**Saint George’s Episcopal Church**

 *Welcome all visitors to Saint George’s this morning and invite you to join us for refreshments after the liturgy. Please be sure to sign the guest register at the entrance of the church. We are blessed by your presence with us and hope you will consider being a part of this faith community.*

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

*Saint George’s Episcopal Church is a parish in the Diocese of Georgia, a constituent member of the Episcopal Church, USA and the World-wide Anglican Communion.*

The Right Reverend Frank Logue

11th Bishop of Georgia

The Rev. David Lemburg

Rector

Dr. Carol Benton

Organist & Choir Director

Dr. Allen Swan

Senior Warden

Mrs. Claudia Griffis

Junior Warden

Mr. Ed Reames

Junior Warden

**The Calendar**

**For the week of August 7, 2022**

**Sunday 9:30 AM**

**Holy Eucharist**

**Broadcast on Facebook**

**Thursday**

**Eucharist 6:30 PM**

**Communion available after all**

**Services of Holy Eucharist**

***Whoever you are, wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith there is a place here for you.***

**Music**

**Prelude** *How Lovely is His Peace* (Neal)

**Processional 636 –** How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord

**Gradual 533 –** How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise!

**Offertory 510 –** Come, Holy Spirit. Heavenly Dove

**Communion 316 –** This is the hour of banquet and song

**Processional 401 –** The God of Abraham praise

**Postlude** *I sing the Mighty Power of God* (Kendall)

**Announcements**

COVID-19 Masks are optional but with the elevated COVID-19 levels we are suggesting that they be worn inside especially if you are unvaccinated, wash hands, and social distance.

The Flowers on the Altar are given to the Greater Glory of God by Claudia and Carey Griffis in memory of her parents.

**FUN Committee – Tentative Activities** – Dates / Times to Be

Friday, August 26 Family Game Night 7-8:30PM

Friday Sept 23 Family Game Night 7-8:30PM

Thursday, Oct 6 Pet Blessing

Saturday, Oct 16 Fall Festival Day – Yard Sale / Children’s Games

Sat, Nov 5 Bring a Friend to Dinner

Nov /Dec Men’s Club Tree Sale

It is back to school time again and if you can pick up some school supplies for **Safe Shelter**, there is a basket in the back of the church for donations.

**The Collect**

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**First Lesson The Prophet Isaiah 1:1, 10-20**

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams

and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation--

I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me,

I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen;

your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;

remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil,

learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan,

plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient,

you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

**The Psalm**  *Deus deorum* **Psalm 50:1-8, 23-24**

1 The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken; \* he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, \* God reveals himself in glory.

3 Our God will come and will not keep silence; \* before him there is a consuming flame, and round about him a raging storm.

4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above \* to witness the judgment of his people.

5 "Gather before me my loyal followers, \* those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice."

6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; \* for God himself is judge.

7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak: "O Israel, I will bear witness against you; \* for I am God, your God.

8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; \* your offerings are always before me.

23 Consider this well, you who forget God, \* lest I rend you and there be none to deliver you.

24 Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving honors me; \* but to those who keep in my way will I show the salvation of God."

**The Second Lesson Blessed Paul’s Letter to the Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16**

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

**The Gospel St. Luke 12:32-40**

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

**Around St. George’s**

**Prayers for the Homebound:**

Audrey Clark is at John-Wesley Villas, 231 W Montgomery Cross Rd, Savannah, GA 31406.

Ben & Laura Mayes are in their home at 19 Bundy Place.

**Vestry Members:**

Allen Swan Sr. Warden Claudia Griffis Jr. Warden

Beth Vickers Marion Gaston

Debbie Shumans Ed Reames

The Next Vestry business meeting **Aug 21, 2022**.

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**August Birthdays**

Cindy Brown 08/09

Rob Thomas 08/10

Laura Mayes 08/11

Jane Greer 08/16

Erin Shumans 08/18

Edyth Mckissick 08/27

Sheila Meredith 08/28

**Anniversaries**

Fr David and Rev Melanie Lemburg 08/23

**Ministry Schedule**

**Ministries** **Aug 7 Aug 14 Aug 21**

VPOD Debbie Shumans Beth Vickers Marion Gaston

LEM Sheila Meredith Carey Griffis Cam Mathis

Lector Alan Sanborn Marion Gaston Macie Young

PRAYERS Max Berinato Kristin Latham Debby Thomas

ALTAR Sheila Meredith Pat Leslie Cam Mathis

GUILD BJ Ford Cindy Brown

USHER/ Kevin Burk Allen Swan Claudia Griffis

Greeter Joyce Connerat Pat Leslie Sheila Meredith

VIDEO Pat Leslie Marion Gaston Cam Mathis