



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!



December 14, 2025

Third Sunday of Advent

WORSHIP

8 & 10am | Holy Eucharist
followed by Coffee Hour

FORMATION

9am | Advent ZimZum Study
Series (Library)

9am | Youth Group

9:45am | Godly Play and
Building Blocks of Faith

5pm | Advent Lessons &
Carols

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.



TODAY | Advent 3

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

Youth Group at 9am

Advent Zimzum Study Series at 9am

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

Christmas Pageant Rehearsal at 11:30am

Advent Lessons & Carols, followed by Hot Chocolate
Reception and a visit from Santa at 5pm

December 21 | Advent 4 and the Feast Day of St. Thomas

Advent Zimzum Study Series at 9am

Christmas Pageant Rehearsal at 11:30am

December 24 | Family Service with Pageant at 4pm

Festive Choral Eucharist with Choir at 8pm

December 25 | Mass with Carols and Hymns at 10am

December 28 | Christmas 1

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

Last Sunday Family Breakfast at 9am

Children's Chapel at 10am

December 31 | New Year's Eve Celebration Concert, 7:30pm

December 29-January 2 | St. Thomas Offices are closed.

January 3 | Men's Breakfast at 9am

January 4 | Christmas 2



Sundays at 9am | Library

NOVEMBER 30
DECEMBER 14
DECEMBER 21
DECEMBER 28

ZIMZUM STUDY SERIES

A Journey of Faith and Connection

Join us this Advent as we journey together
through an adaptation of the bishop's
Zimzum small group curriculum.

The Zimzum curriculum invites us to explore
what it means to follow Jesus in
relationship—with God, one another, and
creation. During Advent and Christmastide,
we'll gather as one group to reflect,
discuss, and practice together as a
community of disciples.

LEARN MORE:



Would you like to be
**CONFIRMED AT
ST. THOMAS?**

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

Confirmation classes for youth and adults will begin in early 2026.
Connect with Father Edmund (youth) or Mother Liz (adults) to learn more.

BE IN THE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT
ON DECEMBER 24 AT 4PM!



- ★ Ages 3 thru 8th grade
- ★ Speaking and non-speaking roles available
- ★ Rehearsals: 12/7 at 11:30am; 12/14 at 11:30am; 12/21 at 11:30am

TO SIGN UP, EMAIL
EDMUND@STTHOMASMEDINA.ORG



HELP BUILD TINY HOMES!

January 24
9am-3:30pm



Volunteer to help
build tiny homes!
No experience
needed—just bring
energy, gloves,
and clothes you
can get dirty.
Ages 16+.

Sign
Up

PETER: 425-646-7856
PGJUSTUS@GMAIL.COM

THE ST. THOMAS
CHURCH MUSIC
GUILD INVITES
YOU TO A

December 31 | 7:30pm

New Year's Eve Concert

followed by a
champagne reception

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



ADVENT
Lessons & Carols

December 14
at 5pm

A joyful, hope-filled
service featuring the
St. Thomas **choir and
choristers**, followed
by a **festive hot
chocolate** reception
and a **visit from
Santa Claus**.

Choral Evensong

Sunday, January 11 • 5pm



ST. THOMAS IS
ON SOCIAL MEDIA.





KITCHEN PARTIES

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

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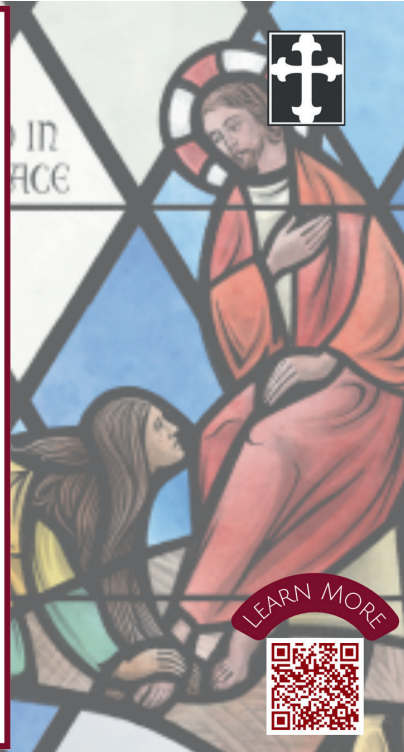


We begin cooking at St. Thomas at 9am and finish by 11am, then load up and head to the shelter, arriving around 11:30am. Lunch for 75 men is served at noon, and we stay to share the meal together. We're usually back in the church parking lot by 1:15-1:30pm. You're welcome to join us just for cooking or just for serving—but it's especially fun and rewarding to do both.

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

Our stained glass windows are now scheduled for installation in early January 2026. The artisan encountered some unexpected issues that have caused a delay in the original timeline, but the work is moving forward.

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, January 25, 2026, when the windows will be blessed during our 10am service. We look forward to celebrating this long-awaited addition to our worship space.



Christmas

at ST. THOMAS
EPISCOPAL
CHURCH

CHRISTMAS EVE

4pm Family Service with
Children's Christmas Pageant
8pm Festive Choral Eucharist
with Choir and Brass

CHRISTMAS DAY

10am Mass with Carols
and Hymns



SAVE THE DATE: MEN'S RETREAT

FEBRUARY, 20-22, 2026
HUSTON CAMP & CONFERENCE CENTER

This year's retreat invites the men of our parish to explore the spiritual practice of being with — with God, with ourselves, with one another, and with the world. We will be discussing David Brooks book, *How to Know a Person*, which explores how deep attention, empathy, and curiosity can transform our relationships and our communities.

We will start at 3pm on Friday, the 20th and end at 12pm on Sunday, the 22nd.

Additional details will be published in the coming weeks. If you have questions in the meantime, contact Gregg Soelter at (425) 894-9384 or Claude Rogers at (425) 681-3501.



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.