

We, the baptized ministers,

declare Christ's Mission for us:

to grow as a Church

in the spiritual strength

of community,

and to care, reach out,

and include all people in Christ's love.

First Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday



Holy Eucharist, Rite II—10:00 AM June 9, 2024

Welcome to St. Thomas! We are so glad that you are here with us. If you are new to our community, we invite you to fill out a welcome card located in the pew rack in front of you, and either place it in the offering plate or hand it to a priest.

We also invite you to stay with us for coffee hour after the service.

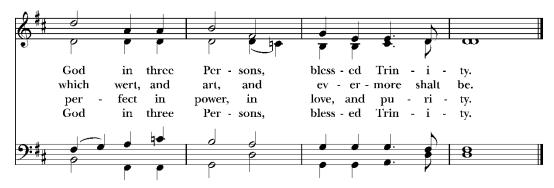
THE WORD OF GOD

Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Caroline Mitchell

Prelude





Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826), alt. Music: Nicaea, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876).

The Acclamation

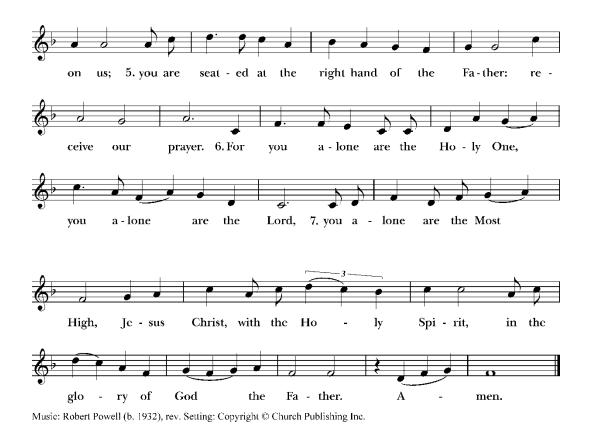
Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.





The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The First Lesson Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

A reading from the Book of Proverbs.

Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: "To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live. The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth-- when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil. When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, when he made firm the skies above, when

he established the fountains of the deep, when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8 (We will pray Psalm 8 responsively by half verse)

1 O Lord our Governor, *

how exalted is your Name in all the world!

2 Out of the mouths of infants and children *

your majesty is praised above the heavens.

3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, * to quell the enemy and the avenger.

4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, *

the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? *

the son of man that you should seek him out?

6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; *

you adorn him with glory and honor;

7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; *

you put all things under his feet:

8 All sheep and oxen, *

even the wild beasts of the field,

9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, *

and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.

10 O Lord our Governor, *

how exalted is your Name in all the world!

The Second Lesson

Romans 5:1-5

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

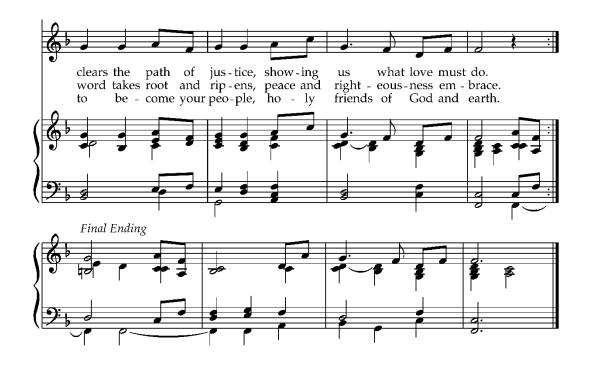
Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn Come Seek the Ways of Wisdom 1,2/3 #60 Voices Found





The Gospel

John 16:12-15

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the disciples, "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Caroline Mitchell

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

The prayers of the people is a time for us to come together as we offer our prayers to God. Please offer your own prayers in the pauses, either silently or aloud. Kneeling as you are able, let us pray.

We are all one church united in prayer; we pray for all those who are isolated and persecuted; we name truth in the face of lies; we create room for grief in the face of denial; and we free space in our souls for hope. We seek God's guidance to ground us in all discernment. Lord, listen to the prayers of your people, gathered at your table. We remember our community and its needs [pause].

In faith, we pray to you, our God.

Here, where we celebrate how Christ gave us his body to be our spiritual food, listen as we pray for his body the Church, spread throughout the world. We pray for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Mark, Gayle, and Mark, our Bishops; Fran, Will, Caroline, Lori, Rishabh, Mary and Nicole, our staff; Beth, our Seminarian; the teachers at the Early Learning Center; and the Vestry and Officers of St. Thomas.

In faith, we pray to you, our God.

Here, where we recognize the presence of Christ, who takes away the sin of the world, listen as we pray for that world and for its peoples for whom his blood was shed [pause]. In faith, we pray to you, our God.

Here, where we come together as Christ gathered with his friends to give us this meal of holy fellowship, listen as we pray for all whom you have given us, our friends and all whose lives are joined with ours. We pray for Katie Woodard, Sarah ten Siethoff, and all those celebrating birthdays this week; all those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week, and

for those blessings you would name [pause].

In faith, we pray to you, our God.

Here, where we remember the night of Christ's agony and trial, listen as we pray for all who share his sufferings through fear or pain or distress of any kind. Together we pray for Ethan, Vincent, Yusuf, Emily and Dave, Lynn, Andrew, Jan, Caroline, Jackie, Cathy, Erin, Andy, Diane, Alison, Dani, Sean, Bill, Katie and Scott, Bill, Frank, Bridgid, Lorraine, and those whom you would name [pause].

In faith, we pray to you, our God.

Here, where we join our praises with the whole company of heaven, listen as we pray for those who have died. We remember all those whom you would name [pause]. In faith, we pray to you, our God.

Lord, satisfy our hunger with the food that lasts, the bread of God which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world, Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen.**

Adapted from the Church of England, Common Worship resource, found at https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/worship-texts-and-resources/common-worship/churchs-year/times-and-seasons-5#mmm260

Together let us pray for St Thomas Church.

Almighty God, by your Spirit the whole body of your Church is governed and sanctified, hear our prayer for St Thomas, build in us a renewed vision of your Church; shape our life according to your will; empower us with the gifts to make us one that together we may grow as a church in the spiritual strength of community and reach out to include all people in Christ's love, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Confession and Absolution of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *A time of silence*. Together, let us pray: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you

Following the exchange of peace in the church, peace is exchanged with the congregation on Zoom.

The Offertory

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.



It's Easy to Give Electronically to St. Thomas

Scan the QR code, or visit the GIVING page on the St. Thomas website: https://stthomasmcleanva.org/giving/donate.

Offertory Hymn Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing #111 Lift Every Voice and Sing II



The Doxology (to the tune of Old 100th)

#380 Hymnal 1982

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Gluten free wafers are available on request. We will not have a healing minister during communion, but if you desire prayers for healing, you can see Rev. Will, Rev. Caroline, or Beth after church.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

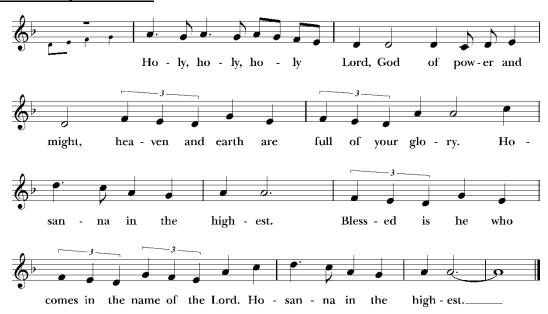
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus: #S129 Hymnal 1982



Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932). Setting: Copyright © Church Publishing Inc.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

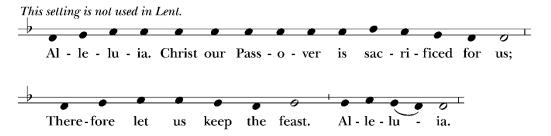
Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

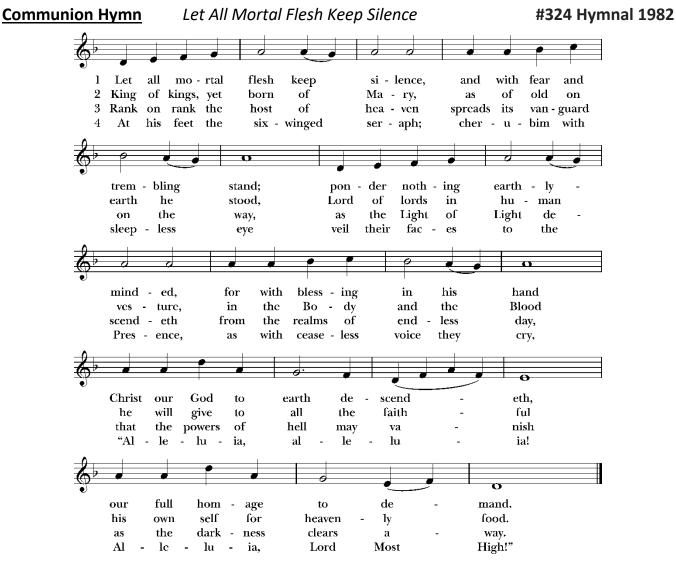
The Fraction: #S152 Hymnal 1982



The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

A note about the distribution of the Eucharist:

We offer both the common cup and a cup for intinction. If you would like to receive by intinction, please go the left side of the altar rail and the presiding priest will dip the bread in the cup for you. If you would like to sip from the common cup, please go to the right side of the altar rail where the bread and the cup will be offered separately.



Words: Liturgy of St. James; para. Gerard Moultrie (1829-1885). Music: *Picardy*, French carol, 17th cent.; melody from *Chansons populaires des Provinces de France*, 1860; harm. after *The English Hymnal*, 1906.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion on Zoom

While some are receiving communion at church, those worshiping on Zoom say the following prayer: My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you were already there, I embrace you and unite myself wholly to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

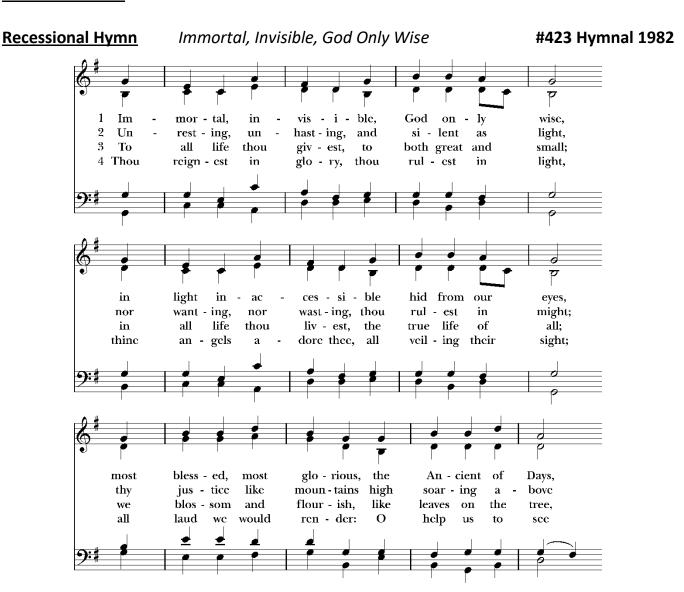
Post-communion Prayer for a Multi-located Congregation

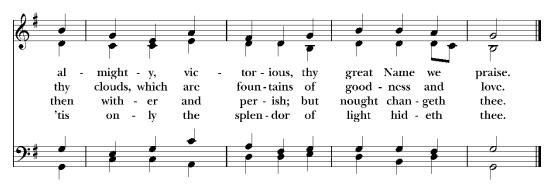
Let us pray. God of abundance, we gather as your faithful people near and far. We believe you are present with us as we are united with Christ and one another in prayer and sacrament. We thank you for feeding all of us with your love and for making us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen. Written by the Rev. Dorota Wright-Pruski, adapted by the Rev. Will Drosos

The Blessing

May the Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God, strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Announcements





Words: Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908), alt. Music: St. Denio, Welsh hymn, from Caniadau y Cyssegr, 1839; adapt. John Roberts (1822-1877); harm. The English Hymnal, 1906, alt.

The Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Worship Participants

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Presider & Preacher	Rev. Caroline Mitchell		
Acolyte	Will Ferris		
Altar Guild	Diane Ferris		
Flower Guild	Jane Frierson		
Digital Usher	Audrey Adair		
Digital Verger	Jeff Crigler		
Lector & Intercessor	Ed Rhodes		
Eucharistic Minister	Debby Reed & Betsy Heilman		
Usher	Mary Lee Montfort		
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Counters	Ed Rhodes		

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Questions, comments, concerns, compliments, all welcome.

PRAYER FOR ST. THOMAS CHURCH

Almighty God, by your Spirit the whole body of your Church is governed and sanctified. Hear our prayer for St. Thomas: build in us a renewed vision of your Church; shape our life according to your will; empower us with the gifts to make us one, that together we may grow as a church in the spiritual strength of community, and reach out to include all people in Christ's love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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The Skinny at St. Thomas June 15th, 2025



More information about many of these events can be found on the Announcements page on our website. Scan the QR code to see them.

Fr. Will is still out of the office for a continuing education opportunity, returning next Sunday, June 22nd. During this time, Rishabh will be the primary point of contact for any questions and concerns. Rev. Caroline is available for spiritual support and pastoral care emergencies. You can reach her by email at kfshplp@gmail.com and her phone number is (970) 417-8417 for emergencies.

Office Closed Thursday Afternoon

The St. Thomas office will be closed in the afternoon on Thursday, June 19th. It will be open from 10 am to 12:30 pm and will close after Noonday Prayer.

June ECW Meeting

The next meeting of the ECW will be at 11:30 on Sunday, June 22nd, in the ELC Conference Room and on Zoom.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89293053734?pwd=4p7 CQG62EVNyoEOfRteLdwl7R1Z0JI.1

Meeting ID: 892 9305 3734

Passcode: 654692

Ladies Lunch Bunch

Monday, June 23rd at 11:15 am RSVP Jane at (703) 587-0192 for lunch reservations by Thursday, June 19th

Magnolias Restaurant

198 North 21st Street Purcelville, Virginia 20132 Phone: (540) 338-9800

Pints with Doubting Thomas Wednesday, June 25th at 6:30 pm

at High Point Pub in Whole Foods, Tysons. Join us for learning and conversation in a relaxed environment. The first round of drinks (alcoholic or non-alcoholic) is on us!

Thank you to all that have signed up for coffee hour this year. We are now in need of hosts for Sundays in June and July. Coffee hour sign-ups are available via a link to SignUpGenius or by using the QR code, both of which are below. If you need help signing up electronically, I would be happy to help! We would like hosts to limit their food offerings to 2-3 items, to include fresh fruit or raw veggies. Also, for those of you who are not comfortable making the coffee, you can ask for someone else to make the coffee for you as part of the sign-up process. (Just answer yes or no if you need help.) Thank you for continuing this tradition of Fellowship at St. Thomas! If you have any questions, please contact me directly.

Becky Ventorini, Fellowship Hour Coordinator

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Home (703) 288-3166 / Cell: (202) 390-4412 https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4EAAAC2 CA64-52775851-stthomas

Volunteer to Support Fairfax Diapers Thursday, July 3rd at 10am

Join us for the next monthly repackaging meeting at Fairfax diapers. The task is simply repackaging diapers from bulk quantities to household-size bundles to be distributed to needy families. If you are interested, please access the sign up by scanning the QR code below. Questions? Please contact Anne Spear by phone at (703) 915-4300.



The Share Garden is growing! The potatoes have stalks and are beginning to flower. This should yield spuds for Share later in the summer. Greens---lettuce, arugula, kale and spinach are almost ready for the first harvest. We also planted eggplant, cucumbers, zucchini, okra and string beans for summer harvest. We'll need some help as the crops mature. Please watch for an announcement regarding some light weeding, harvesting and delivery to Share.

Our ministry partner SHARE is always in need of food and personal care items for our neighbors in McLean, Tysons and Pimmit Hills. Visit this link https://stthomasmcleanva.org/how-we-serve/helping-share

Or scan the QR code below to see the current list of most needed items



Romeo and Juliet runs July 11th to 20th! Shakespeare Opera Theatre presents the iconic story of two young lovers who challenge deadly family rivalries, confronting feelings of hope and heartbreak in their search for connection. Tickets and dates: https://shakespeareoperatheatre.com/

The annual parish retreat to Shrine Mont will be September 26th to 28th! Please stay tuned for registration information to come!

Monday June 16th

12 pm – Noonday Prayer

7 pm – Shakespeare Opera Theatre Rehearsal

Tuesday June 17th

12 pm – Noonday Prayer

7 pm – Shakespeare Opera Theatre Rehearsal

Wednesday June 18th

10 am – Staff Meeting

12 pm – Noonday Prayer

7 pm – Shakespeare Opera Theatre Rehearsal

Thursday June 19th

12 pm – Noonday Prayer OFFICE CLOSED AT 12:30 pm

Friday June 20th

11 am to 3 pm – McLean Islamic Center Worship 7 pm – Shakespeare Opera Theatre Rehearsal

Saturday June 21st

1 pm – Shakespeare Opera Theatre Rehearsal

5 pm – Persian Summer Festival Celebration

Sunday June 22nd

8:45 am – Choir Rehearsal

10 am – Worship

11:30 am – ECW Meeting

2 pm – Shakespeare Opera Theatre Rehearsal