

LARGE PRINT

**SIXTH SUNDAY
OF EASTER**

May 22th

10:30 am

God loves you. No exceptions.



The Episcopal Church Welcomes You.

Greetings! We're delighted you are here, and want for you to be comfortable so you can worship God and enjoy your visit today. We suspect you may have some questions. Everybody you see here was a newcomer at one time, and we've *all* had questions- probably some of the same you have today.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, St. Thomas's is alive and well. We are worshiping both in –person with appropriate precautions, and live streaming on YouTube. The full-text bulletins for our services can be found on our website, and by email request. We also continue to respond to the needs of the Newark Community through our collaboration with the Newark Empowerment Center and others. Those who would like to support our work may do so by going to our “Giving to St Thomas's” page on our website.

Our prayers are with all those who are ill, all who are caring for them, and all who are striving to hear the voice of God in these challenging times.

Our weekly services:

- **Sunday 8am- Rite I, spoken**
- **Sunday 10:30am- Rite II, with music**
- **Wednesday 12:00pm- Intercessory Prayer with Holy Eucharist**
- **Thursday 7pm- evening Compline Prayer live via Zoom**

The Christian life is a source of endless fascination. Just when we think we have seen and heard everything it has to offer, something new turns up. Committing to a life of learning and growing in the faith is an excellent way to make sure there is always enough fuel in the spiritual tank.

There are many opportunities for Christian growth within our parish. During this time of social distancing, many of our meetings are happening online. Our groups include:

- Children's Ministries, age 18mo-6th grade
- Youth CREW, 7th-12th grades
- Youth Confirmation, 8th grade
- ECM, college age students
- The Parlor Class, adult ed
- Novel Theology, all ages
- Lectionary Bible Study, all ages

In addition to these groups, we also welcome the occasional guest speaker or activity during coffee hour, as well as special 6-week lecture series. For more information about any of our educational offerings, please visit our website: StThomasNewarkDe.church

In the Episcopal Church, everybody doesn't always do things the same way. But, **when you're worshiping God, you can't get it wrong!** If you need help, ask your question in the Live Chat online, speak with anyone in the pews around you or contact Fr Howie directly. We are friendly, helpful people here at St Thomas. Please bear in mind, regardless of what anybody else is doing, do what makes *you* comfortable.

Thank you for joining us today, and we hope to see you again soon!

Prelude

Procession

How Wondrous and Great

standing

Hymnal 533

1. How won - drous and great thy works, God of praise!
2. To na - tions of earth thy light shall be shown;

How just, King of saints, and true — are thy ways!
their wor - ship and vows and shall come — to thy throne:

O who shall not fear thee, and hon - or thy Name?
Thy truth and thy judg - ments shall spread all a - broad,

Thou on - ly, art ho - ly, thou on - ly, su - preme.
till earth's ev - ery peo - ple con - fess — thee their God.

THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant
People

Alleluia. Christ is risen.
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Gloria in excelsis

S-278

Glo - ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo - ple on
earth. Lord God, heav'n - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we
wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you
take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are
seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.
For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly - Spi - rit,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

William Mathias

Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LESSONS

First Lesson

Acts 16:9-15

seated

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth.

The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 67

Deus misereatur

Refrain

Al - - - - le - lu - ia! Al - - - - le - lu - ia!

Verse A B

Refrain

1. May God be merciful to / us and bless us; *
show us the light of his countenance, / and come to us.
- 2 Let your ways be known / upon earth, *
your saving health / among all nations.
- 3 Let the peoples praise / you, O God; *
let all / the peoples praise you.
- 4 Let the nations be glad and / sing for joy, *
for you judge the peoples with equity,
and guide all the nations / upon the earth.
- B** 5 Let the peoples praise / you, O God; *
let all / the peoples praise you. ***Refrain***
- 6 The earth has brought / forth its increase; *
may God, our own God, / give us his blessing.
- 7 May God give / us his blessing, *
and may all the ends of the earth stand / in awe of him. ***Refrain***

Epistle Lesson

Revelation 21:10, and 22-27, 23:1-5

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day-- and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

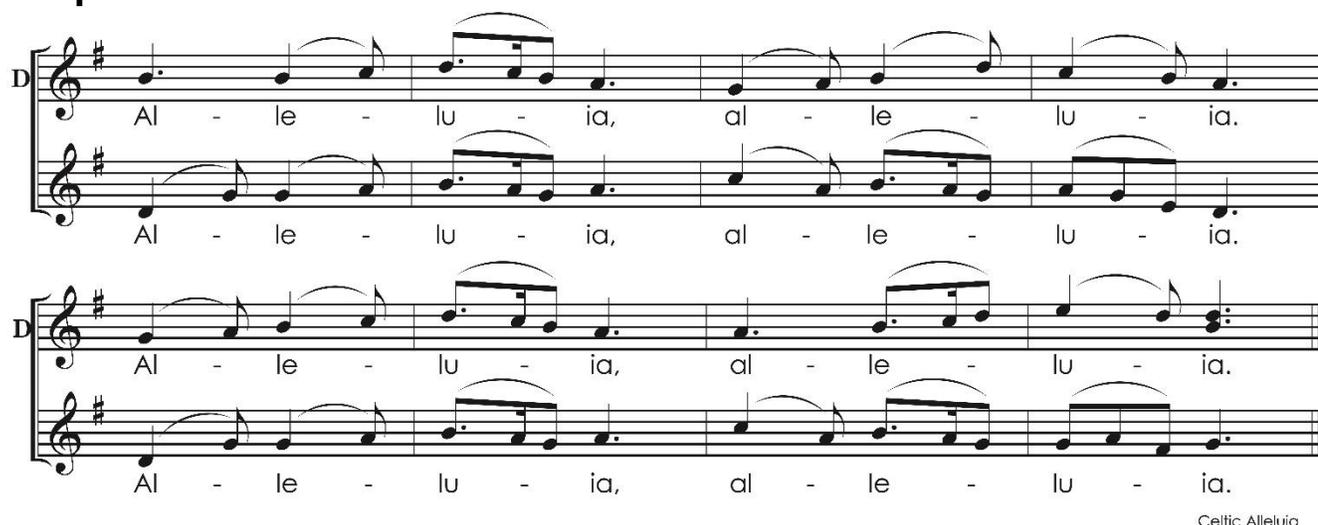
Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Celtic Alleluia



The image shows a musical score for a Celtic Alleluia. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." The piano accompaniment features a rhythmic pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes. The score ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Celtic Alleluia

The Gospel

John 5:1-9

standing

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After Jesus healed the son of the official in Capernaum, there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids-- blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the

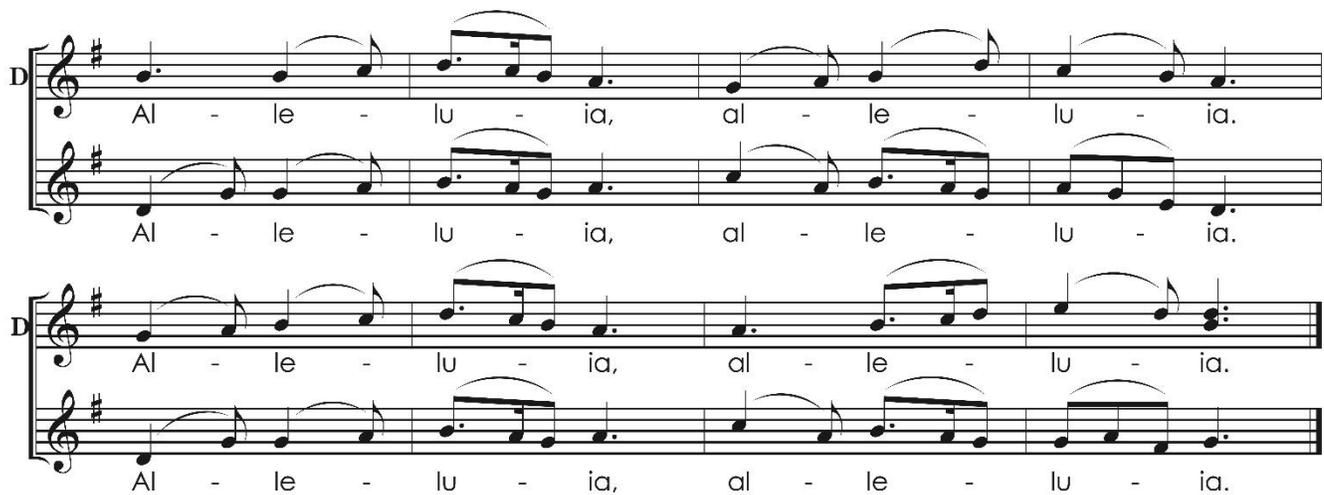
man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk.
Now that day was a sabbath.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Gospel Acclamation

Celtic Alleluia



The musical score consists of six staves arranged in three pairs. Each pair has a soprano line (marked with a 'D' and a treble clef) and an alto line (marked with a 'D' and a treble clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' are written below each line of music. The melody is simple and repetitive, with a slight rise and fall in each phrase.

Celtic Alleluia

THE SERMON

seated at the preacher's invitation

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.**

With joy and gladness, let us pray to the Lord.

For the Church throughout the world, that it may be a sign of new life to the weary and the lost, we pray to the Lord.

Lord, show us your light.

For all the leaders of the Church, that they may lead us in paths of peace and renewal, we pray to the Lord.

Lord, show us your light.

For the nations of the world and those who lead them, that they may strive for justice and a new birth of freedom, we pray to the Lord.

Lord, show us your light.

For the peace of the world, that those who use violence and those who condone it may have a change of heart, mind, and soul, we pray to the Lord.

Lord, show us your light.

For all whose labor eases our lives, especially those who work in health care, long-term care, and hospice, that they may know themselves to be the hands of God, and may see God's holy angels at work among them, we pray to the Lord.

Lord, show us your light.

For the sick, the disabled, and all who suffer, especially those we name now, aloud or in our hearts, that they may see new growth from branches long barren, we pray to the Lord.

Lord, show us your light.

For the Church of the Province of South East Asia, and for St. Paul's Church, Camden, that they may know and share the joy of the empty cross and empty tomb, we pray to the Lord.

Lord, show us your light.

For all who serve in the armed forces and all who go in harm's way to protect others, especially those we name now, aloud or in our hearts, we pray to the Lord.

Lord, show us your light.

For those who have died, especially those we name now, aloud or in our hearts, that they may have light and peace, and rest with all the saints, we pray to the Lord.

Lord, show us your light.

With saint and angels, we proclaim:

[All say together]

**Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death with death,
and bringing life to those who dwell in tombs. Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All 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.

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

THE PEACE

standing

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Offertory Hymn

God of Mercy, God of Grace

Hymnal 538

1. God of mer - cy, God of grace, show the bright - ness of thy
2. Let thy peo - ple praise thee, Lord; be by all that live a -

face. Shine up - on us, Sa - vior, shine, fill thy
dored. Let the na - thions shout and sing glo - ry

Church with light di - vine, and thy sav - ing health ex -
to their Sa - vior King; let all be, be - low, a -

tend un - to earth's re - mot - est end.
boye, one in joy, and light, and love.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **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. [Proper Preface] 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 S-125

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heav'n and
earth__ are full__ of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Ho -
san-na in the high-est. Blest is the One who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high-est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Richard Proulx

The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

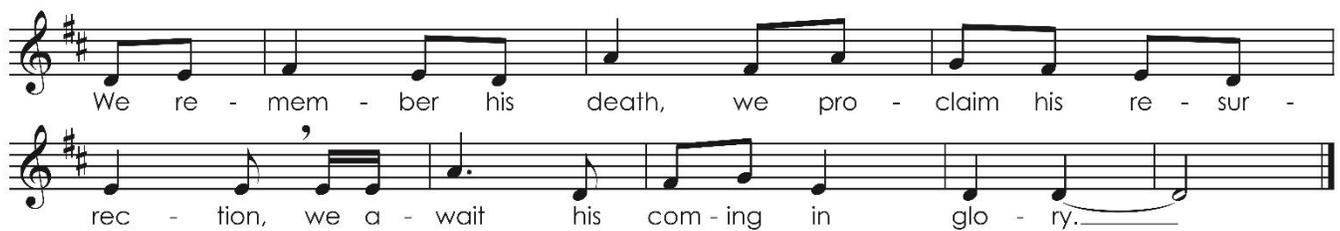
On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

Acclamation B S-138



We re - mem - ber his death, we pro - claim his re - sur -
rec - tion, we a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

McNeil Robinson

The Celebrant continues And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Ever-Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

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

All **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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant
People

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God— you take— a - way the sins of the world,— have— mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God,— you take— a - way the sins of the world— have— mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God,— you take a - way the sins of the world, Grant us peace.—

Marc F. Cheban

Celebrant

Behold the Lamb of God,
Behold Him who takes away the sins of the world;
Happy are they who are called to the
supper of the Lamb.

All

***O Lord, I am not worthy that you should
come under my roof,
but speak the word only,
and my soul shall be healed.***

THE COMMUNION

-silence-

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Announcements

Blessing of Birthdays and Anniversaries

The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

At the Procession

Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

Hymnal 345

1. Sa - vior, a - gain to thy dear Name we raise
3. Grant us thy peace through - out our earth - ly life;
4. Thy peace in life, the balm of ey - ery pain;

with one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise;
peace to thy Church from er - ror and from strife;
thy peace in death, the hope to rise a - gain;

guard thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
peace to our land, the fruit of truth and love;
then when thy voice shall bid our con - flict cease,

that in this house have called up - on thy Name.
peace in each heart, thy Spi - rit from a - bove:
call us, O Lord, to thine e - ter - nal peace.

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God.**
Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude

May Birthdays

Stephanie Rys	May 4
Kelsey Branigan	May 10
Devon Miller-Duggan	May 13
Dennis Redder	May 14
Ryan Waltz	May 18
Wendy Campbell	May 19
Ben Smith	May 19
Cristian Carew	May 21
Brook Cebula	May 22
Brandi McGough	May 23
Debbie Kearns	May 24
Richard Sharpe	May 25
Laura Green	May 30
Nolan Weaver	May 30

May Anniversaries

Peter and Veronica Wilbur	May 15
Terrance and Shonette Carew	May 15
James and Leslie Sloan	May 17
Tom and Sally Price	May 31

Worship Opportunities:

- Sundays at 8:00 am - Holy Eucharist, Rite I spoken, in-person and via YouTube
- Sundays at 10:15 am - Children's Ministries in the Undercroft
- Sundays at 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist, Rite II with music, in-person and via YouTube
- Wednesdays at 10:30 am- Lectionary Bible Study in the classroom
- Wednesdays at noon - Intercessory Prayer with Holy Communion in-person
- Thursdays at 7 pm - Compline Evening Prayer, live via Zoom

Other Parish Events:

- May 22 - Novel Theology meets **this has been rescheduled from the 8th*
- June 4 - AHA CPR/AED Course. Registration required. Open to the public
- June 5- Pentecost Sunday, get your red outfit ready!
- August 27- St Thomas' Health Fair

If you have anything to add to the Parish calendar or the *Carpenter's Helper* newsletter, please email the office at StThomasOffice@googlegroups.com.

To see a full listing of parish worship, events, or news, visit our website: www.StThomasNewarkDE.church

And to check out what is going on throughout the Episcopal Diocese of DE, visit: www.Delaware.church

Parish Prayer List

Aldeth H	David	Ken G	Ray C
Allen Family	Dawn & Family	Kevin	Reginald
Alma	Dawson &	Kiadii H	Reid
Amanda W	Cooper families	Kizis family	Rick R
Amber R	Delores	Kunjathan T	Rob
Andre	Dennis	LaneFamily	Roberta B
Andy D	Donna E &family	Linda A	Roxanna
Archer Family	Doug H	Lisa	Rue M
Arline	Elmer	Luke	Ruth
Alana D	Florette H	Lynn D	Sally MS
Austin A and family	Fred & Lori	Lynsey & Marcia	Samuel
Ayla H	Freda R	Marge C	Sande R
Beverly and Larry	Geoff C	Maria P	Sandy G
Becky	Gina M	Marian & Family	Sandy S
Beryl K	Giorgio & Family	Marie	Sheila K
Bill & Sandy	Grant Family	Marty O	Shirley
Blackman Family	Greg	Mary & Family	Sondra & Jeff
Bob T	Gwen	Mary Lee S	Sophia & Family
Bob P	Hale	Mary T	South Family
Bob & Katheryn	Hailu He	Michael	Susan & family
Brendan S	Harrison Family	Mike & Angie	Stacy L
Bryan A	Ina	Mike R	Stanley
Cathy	Jack	Morgan & Family	Stephanie W
Carol M	Jackie H	Nan	Steven
Carolyn B	Jane & Family	Nancy K	Stover B
Cecily SH	Janice L	Nate	Sue G
Charles B	Jean & Richard P	Nathalie & Maya	Sue J
Charile, Ellen & family	Jesse, Memphis & family	Nelson	Terrie W
Chaun	Jim G	Nicole	Thadine
Chris & Ginger	Jim T	Nikki & Family	Tom P
Christine & Erich	Johanna & Philip	Noah P	Thomas
Christine & Francis	John R	Norman H	Velda P
Christopher C	Jon T	Olivia	Vicki
Chuck	Josh M	Pam D	Vivian
Cindy	Joyce K	Pat & Dan	Wanda
Claire E	Jude	Pat & Emmett J	Wayne
Colin	Jule & Family	Perry Family	Weaver Family
Dale & Family	June	Peter & Mike	William M
Dana S	Katharine	Phil & Terri	Wilson Family
Darnell	Kelly & family	Philip	Witman Family
	Ken & Family	Phyllis	Wolfram R
		Rashida	

We pray for all who serve our country abroad, in the military,
in embassies, and in non-governmental organizations, especially...

Adam	Brian	Josh	Marvin	Tyler
Annie R	Charlie K	Kagen	Matthew	Victoria
Ben	Christie J	Kate	Nate	
Bob	James	Kathy	Nicholas	
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