



SAINT GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

To Love and Serve the Lord, and Our Neighbors as Ourselves

Carrying Out the Mission of the Church

We know the mission statement of St. George's Episcopal Church, as proudly emblazoned on the top of this newsletter: "To Love and Serve the Lord and our Neighbors as Ourselves." This is the great commandment as handed down by our Lord Jesus Christ in the gospels, and everything we do – from our Sunday worship to our community outreach – is to reflect those mighty words. It is the mantra which guides our decisions and focuses our efforts to be the church that God wants us to be.

But the question we need to ask about living out our mission statement is, "To what end?" To what are we striving by loving and serving the Lord and our neighbors? What is the actual purpose of the church – not just the Episcopal Church, but of the whole church universal? The answer is found in the Catechism in the Book of Common Prayer:

"The mission of the Church is to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ." (p. 855)

The church exists to be the catalyst by which all people are brought into loving fellowship with God and with one another, and to do so by spreading the good news of Jesus Christ. This mission is pursued through prayer and worship, by proclaiming the Gospel, and by promoting justice, peace, and love in a hurting and broken world. And the ones tasked with fulfilling the church's mission are her ministers, those who have been baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

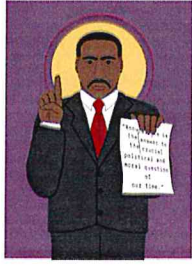
Our foremost responsibility as Christ's Body the Church is to bring about that unity by employing the gifts that God has bestowed upon us. Not all gifts are the same, and so the methods by which we pursue the mission of the church will be different for each one of us, but it's this variety in pursuit of a common goal that speaks to the infinite breadth of the mission. Through our big and small efforts, in public and private settings, and responding to the needs of many or just one, we are fulfilling our mission of restoration with God and with each other.

During these Great Fifty Days of Easter, as we celebrate our salvation through the promise of the Resurrection, I want you to be intentional and fervent in your responsibility as a minister of the church. Each week when we gather for worship, you'll be provided with a piece of paper to write down one way in which you pursued the mission of the church during the previous seven days. Where did you witness God at work? What did you do to be the hands and feet of Jesus? How did you proclaim the Gospel in word or action? The responses will be made anonymously, and there will be a box in the narthex to collect them. Then, on the Day of Pentecost – the birthday of the church – we will display and celebrate all the ways in which the faithful members of St. George's are carrying out the mission of the church.



We are all called to be ministers in the church and to pursue her mission to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ. Please join me in making a concerted and intentional effort to love and serve the Lord and our neighbors as ourselves, and then to celebrate how St. George's Episcopal Church is fulfilling its role by proclaiming the joy of the Resurrection and the coming of the kingdom to all of God's children.

~ Fr. Mark



Evening Prayer

Everyone is invited to a service of Evening Prayer on April 4 at 7:00 pm in the chapel commemorating the Feast Day of Martin Luther King, Jr., pastor and martyr.

First Sunday Food Pantry

April 7 is the first Sunday of the month. At this time, we bring our Food Pantry offerings to the altar during both services. Please bring your pantry items to help fill the Pantry shelves. Monetary donations are also welcome!

Confirmation



Please join us for a single worship service at 10:30 am on April 14 as the Right Reverend Brian K. Burgess, Bishop of the Diocese of Springfield, will be here to celebrate Holy Eucharist and confer the sacramental rite of Confirmation and Reception. One teenage four adult members

of St. George's will be recognized on that day as they make a mature public commitment of their faith. The whole church is invited to share this spiritual journey with them. Bishop Burgess will also be holding a special adult forum on that day at 9:15 am. Light refreshments and fellowship to recognize the confirmands will follow the 10:30 service.

Melissa Harden to be Promoted!

Congratulations to Melissa Harden on her promotion from United States Air Force Major to Lieutenant Colonel, effective April 1. Currently, she is the Deputy Director of Analyses, Assessments and Lessons Learned at Air Mobility Command. She will be supervising a new team of people. Melissa is excited to welcome her mother, visiting for the ceremony. God bless you in this new assignment!



Florence Martin Scholarship Awards

The Florence Martin Scholarship Committee received four applications for a 2024 scholarship, including three college students and one adult continuing education. The Committee recommended approval of all of them, and the Vestry agreed. The winners of the 2024 Florence Martin Scholarship are:

- Evangeline (Eva) Jarvis** is studying Culinary Arts
- Eliza Kammann** will pursue a degree in Education
- Hannah Ohlemeier** also has a goal in Education
- Diane Earhart** will further her flight instructor training

Congratulations to all, and St. George's wishes you the best of luck in your future education.



Unlike the other children, Young Moses would never know the pure adolescent pleasure of joyfully jumping into a fresh springtime puddle.





ST. GEORGE'S SAFETY COMMITTEE

St. George's Safety Committee, consisting of eight trained members, is prayerfully ready to help when and where needed. During Sunday church services, a safety volunteer wears a lanyard with a fob. In case

of any type of emergency, this safety volunteer will press the button on the fob to alert the ambulance/police to respond. Then other safety volunteers will assist as needed until the situation is satisfactorily handled. Soon our safety volunteers will be also carrying a walkie talkie. This will allow the sanctuary, the nursery, and the parish hall to communicate with each other, again enhancing the ability to quickly respond to any type emergency.

There are three safety stations. One in the Canterbury Room to the left of the entrance, one in the parish hall between the library and the book store, and one in the hallway between the church offices and the chapel. Each of these stations contains an automated external defibrillator (AED), a first aid kit, an ambu bag (breathing), an oral vacuum suction apparatus (used if someone is choking on something), a modesty towel, and a card which contains the addresses for each of our three entrances. The Safety Committee members have been trained to use this equipment, and they will direct others to assist, such as obtaining for water or directing emergency responders.

Also be aware of the lanyard/fob and the walkie talkie in the parish hall during coffee hours, meetings, and social occasions. Please don't hesitate to embrace these assets; the fob and walkie talkie are excellent tools to expedite assistance. I will be randomly in the parish hall, pointing out the equipment and encouraging their use.

Current members of St. George's safety committee are Sarah Bender, David Buckley, Diane Earhart, Joe Hooten, Barbara Miller, Claudia Zimmermann, Bob Vaughn and Sue Vaughn. Members of both congregations meet quarterly to discuss our readiness, plans, and training needs.

To become a Safety Volunteer or for more information, please contact me at 618-593-7213 or bobsuevon@charter.net

~Sue Vaughn

Franklin School Needs Volunteer Mentors and Leaders



Mentoring

Franklin School is one of the recipients of St. George's Community Outreach Program and participates in our Chili Cook-Off booth each October.

Franklin School needs volunteers to lead its after-school sessions at any grade level K-6. Sessions last four weeks, currently Monday afternoons 3:00-3:45 pm. Dates will run through the end of the school year in May. Everyone involved is hopeful there will be enough interest and volunteers to offer additional sessions next school year.

Each volunteer can decide how big of a group and what grade level s/he will take in a group, and can create the subject matter. Past session subjects have included Game Time (Board Games) 3rd – 6th Grade boys and girls (12 spots) and Art Make and Take K-3rd Grade boys and girls (10 spots). Reading improvement is always a welcome topic.

Be creative and put your talents to use.

Contact David Buckley 618-520-9333 or david_f_buckley@yahoo.com

Joint Patronal Feast Service

Join us as we celebrate the namesakes of both congregations that share our facility at a single joint patronal feast service on April 28 at 10:00 am.



Saint George, as legend holds, bravely killed a dragon that was terrorizing a local village. He was a brave knight and Christian who converted many to the faith after his courageous act.

As a reward for killing the dragon, George was awarded a large sum of money which he donated to the poor. As a defender of the faith and of his community, this knight soon became a saint.

His memorial day is April 23rd. He is the patron saint of England (and many other cities and countries), of the Boy Scouts, against skin disease, of chivalry, knights, and soldiers.

Saint Mark the Evangelist was the author of the gospel bearing his name. According to tradition, he was the first Bishop of Alexandria in Egypt. Coptic Christians hold that he was born in Cyrene, North Africa, though the Bible speaks little of his history. He may have been the John Mark mentioned in the Acts of the Apostles, or Mark the cousin of Barnabas spoken of in Saint Paul's Letter to the Colossians. Mark's Gospel emphasizes that Jesus is the Messiah foretold by the prophets, which suggests that Mark was a Jew writing to Jews. He calls Jesus Son of God and Son of Man.



Saint Mark is supposed to have preached the gospel in Egypt around 49 AD. He became the first bishop of Alexandria. He was killed for the faith during the persecution of Emperor Nero around 68 AD. His remains were stolen from Alexandria by Venetian merchants.

Saint Mark is the patron of Venice, which used to be called the Republic of Saint Mark. In Christian art, Saint Mark is symbolized by a winged lion. His feast day is April 25. Apart from being a patron of Venice, he is the patron saint of barristers and of Egypt.

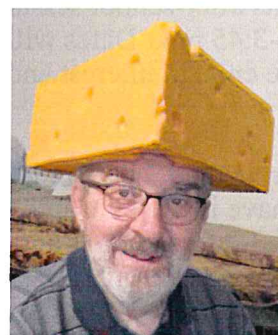
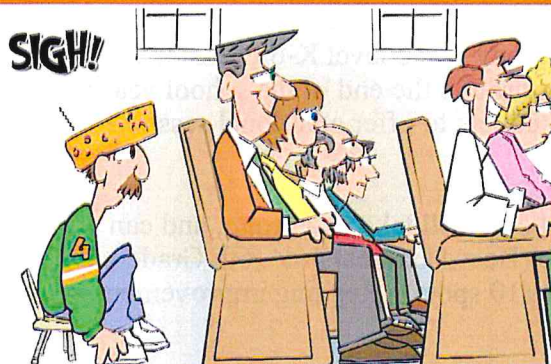
Some people in England celebrate St. George's Day with Morris Dancing, a folk form with origins in the 15th century. Live music is an integral part of Morris dancing

Morris dances are typically performed by a set of six dancers wearing bells on their legs. The dancers use handkerchiefs or sticks for flourishes and embellishment as they perform the figures of the dance. The dances are sometimes accompanied by traditional folk characters. The Fool interacts with the set, attempting to distract the dancers while amusing the audience. The Hobby Horse – not always a horse – strolls around the outside of the set, and engages with the audience. The Betty – an intentional gender-bending and cross-dressing character – also engages with the audience, and is thought by some to be an ancient fertility symbol.



Morris Dancing

Source:
<https://midwestmorrisale.org/resources/about-morris-dancing/what-is-morris-dancing/>



Suppose one guy wears nice clothes & another a "CHEESEHEAD". Should you show special attention to the well dressed, but the CHEESEHEAD put in the back on a KIDDY CHAIR! de 2:2-5

Attitude of Gratitude

Are you an Eeyore woe-is-I kind of person, or are you more of a bouncy Tigger?

I submit to you that an attitude of gratitude will give you a more Positive Mental Attitude (PMA). There is a lot of research to support this theory.

Some researchers suggest keeping a gratitude journal in which you can write things you are grateful for. I don't necessarily believe you need to write these down, but I have practiced finding at least one thing every single day for which I am grateful. The big, ongoing, obvious things don't count; find something other than "my family," or "my home." Some days it is a struggle, and the best you can come up with might be, "I'm thankful I didn't break my favorite coffee cup today."



Gratitude is a choice. YOU can opt to focus on the negative or on the positive.

One night, I came out of the building where I had a class. Pulling out of the driveway, I realized, "I think I have a flat tire." I pulled over and discovered, sure enough, the tire was flat. Not just a little low, but riding on the rim flat. I could have chosen to lament, "Now what do I do? I could call Steve to come and get me, but then this car would still be 35 miles away in Wood River. I could call AAA and wait an hour for the tow truck." Instead, I CHOSE to be thankful Casey's had a free air pump. (I think it's ridiculous to have to pay a couple bucks for a little phfft of air, plus you usually have to have a credit card to do it.) I was thankful the free air pump at Casey's was not broken (as it often is). I was thankful I had a tire gauge in the car--and knew how to use it. I put air in the tire and drove to Firestone where it could be fixed.

In 2017, Steve's younger brother, barely 40 years old, succumbed to cancer. While I grieved for the loss of a loved one and considered the unfairness of a life ending halfway before it should have, I was comforted by the gratitude that he died peacefully drugged against pain and in the company of loved ones.

One neighbor spends a lot of time planting spring flowers. The blossoming of hyacinths and tulips and daffodils makes me happy whenever I drive by. Our rambunctious puppy didn't rip anything apart one day. A specialty ingredient for a distinct dessert for coffee hour was in stock at the Asian market. A stranger gave me a coupon at the drug store for the one item I needed.

If you need help expressing (or remembering to express) gratitude, a Blessing Bracelet made by Agape Ambassadors might be the inspiration you need.

This has been The World According to Diane. Thank you for coming along for the ride.

~~Diane Earhart



WATER AND THE WORD BIBLE STUDY FOR WOMEN

It's time to begin looking at summer plans and praying about if you'd like to commit to a nine-week Women's Bible Study. We will meet weekly, on Wednesdays from 9:30-11:00 am, beginning June 12 and ending August 7. We will continue studying women in the Bible and then get in the pool and walk in the shallow area as we discuss the lesson. Participants in the past have really enjoyed the combination of movement and discussion. Contact Sue Vaughn at 618-593-7213 or bobsuevon@charter.net

BAER HOUSE TO BE RESTORED

There is good news about the Baer House, the vacant house across Jackson Street from the church.

<https://www.bnd.com/news/local/community/belleville/article285700501.html>

In an article printed February 21, 2024, in the Belleville New Democrat, it was reported:

Developer to rescue historic Belleville mansion from the wrecking ball By Teri Maddox

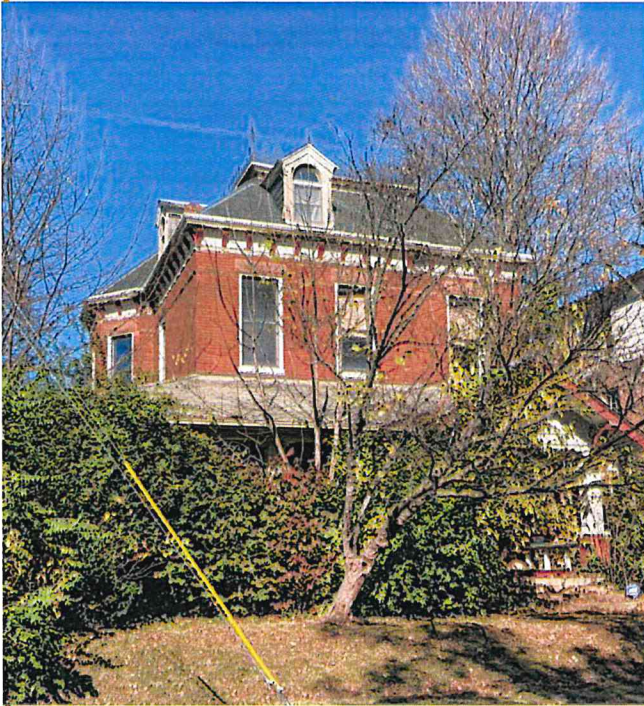
James and Phyllis Young and their daughters, Mary Lee and Christina, lived at 107 E. D St. in Belleville in the 1970s and '80s. James and Phyllis Young and their daughters, Mary Lee and Christina, lived at 107 E. D St. in Belleville in the 1970s and '80s. Provided A local developer has signed up for the monumental task of renovating a derelict 1884 mansion that the city of Belleville bought at a tax auction two years ago and planned to demolish. The City Council voted 13-0 on Tuesday night to approve a development agreement with Karl Gilpin, who has renovated several historic buildings with his brother, Victor Gilpin. Their company is Tygracon Properties. Under the agreement, Karl Gilpin will buy the two-story brick home with an attic apartment at 107 E. D St. for \$1 and spend at least \$330,000 on renovations, including \$250,000 of his own money and \$80,000 in tax-increment-financing funds from the city as part of its Infill Redevelopment Program. "It's a no-brainer for the city, honestly," Karl Gilpin said, joking that his wife, Magdalena Gilpin, forced him to take on the project because she loves the home so much. "If we rehab this thing, it's back on the tax rolls for 30 years at least, and that's if somebody bought it and did nothing with it and the roof collapsed. It will probably be on the tax rolls for 100 years plus." Officials calculated that the renovation would save the city \$50,000 in demolition costs and \$7,500 for mowing a vacant lot over five years and yield \$25,000 more in tax revenue for a total windfall of \$82,500.

The agreement requires the city to remove scrub trees and grind existing stumps on the property, install a new sidewalk and provide a 50% rebate on taxes resulting from the property's increased value for five years. The agreement requires Gilpin to follow the exterior-preservation rules of Hexenbuckel Historic District and complete the renovation or make substantial progress in two years. He told officials it could take three. "It's such a massive project," he said. Before Tuesday night's vote, Andy Gaa, chairman of Belleville Historic Preservation Commission, wrote a letter to aldermen, stating that the commission supported the agreement as a way to avoid creating yet another vacant lot in a historic Belleville neighborhood.

German immigrant Amson Baer had it built for his bride, Sadie. Built for German immigrants The Italianate-style mansion with a widow's walk and iron cresting was built for German immigrant Amson Baer and his wife, Sadie Baer. He co-owned Baer Brothers horse- and mule-trading business, according to Bob Brunkow, historian for Belleville Historical Society. Several families occupied the home over 140 years. That included James and Phyllis Young, who completed a major renovation in the 1970s. Their daughters, now Mary Lee Poole and Christina Keck, played among three marble fireplaces, a grand staircase, 12-foot-high ceilings, giant windows, pocket doors, stained glass, transoms, massive woodwork and marquet flooring made of chestnut, oak and mahogany. "That widow's walk was the best place to be during a snowstorm," Poole reminisced in 2022. "You could look out over the whole city, and it was quiet and covered in snow. It was just magical." The last owners abandoned the home in the middle of a renovation and forfeited ownership for back taxes. By 2022, the wraparound porch was hidden behind overgrown trees and bushes. Paint peeled from window frames with broken panes. Weeds grew in gutters. Insulation hung from ceilings. The city bought the home from St. Clair County for \$795 and slated it for demolition. Officials felt it was unsafe and beyond repair due to damage caused by water coming through a large hole in the roof, according to Scott Tyler, director of health, housing and building. "We're having an asbestos study done on the home and getting utilities shut off," he said at the time. "There's been homeless or squatters living there for quite a while. The place is just filled with trash."

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Baer House (continued)



Rooms with massive pocket doors and a marble fireplace are filled with trash left by squatters in a historic home at 107 E. D St. in Belleville.

The city's plan changed after the BND published a story about the mansion. Officials took it off the demolition list and posted a request for proposals. Tyler hosted an open house, and several developers showed up to poke around, but none submitted a proposal. Officials posted a second proposal request, and eventually Gilpin warmed up to the idea. "I'm thrilled," Tyler said. "It's a neat old house. But it's going to take a lot of work and a lot of funds to fix it." Gilpin, 49, is a retired U.S. Army intelligence officer. He and his brother converted the old Schaufler's Pharmacy building on East Main Street into lofts and renovated apartments on North 96th Street and Walnut Street and a duplex on East D Street in Belleville. Karl and Magdalena Gilpin also turned a historic home on Washington Street into Grafted Wine Bar & Lounge. Karl Gilpin said he will need to "modernize" the kitchen of the home at 107 E. D St. and remove a dilapidated addition in back, but he plans to preserve as many original features as possible. "We're

definitely not going to gut it," he said. "That's part of the reason it's going to take so long and cost so much." Gilpin said he and his wife have talked about living in the home, but they can't predict what will happen in two or three years with the real-estate market or their personal situation. The development agreement mandates that it remain a single-family residence for ten years. Poole said she's relieved to hear that someone plans to return her beloved childhood home to its former glory and that she won't have to watch a wrecking ball turn it into rubble. "There's too much cool stuff in there for it to be torn down," she said.

Read more at: <https://www.bnd.com/news/local/community/belleville/article285700501.html#storylink=cpy>



St. George's is actively seeking a **paid part-time** Sunday School Coordinator.

The successful candidate will be responsible for organizing, coordinating, and on-site direction of the Christian Ed and Nursery program for the children and youth of St. George's Episcopal Church.

The position is for 5-8 hours per week, (including Sunday School Classes), with extra hours for special events, for a (renewable) twelve-month period. Full job description is available from Henry.

The Sunday School and Nursery Coordinator is the primary contact person for the teachers, caregivers, children and youth groups of the parish. It is a ministry of coordinating through service, support and direction, and also includes some administrative duties. The Sunday School and Nursery Coordinator should have a passion for children's care, Christian education, and the Christian faith. The Sunday School and Nursery Coordinator needs to be a good communicator with strong interpersonal skills, using discretion, sensitivity, and confidentiality. This position is part of our overall mission and ministry and as such, the Sunday School and Nursery Coordinator must respect our beliefs and practices. This person should be a local Episcopalian.

Please help spread the word and pray for God to guide the right person to apply.



SUPER BOWL CHILI

There are still quarts of Super Bowl Sunday Chili left.

Get 'em while they're **HOT** (or mild).

All **FROZEN** quarts are available at the close-out price of \$10 each while supply lasts.

The proceeds continue to benefit the Food Pantry.

The 40th Annual Belleville Chili Cook-off will be here before you know it. Start thinking about October 11 and 12!

~~ David Buckley

Blessing Bracelets

Agape Ambassadors

45 Blessing Bracelets have been made and most have been distributed. Available Bracelets may be found on the small table by the bulletin board in the Parish Hall. Many thanks to all who have donated beads.

Further donations of beads may be given to Sue Vaughn, Barbara Miller, Nancy Buckley or Dawn Jung. If you have beads you would like made into Blessing Bracelets for your family members, contact Dawn at dawnjung@juno.com or 618-792-6035.



Our next meeting is April 24, at 5:30 in the Parish

NO MORE TO give

How hard is it to give a little extra effort? Well, sometimes it seems to be really hard. Some days that "little" feels like a mountain.

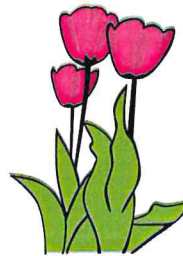


Our Lord and Savior took on our heavy loads, our cares and worries, and gave His all for us. How incredibly lucky we are to be recipients of such selfless love and caring.

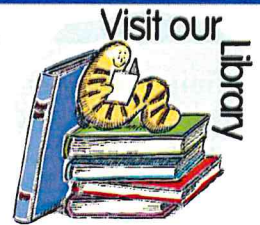
On those "sometimes" days, it can be really, really difficult for us to loosen up enough to share our own limited love and care. But maybe that "mountain" would be less daunting by taking it one step at a time and, yes, even gritting our teeth, all the while looking toward the end result.

Our example is, after all, right there with us, beside us each and every day, ready to help us find that little extra effort.

~~Georgia Script

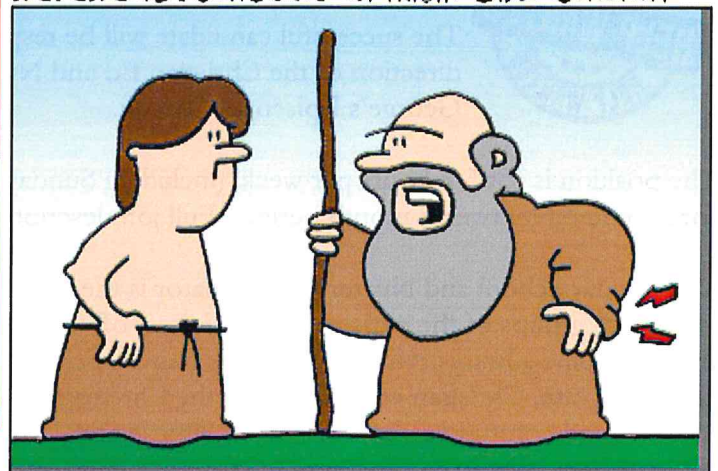


The books in the library and the Florence Martin room are available for the



congregation to check out. Please take a look at the books offered for check out. There are many new titles available for all ages from youngest of our members to families and adults.

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I TELL YA ... THE ONLY THING I MISS ABOUT OUR STAY IN EGYPT IS MY CAIRO-PRACOR



Crafts Corps will meet April 13 and 27 at 11:30 am in the Florence Martin Room. Bring any type of craft project you're working on to enjoy the company and/or advice and assistance of others. Coordinated by Cindy Lynk, 618-288-4439



Men's Monday Moanin' group meets Mondays discussing *David, Developing a Heart for God* at 8:00 am in the Conference Room. Contact Tom Skaff 810- 394-8203 or tskaff@aol.com

Women's Lunch Bunch meets to learn about Women of the Bible on Mondays at 10:00 am at 4382 Shelfield Ct. Swansea 62226. Contact Judy Skaff; 407-967-2088 or jtskaff@aol.com



St. George's Book Club will meet Thursday, April 25 at 6:30 pm for dinner and discussion, at Bella Milano, 455 Regency Park, O'Fallon, IL 62269. The book for April is *The Devil in the White City* by Erik Larson. Discussion will be led by Lisa Yearian. Reservations REQUIRED by contacting Sue Vaughn 618-593-7213 or bobsuevon@charter.net.

WEDG (Women's Episcopal Dining Group) will gather for LUNCH , Friday, April 26, at 11:30 at Dewey's Pizza, 425 Regency Drive, O'Fallon. RSVP for headcount to Diane Laedlein via text 618-558-7398 or the church office 618-233-6320 .



Prayer Shawl Ministry provides quilted, knitted, or crocheted lap blankets, afghans, and shawls after being blessed by Fr. Mark. Diane Laedlein coordinates this ministry. 618-558-7398 or dclaidlein@hotmail.com

Agape Ambassadors will meet April 4, 5:30-6:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Contact Dawn Jung 618-792-6035 or dawnjung@juno.com



Spring Eggs-travaganza



Five people gathered to explore their creativity in making spring-time centerpieces. Most people made more than one! And everyone had FUN!





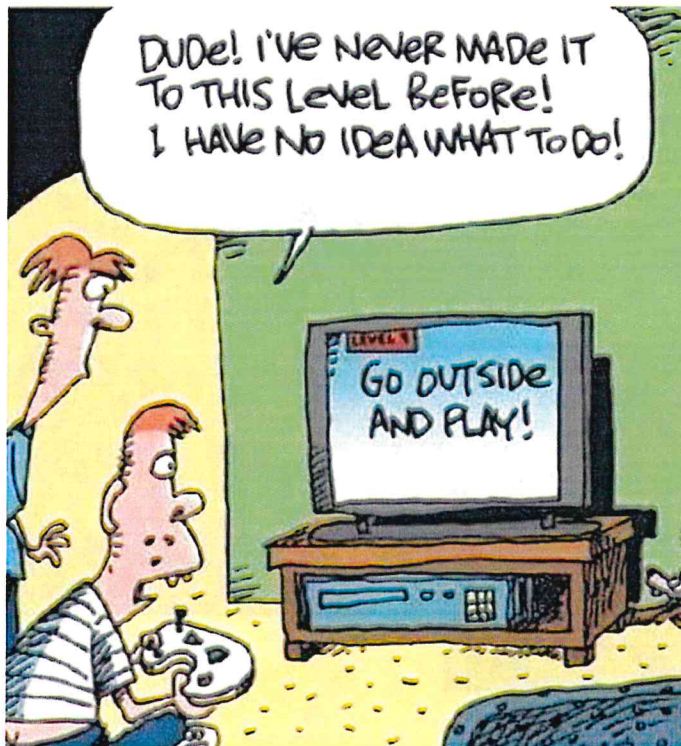
Episcopal Church Camp of Illinois

Mark your calendars now for June 23-29 for the annual Episcopal Church Camp of Illinois. Overnight camp for children who are entering grades 2 through 12 in the fall can enjoy many activities in a Christian community. Activities include water activities, Bible study, nature hikes, singing around the campfire, arts and crafts, and so much more! The Diocese of Springfield will pay one-half of the registration fee for first-time campers. Registration includes six nights and seven days, all meals and snacks, and souvenirs. This is a ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Springfield but campers of any denomination are warmly welcomed.

The purpose of Episcopal Church Camp of Illinois (ECC) is to provide both youth and adult participants with the extraordinary opportunity to live in a Christian community within the environment of the cabins, lakes, and woods. It is ECC's goal that all participants will experience this life in Christ, the particular expressions of which may be somewhat different from what they experience in their home parishes; and that their growth in Christ may be enriched by these experiences. All kids will come home with many memories and renewed excitement about their faith.

Camp Wartburg consists of 124 acres of park-like grounds, wooded trails and recreational fields. Camp Wartburg's mission is to provide Christ-centered outdoor ministries where children, adults and families can experience God and His Creation.

Visit www.eccillinois.org to learn more, information about fees, and to register. Katrina at 309-453-9337 will be happy to answer any questions.



"Aren't you happy, Mom?
Spring is finally here!"



Financial Information

ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH Income & Expenses for the Month ended February 29, 2024

Unrestricted/General/Operating Fund			
	Budget 2024	Actual 2024	Actual 2023
		Year to Date	Year to Date
Pledges and Plate	220,000	50,348	44,731
Other Income	18,250	5,405	8,480
Total Income	238,250	55,751	51,211
Total Outside Parish	35,438	8,383	7,682
Total Parish Programs	3,480	214	315
Total Salary/Related	180,690	32,730	31,371
Total Administration	55,613	9,071	10,509
Total Expenses	275,201	50,377	49,877
Net Income (Loss)	(38,951)	5,374	1,334
Beginning Fund Balance		(191,143)	
Ending Fund Balance		(185,769)	
Checking Account Balance		28,415	
Checking Account Balance includes Endowment Fund, Altar Guild Fund			

ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH Endowment Fund Transactions January 1, 2024 through February 29, 2024

2024 Funding from Endowment	36,000
Expenses	
Salary - Nursery	238
Salary - Clergy	3,570
Salary - Clergy Coaching	
Christian Education	
Confirmation Supplies	381
Forum Books & Calendars	648
Vacation Bible School	
Scholarships	2,500
Total Expenses	7,313
Net Funding	28,687
Fund Balance - January 1, 2024	3,173
Fund Balance - February 29, 2024	31,860

We pray for:

Parishioners: Joan Barnes, Liz Briesacher, Joe Bono, Marilyn Boschert, Margaret Brown, Mickey Cattaneo, Barbara Gates, Marilyn Gillen, Nolan Haefner, Susan Fellner, Mary Vivian Gillispie, Ken Gottschall, Bradley Harmon, Heather Holden, Judy Jacobs, Kevin Korte, Charles Laedlein, Mike Ledden, Susan Magnan, Betty Massey, Mary Mohrman, Kathy Parsons, Frank Rogers, The Rev. Cindy Sever, Jim Stelling, Liz Stelling, Elaine Thebus, Duffy Walters, David Welch, Claudia Zimmermann;

Family & Friends: The Auth Family, P.J. Barnett, Helen Blackburn, Jena Breckon, The Most Rev. Michael Curry, Father Gary Dalmasso, Hunter Dunn, Mike Gross, The Very Rev. Andrew S. Hook, Jennifer Huggins, Adam Jones, Robert Laedlein, Brenda Lee LaMonte, Kim Levick, Diane Lordan, Ann Lowe, Carol Ludwick, Evelyn Marquardt, Jean O'Neal, Mary Ann Steinkamp, Charles Szarafinski, Sue Tarbell, Anita Thomas, Sharon Underwood, Darrell Weigand, Anne, Jessica;

For the people of Lahaina, the Holy Land, Ukraine, and all victims of war and terrorism;

For those in service of our country: Joshua Arbogast, Sean Arbogast, Neal Ballas, Jeff Boschert, Douglas DiCenso, Steven Gates, Daniel Gearhart, Kenneth Gearhart, Dustin Kelley, Dan Kitchell, Eric Lunan, Jacob Marler, Ryan Marler, David Moses, Creighton Worley;

Those celebrating April birthdays:

- 1 Bradley Harmon
- 2 Tammy Walters
- 3 Tyner Hill
- 5 Kelly Skaff
- 7 Harrison Howard
- 10 Mallory Maves
- 11 Debra Harres
Frank Rogers
- 12 Barbara Gates
- 13 Shirley Todd
- 16 Jodi Rauh
- 23 Rosalind Holden
- 26 Kiri Evans
Ryder Welborn
- 27 Tom Skaff
- 30 Finn Hart

Those celebrating April anniversaries:

- 7 Mark & Kathy Slocomb
- 20 Hal & Cheryl Inabinet

Our congratulations to:

- Diane Earhart on being a finalist in Nexstar's Remarkable Women campaign.
- Melissa Harden on her promotion.
- Winners of the 2024 Florence Martin Scholarship:
 - * Evangeline (Eva) Jarvis
 - * Eliza Kammann
 - * Hannah Ohlemeier
 - * Diane Earhart



Everyone is asked to send your achievements and special moments to Diane at earhart500@aol.com so we can **ALL** share in your good news!

Sunday Schedule

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Spoken)

9:15 a.m. Sunday School and
Adult Forum

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Sung)



Coffee Fellowship

Join your parish family for a hot (or cold) beverage and snack in the Parish Hall following each Sunday Service.

Office Hours —105 East D Street

Monday - Friday

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

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Head of the Church

Jesus, the Christ

Bishop of the Diocese of Springfield

The Rt. Rev. Brian K. Burgess

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The Very Rev. Mark W. Ohlemeier

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Sexton

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Kendra Hargan

Sunday School Coordinator

vacant

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The Rev. Canon Elliot H. Blackburn

Vestry

Class of 2025

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Angela Kammann

Class of 2026

Maryann Fernandez
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Craig Jesenick

Class of 2027

David Buckley
Steve Skaff
Sue Vaughn

Diane Earhart, Clerk

After Hours Emergencies

Father Mark: 785-220-5528

SAINT GEORGE'S CALENDAR

April 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 8:00 am Monday Moanin' 8:30 am Meals on Wheels 10:00 am Lunch Bunch 11:30 am WEDG	2 8:30 am Meals on Wheels 6:30 pm OSL	3 8:30 am Meals on Wheels 10:30 am Joint Use Comm. 3:00 pm Cursillo Reunion 6:00 pm Cub Scouts 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	4	5	6 9:00 am Food Pantry 6:00 pm SHINE
7 EASTER 2 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:15 am Christian Formation 10:30 am Holy Eucharist 6:00 pm Girl Scouts	8 8:00 am Monday Moanin' 8:30 am Meals on Wheels 10:00 am Lunch Bunch	9 8:30 am Meals on Wheels 5:30 pm Growth Team 6:30 pm Vestry	10 8:30 am Meals on Wheels 3:00 pm Cursillo Reunion 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	11	12	13 9:00 am Food Pantry 9:15 am Belleville Youth Orchestra Competition Warm ups 11:30 am Crafts Corps
14 EASTER 3 <i>Bishop's Visitation</i> 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:15 am Christian Formation 10:30 am Holy Eucharist	15 8:00 am Monday Moanin' 8:30 am Meals on Wheels 10:00 am Lunch Bunch	16 8:30 am Meals on Wheels 6:30 pm Toddhall Board	17 8:30 am Meals on Wheels 3:00 pm Cursillo Reunion 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	18	19	20 9:00 am Food Pantry
21 EASTER 4 8:00 am Holy Eucharist 9:15 am Christian Formation 10:30 am Holy Eucharist 6:00 pm Girl Scouts	22 8:00 am Monday Moanin' 8:30 am Meals on Wheels 10:00 am Lunch Bunch	23 8:30 am Meals on Wheels 7:00 pm Safety & Security	24 8:30 am Meals on Wheels 3:00 pm Cursillo Reunion 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	25 6:30 p.m. Book Club	26 11:30 am WEDG	27 9:00 am Food Pantry 11:30 am Crafts Corps
28 EASTER 5 JOINT PATRONAL FEAST 9:15 am Christian Formation 10:00 am Holy Eucharist One service on this day	29 8:00 am Monday Moanin' 8:30 am Meals on Wheels 10:00 am Lunch Bunch	30 8:30 am Meals on Wheels				

SAINT GEORGE'S Schedule

April 2024

<p>April 7 <i>Easter 2</i></p> <p>Readings Acts 4:32-35 1 John 1:1-2:2 John 20:19-31 Psalm 133</p> <p>8:00 a.m. Lector Joe Bono Intercessor Diane Earhart Chalice Bearers Joe Bono Diane Earhart Prayer Team Becky Korte Acolyte Joe Bono Coffee Hour David Buckley Diane Earhart</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Lectors (OT) Marti Evans (NT) Kim Miller Intercessor Cindy Lynk Chalice Bearers Brian Maves Betsy Rogers Prayer Team Vicki Hall Sharon Lavelly Acolyte Finn Hart Altar Guild Team 1 Counters Sarah Bender Ken Gottschall Coffee Hour Maryann Fernandez Barbara Miller Nursery Vicki Hall</p>	<p>April 14 <i>Easter 3</i></p> <p>Readings Acts 3:12-19 1 John 3:1-7 Luke 24:36b-48 Psalm 4</p> <p>No 8:00 a.m. service</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Lectors (OT) Dawn Jung (NT) Kristie Ohlmeier Intercessor Vicki Hall Chalice Bearers Marti Evans Craig Jesenick Prayer Team Dawn Jung Bob Vaughn Acolyte Abby Skaff Claire Skaff Sam Skaff Walker Skaff Ari Welborn Noa Welborn Finn Hart Team 2 Maryann Fernandez Vicki Hall Coffee Hour Sarah Bender Nolan Haefner Nursery TBA</p>	<p>April 21 <i>Easter 4</i></p> <p>Readings Acts 4:5-12 1 John 3:16-24 John 10:11-18 Psalm 23</p> <p>8:00 a.m. Lector Diane Earhart Intercessor Steve King Chalice Bearers Joe Bono David Buckley Prayer Team Becky Korte Acolyte Joe Bono Coffee Hour David Buckley Diane Earhart</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Lectors (OT) Angela Kammann (NT) Craig Jesenick Intercessor Betsy Rogers Chalice Bearers Brian Maves Claudia Zimmermann Prayer Team Vicki Hall Dawn Jung Acolyte Eliza Kammann Katie Kammann Altar Guild Team 3 Counters Steve King TBA Coffee Hour Vicki Hall Craig Jesenick Nursery TBA</p>	<p>April 28 <i>Easter 5</i></p> <p>Readings Acts 8:26-40 1 John 4:7-21 John 15:1-8 Psalm 22:24-30</p> <p>No 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Lectors (OT) Terry Tribout (NT) Terry Paeltz Intercessor Brian Maves Chalice Bearers Pastor Brian Cindy Lynk Prayer Team Bob Vaughn Sharon Lavelly Crucifer Greg Martens Acolyte Abby Skaff Walker Skaff Altar Guild Team 4 Counters Nolan Haefner Duffy Walters Coffee Hour Brian Maves St. Mark Team 8 Nursery TBA</p>
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