St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

Welcome

We are delighted you are here. Whoever you are and wherever you might be on your spiritual journey, we hope your experience here will encourage and strengthen you. We are sure that your presence here today strengthens and encourages others.

Every weekend we offer several different services of worship (Saturday at 5:30 p.m., and Sunday at 8, 9 and 11:15 a.m., and 5:30 and 8 p.m.), each with its own character. At 9 a.m. Sunday, there are two services happening simultaneously—one in the Fellowship Hall, and the other in the smaller brick chapel known as "Palmer Hall."

The service in Palmer Hall involves conversational instruction about the worship experience in a more intimate space. The service in the Fellowship Hall is intended to be equally welcoming, without conversational instruction, and the setting feels to some more transcendent. Both of these services have important roles for children, and people of all ages are most welcome at any of our services. You might enjoy experimenting, in order to find the service that is most helpful to you.

All are welcome to receive Communion. There are instructions about receiving the bread and wine on page 9, but please do not worry about "doing it right." The important thing is simply that you know that God welcomes you, and there is no telling how God might reach you in Communion. Just be open.

You are always welcome here.

Gary D. Jones, Rector

Easter Day & April 16, 2017

Holy Eucharist: Rite One 3 7:30 A.M.

In order to allow for private prayer, please observe silence upon entering the church.

Organ Prelude Intrada Grayston Ives

Processional Hymn 179 (verses 1, 4 & 5) Welcome, happy morning! Sung by all, standing. Fortunatus

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation Please stand. The Book of Common Prayer, page 323

The Collect for Purity

Prayer Book, page 323

The Summary of the Law

Prayer Book, page 324

Gloria in excelsis Said by all. Prayer Book, page 324

The Collect of the Day

Prayer Book, page 170

Reading Colossians 3:1-4 Please sit.

Reader A reading from Colossians

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

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

Alleluia and Verse Please stand.

The Cantor sings first, followed by all. The Cantor sings a verse. Then all sing 'Alleluia.'



Cantor "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever."

The Holy Gospel Matthew 28:1-10 Please remain standing and face the reader of the Gospel.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Cantor sings, then all repeat.



The Sermon The Rev. Gary D. Jones Please sit.

The Nicene Creed Please stand. Prayer Book, page 326

The Prayers of the People Please kneel. Prayer Book, page 328

The Peace Please stand. Prayer Book, page 332

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

After exchanging the Peace, please be seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Organ Voluntary Deck Thyself with Joy and Gladness

Flor Peeters

At the Presentation Sung by all, standing.

Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise him above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. O praise him; O praise him;

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Great Thanksgiving

Prayer Book, page 340

Please kneel after the Sanctus.

The Lord's Prayer Soid by all. Prayer Book, page 336

The Breaking of the Bread

Prayer Book, page 337

The Prayer of Humble Access Said by all. Prayer Book, page 337

Please come forward to receive the Sacrament at the main altar or Good Shepherd Chapel.

The Post-Communion Prayer Please kneel. Prayer Book, page 339

The Blessing Prayer Book, page 339

Hymn 207 (verses 1, 2 & 4) Jesus Christ is risen today Sung by all, standing.

Easter Hymn

The Dismissal Prayer Book, page 339

Organ Postlude Toccata (from Symphony No. 5) Charles Marie Widor

Participants

Celebrant: Penny A. Nash; Deacon: Stephen Y. McGehee; Subdeacon: Nancy Emerson; Preacher: Gary D. Jones; Assisting Clergy: Weston Mathews, Claudia W. Merritt, William L. Sachs; Chalicers: Tony Anthony, Carol Dickinson; Acolytes: Holland Bowles, Peter Bowles, Arden Locher, Gracie McElroy; Ushers: Gene Bowles, Bob Chewning, Robert Dilday, Chris Layne, Luke Witt; Organist: Greg Vick April Altar Guild: Anne Pinion, leader, Carol Dickinson, Marnie Huger, Molly Johnson, Anne Peck, Elizabeth Spell, Elizabeth Greene, Becky Trader; April Flower Guild: Molly Hood, leader, Becky Anthony, Kathryn Angus, Anne Martin, Tina Milner, Jessica Tongel, Lena Scott

The Parish Prayer List

Burns Ackerly, Jennifer Andrews and family, Robert Baker, Madeline Barker, Ann Barlow, Quinn Batdorff, Mary Beatty, Lynn Berkness, Joe, Zachary and Hannah Bevis, Henry E. Blagden, Sanford Boisseau, Amy Boles, Liz Brengel, Joe Broadhurst, Rod Brown, Suzanne Brown Charles and Cammy Bryan, Joannie Burgoyne, Trish Campbell, Beverly Chinnis, Dasani Clements, Grace Coleman, Stephanie Coleman, Berkeley Cone, Matthew Costello and Ida Costello, Floyd Cotton, Tom Coulbourn, Beth Davis, Gordon Davis, Alex Del Bueno, Kathy Deloyht, Leslie Douthat, Stan Evans and family, Alana Fernandez, Lang Gibson, Julia Gudell, the Haas Family, Will Hamilton, Br. Christopher Hamlett, O.P., Dot Harshbarger, Amelia Haw, Lolly Hetherington, Maggie Hilliard, Chris Hines, Jim Hoffman, Steven Holton, Louis Hopkins, Hill Hopper, Jennifer Hulsey and her family, Lisa Hummel, Pim Jager, Tom Janney, Mary Jones, Jessica Joseph, Linda Kelly, Bryan Kessler, Dustin Kloss, Carolyn Lindell, Drayton MacInnis Linen, Stephen Spencer Linen, Ruth and Lou Lipira, Carol Jane Locher, Jan Locher, Mary Longstaff, Sara Mackey, Camille McMurray, Kathleen McSweeney, Jennifer Michlow-Judd, Lelia Moran, the Sam and Erin Mosley family, Ray Moss, Daisy Olivia Nye, Pam O'Berry, Kate Keith Pearsall, Rob Pearsall, Al Pierce, Wilde Poole and family, Patsy Porter, Dan Prince, Richard Pugh, Carter Reid, Panny Rhodes, Marjorie Ritter, Lily Robertson, Paula Romanaux, Paul Roper, Caroline Rose, Lori Rowland, Jean Royalty, Kevin Royalty Mac Ruffin, Scarlett Sams, Tommy Scales, Heather Schroeder, Suzi Schumacher, T. Logan Scott, Chris and Meghan Sheraden, John and Mary Slocum, Bradford Smith, Brooke Spotswood, Diane Murdock Smith, Jeff Stover, John Stowe, J.E.B. Stuart IV, Gerald Sutzer, Eleson Tanton, Yvonne Travis, Stukie Valentine, Rosalie Vaughan, Jeanie Verther, Peter Von Szilassy, Hannah Davis Wade and Thomas Wade, Catherine Curran Walters, Mitzi Welton, Robin Williams, William Wilson, Eunice Wyatt, Alex, Alice, Beverly, Ellie, Kenny, Tonya, Winifred. For those expecting a child: Blair and Will Bigelow, Lindsey and Marshall Bigelow, Maggie and Matt Nick, Catherine and Andrew Yoho. For the blessings of this life, especially for the birth of *Katherine Hamilton Ayers to* Erin and Alexander Ayers. For those who have died, Louise Levis Toms. For our mission partners in Azua, Padre Manuel Estevez and the congregations of Reconciliación and San Jorge. For our missionaries Heidi Schmidt and Monica Vega serving in Argentina. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we give thanks for the Resurrection of our Lord. For the women, men, and staff of the City Jail. For racial reconciliation and healing. For peace and reconciliation in Egypt, Iraq, Israel/Palestine, South Sudan, Syria, and Ukraine. For those serving overseas in the military or diplomatic service: PFC Talbott Holloway, LCpl Henry M. Matthews III, PVT Zane Patrick, Lt. David Gant Shuford, Jr., 1ST LT Russell Timmons.

Names in italics were added to the prayer list this week.

In order to keep our prayer list up-to-date and to facilitate the intentionality and mindfulness with which we pray, we print the names on the prayer list for three months or less. If you would like for someone to remain on the prayer list for more (or less) than the three-month period, please call the office or email Gene LeCouteur at glecouteur@ststephensRVA.org.

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Ir., and Eleanor Noell Torres.