

George mounted his horse, armed himself with the sign of the cross, and bravely went to meet the dragon as it came toward him. Brandishing his lance and commending himself to God, he dealt the beast a deadly wound. "Do not be afraid," he told the people. "The Lord has sent me to free you from the tyranny of the dragon. Only believe in Christ and be baptized, every one of you, and I will slay your dragon!"
from The Golden Legend



Prelude Christ is Risen by J.S. Bach

Tolling of the Bell & Welcome

Opening Song Beautiful Scandalous Night

Go on up to the mountain of mercy
To the crimson perpetual tide
Kneel down on the shore
Be thirsty no more
Go under and be purified

Follow Christ to the Holy mountain
Sinner, sorry and wrecked by the fall
Rest your heart and your soul
In the river that flows
For you and for me and for all

Chorus At the wonderful tragic mysterious tree
On that beautiful scandalous night you and me
Were atoned by His blood and forever washed white
On that beautiful scandalous night

On the mountain you will be delivered
At the foot of the cross, justified
And your spirit restored
By the river that pours
From our blessed Savior's side [*Chorus*]

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Sung by all

Standing

Collect for Sundays in Easter

Confession of Sin

Kneeling

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.

Absolution

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day & for the Feast of St. George

Lesson 1 Peter 2:19-25

Seated

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

"He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth."

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23 *Dominus regit me*

1 The Lord is my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.

3 He revives my soul

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; for you are with me;

your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

All **Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen**

Standing, sung by all

Gradual Hymn #645 vv. 1-3 The King of love my shepherd is

The Gospel John 10:1-10 *Standing*
Asst Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

Asst Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon The Rev. Dr. Matthew Olver *Seated*

The Nicene Creed *Standing; said by all*
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.

Prayers of the People *Standing*
Each petition concludes Lord of life.
People respond **Hear our prayer.**

The Peace
Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Announcements

Offering *You may give your offering in the plates passed by the ushers or give online stgeorgesdayton.org or mail offerings, 5520 Far Hills Ave. Dayton, OH 45429-2204.*

Offertory Music Here I Am to Worship

Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving Prayer A, p.361
Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant continues with 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:

Hymn S 129 Sanctus (Powell) *Sung by all*
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.
Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer... Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
People **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer.
At the conclusion, the people join, Amen.*

The Lord's Prayer *Said by 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 Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

- Directions for receiving Communion**
- All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive; if you have not been baptized, you are welcome to cross your arms for a blessing.
 - Gluten-free wafers are available, please indicate your need when receiving.
 - If you prefer to intinct (dip) your wafer instead of drinking from the chalice, lay ministers with small intinction cups will be available on both sides. The larger chalices are only for drinking.
 - If you prefer to receive only the wafer, please pass the lay ministers and return directly to your pew.

Communion Music

Prayer after Communion *Kneeling, said by all*
Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn #232 By all your saints still striving *Sung by all*
("St. George's Hymn" - See Graphic on pg. 6)

Dismissal
Assisting Priest gives a dismissal
People **Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Postlude Christ Lay in Death's Grim Prison by J.S. Bach

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| Preacher | The Rev. Dr. Matthew Olver, Guest Preacher |
| Assisting Priest | The Rev. Dr. Calvin Lane, Associate Rector |
| Organist | Dr. David Crean, Director of Music |
| Praise Team | Charles Kennedy, Jeff Haas, Holly Litfin, Catherine Phillips |
| Vergers | Beth Hard |
| Lay Ministers | Stephanie Rice, Nick Brusky, Karen Lindsey |
| Lector | Nick Brusky |
| Acolyte | Kiera, Cameron |
| Ushers | Andy Knowles, Pat MacKenzie, Marilyn Judd |

Graphic #232 By all your saints still striving ("St. George's Hymn")

By all your saints still striving, for all your saints at rest,
For George, a sol-dier, mar-tyr, de-fend-er of the poor,
Then let us praise the Fath-er and wor-ship God the Son

your ho-ly Name, O Je-sus for ev-er-more be blessed.
whose stead-fast faith, when chal-lenged, re-mained for-ev-er-er sure:
and sing to God the Spi-rit, e-ter-nal Three in One,

You rose, our King vic-to-ri-ous, that they might wear the crown
Our praise to Christ we of-fer, and humb-ly, on our quest,
till all the ran-somed num-ber who stand be-fore the throne

and ev-er shine in splen-dor re-flect-ed from your throne.
we pray to slay our drag-ons, and to your cross at-test.
a-scribe all power and glo-ry and praise to God a-lone.



The Flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God
and in celebration of our anniversary
by Mark & Bernadine Greenwood



The Weekly Messenger

TODAY at St. George's ...

CHILDREN'S EDUCATION—10am

Education for Children Pre-school through 5th Grade at 10am.

GUEST SPEAKER—10am, Parish Hall

The Rev. Dr. Matthew Olver, Executive Director of *The Living Church*, will speak to Adults and Youth during the 10am Rector's Bible Study on **Sunday, April 26**.

POTLUCK SUPPER—5 pm, Undercroft

Join your church family for a spring potluck supper and fellowship **TODAY, Sunday, April 26** at 5 pm in the Undercroft. Bring your favorite dish to share! This will be our final potluck of the season.

Upcoming and Ongoing ...

SHORT EUCHARIST WITH HEALING PRAYER

Wednesdays at Noon in Easter Season (Now-May 20) - Join us for a short Eucharist (25 min max) in the Chapel with brief meditation rather than sermon. The focus will be intercessory prayer. Optional Brown Bag lunch follows.

VBS REGISTRATION IS OPEN—June 17, 18, 19

VBS will be held June 17-19, 9am-Noon. Online registration opened **April 5**. Contact the Rev. Dr. Cal Lane with questions associate@stgeorgeohio.org. Starting May 3, check out the "Beg Board" in the hallway across from the church office, and pull a ticket (or 2!) to donate VBS supplies.

GRADUATING SENIOR & ACOLYTE RECOGNITION—May 3

St. George's graduating seniors and acolytes will be recognized at both the 9am and 11am services on **Sunday, May 3**.

YOUTH FAMILIES LUNCH AND LASER WEB—May 3, Noon

Youth families are gathering in the Undercroft for lunch and Mission Trip prep. After lunch we will head to Laser Web (533 Miamisburg Centerville Rd.) The cost to participate in Laser Web is \$10. Contact Cal with questions associate@stgeorgeohio.org.

CONFIRMATION AND BISHOP'S VISIT—May 10

Bishop Kristin Uffelman White will lead worship and celebrate our Confirmands at both the 9am and 11am services on **Sunday, May 10**.

MAY OUTREACH DRIVE—May 17, 9am-1pm

Please donate women's underwear, socks, and Depends, during our May intake for the YWCA.

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