



Welcome!

ST. ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Sixth Sunday of Easter
10 a.m. 5 May 2024

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Please maintain prayerful silence and
turn off all cell phones before the service.

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Announcements

Processional Hymn (Please stand).....Blue Hymnal 23

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Celebrant continues

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 Gloria.....Red Hymnal S-280

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant continues

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.*

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come

with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days. [Acts 10:44-48]

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 98 (Prayed in unison)

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown
in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness
to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen
the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.

A Reading from the First Letter of John:

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is

it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth. [I John 5:1-6]

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn (Please stand).....Red Hymnal 292

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another." [John 15:9-17]

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon.....The Rev. Leeann Culbreath

A period of reflective silence is observed after the sermon.

The Nicene Creed.....Prayer Book 358

The Prayers of the People

At the end of each petition:

Leader We lift up our voices to you:
People Holy Spirit, fall upon us.

The Birthday Blessings

The Peace

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

Eucharistic Prayer D (Please stand) **Prayer Book 372**

The Sanctus (“Holy, holy, holy”)..... **Red Hymnal S-125**

The Lord’s Prayer **Prayer Book 364**

The Fraction Anthem.....**Red Hymnal 325**

Communion & Healing

All who have been baptized with water in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—regardless of denomination—are welcome to receive Holy Communion at St. Anne’s. If you wish to receive a blessing instead, fold your arms across your chest as the minister approaches. After all have received Communion, the Altar rail is open for those who seek healing for themselves or others in body, mind, or spirit.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you have trouble coming to the altar, notify an usher so that the priest can come to your pew.

Please do not depart the sanctuary until the dismissal is given after the processional hymn. Our worship is not complete until we have offered thanks to God for the gifts he has given us today.

Communion Music

I Am the Bread of Life**Red Hymnal 335**

Come, Share the Lord..... **Blue Hymnal 696**

Spirit Song..... **352**

Strong, Gentle Children..... **629**

Give Thanks..... **359**

The Prayer of Thanksgiving**Prayer Book 365**

The Blessing

Processional Hymn (Please stand) **Red Hymnal 344**

The Dismissal..... **Prayer Book 366**

Postlude

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

FLOWERS: Today’s flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Lisa Gibbs on her birthday, by Jeff and her family. The flowers under the icon are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Anna Greer and Drew Felton last evening at St. Anne’s; and in loving memory of Mary Joyce Norman, Anna’s beloved grandmother. Anna is the daughter of Jim and Caren Greer of Tifton.

FUNERAL TODAY: Karen Hendrix’ funeral will take place at 2:00 this afternoon at St. Anne’s, with burial at Oak Ridge Cemetery to follow. Please come and show your love and support for her family during this difficult time.

PENTECOST: Join us as we celebrate the birthday of the Church! Pentecost is May 19 (two weeks from today), and we are looking forward to our famous, traditional Holy Ghost Weenie Roast. Bring a side or dessert; the church will provide the burgers and hotdogs. If you can grill the meat, set up, take down, or help in the kitchen, please contact Jenna Riddle.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Today we conclude Sunday School and Adult Formation classes for the program year so that all can celebrate our youth and mothers after worship next Sunday. Classes will resume in August. Thank you to all of the teachers and leaders who helped us grow in our faith this past year!

FOR NEWCOMERS: If you are new to St. Anne’s, you are invited to celebrate Cinco de Mayo with the Vestry tonight. We will get together in the Parish Hall at 5 p.m. for tacos. Please come even if you did not have a chance to RSVP. This is a great way to meet people at St. Anne’s – all newcomers are welcome!

NEWSLETTER: We welcome your news items, announcements, and photos for our weekly email newsletter, The Open Door. To submit, please send an email to news@stannestifton.com with your text in the body of the email (no special formatting, please) and any graphics attached as a jpg or png. Submit by **TUESDAYS at 5pm** for inclusion in that week’s newsletter. Look for the newsletter in your inbox on Friday mornings. If you are having any trouble receiving it, or if you would like a printed copy mailed to you, contact Mtr. Leeann or Emily.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Use the link in your online newsletter to sign your child up for VBS, which will be June 3-7. Joy Yost will be delighted to hear from you if you can work with kids, cook, set up, or help with registration. Also, we are collecting cardboard boxes, Coke boxes, and monetary donations for supplies. Bring them to the Godly Play room or the church office.

Should you need to complete the Safeguarding/Safe Church training, which is necessary for all volunteers, please contact Emily to set up the online instructions.

A Prayer for St. Anne’s Search

Gracious God, we thank you for the many gifts you have bestowed on our St. Anne’s family. Time and again, you have richly blessed us with love, healing, and awakenings of spirit and mind. Continue to guide us as we go through the process of calling a new priest to our parish. In your time, open our hearts to receive the priest you have called to St. Anne’s. We trust you will bring to us a faithful minister who will care for us, challenge us, and equip us for our own ministries. May we, as a church family, always uphold our priest in prayer and love, that he or she might grow ever closer to you. We ask all this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

MAY 12: Next Sunday we will recognize our graduating seniors and our acolytes, while the youth of St. Anne’s fill many of the liturgical roles that make worship a joy here. Come celebrate Youth Sunday with us, pray for their ministries, and show your support for our graduates.



GIVING

YOUR GIVING MAKES A DIFFERENCE: St. Anne’s runs solely on the generosity of its members. Give today via the offering plate; or text STANNESTIFTON to 73256; or scan this code to give online. Every gift, large or small, sustains the church we love.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

JANUARY-MARCH 2024

Budget: \$120,804	████████████████████
Expenses: \$94,504	████████████████████
Income: \$91,402	████████████████████

TODAY’S LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MC Clayton Riehle

Vestry Kristifer Bell

Media Bucky Ferguson, Wyatt Cook

Lectors Erin Campbell, Peter Pinnow

EMs Jeff Newberry, Brandon Medley

Greeter Kristifer Bell

Acolytes Ricky Day, Acolyte Master; Ben Newberry, Madi Newberry, James Yost, Elliott Yost, Calvin Yost, Korbin Huggins, Evie Day

Altar Guild Glenda Johnson, Marilynne Marshall, Sarah Cook

Ushers Heather & Chris Grimes, Lorie & Jimmy Felton

PARISH PRAYER LIST: George, Lisa, Judy, Patrice, Matt, Serita & Chappie, Kay, Charlotte, Gerald & Nancy, Elsa, Sheila, Sally, Tommy, Jackie, Crisp, Paula, Grace

BIRTHDAYS: Cindy Hammond, Sarah Cook, Braeden Tillman, Jerry Mahrenholz, Alan Milton

ANNIVERSARIES: Joey & Debbie Hampton, Dan & Martha Anderson

OUR CLERGY: The Rt. Rev. Frank Logue (Bishop), the Rev. Leeann Culbreath (Priest-in-Charge)

OUR SEMINARIAN: Brandon Medley

FOR THE DEPARTED: Karen Hendrix