Sing

The Hymnal 1982 #182

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands
2 Christ is - a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
3 Not throned a - bove, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -
4 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where co - lor,
5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and

1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
2 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the
3 moved by hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the
4 scorn or wealth di - vide, he suf - fers still, yet
5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion

1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.
2 here and now and con - quer ev - ery place and time.
3 midst of life, our Sa - vior with the Fa - ther reigns.
4 loves the more, and lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.
5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

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Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Collect for Purity

People: **Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden;
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
so that we may truly love you
and worthily praise your holy name;
through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Word of God

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (8:26-40)

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.

In his humiliation justice was denied him.
Who can describe his generation?
For his life is taken away from the earth.”

The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?” He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

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

Psalm 22:24-30 *Deus, Deus meus*

24. My praise is of him in the great assembly;
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
25. The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him:
"May your heart live for ever!"
26. All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
27. For kingship belongs to the Lord;
he rules over the nations.
28. To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship;
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
29. My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him;
they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.
30. They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn
the saving deeds that he has done.

Gospel

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (15:1-8)

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

Homily

The Rev. Jeffrey Roy

Please stand

The Nicene Creed

All say together

**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 Intercession and Thanksgiving

Please be seated. During the instrumental music, you are welcome to come forward to light a candle as a symbol of your prayer. Tapers are on stands at the front of the church and lit candles are placed in the sand filled basket.

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **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 the Lord.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence: Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. (Psalm 50:1)

Offertory Song: I Saw Water Flowing

Curtis Stephan

INTRO (♩ = ca. 66)

Capo 3: (D) F (Em9/D) Gm9/F (Bm) Dm (D/A) F/C (G) B♭

VERSES

(D) F (Em9/D) Gm9/F

1. I saw wa - ter flow - ing from the Tem - ple's right - hand side, and
2. From your side, O ris - en Christ, springs the wa - ter of new life, by
3. Cho - sen peo - ple, priest - hood sing; ho - ly ones, pro - claim his deeds. Our
4. Through the wa - ters we're re - born; death's dark shad - ow is no more. ♯
5. On our dry - ness pour your dew; mend the bro - ken, heal our wounds; ♯

(Bm) Dm (D/A) F/C (G) B♭ (Em7) Gm7

1. all to whom this wa - ter came were saved and shall say:
2. which our sins are washed a - way and life has been made new.
3. might - y God has called us out of dark - ness in - to light.
4. Christ, our Sav - ior and our Lord, has won the vic - to - ry.
5. wash the stains of guilt a - way, and streng - then us a - new.

REFRAIN

(D) F (G/B) B♭/D

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

(D/A) F/C

Al - le - lu - ia, praise the Lord!

To Refrain (G) B♭	Final (G) B♭	(D) F
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Lord! Al - le - Lord!

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

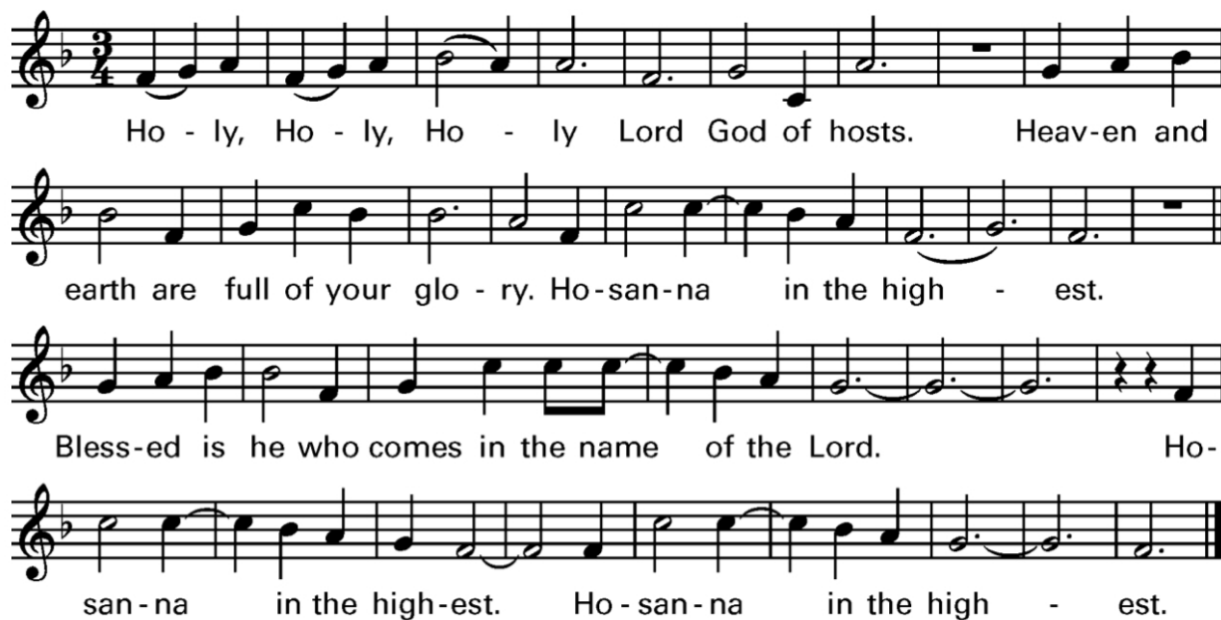
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant:

Worship and praise belong to you, maker of light and darkness. Your wisdom draws beauty from chaos, brings a harvest out of sorrow and leads the exiles home. In Christ your Son, enemies are reconciled, debts forgiven and strangers made welcome. Your Spirit frees us to live as sons and daughters in our Father's house. We who by Christ's power follow the way of the Cross, sharing the joy of his obedience, now offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven singing the hymn of your unending glory:

Sanctus from the Mass of Renewal



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est.
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-
san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving Father, for Christ in whom the world is reconciled. Lifted on the Cross, his suffering and forgiveness spanned the gulf our sins had made. Through that dark struggle death was swallowed up in victory, that life and light might reign.

Before he was given up to suffering and death, recalling the night of Israel's release, the night in which the sons of Egypt died, your Chosen One, himself the First-Born, freely offered his life. At supper with his disciples he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you." After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink this, all of you.

This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

We now obey your Son's command. We recall his blessed passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension; and we look for the coming of his Kingdom. Made one with him, we offer you these gifts and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by his life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptized into the fellowship of Christ's Body to live and work to your praise and glory; may we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles, and prophets, and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end. **AMEN.**

Lord's Prayer

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

**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.**

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Priest invites the people to Communion

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.

*Baptized Christians of all ages are welcome to make their Communion at the altar of St. George's.
Gluten-free wafers are available. Ask for one at the altar.*

Communion Hymn: Do This in Memory of Me

Chris Muglia

INTRO (♩ = ca. 120)

G D/F# Em Em/D Cadd9

VERSES

G D G D/F#

1. I am the bread of life;
 2. I am the bread of life;

Em Em/D Cadd9

1. all who be - lieve in me will have e - ter - nal life.
 2. who - ev - er comes to me will not hun - ger a - gain.

G D/F# Em Em/D

1. I am the bread of life come down from heav - en so that all
 2. I am the bread of life; no one can come to me un - less

Cadd9 G D

1. who eat this bread will nev - er die.
 2. the Fa - ther draws them 7 near to him.

REFRAIN

Melody

G D/F#

Take the liv - ing bread of life, take the cup of sac -

Harmony

Em Em/D Cadd9

- ri - fice; do this in mem - o - ry of me.

G D/F#

Take the bod - y and the blood, giv - en free - ly out of love;

Em Em/D Cadd9

do this in mem - o - ry of me;

The musical score consists of two systems of music. The first system has two staves. The top staff is the vocal line, and the bottom staff is the piano accompaniment. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The first system starts with the lyrics "do this in mem - o - ry of me." and includes a first ending marked "1 Cadd9" and a second ending marked "2 Cadd9 to Bridge". A "D.S." (Da Capo) instruction is placed between the two endings. The second system also has two staves. It begins with a "Final Cadd9" marking. The lyrics "Do this in mem - o - ry of me." are written below the vocal line. The system concludes with a "rit." (ritardando) instruction and a "Fine" marking.

Post-communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray,

Celebrant and People:

Father, we have broken the bread which is Christ's body, we have tasted the wine of his new life. We thank you for these gifts by which we are made one in him and drawn into that new creation which is your will for all mankind; through him who died for us and rose again, your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Blessing

Sending Forth: Over My Head

Tom Kendzia

VERSES 1, 3, 5: All



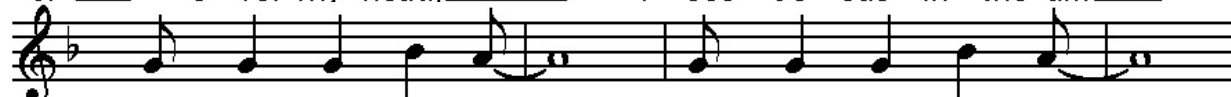
1. O - ver my head, _____ I hear mu - sic in the air. _
 3. O - ver my head, _____ I hear sing - ing in the air. _
 5. O - ver my head, _____ I see Je - sus in the air. _



1. _____ O - ver my head, _____ I hear mu - sic in the air. _
 3. _____ O - ver my head, _____ I hear sing - ing in the air. _
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1, 3, 5. There must be a God, _____ there must be a God, _____ *fine*



1, 3, 5. there must be a God _____ some - where.

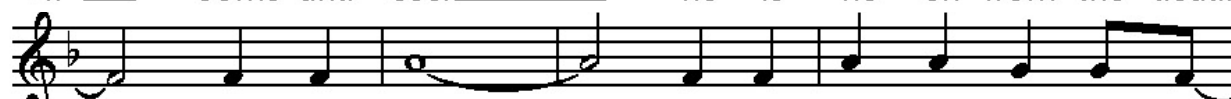
VERSES 2, 4: Cantor



2. Come and see: _____ he has rolled a - way the stone. _
 4. Come and see: _____ he is ris - en from the dead. _



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 4. _____ Come and see: _____ he is ris - en from the dead. _



2. _____ Come and see: _____ he has rolled a - way the stone. _
 4. _____ Come and see: _____ he is ris - en from the dead. _

All



2, 4. _____ There must be a God _____ some - where.

Dismissal

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

The Week Ahead at St. George's

Sunday April 28	8:00 am	Rite I service of Holy Eucharist
	9:30am	St. George's Choir Warm-Up
	10:00am	Rite II service of Holy Eucharist
Monday April 29		Curate's Day Off
Tuesday April 30		Rector's Day Off
	7:45 – 8:05am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday May 1	7:45 – 8:05am	Morning Prayer
	Noon	Service of Holy Eucharist with Healing
Thursday May 2	7:45 – 8:05am	Morning Prayer
Friday May 3	7:45 – 8:05am	Morning Prayer
Saturday May 4	5:00 p.m.	Come As You Are service
Sunday May 5		Ridge Road Run
	8:00 am	Rite I service of Holy Eucharist
	9:30am	St. George's Choir Warm up
	10:00am	Rite II service of Holy Eucharist

Here is the information to access all of our worship services online:

<https://www.stgeorgesrumson.org/live>

<https://www.facebook.com/StGeorgesbytheRiver>

To dial in via mobile or land line: 732-375-1874.

The **flowers** on the High Altar and in the Chantry are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Susanna (Susie) Poythress Bland Gordon by her family.

Please remember the following in your **prayers** this week: Normae, Avery, Don, Annelies, John B., Joseph, Charles, Eloise, Kathy, James, Jeff, Cathy, Jane, Meghan, Jackie, Emma, Al, Chris, Eve, John, Michele, Joyce, Michele C. and Cesar

(Prayer request names will be retained for two months unless the office receives further updates).

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Please remember in your prayers those serving in our **Armed Forces** Jon Erwin (son of Don & Anne Marie Erwin, Army), Tim Brady (brother-in-law of Brian & Susan Mauro, Marines), Nicole, Andrew, (daughter, son-in-law of Karen Hooten, Coast Guard); Darren Ziolkowski (cousin of Paul & Jennifer Boudreau, Army); Jamie Laughinghouse (friend of Richard & Kathryn Singleton, Marines); Dan Fisher (brother-in-law of John & Ashley Cuffari, Army); Riley Plosica (daughter of Kathryn and Michael Plosica, Navy); Michael (friend of Jeff & Janine Roy), Austin Mellina (friend of Jeff & Janine Roy); Billy Schottman (nephew of Kathleen Kenney Amato, Army).

Mark Your Calendars! Save the Date! Summer Bells IV Thursday August 8th 7PM

Our guest artist this year will be Dr. Andrea McCrady, Dominion Carillonneur at Peace Tower, House of Commons, Ottawa, Ontario Canada. She has served as past President of the Guild of Carillonneurs in North America and Secretary of the World Carillon Federation. Details to follow as we get closer, but set your calendars now!!

WANTED: Men and Women Volunteers for Hospitality Committee

St. George's Hospitality Committee is a long-standing group that works together to organize and host events such as funeral repasts, or church celebrations held in Ralph Hall. One signs up to be active for a particular month; when needed volunteers either drop off food or help to host. It is an easy lift, and perfect for new parishioners looking for a way to become more engaged in our church. Please call or email me for more information. Joan Mercer mercer.joan@gmail.com or 732.673.5962



**"Ready - Set - Go!"
The Ridge Road Run is back!!!**

Sign up now for the St. George's Team by going to ridgeroadrun5k.org. Join us on Sunday, May 5 for the most fantastic 5k run/walk/pushed-in-a-stroller time of your life!

Pre-race Pasta Dinner on Saturday evening, Eucharist and a Blessing at the

Race, Brunch afterwards and a brand new team t-shirt! Over 50 team members so far!

Email suellen at suellenwsims@gmail.com; Laura DiPietro at laurachowansky@gmail.com; Liz Gearon at lizgearon42@gmail.com; or Cindy Sagosz at cbsagosz@verizon.net if you need more information or help signing up, we are here to assist: Look for us after the Saturday and Sunday services or contact us:

Youth and Family Ministry

Sr. High Youth Group Dinner w/Micah, Wednesday 5/8 6:00pm-8:00pm
All 7th-12th grade parishioners (and friends) are welcome to come for dinner.

Mother's Day Flower Sale Mission Trip Fundraiser, Sunday 5/12 9:00am and 11:00am

Jr. High Youth Group, Movie Night Under the Stars Saturday 5/18 6:00pm-8:00pm
All 5th-6th grade parishioners (and friends) are welcome to join us!

Sr. High Youth Group Dinner w/Micah, Wednesday 5/22 6:00pm-8:00pm
All 7th-12th grade parishioners (and friends) are welcome to come for dinner.

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Canterbury Fair
76th Anniversary
June 7th & June 8th

Treasures



Books: We are collecting hard and soft cover books. Novels, biographies, mysteries, children's books, gardening, home decorating, non-fiction in good condition. No encyclopedias, medical books, textbooks.

Drop offs start on White Elephant Sunday, June 3

Questions? Reach out to Maureen Stilwell at cavan1011p@gmail.com

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Silent Auction

Excitement is mounting for our big “Under the Tent.” Here’s a sneak peek at a few of our donations thus far: a kayak, kids’ golf club sets, Stangl Pottery dish ware , custom made Ralph Lauren bedding, beach baskets, and other great surprises. We will keep you posted.



Of course we are always hoping to continue to fill our coffers. These donation need not be tangible. Gifts of services, I.e. landscaping, household organizing, catering, chauffeuring, and lessons of any kind are just a few possibilities.

Let’s not forget the popularity of gift cards of any nature! New restaurants might be eager to promote their location and vibe. Florists, Dunkin D, and even Shop Rite cards are great! It goes without saying that wine and other libations are a draw and great additions to our baskets.



For drop off or pick up questions contact
Annette Taylor at teachkdg12@gmail.com



Mother's Day Flower Sale

All proceeds support our
2024 Youth Mission Trip

Order here:



Orders due May 1st. Flowers will be available for pickup
Sunday, May 12th at 9 and 11 am in Ralph Hall.