



## THE WEEKLY WORD – MAY 13TH, 2026

### SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER

*St. George's Mission  
Committed Christians  
providing hope, help, and hospitality  
in Northern Newport News*

**There will no church service at St. George's Sunday  
May 17th**

**We will be back on Sunday May 24th at 10:30am  
for PENTECOST SUNDAY HEII**

### **Important Parish Information and Schedule of Services through end of May**

As announced in church this last Sunday, David and Lisa Adams will be out of the country from April 29 through May 31st. Any general church business questions or concerns that arise should be directed to our vestry: Gerry Belden, Joan Jenkins or Sarah Thurmond. You may also call the church office at (757) 877-0088 and Dana can relay messages to one or more vestry persons. Rev. Charlie will be returning to California from May 14<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> to clear out his brother Colman's apartment and preside over a memorial service. **The Rev. Rhonda Wheeler**, rector of Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Hampton will be the emergency clergy contact during his time away.

Rhonda's cell number is (757) 880-5632.  
Her office number is: 757-723-8144 ext 11.

In addition, here are the schedule of services available for this weekend

May 17: - Since neither David Adams or Laura Stepp will be available to lead Morning Prayer please see list below for other service options.

Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> 10:30 – St. Mark’s Holy Eucharist

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84430506697?pwd=bUlUeNDZES1JscHFTcjdQlptL2FEdz09>

Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup> 10:30 – St. Augustine’s Morning Prayer

<https://youtube.com/@st.augustinesnepiscopalchurch?si=DhZySNzu7L3Bqznh>

Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup> 10:30 – St Andrew’s Holy Eucharist

<https://www.facebook.com/standrewsnewportnews/>

Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup> 11:00 Hope Presbyterian in Gravely Hall for Worship

May 24 - Pentecost Sunday - Rev. Dr. Derek Pringle will be our celebrant. St. Mark's will join us for worship.

May 31 - Morning Prayer led by Laura Stepp

### **Peninsula Ministry Partnership (St. Augustine’s, St. George’s, and St. Mark’s)**

#### **Sharing our Ministry Together**

#### **Thursday Bible Study this Thursday, May 14th**

Held 7-8 pm; new attendees welcome! Material used is published on the Episcopal website written by church teachers, organized by liturgical occasion & church season.

Join the Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84370729616?pwd=M2JoVGw1bVpEMFBFTk55QWphN2RPdz09>

#### **ZOOM LINK FOR 10:30 am SERVICE**

<https://zoom.us/j/117414681?pwd=Mk1Da29jRk9Wb3V2N1hEY2V6M1I3dz09>

**Meeting ID: 117 414 681 - Password: 016023**

## **Invitation to Compline with St. Mark's**

On Wednesday evenings at 7pm, St. Mark's hosts a service of healing prayers, followed by either traditional Compline or New Zealand Night Prayers. This usually takes no more than 20 minutes.

They would love to have other members of the PMP join them. It's presently hosted on the St. Mark's Zoom channel (info is below or click the Zoom icon at the bottom of [www.smechampton.org](http://www.smechampton.org)).

### **Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84430506697?pwd=bUludZES1JscHFTcjdaQlptL2FEdz09>

**Meeting ID: 844 3050 6697**

**Password: 5414**

**One tap mobile**

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**+1 253 215 8782 US**

**+1 267 831 0333 US**

**Meeting ID: 844 3050 6697**



**Our Cursillo Weekend #176 is quickly approaching! May 14-17!**

**Our Team members continue to work together to ensure a Spirit-filled weekend for all as our Candidate numbers increase.**

**What you can do to help...**

**...Attendance at the Closing and Potluck on May 17. Plan to arrive quietly around 2:30pm and bring a dish to share for the Potluck in the larger Dining Hall space. No food can be left at Chanco when we leave so please take your leftovers home with you!**

**...Help to pack and close the Weekend on May 17. While the Team will be packing as they go along, extra hands are needed and appreciated for all the last-minute things to go back in the shed.**

***Praying by name is important...* here are the names of our Team members and our Candidates to date. You may share this list with Cursillistas around you but please *do not post online* in respect for confidentiality and safety.**

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Team:	Candidates:
Allen Cersley	Allison Oran
Barbara Wells	Chip Graves
Bill Anspach	Chris Bellamy
Courtney Wheeler	Cliffe Harris
Dana VanVliet-Pullen+	Dave Belote
Debbie Thompson	Elizabeth Harris
Della Anspach	Kathy Powell
Frank Wakefield	Louise Law
Gary Shaffer	Lucia Schoelwer
Karey Sitzler	Mario Melendez
Kimberly Truxell	Mike Allen
Laura Frank Sale	Mike Schoelwer
Laura Kallestad	Nickko Reyes
Laura Strepp	Noah Tench
Linda Tandy	Susan Mattocks
Lydia Dyson	
Margaret Kolster	
Mark Crosthwaite	
Marti Jones	
Mary Peyton Miller	
Mike Gaydos	
Monica Anspach	
Pam Wakefield	
Richard Toll	
Ronda Toll	
Susan Grimm+	
Tommy Sitzler	
Talley Banazek+	
Gwen Bunyard, Prayer Warrior	
Stephen Weirich, Prayer Warrior	
Carol Todd, Prayer Warrior	
Mac Todd, Prayer Warrior	



### **Change for Chanco**

**Let's make a splash together!** Each summer, campers make Chanco on the James even better through the Change for Chanco initiative. This year, your gift will help install a **Typhoon Swimming Pool Slide**, adding excitement and adventure to the pool area. Together, campers and friends can leave a lasting legacy that future campers will enjoy for generations. Plus, a little friendly competition makes it even more fun:

**The campsite that raises the most money in support of the Change for Chanco slide will win an ice cream party during their session!**

**Donations can be made:**

- Online at <https://givebutter.com/Ox4IX9>
- By scanning the QR code below
- By check: Please include your camper's name and "C4C26" in the memo line
- By cash: Sent with your camper in their Change for Chanco box

**Join the fun, help us reach new heights (and new splashes!), and contribute to Change for Chanco to help make our water slide a reality. Thank you for your generosity.**



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### **St. George's Prayer List**

*Deania, Teresa & Steve S., Davidsinia, Christina M., Richard, Linell, Henrietta, Lacy, Wil, David G., Peggy, Skip J., Darlene M., Gale, Sandra, Serena, Gerald, Joan M., Carmen, Jennifer H., Bobby, Gwen, Candace, Urith, Janette, Phyllis M., Calvin, Richard and Ronda T., Mary S., Pamela E., Bill B., Leslie T., Brian M., Connie, Billy, Celestina, Thelma, Aimee S., Mark, Yvette, and Connie H. **And Our Military:** Eduardo, Joe, Ashley, Charles, Anthony, Nyla, and Dominique.*

### **Readings for May 17th**

#### **The First Lesson**

##### **Acts 1:6-14**

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of

Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

## The Psalm

### **Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36**

- 1 Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; \*  
let those who hate him flee before him.
- 2 Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; \*  
as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.
- 3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; \*  
let them also be merry and joyful.
- 4 Sing to God, sing praises to his Name;  
exalt him who rides upon the heavens; \*  
YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!
- 5 Father of orphans, defender of widows, \*  
God in his holy habitation!
- 6 God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom; \*  
but the rebels shall live in dry places.
- 7 O God, when you went forth before your people, \*  
when you marched through the wilderness,
- 8 The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,  
at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, \*  
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.
- 9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; \*  
you refreshed the land when it was weary.
- 10 Your people found their home in it; \*  
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.
- 33 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; \*  
sing praises to the Lord.
- 34 He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; \*  
he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.

35 Ascribe power to God; \*  
his majesty is over Israel;  
his strength is in the skies.

36 How wonderful is God in his holy places! \*  
the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people!  
Blessed be God!

## **The Epistle**

### **1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11**

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you.

Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever.  
Amen

## **The Gospel**

### **John 17:1-11**

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”