



# 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!

## October 4, 2026



## Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost and Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

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### WORSHIP

**8am and 10am** | Holy  
Eucharist, followed by  
Coffee Hour

### FORMATION

**9am** | Youth Group  
**9:45am** | Godly Play 1 & 2

### OUTREACH & MUSIC

**12:30-1:30pm** | Pet Blessing  
in Medina Park  
**2pm** | Organ Recital  
presented by the Music Guild

## Are you 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.

# SUPPORT ST. THOMAS TODAY!

Scan the QR code or go to [stthomasmedina.org/giving](http://stthomasmedina.org/giving).



## UPCOMING

**October 10** | E-Bike Training offered by Medina Police, 1pm

**October 11** | 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost  
Youth Group, 9am  
Godly Play 1 & 2, 9:45am  
Evensong, 3pm

**October 15** | Porchlight Kitchen Party

**October 16** | Game Night

**October 18** | 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday After Pentecost  
Youth Group, 9am

Fall Adult Formation series begins, 9am

Godly Play 1 & 2, 9:45am

**October 25** | 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost  
Youth Group, 9am

Fall Adult Formation series, 9am

Godly Play 1 & 2, 9:45am

Halloween Party & Coffee Hour following 10am

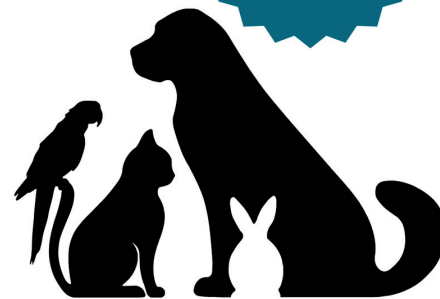
**October 31** | Men's Breakfast, 9am

## WALK-UP PET BLESSING



Share with a friend or neighbor!

Bring your pets of all shapes and sizes for a blessing in honor of St. Francis of Assisi.



**Today!** 🐾🐾 12:30 - 1:30pm  
**Medina Park**

## HOW HAS ST. THOMAS HELPED YOU GROW?



As you reflect on the role St. Thomas plays in your life, please consider how you can help support the church financially. You can find information on our stewardship campaign, as well as a devotional guide, in the Ebsworth Life Center. Bring your pledge cards on **Ingathering Sunday November 15**, or drop it off at the St. Thomas office.

Questions? Contact [pledge@stthomasmedina.org](mailto:pledge@stthomasmedina.org)

ST. THOMAS MUSIC GUILD PRESENTS



Today / 2pm

**Organ Recital celebrating the 55th Anniversary of the Metzler Organ at St. Thomas**

featuring works by Alain, Bach, de Grigny, Mendelssohn, and Mozart played by Paul Meier



THIS FREE RECITAL WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A RECEPTION.

## JOIN THE EMAIL LIST

Stay in-the-know about St. Thomas by joining our email list. We send a weekly Ministry Minute and occasional updates from our staff, vestry, and committees. Use the QR code to sign up or go to [www.stthomasmedina.org/maillinglist](http://www.stthomasmedina.org/maillinglist).





## ST. THOMAS CHURCH MUSIC ACADEMY

welcomes students of  
many ages and ability levels  
for private lessons in voice,  
piano, flute, and organ.

We are currently registering  
for fall lessons.

**LEARN MORE**

[MUSICACADEMY@STTHOMASMEDINA.ORG](mailto:MUSICACADEMY@STTHOMASMEDINA.ORG)



## CHORAL EVENSONG

**Sunday, October 11 • 3pm**



[stthomasmedina.org/music](http://stthomasmedina.org/music)

## A CHANGE TO 10AM COFFEE HOUR IS HERE!

Bring a snack to share once a month.

**Next date:** November 29

We love how  
well-attended  
Coffee Hour has  
become, and  
how many of you  
get to connect  
with one another  
during that time!  
We're asking for  
your help to  
keep it going.



NO NUTS OR FIN FISH, PLEASE



NOW MEETING IN MEMBERS' HOMES

## GAME NIGHT

For any questions, including the  
current month's meeting location,  
please call or email:



Peter or Sheila Justus

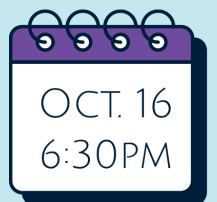
425-646-7856 or

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## GODLY PLAY & YOUTH GROUP

We're so glad your children are part of our  
community! Please take a moment to register using  
the form at this QR Code. This helps us keep  
emergency and contact information up to date so  
we can care for your family well.



Help is needed to cook  
for the Emergency  
Men's Shelter:

**PorchLight**  
(formerly Congregations for the Homeless)

**KITCHEN  
PARTIES**

OCT. 15

We begin cooking at St. Thomas at 9:00 AM and finish by 11:00 AM, then load up and head to the shelter, arriving around 11:30 AM. Lunch for 75 men is served at noon, and we stay to share the meal together. We're usually back in the church parking lot by 1:00 PM. You're welcome to join us just for cooking or just for serving—but it's especially fun and rewarding to do both.

PLEASE CONTACT LAURIE TO HELP:  
LAURIEANGELO@OUTLOOK.COM.




ST. THOMAS CHURCH

**Chorister Program**



DO YOU LOVE  
IT WHEN YOUR  
CHILD SINGS?  
**SO DO WE.**

The Chorister Program at St. Thomas is open to singers in grades 1-8 who want to develop strong voices, sharpen their musical skills, and be part of a vibrant tradition.

Director of the  
Choristers  
Program & Music  
at St. Thomas  
School

**FOR MORE  
INFORMATION**

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**HOW TO CONTACT  
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**Barbara Feldon**  
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October 18–November 15 | 9am

**PRACTICING PRESENCE:  
MEETING GOD IN EVERYDAY LIFE**

What if your daily life is already full of opportunities to encounter God? Join Gretchen Wilson-Prangley for a six-week journey into **contemplative practice for busy disciples**, inspired by Bishop Phil LaBelle's *ZimZum Discipleship* series. Discover practical ways to notice, reflect, and grow in faith amid the rhythms of everyday life.

**SUNDAYS AT 9:00 AM IN THE LIBRARY**



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.

 **ST. THOMAS**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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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.