



## Weekly Newsletter

Friday, February 9, 2024

# WORSHIP

## The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

**Sunday, February 11, 2024**

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion *in the Church*

10:00 a.m. Holy Communion *in the Church*

5:00 p.m. Last Chance Mass *in the Old School Building*

### SERVICE DETAILS AND REMINDERS

1) [Click here](#) to watch the **10:00 a.m.** service live and to find previous services on the St. Thomas' Church website.

2) You can access the worship bulletin at: <https://bit.ly/ST-Online>

### We also offer weekday worship services!

Wednesdays at 12:00 p.m. in the Old School Building:  
Holy Eucharist and Bible Study

Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. in the Old School Building:  
Morning Prayer



Wednesday, February 14, 2024

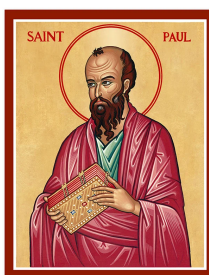
## Ash Wednesday Services

Services will be held in the Church at the following times:

**7:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., and 7:00 p.m.**

The noon service will be streamed. To watch live please click [here](#).

# LEARN



## ADULT BIBLE STUDY

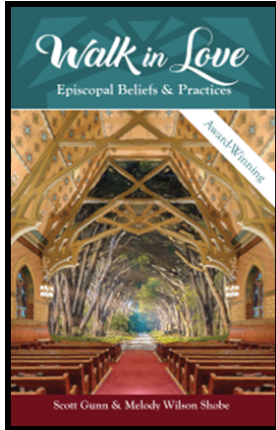
St. Paul is known as the Apostle to the Gentiles for his journeys that spread the Gospel. Join us as we study his letter to the Galatians, a Christian community he visited and built up. In it, he addressed conflicts and struggles common to many of us as followers of Jesus.

Our 7-week, lay-led study runs through **Monday, March 4, 2024**, meeting **Mondays at 7:00 pm via ZOOM**.

All are welcome to join anytime! Contact [Jane Farnan](#) to sign up.

Click on the button below to join the Zoom meeting.

## Adult Bible Study Zoom Meeting



### Adult Confirmation / Refresher / Inquirers Class

An opportunity for anyone who would like to be confirmed or received in the Episcopal Church or who would just like to learn more about our faith and church.

Starting on **February 20th**, the program will run **Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom** and **Saturdays in person at 10:00 a.m. in the PH**. We will be using the book *Walk in Love: Episcopal Beliefs and Practices*. Copies will be available in the office for \$20. Contact [Jane Farnan](#) to sign up.

## Children's & Youth Ministries



### Sunday School in the OSB this week!

Children ages 4-10 are invited to join us for fun activities and lessons in the Old School Building at 10:00 a.m. Drop-ins are always welcome! We invite children younger than 4 to join us as well, if accompanied by an adult.

To register for Children's and Youth programs or to volunteer, click [here](#).

Questions? Contact [Sara Hollands](#), Minister for Children and Youth.

### This Week's Activity Links

Pre-Reader

Reader



**St. Thomas' Sunday! Spread the Love!**

**Sunday, February 11, 2024**

Join us this **Sunday, February 11th** in the Parish Hall **after the 10:00 a.m. service** to help the homeless by assembling care kits. Fill a bag with essentials, write an inspirational message,

and keep it in your car to share with someone in need. All are welcome at this multi-generational activity!

\* **Donations of travel-sized essentials are welcomed.**

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### Youth Mission Trip 2024!

We are looking into a mission trip this summer for any youth who have completed 6th grade. We'd be spending a week doing critical home repairs for low-income families in Appalachia. Please click on the button to complete the survey so we can gauge interest. Contact [Sara Hollands](#) for more information.

**2024 Youth Mission Trip Online Survey**

## GIVE

### Red Cross Blood Drive Success!

Many thanks for everyone's participation in our St. Thomas' Annual Blood Drive last weekend. The Red Cross goal was to collect 20 units. They actually collected **27 whole blood units and 2 Power Red Collections which equals 30 blood products!** 1 unit can save up to 3 lives, so that is 90 patients' lives impacted. What a terrific way to support our community with the gift of life!

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## CLEAN, CLEAN, CLEAN

### For the CCC - Community Crisis Center

We are collecting the following items for the Community Crisis Center:

- Cleaners for: your house, laundry, dishes.
- Cleaners for: your body, hair, teeth, & hands.
- Keep your baby and body clean: adult and baby diapers (large sizes) and feminine hygiene products.

We would love to have items that we can distribute for each category listed above. Thank you for your ongoing support.

*Bring your donations to church and place them in the basket in the Narthex on Sundays. During the week, donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office.*

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### St. Mark's on the Hill Food Pantry

Thank you your support and partnership at the Food Pantry! It is truly appreciated! Items we're still in need of: Non perishable milk, cereal, oatmeal, canned fish/chicken/ meat, canned fruit/applesauce, pancake mix, syrup, boxed mac-n-cheese, flour, dry beans, stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, canned spaghetti, rice, boxed mashed potatoes, spaghetti noodles, spaghetti sauce.

In Christ, Deacon Les+

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We're making contributing to St. Thomas' Church easy through our online system. No worries about finding stamps or envelopes. Click on the **Give Now** button below.

If you have not yet submitted your 2024 Pledge, please click [here](#).

2024 Stewardship Seasonal Reflections

## GROW



### SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH

5:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall

Join us as we prepare for the Lenten Season with our very own Culinary Pancake Crew, Mardi Gras musical celebration, and Children & Youth activities. Burning of palms will follow dinner.

Click [HERE](#) to sign up online! Sign-up sheets are also available in the Narthex and Parish Hall.

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Click the button below to see the Vestry Nominations and Appointments for 2024.

2024 Vestry Nominations and Appointments

## ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Sunday, February 25, 2024

Following the 10:00 a.m. service in the Parish Hall

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### Save the Date for a St. Thomas' Book Event!

Saturday, March 16, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall

*Self-Destruction: The Rise, Fall, and Redemption of U.S. Senator Daniel B. Brewster* by John W. Frece. More details to follow!

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# SUTTON SCHOLARS

LEARNING FOR LIFE

Sutton Scholars is actively looking for energetic, experienced, creative, and passionate adults to serve as instructors during the 2024 Summer Session. Since 2016, the Sutton Scholars High School Enrichment Program has helped Baltimore City high school students become confident, competent, and capable contributors to their communities. The Summer Session is held at the Claggett Center in historic Adamstown, MD.

For more information, or to apply, please contact the [Rev. Neva W. Brown](#), Director of Community Engagement and Mentoring, or [James Woody](#), Executive Director.

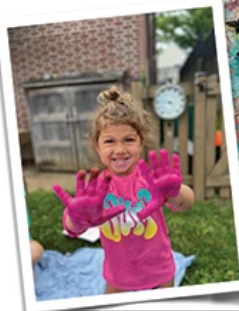
**Looking Forward to Some Summer Fun?**

**Register Today and Spread the Word!**

ST. THOMAS'  
PRESCHOOL  
AND KINDERGARTEN



## Summer Fun Registration 2024



Week 1	June 3 - June 7 9am-12pm	Atelier/Art Studio	\$250
Week 2	June 10 - June 14 9am-12pm	Birds of a Feather	\$250
Week 3	June 17 - June 21 9am-12pm	Marine Wildlife Discoveries	\$250
Week 4	June 24 - June 28 9am-12pm	Insects & Outdoor Creatures	\$250

Tuition payments will be due May 1, 2024 through Brightwheel or check made payable to "St. Thomas Preschool".

ALL medical forms will be due by Monday, May 31, 2024 for "new" families.  
(Forms will remain on file for "current" families)

Please return the form below by email (to [norris@stthomaspreschool.info](mailto:norris@stthomaspreschool.info)), bring it to the school office, or give to your child's teacher.

Note: we will open Summer Fun registration to outside STPS families February 1st!

**Registration for the 2024-2025 School Year is open! Click the button below to register online.**

Did you know that pledging members of St. Thomas' Church receive a discount in tuition? Contact [Nicole Norris](#) for more information.

**Access online registration here**

# The Thursday Morning Group

COME JOIN THE FUN - ALL ARE WELCOME!

The group meets in the St. Thomas' Church Library each **Thursday at 9:30 a.m. to noon**. Friendship, laughter and stories are shared, as well as ideas for many different kinds of projects.



## The Fellowship Team needs your help!

Please consider helping to provide items for our after-service fellowship!

[Sign up here](#)

## JOIN US FOR YOGA AT A NEW TIME!

**Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.**

Jessica from "My Purple Mat" presents

**Thursday Chair & Gentle Yoga Infusion**

**10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall**

Donation based (suggested donation: \$12-\$15)

For additional information visit: [www.mypurplemat.com/events](http://www.mypurplemat.com/events).

## Prayer List

We pray for those who are ill, those in pain, those under stress, and those who are lonely, especially Barbara, Dan, David, David J., Donna Y., Elise, Emma, Ernest, Frances G., Frank, Gee, Jacqueline, Jay Y., June, June F., Kate, Katharine, Lillian, Linda, Mary, Michael, Michael Z., Morgan, Nancy, Nick, Randy, Sinead, Steve, Verna, and Walter G; Give them all the joy of your saving help, and sustain them with your bountiful Spirit.

*The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of:*

Lisa Minnis, Sarah Pritchett, Lynne Seville, and Michelle Westerfield Seville

In our Parish Ministry Cycle of Prayer we give thanks for the Finance and Investment Committee.

## DAILY READINGS

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