

St. George's Episcopal Church, Milford

April 30, 2026 EBlast



Keeping St. George's Beautiful

Greetings from your 2026 Jr. Warden! Here is an update on what we have been up to in our efforts to keep our building in the best possible shape.

One priority this year has been to repair our leaking roof. You may have noticed on Sunday that we have a new roof over the sanctuary, in the section with the steeple. This area has been leaking for some time, causing water damage to our sanctuary walls and ceiling. Following competitive bidding on the project, Roofing Solutions, the company that did the rest of the roof in 2018, was hired. They replaced the roof and did custom waterproofing around the steeple and supports.

Another priority is to get the parking lot surface repaired, sealed and striped. Vestry reviewed competitive bids on this project as well. As a result, we hired Lower Peninsula Striping and Sealcoating. They have excellent references and are charging a reasonable price. Depending on the weather, this project will happen sometime in May. They are mindful of our service schedule and will make sure our lot is available for Sunday services.

In addition to projects being done by outside vendors, we are also insourcing some maintenance. I am so appreciative of our talented members. A few examples:

- > Tony Cangelosi is replacing the sun damaged siding along the parking lot side of the sanctuary. He and a team of one or two additional members are working on this project. Thank you Tony!
- > Tony is also the world's foremost authority on our boiler and heating system and has been ensuring that our church is literally warm and welcoming at all times. Thank you Tony for your faithful care of this system!
- > Hans Strauch fixed the electrical issue in Fellowship Hall. Thank you Hans!
- > Our "Handyman Ministry" is looking into fixing the ceiling in the hallway by the rest rooms. Thank you Mike, Sr. for pulling this group together!
- > *Here's how you can help:* Our Spring Clean Up day will be Saturday, May 9, starting at 9:00 am. Bring your gardening tools and gloves. Work inside or out. And we'll have donuts to keep our spirits up. I hope you can join us!

These projects can be done because we have money in the building fund to support them. Many thanks to those who have made a pledge to support the Building Fund this year! If you did not pledge and would like to contribute, we will have the "Cookie Jar" out for contributions during the month of May. If you would like to begin to make regular contributions to our Building Fund, please see Ed and he will help you add it to your electronic giving or get you special envelopes.

In Christ,

Ruth Jeffrey, Jr. Warden

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sunday May 3

8:30 am - Holy Eucharist Rite I Celebrant: Rev. Michelle
In the Church

10:15 am - Holy Eucharist Rite II Celebrant: Rev. Michelle
In the church & livestreamed

Wednesday May 6

1:00pm - Crochet for a Cause

Thursday May 7

1:00pm - Outreach meeting - **New Time!**

Saturday May 9

9:00 am - Spring Clean Up Day

Tuesday May 12

11:00am - ECW

Wednesday May 13

7:00pm - Worship Committee Meeting

Saturday May 16

8:00pm - LOK Outing - "Hello Dolly"

Monday May 18

7:00pm - Vestry Meeting

Wednesday May 20

1:00pm - Crochet for a Cause

6:00pm - Men's Group

Scam alert:

Some members are getting texts from an unknown number pretending to be Rev. Michelle, Deb or anyone else from the church will never ask you for money, gift cards or personal info by text or email. If anything seems fishy at all please call Rev. Michelle or the person texting you directly using the number in the directory. Scammers are using AI to make these scams more believable and effective. Please stay safe and take care of each other.

Textile Drive

Do you have old, stained or damaged clothing, sheets, bedding, purses or other textiles laying around your house? Now is the time to bring them to church. This Spring we will be participating in the textile drive for the Oakland County Foster closet. They get paid by the pound to recycle old material so all that stuff that is too damaged to donate elsewhere can help support kids in need. See flyer below for exactly what they take and how to package it. Special pink bags are available at church in the narthex and fellowship hall. Please return items to be recycled to the first classroom next to the kitchen off the fellowship hall. If you have other higher quality still usable/salable items you can package them separately and put them in the hall by the bathrooms. Adult items will go to Grace Centers of Hope and kids items and luggage will go to the actual Foster Closet (see flyer below for their needs).

Outreach Meeting Thursday May 7 at 1:00pm (new time)

Join us at **1:00pm** for our spring outreach meeting. We will be planning our outreach activities for the Spring and Summer. All are welcome to join us. If you have ideas for ministries or organizations you would like us to support please come or let Rev Michelle, Mike Fanfair or Dot know your ideas.

Church Clean-up Day - Sat May 9

Join us Sat May 9th 9:00am-1:00pm to help clean-up the church and grounds for spring. Indoor and Outdoor Projects available for people of all physical ability levels. Sat May 23 will be our make-up day in case of rain.

Worship Committee May 13

The Worship Committee will meet Wednesday May 13 at 7:00pm to plan for summer & fall worship. All St George's members are welcome to help us and make your voices heard.

The Dragon Returns!

Welcome back to our friendly dragon who has emerged from her winter hibernation. Thank you to our faithful band of men and women who helped restore her to her proper place.

October LOK Outing

Deb Lesnew needs a count for the Dio dinner theatre show on October 4th. We are seeing the Crucible. We plan on the afternoon show at 12:15. The cost will be around \$50. It can be less depending on the group size. It is non refundable. She needs a count by June 15. Please sign-up at church, on the Facebook Group or RSVP to Deb Lesnew.

Ongoing Outreach Activities

Below is a list of things we are currently collecting for our ongoing outreach ministries. Check back often to see what we are up to

Recyclable Textiles - Oakland County Foster Closet - in pink bags, first classroom - through end of May
Children's items and Luggage - Oakland County Foster Closet - end of hallway - through end of May

Dress and other nice clothing - Grace Centers of Hope Resale Shop - Middle of Hallway - Ongoing

Small Toiletries - FedUp - Hallway Closest to Office - Ongoing

Non-perishable food - Community Sharing - Green bin in Narthex - Ongoing

Used Grocery Bags - Crochet for a Cause - Bins outside by plastic box or in back classroom - Ongoing

Ongoing Ministries in Action:

-Braver Angels

Monthly meetings have now been moved to the last Wednesday of the month working on depolarization. All are welcome. Dinner will be at 6:30 pm, skills practice at 7:00, and planning at 7:30, finishing at 8:00 pm. **The next meeting will be on Wednesday, May 27 in the fellowship hall. See you then.**

-Coffee Fellowship

Coffee Fellowship May Sign up is posted in the Fellowship Hall. **Please sign up to Host!** We also always need people to set-up & clean-up for Coffee Hour.

-Crochet for a Cause

Making mats for those in need out of plastic grocery bags. 1st 3rd & 5th Wednesdays from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. We have a great time! **Next Meetings are April 29 & May 6.**

- Cookie Ministry - Supporting the AA groups that meet at our church

All four weeks of cookie donations each month continue to be covered by the Darcys, Mike Fanfair Sr., Vestry and Linda Gillepsie. Thank you for your ongoing support! Should one of these volunteers need a break, they will let Dot know and she will specifically reach out for additional help, if needed.

-ECW (Episcopal Church Women)

ECW will continue to meet monthly on the 2nd Tuesday. The **next Meeting is Tuesday May 12 at 11:00am in the Fellowship Hall.**

St. George's ECW is a small group of women committed to supporting the many activities of this church. All women members of the church are members of ECW and are encouraged to attend the meetings. Do come along and join us.

- Healing Prayer

Provides laying on of hands and anointing for healing after worship at 8:30 & during communion at 10:15 service. The next Healing Prayers will be on **May 3 & 24.** Healing Prayer can be offered at all other services by request.

- LOK - Ladies of the Knight

2026 Tentative Schedule. Keeping check throughout the year for updates and more info.

May 16 at 8:00pm - Joyce Spletzer - Farmington Players "Hello Dolly"

June - Laura Frost & Deb Shomoch - Detroit River Cruise

Deb Lesnew & Beck Sheridan - Recycled Rockettes

July 18 - Ann Gatland - Summer Party

Sandy Scott - St Sabba's Orthodox Monastery

August 25-26 - Joyce Spletzer - Stratford Trip - see info above

September - Caroline Liebau - Mariners Church

October 4 - Deb Lesnew - Dio Dinner Theatre - see above for more info

November - Dot Vangel - Ford Rouge Tour

December 5 - Joyce Spletzer - Annual Christmas Party

- Mens' Group

The Men's Group normally meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. All Men are invited to attend.

The **next meeting is on Wednesday May 20 at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.**

Please see Mike F. Sr's upcoming email for more information.

Keeping Your Faith Strong

-Those in Our Prayers

It is time for our periodic review of our prayer list, those who have been on the list for a long time will automatically come off, if you would like someone added back on, please let Rev. Michelle know or add it to the prayer request sheet in the Narthex.

Please pray for our members, community members and friends in search of health, healing, wholeness and solace: *Annie F., Barry, Brett & Megan & Joshua, Carol R., Caroline, Cheryl, Denise, Dot V., Eric, Fred K., Helen, Janine C., Jeanne, Jim, Joan B., John E., Judi V., Katie M., Karen S., Kim, Leon, Lisa D., Lisa S., MaryLou, Matt, Michael B., Michelle M., Michelle R., Mike W., Nancy B., Natalie C., Olivia S., Rebecca, Rick, the Sera Family, Sharon A., Sue H., Theresa A.,*

Loving God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer: accept our prayers, and to those who seek healing, grant the power of your grace, that the weak may be strengthened, sickness turned to health, the dying made whole, and sorrow turned into joy; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen. (Book of Occasional Services pg217)

- Online Daily Office Schedule

Monday-Thursday 10 a.m. Morning Prayer

Fridays, 4 p.m. Evening Prayer

Sundays, 7 p.m. Compline

Do you join our Sunday worship online? A reliable and quick way to find our YouTube services (live or recorded) is from our website's "Watch" page, accessed from the top of the home page by clicking the word "Watch." [Here's a direct link.](#) Want to participate in our Daily Office online? Those are on Facebook. [Here's the link.](#)

-Sermon Blog

Ever hear something in worship and think, I wish I could look at that again or send it to a friend? Well now you can. Now St George's has a Sermon Blog. 🐝 Weekly sermons and reflections will be posted here from now on. Rev. Michelle's sermons will appear on Sunday morning, Morning Prayer reflections will usually be up within a couple of days. Feel free to share! [St George's Sermon Blog](#)

When to contact the Priest:

Please be in touch. I can only pray, help or connect you with resources if I know what is happening. Examples of when to contact the Priest: Birth, Death, Illness, Hospitalization, Difficulty in the Family, You would like to receive sacraments or a Pastoral visit, You have an idea or ministry you would like to discuss. I am usually in the office Wed and either Tues or Thurs 9:30-3. If you see my car in the lot, feel free to pop in. If I don't answer the phone make sure to leave a message or send a text and I will get back to you as soon as I can.

How to contact Rev. Michelle: **Phone/Text:** (734) 646-4064 or **Email:** priest@stgmilford.com

-Forward Day by Day Devotions

The May-July Booklets are available now to pick up in the Narthex. Let us know if you need one mailed/delivered to your house. The cost is \$2.00 for each booklet. Please reimburse us as you are able in the donation box nearby. I recommend a read!

Community Events

Spring Concert

presented by Huron Valley Community Chorus

Sunday, May 3, 2026

4PM

(Doors open at 3:45 PM)

Christ Lutheran Church

620 General Motors Road
Milford MI

A donation box will be available

Huron Valley Community Chorus:

- * All volunteer
- * Non-audition
- * Four-part harmony
- * Established in 1977
- * Member of Huron Valley Chamber of Commerce
- * For information, contact: Jacqueline Rhodes, 248-887-1514



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Get a fresh start!

We are the Oakland County Foster Closet (scan our QR code to learn more about us). We are a 501c3 nonprofit providing children that qualify, all of the essentials that they need, absolutely FREE

Donate your items instead of throwing them away in a landfill and we earn .10 cent per lb.

We have a partnership with Simple Recycling (You can visit them at www.simplerecycling.com) that allows us to recycle items that are torn, ripped, stained, old, unusable or just not needed. We receive .10 cents per lb., but more importantly, these items do not end up in a landfill. If you would like to participate with this program, you can use the attached PINK/ ORANGE Simple Recycling bag or you can use a white garbage bag with a large "X" on both sides. Please return bags to the church by the end of May and we will deliver them to the Foster Closet.

This is what they recycle: (In Pink/ Orange Bags)

Men's Clothing	Children's Clothing	Women's Clothing	Boots & Shoes
Belts & Ties	Books	Bras	Coats & Jackets
Fashion Accessories	Handbags & Purses	Hats & Gloves	Kitchenware
Linens	Pillows	Sandals & Slippers	Socks
Stuffed Animals	Table Linens	Tools	Towels
Toys	Undergarments	Bedding (sheets, pillow cases, blankets, comforters)	

To learn more about the Foster Closet **Scan this QR code**

Items they **CANNOT** take collect include:

Appliances	Furniture
Carpeting	Mattresses
Hazardous Waste	Tires
Paint	Traditional Recyclables (metal, glass, paper)



Items they take for use for their clients (Do not put in pink bags)

Clothing:	Sizes NB – adult 2X Clothes for children and should focus on what children would wear
Linens:	Sheets for Crib, Twin, Full or Queen Bath towels, Washcloths
Luggage:	Carry-on, Regular luggage, Duffle bags (No garment bags or make-up bags)
Shoes:	Tennis shoes, Water shoes, Boots, Sandals
Books:	Board books, Young readers, Chapter books, Series
Toys:	Ages 0-3 new or used, Ages 4 and up new only
Kids equipment:	Strollers, Car Seats, High Chairs, Cribs, Pack n Plays, Gates, Bouncers, Jumpers, Outside toys

If your item is not on this list, feel free to send a text or picture to us at 248-419-4487