

St. George's Episcopal Church, Milford

March 5, 2026 EBlast



Reflecting on Our Worship

This week I was blessed to get to spend a few days at our Diocesan Clergy Conference in Detroit. It was a wonderful time to learn, worship and pray together, to reconnect with colleagues and to spend time with the Bishop and her staff.

Our theme this year was Shaping Liturgy that Shapes God's People and we had the honor of being taught by Rev. Dr. Ruth Meyers, one of the Episcopal Church's foremost liturgical scholars. It was especially good for this Lutheran educated Pastor to get some proper Episcopal liturgical formation 😊. But all joking aside, it was really wonderful to have some time to reflect on the ways that our worship together shapes and forms us as a community of disciples of Christ.

During this Lenten season, we have been worshipping differently. But hopefully these temporary changes, this time in the wilderness, will help us refocus on the heart of our shared worship. Every week, we still do the 5 basic things that define Episcopal worship. We Gather in the name of God, Proclaim and respond to the Word, Pray for the World and the Church, Celebrate the Eucharistic Meal and God, forth in the Name of Christ. We do these things with purpose and attention. During this Lenten season, I invite each of you to take some time (maybe during one of our Taizé chants) to reflect on the ways you encounter God in worship. Which prayers, actions, or moments in worship are most impactful to you? Where do you feel God's presence? What has felt different for you during Lent? What do you miss?

And yes, there will be a quiz on this 😊. Another great thing I learned was a new assessment tool for both worship leaders and other lay people to think about worship that we will be using sometime this Spring, so you might as well start thinking now.

See you Sunday,
Rev. Michelle

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sunday March 8

Easter Basket Items Due Back

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 6

Tuesday March 10

11:00am ECW

Sunday March 15

11:30am Easter Basket Assembly

Wednesday March 18

11:00pm Crochet for a Cause

6:30pm Men’s Group

Saturday March 21

LOK Outing to Henry Ford Museum DaVinci Exhibit

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

Friday April 3

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

7:00pm Episcopal Service

Sunday April 5

Easter Sunday

‘The Chosen’ Season 4

The Chosen tv series continues at St George’s. This week we will watch Season 4 Episode 6: Dedication <https://watch.thechosen.tv/video/184683596188> 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.

Please return items for the Easter Basket Drive:

Please return items to the marked blue tub at church by **March 8**. We will assemble the baskets on March 15 after the 10:15 service. If you need to check what you signed up for you can do it here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E44A8AD2EABF58-62321793-2026>

March LOK Outing to the Henry Ford

The March LOK outing will be **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 9:30 or meet us at the museum at 10:00am. If we get 15 or more people and buy in advance, the price is \$30.50 per person. **Please sign-up at church or call or text Janine Cole and pay by Sunday March 8.**

April LOK Outing to the DIA

The April LOK outing will be **Tuesday, April 14 at 1:00**. We will be having an hour guided tour at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

We need numbers early (by next Sunday the 8th), because if there are more than 15, they need a month’s notice to get a second docent. Men may join us if desired.

No charge. We plan on lunch after the tour. Remember this is in April!
So, if you strongly believe that you may come, please text or call Joyce or Sandy, or tell us at church next 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

Lenten Madness:

Lenten Madness began on February 19. Visit <https://www.lentmadness.org/> to fill out an online bracket and subscribe for daily emails to vote for your favorite saints.

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 March 18 & April 1.**

- 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 March 10 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 22**. 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 March 18 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, Dan, Dean R., Denise, Dot V., Eric, Fred K., Helen, Joan B., John E., Jeanne, Jim, Judi V., Katie M., Karen S., Kim, Leon, Lisa D., Lisa S., MaryLou, Mary Sue Lutz & Family, Matt, Michelle M., Michelle R., Nancy B., Olivia S., Randy H., Rebecca, Randy, 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