



WELCOME

TO ST. THOMAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

At St. Thomas Church, we strive to be a community where the dignity of every human being is seen and honored. As Christians, we seek to welcome all of God's people, celebrating the fullness of their being that is inclusive of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, education, faith history, age, economic status, sex, gender identity and expression, language, physical and cognitive ability. We seek to be the Body of Christ where all members feel safe, loved and that they belong. Whoever you are, and wherever you are on your spiritual journey, there is a place for you at St. Thomas!



Archbishop of Canterbury, Dame Sarah Mullally, is undertaking a six-day, 87-mile walking pilgrimage from London to Canterbury as a prayerful preparation for her installation on March 25, which marks the formal beginning of her ministry as Archbishop. She is the first Archbishop in modern times to make this journey on foot.

March 22, 2026

Fifth Sunday in Lent

WORSHIP

8 & 10am | Holy Eucharist,
followed by Coffee Hour

FORMATION

9am | Youth Group
9:15am | Coffee with Clergy
(Vesta Loyd Parlor)
9:45am | Building Blocks of
Faith and Godly Play
11am | On Christianity Series
(Library)

New to St. Thomas?

New to St. Thomas? Your presence and prayers are a gift to our community. You are fully welcome in this place! If you would like to learn more about St. Thomas, or for us to be in touch with you, please fill out a welcome card in the pew in front of you, and place it in the offering plate before Communion. A member of the clergy will reach out to you.



Hearing assistive devices are available. Please ask an usher.



Childcare is available from 9am-1pm in the Childcare Room, located on the first floor of the Ebsworth Life Center.

SUPPORT ST. THOMAS TODAY!

Scan the QR code or go to stthomasmedina.org/giving.



UPCOMING AT ST. THOMAS

TODAY | Fifth Sunday in Lent

Holy Eucharist, followed by Coffee Hour at 8 and 10am

Youth Group at 9am

Newcomer Coffee with Clergy at 9:15am (Vesta Loyd)

Building Blocks of Faith & Godly Play at 9:45am

On Christianity Series with Dr. Phil Ballinger
after the 10am service (Library)

Bach's Birthday Bash at 2pm

March 25 | Lenten Walking Meditation at 10am

Lenten Bible Study on Matthew, 11am (Library & Zoom)

March 29 | Palm Sunday

Last Sunday Family Breakfast at 9am

Lenten Food & Hygiene Drive concludes

Children's Holy Week Pilgrimage during 10am service

The Quest Youth Confirmation Class at 11:30am

April 1 | Tenebrae Service at 7pm

April 2 | Maundy Thursday Service (6pm), followed by

Agape Supper (7pm) *RSVP for Supper by March 30 to*
office@stthomasmedina.org

April 3 | Good Friday Service at 7pm

April 4 | Flower Guild Work Party at 9am



THANK YOU

Thank you to our volunteers who make St. Thomas Church what it is today. Thank you to all those who help welcome newcomers, lead worship, offer hospitality, and stay late cleaning dishes. Thank you to all those who help form all ages in the faith, who visit people who cannot make it to church, and who serve the poor and vulnerable in our community. Thank you to those who help with our buildings and grounds, who help us steward our financial resources, and who invite people to give of their time, talent, and treasure. And thank you to those who are working to strengthen our financial health so that we can continue to be a flourishing faith community for generations to come!

presented by the
St. Thomas Music Guild

Bach Birthday Bash

March 22 / 2pm



Organist Paul Meier will play an all-Bach organ recital to celebrate the composer's 341st birthday. The program will include:

Praeludium in E major, BWV 566

Wer nur den lieben Gott läßt walten, BWV 647 & 642

Prelude and Fugue in B minor, BWV 544

Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr, BWV 676 & 662

Passacaglia, BWV 582

A festive reception will follow the recital.

Donations received at this free concert will support future St. Thomas Music Guild concerts and events.



A SERIES ON CHRISTIANITY WITH DR. PHIL BALLINGER

after the 10am service in the library

February 22 The Rise of Christianity

March 22 The Spoken Word, the Written Word, and the Rise of the New Testament

April 19 A User's Guide to the 'bible' within the Bible — the Psalms

May 31 Is Poetic Language the Best God Language?'

Philip Ballinger, Ph.D., S.T.D., is an Emeritus Associate Vice Provost at the University of Washington.

Sunday, March 22

COFFEE WITH THE CLERGY

New to St. Thomas or just visiting?
Please join us for an informal conversation with Father Edmund.

9:15am in the Vesta Loyd Parlor in the Ebsworth Life Center

Questions? Contact Margie Gerrity at margiegerrity@gmail.com.



Sunday, March 29

LAST SUNDAY FAMILY BREAKFAST

All families with kids are invited on the last Sunday of each month to breakfast at 9am in the Ebsworth Life Center.



RENEWAL FOOD BANK
Your Community Food Bank



LENTEN FOOD & HYGIENE DRIVE GIVE WHAT TRULY HELPS.

This Lent, St. Thomas is collecting 1,000 pounds of food and hygiene items to support our neighbors. Please buy **NEW** items only. Items must be within 365 days of the expiration date to be accepted by Feeding America guidelines.

BRING DONATIONS TO THE GREAT HALL BY MARCH 29



THROUGHOUT LENT

The sanctuary will be open Monday-Thursday, 9am-3pm, for anyone who desires a quiet place to sit, pray, and reflect.

The Rite of Reconciliation is available during Lent; speak with a member of the clergy if you would like to receive this sacrament.



Join us as we journey through Matthew's Gospel, listening for how Christ calls us more deeply into relationship with God and one another.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays | 11am-Noon
February 25, March 4, 11, 18, 25



IN-PERSON AND ON ZOOM

As part of our Lenten journey, Yvonne Lamey invites you to join her for a half-hour silent walking meditation on Wednesdays at 10am, beginning at Medina Park. Participants will gather in front of the church, walk together across the street to the park, and enter into a quiet, prayerful time of reflection. Afterward, those who wish are welcome to return to the church to share their thoughts — or simply hold them close to their hearts. Come walk, pray, and keep a holy Lent together.

April 26-May 2, 2026

ICON WORKSHOP

Ever wondered what makes an icon more than just a painting? Icons speak a unique visual language, steeped in theology, spirituality, and beauty. Come learn that language firsthand in this introductory icon workshop, where you will paint your own icon under the guidance of a seasoned iconographer.



More Info:
stthomasmedina.org/adult-formation

HOLY WEEK & EASTER

at St. Thomas Episcopal Church

Palm Sunday | March 29 at 8am and 10am
We will offer a special Stations of the Cross for children during the 10am service.

Tenebrae | April 1 at 7pm
Maundy Thursday | April 2
Agape Dinner at 6pm
Service with Foot Washing at 7pm

Good Friday | April 3 at 7pm

Easter Vigil | April 4 at 7pm

Easter Sunday | April 5 at 9am and 11am
Both Easter Sunday services will be followed by egg hunts!

CONFIRMATION / EPISCOPAL 101



Interested in being confirmed or received as an Episcopalian? Feeling like you are in a time of your life when you'd like to renew your faith or learn more about the Episcopal Church? Join Mother Liz for a four-session class that will explore the building blocks of Anglican/ Episcopal identity and spirituality. **This class is being taught to prepare adults for Bishop LaBelle's visit on June 7**, when he will do confirmations, receptions, and reaffirmations of faith. All are welcome to attend it.

BISHOP PHIL
WILL VISIT ST.
THOMAS FOR
CONFIRMATIONS
ON JUNE 7

April 26 The Anglican Way
May 3 Reading the Bible
May 10 Prayer
May 17 Living Out of Faith
(Practice and Witness)

**ALL CLASSES ARE AT
11:30AM IN THE LIBRARY**



JUNE 29-JULY 3



WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?

A **joyful summer camp**, for kids entering K-5th grade, filled with **curiosity, creativity, and connection**



STTHOMASMEDINA.ORG/SUMMER-CAMP

Got an announcement? Submit it at least one week in advance to **communications@StThomasMedina.org**.

Be sure to include key details like date, time, and location.



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Office Hours
Monday-Thursday
9AM-3PM

Call the office to visit with a specific staff member, as individual hours may vary.

A NOTE ABOUT WORSHIP

This worship service takes place in an area where photography, audio, and video recording will occur. Attending and participating in the service confirms consent to such recording and to the release, publication, exhibition, or reproduction of all related forms of media.