



SAINT GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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August 2, 2026 at 8:30 a.m.
The 10th Sunday After Pentecost

Proper 13

Morning Prayer, Rite I. *In-Person*

Margaret Walbridge, *Officiant*

John Potter, *Music Minister*

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Psalter | Psalm 145:8-9, 15-22 *said responsively by whole verse*

8. The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger and of great kindness.

**9. The LORD is loving to everyone
and his compassion is over all his works.**

15. The LORD upholds all those who fall;
he lifts up those who are bowed down.

16. **The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD,
and you give them their food in due season.**
17. You open wide your hand
and satisfy the needs of every living creature.
18. **The LORD is righteous in all his ways
and loving in all his works.**
19. The LORD is near to those who call upon him,
to all who call upon him faithfully.
20. **He fulfills the desire of those who fear him;
he hears their cry and helps them.**
21. The LORD preserves all those who love him,
but he destroys all the wicked.
22. **My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD;
let all flesh bless his holy Name for ever and ever.**

First Lesson | Isaiah 55:1-5

An Invitation to Abundant Life

A reading from Isaiah, chapter 55, beginning at the first verse

Thus says the Lord: "Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples.

See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Thanks be to God.**

The Epistle | Romans 9: 1-5

God's Election of Israel

A reading from the Letter of Paul to God's beloved in Rome, chapter 9, verses 1 through 5

I am speaking the truth in Christ-- I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit-- I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

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Gospel Lesson | Matthew 14: 13-21

Feeding the Five Thousand

A Lesson from the Gospel according to Matthew, chapter 14, verses 13 through 21

Jesus withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds

to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Thanks be to God.**

Reflection

Margaret Walbridge

The Apostles' Creed and the Prayers

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The Collect of the Day

O Lord, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy Church, and, because it cannot continue in safety without thy succor, preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Green card

The Peace

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Officiant Let us share the Peace of Christ!

Announcements

Officiant & People

Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men.

We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

Officiant

The Blessing

God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us the victory, give us joy and peace in our faith; And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn H-82 #376

Joyful, joyful we adore thee

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Conclusion

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

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Announcements – August 2, 2026

- ★ **Welcome to St George's Church!** Our Worship schedule includes Services at 08:30am and 10:15am in the Church. Both services will be live-streamed to our YouTube channel (accessible from our website and our Facebook page) in each month according to the following pattern:
1st Sunday - 08:30 am Rite I Service *2nd/3rd/4th/(5th) Sundays* - 10:15 am Rite II Service.
- ★ **Healing Prayer will be offered at both services on August 9, 23 & 30.** Healing prayer is always available upon request.
- ★ **Milford Memories Aug 7-9 9:00am-6:00pm.** Sign-up now to help us man the lot and greet our neighbors. Donations of ice and bottled water are also needed. You can sign-up on the Sign-up Genius using this QR code, the link in the blast or by seeing Rev. Michelle, Mike Darcy or Mike Fanfair Sr. 
- ★ **Farewell and Godspeed for John Potter.** John will be completing his ministry with us on **Sunday August 9**, so we will be wishing him Farewell & Godspeed in worship and at a special coffee hour celebration after the 10:15 service. Please see Deb Sawyer if you would like to contribute.
- ★ **Mark your Calendars: September 6** - Bishop's Triennial Visitation, **September 20** - Serving Lunch Crossroads
- ★ **Chancel Flowers are given today** by Deb Sawyer in celebration of her American home.
- ★ **Sign-up for Altar Flowers 2026 is available in the narthex. Please sign up now.**