

THE BANNER



St. George's Episcopal Church

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July 2017



Ordinary Time

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Office hours: Monday – Thursday, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Sunday Schedule

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist Rite I
- 9:45 am Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II
with KidsWord & YouthWord

The Rev. Kevin LJ Schubert
Rector

The Rev. John Brewer
Deacon

Anne Weaver
Music Minister

Jennifer Joslyn-Siemiatkoski
Office Administrator

Jerri Thompson
Day School Director

Ashley Carrera
Raul Carrera
Brad Dieringer
Denise Hope
Claire Irwin
Clayton Kelley

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Frances Rickard
David Savage
Vestry

Brad Dieringer
Senior Warden

Raul Carrera
Junior Warden

Sandra Villalaz
Financial Secretary

Frances Rickard
Treasurer

Claire Irwin
Clerk

Mark Your Calendars



- M-Tu, Jul 3-4 Church Office Closed
- Sat, Jul 8 Women's Book Group
- Mon, Jul 17 Summer Bible Study
- Sun, Jul 23 Vestry Meeting
- Mon, Jul 24 Summer Bible Study
- Sun, Jul 30 Fifth Sunday Potluck

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Feast Days

4 Independence Day	22 Saint Mary Magdalene
6 Jan Hus, Prophetic Witness and Martyr, 1415	24 Thomas à Kempis, Priest, 1471
11 Benedict of Nursia, Abbot of Monte Cassino, c. 540	25 Saint James the Apostle
17 William White, Bishop of Pennsylvania, 1836	26 Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
19 Macrina, Monastic and Teacher, 379	27 William Reed Huntington, Priest, 1909
20 Elizabeth Cady Stanton, 1902; Amelia Bloomer, 1894; Sojourner Truth, 1883; and Harriet Ross Tubman, 1913, Liberators and Prophets	29 Mary and Martha of Bethany
	30 William Wilberforce, 1833
	31 Ignatius of Loyola, Priest and Monastic, 1556

Rector's Corner

Father Kevin is currently enjoying a well-deserved vacation. But he'll have plenty to report to the St. George's community in August!

August *Banner* Deadline



The deadline for news for the August issue of *The Banner* is **Thursday, July 27th**.

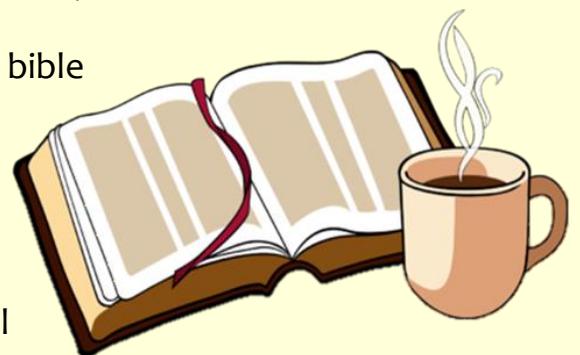
Please email news and articles you would like included in the next issue to stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com.

Wednesday Weavings

Wednesday Weavings, the St. George's adult discussion group, is taking a break during the month of July. But we hope you'll join us when we reconvene in August to continue our discussion of the book ***Formed by Love*** by Scott Bader-Saye. Contact Frances Rickard at fajrickard@gmail.com with any questions.

Summer Bible Study

The St. George's community is in the midst of a six-week bible study concentrating on the Letter of James, and we got off to a great start in June! If you weren't able to attend in June, we'd love to welcome you for the remaining four sessions in July and August. We're looking closely at the historical, theological, and ecclesial significances of the letter, with a particular emphasis on its application for our current context.



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The meetings are held on **Monday evenings**, from **5:30 to 6:30 pm**, in the small conference room of the **Wright-Giles House**. Please join us for whatever sessions you can.

July 17th	James, Chapter 2
July 24th	James, Chapter 3
August 7th	James, Chapter 4
August 14th	James, Chapter 5

Contact Father Kevin at kevinljshubert@gmail.com with any questions. Come and join this great opportunity to enrich our knowledge of scripture!

Fifth Sunday Potluck



July has five Sundays, which means that it's time for a **Fifth Sunday Potluck!** We will gather after the 10:30 service on **Sunday, July 30th**, in **Kleberg Hall**, to enjoy good food and fellowship. This is a great opportunity for extra visiting time with church friends and guests. Bring something to share if you can, but if you can't bring anything, don't

let that keep you away. There's always plenty to go around!

Outreach News – Summer 2017

The St. George's Outreach Committee met on Sunday, June 25th, and discussed our current and future outreach ministries.

St. George's has been involved with HELP INTERNATIONAL for a number of years, primarily through the Women's Book Group, which has adopted a Guatemalan student and paid her tuition for elementary school for the last six years. We are interested in expanding our involvement with HELP INTERNATIONAL by raising funds to install O'Neil ovens in rural homes in Guatemala. Currently most rural homes have wood-burning stoves, which can cause respiratory illnesses that lead to early death. In addition to donating funds, HELP INTERNATIONAL also provides opportunities for groups to travel to Guatemala and help to install the ovens. If you would like more information, please contact Spencer Gordon at gordonhollie3@gmail.com or Carolyn Moreau at carolynmoreau@austin.rr.com, or visit HELP INTERNATIONAL's website at www.helpintl.org.

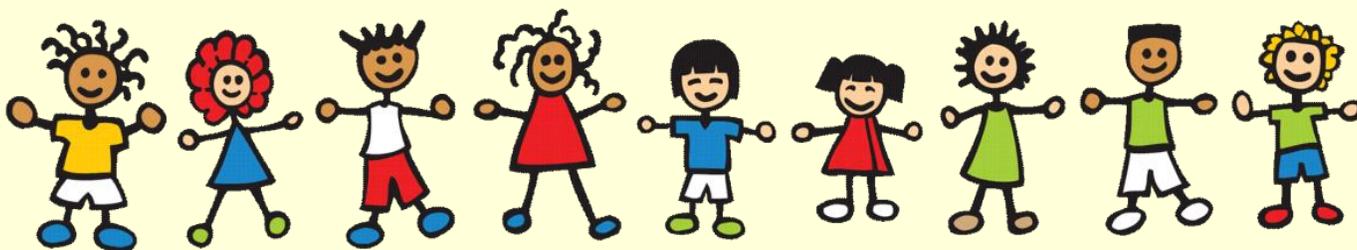


The Outreach Committee has received a gift in memory of Chuck Webb. The committee has decided to use the gift to pass out tacos to the homeless community across the street from St. George's on Fifth Sundays, as our community gathers for the Fifth Sunday Potluck. We plan to purchase the tacos and pass them out before our 10:30 service. We chose this form of outreach because of Chuck's commitment to addressing hunger in our community. He was involved with Any Baby Can and Meals on Wheels, and sometimes he filled his car with groceries and passed out bags to people in need. The Outreach Committee has consistently made donations to a variety of groups fighting hunger, but this new project will enable us to engage in face-to-face ministry with those in need, following the example of Christ. We would like to conduct a trial run on **Sunday, September 30th**. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Hollie Gordon at gordonhollie3@gmail.com or Frances Rickard at fajrickard@gmail.com.

Please join us for our next meeting on **Sunday, August 27th**, from **9:30-10:30 am** (between the services), in the Wright-Giles House. Strong coffee and donuts are always provided! Anyone interested in any of our church's many outreach projects is welcome. Please contact Hollie Gordon at gordonhollie3@gmail.com with any questions.

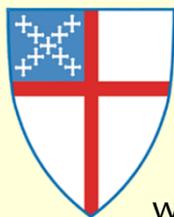
Summer Sunday School

Summer is here, with the many changes it brings to our regular schedules. One such change at St. George's is that we run our Sunday School programs a bit differently over the summer. To give our wonderful teachers time in church with their families, and to give others a chance to spend time with our sweet children, we ask members of the parish family to **sign up to teach a KidsWord or YouthWord class** for one or more Sundays this summer. If this is not something you've done before, please consider taking this opportunity to explore our shared faith and tradition in a new way. We can provide materials and lesson plans, or you can create your own. For more information or to sign up, please contact Jan Phillips at janphillips62@gmail.com.



Discovery Class

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Are you interested in becoming a member of St. George's? Are you a member of St. George's who would like to learn more about the church?

If you answered yes to either of these questions, or you're just curious, you are invited to attend the St. George's Discovery Class on **Saturday, August 26th**, from **10:00 am to 2:00 pm**, beginning in the Church and continuing in the Wright-Giles House. The class will help you become familiar with St. George's and the Episcopal Church, as we discuss church polity, history, biblical interpretation, and our common life in community. All youth and adults are encouraged to attend. If you are interested in attending the Discovery Class, please **RSVP** to the church office at stgeorgeaustin@gmail.com. If you have any questions regarding the class, please contact the Rev. Kevin LJ Schubert at kevinljschubert@gmail.com.

After completing the Discovery Class, those who wish to may participate in the sacrament of Confirmation, or the rites of Reception or Reaffirmation, with Bishop Harrison on Sunday, September 17th. **Confirmation** is a mature, public reaffirmation of the Christian faith and of the promises made at one's baptism. **Reception** is the rite by which those already confirmed in a different Christian tradition are received into the Episcopal Church. **Reaffirmation** is a rite in which adult Episcopalians who have already been confirmed or received may publicly reaffirm their faith and baptismal vows. All three are administered by a bishop because bishops serve as symbols of the wider Church and its continuity throughout the centuries.

Worship Leadership Training

Making worship services happen requires the participation and leadership of many people, not just the ordained clergy. Here at St. George's, as at many Episcopal churches, lay people prepare the altar for the eucharist, greet and assist people coming to church, carry the processional cross, read the Scripture lessons, lead the Prayers of the People, and serve communion. Many of you have participated in these ministries



over your time at St. George's, and many more of you may feel called to! If you currently participate in worship leadership at St. George's in any way, or if you are interested in the possibility of doing so, please plan to attend a Worship Leadership Training after the 10:30 service on **Sunday, August 27th**. After coffee, goodies, and fellowship in Kleberg Hall, we'll head back to the Church and learn about the many ways we can faithfully and lovingly lead God's people in worship. For more information, please contact Father Kevin at kevinlschubert@gmail.com.

July Birthdays & Anniversaries

We wish the following parishioners a happy birthday:



Katie Prentice (Jul 2)	Mason Carder (Jul 22)
Brad Dieringer (Jul 7)	Josh Poage (Jul 23)
Athena Navarro (Jul 9)	Heather Schubert (Jul 24)
Melody Rickard (Jul 13)	Hal Stevens (Jul 25)
Evan O'Donnell (Jul 16)	Kevin Schubert (Jul 26)
Braxton Smiser (Jul 17)	Peter Stuart (Jul 30)
Jennifer Joslyn-Siemiatkoski (Jul 18)	Philip Doty (Jul 30)
JT Sparks (Jul 18)	Michael Smiser (Jul 31)
Walter Moreau (Jul 20)	



And a happy anniversary to:

Ariane & Mark Corcoran (Jul 3)	Carolyn & Walter Moreau (Jul 13)
Philip Doty & Mikail McIntosh-Doty (Jul 5)	Hollie & Spencer Gordon (Jul 31)
Josh & Anne McGonigle (Jul 7)	

Congratulations and Best Wishes!

Links for Further Information

[St. George's Church website](#)
[St. George's Episcopal School](#)
[The Episcopal Diocese of Texas](#)
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[The Lectionary](#)
[Camp Allen](#)
[St. George's Court](#)
[Episcopal Relief and Development](#)