

St. George's Episcopal Church, Milford

March 19, 2026 EBlast



Completing Our Time in the Wilderness

This coming Sunday is the last Sunday in Lent. Our wilderness journey is slowly coming to a close. And first, I want to thank each and every St George's member for participating in this journey with me. I know for some it was a bit of a stretch, but we have had the time to sit, sing, pray and listen to God and one another over these past few weeks and it has been beautiful. We have enlarged our musical repertoire and learned some new things that we can use again in the future if we want. But most of all, it has been wonderful to get to be still and be together and be with God during this chaotic time in our nation's history. (Trust me, when I started this, I didn't imagine we would have started another war in the Middle East by the end of it).

But let's not get ahead of ourselves. We are not done yet! This Sunday we get to hear the story of Lazarus from John 11. And traditionally, this is the longest Gospel text in the entire lectionary. So not to be outdone, I made it even longer. But I promise, it is worth it. John chapter 11 is my favorite part of the whole Bible. If I only got to keep one bit, it would be this. Not the Creation story, or the Christmas story or even the Easter story, because all of that and more shows up already in John 11. So come to church this Sunday (or watch online) and join me in completing our wilderness journey as we prepare ourselves for Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter.

See You Sunday,
Rev. Michelle

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Saturday March 21

9:00/9:15am at church or 10:00am at the museum - LOK Outing to Henry Ford Museum

Sunday March 22

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

11:30am - 'Chosen' Season 4 Episode 7

Wednesday March 25

6:30pm - Braver Angels

Sunday March 29

Palm Sunday

Wednesday April 1

1:00 pm - Crochet for a Cause

Thursday April 2

6:00pm Maundy Thursday Supper & Service

Friday April 3

12:00pm Ecumenical Good Friday Service - Milford Presbyterian Church

7:00pm Episcopal Service

Sunday April 5

Easter Sunday

Holy Week Schedule

March 29, Palm Sunday: 8:30am & 10:15am Services with Passion reading and Chosen 4 Finale

April 2, Maundy Thursday: 6:00pm Supper, Communion and Foot-washing in the Parish Hall followed by service in Sanctuary preparing the Church and ourselves for Good Friday.

April 3, Good Friday: 12:00pm Community Ecumenical Service, Milford Presbyterian
7:00pm Traditional Episcopal Service

April 5, Easter Sunday: 8:30am and 10:15am Festive Easter Eucharist

Holy Week sign -up

Still looking for readers for Passion Reading on Palm Sunday, largely for 10:15 service and 1 Reader for Good Friday, 7pm service. Not onerous tasks, full explanation and Readings supplied. We will also have a sign-up sheet ready to bring items for the Maundy Thursday Dinner. See Deb S. to Volunteer. I'll have my Clipboard at the ready!

March LOK Outing to the Henry Ford

March LOK outing is still on for **Saturday March 21**. We will be going to the Henry Ford Museum to see the new DaVinci Exhibition. If you want to carpool from church, meet at 9:00/9:15am or meet us at the museum at 10:00am. Tickets are all ordered and ready to go.

'The Chosen' Season 4

The Chosen tv series continues at St George's. This week we will watch Season 4 Episode 7: The Last Sign <https://watch.thechosen.tv/video/184683596184> We will eat lunch and watch the episode, and then have a discussion after. Please sign-up so we know how much food to order. Suggested donation for lunch (Wraps,Chips, sweet Treat, Tea Coffee Juice etc) \$7.

Protest Signs for No Kings Rally Saturday March 28

If you plan to participate in a No Kings Rally on March 28th and would like a Palm Sunday themed protest sign, you can pick one up from the church on Sunday or during the week next week. Bring them (or other signs you make) back to church Palm Sunday and use them in our Palm procession.

If you would like to participate in a rally, you can find the times and locations here:

<https://www.nokings.org/> closest ones are in Novi & South Lyon.

Last Chance to Sign-up for Easter flowers

If you would like to sign-up to donate Easter flowers to beautify the chancel, please sign up in the narthex this Sunday or email the office by Thursday March 26 if you would like your dedication to appear in the Easter bulletin.

Easter Basket Packing Thanks

Thanks to all who donated and helped pack Easter baskets last week. They have been delivered with hearty thanks from the good folks at Oakland County Foster closet.



Lenten Mite Box for the Church at Crossroads

We will be collecting alms for the church at Crossroads once again this year.

If you are wondering how your Lenten Alms will be used, you can subscribe to the wonderful newsletter published quarterly by The Church at Crossroads. It is heartwarming to see the amazing difference you are helping to make!

Newsletter: <https://www.churchatcrossroads.org/newsletters>

The Church at Crossroads Website: <https://www.churchatcrossroads.org/>

You can make your own mite box from this template bit.ly/4akxhi5 or pick one up here at the Church. As you remember God's blessings in your life, you can pray for their ministry and accumulate your donations. Please return your donations at the end of Lent.

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

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

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

Outreach Update: Crochet for Cause:

This week 30 mats to All Saints Pontiac

Last week 35 mats to Motor City Music Mission

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, March 25th in the fellowship hall. See you then.**

-Coffee Fellowship

Coffee fellowship is on Pause during the Chosen. However we always need people to set-up & clean-up for lunch. We also welcome a sweet treat, fruit or veggies to go with the wraps if anyone feels inclined.

-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 1 & 15.**

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

All four weeks of cookie donations for this month have been covered for the AA groups that meet at our church twice a week. Many thanks to the Darcys, Mike Fanfair Sr., Linda Gillespie, and the Vestry for their support.

If you would like to provide cookies for this ministry during one of the weeks in March, please see Dot. You can either bake or purchase approximately 50 cookies and drop them off by Friday of your scheduled week.

-ECW (Episcopal Church Women)

ECW will continue to meet monthly on the 2nd Tuesday. The **next Meeting is Tuesday April 14 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 **March 29 & April 5.** 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.

March 21 - Henry Ford DaVinci Exhibit - see above - sign-up and pay by March 8.

April 14 - Judith Jambor, Joyce Spletzer & Sandy Scott - Tour of DIA - see above - sign-up for head count on Facebook or to Sandy or Joyce by March 8.

May - 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

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 April 15 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., Art, Barry, Brett & Megan & Joshua, Carol R., Caroline, Cheryl, Dean R., 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, Mary Sue Lutz & Family, Matt, Michael B., Michelle M., Michelle R., Nancy B., Olivia S., Randy H., Rebecca, Rick & Debbie, Rick, the Sera Family, Sharon A., Sue H., Theresa A., Tara 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 February-April 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