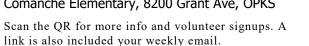
## **Outreach Opportunities**

**■ Food Pantry Volunteers Needed** 2nd Saturday—April 13, 11:30am

Comanche Elementary, 8200 Grant Ave, OPKS





2024 K2K Community Mission Team

Invitation to Join—June 6-19, 2024

An unforgettable experience in Kenya with the 2024 K2K Community Team this summer! Learn more in your "Connecting" email. Contact Joe Bob Lake jlake10@kc.rr.com

## **Episcopal Diocese of KS Women's Retreat**

■ "STAND IN YOUR OWN SPACE" Retreat

April 5, 4pm—April 7, 1pm \$250/person (includes lodging Fri & Sat, meals/snacks) Marillac Retreat Center - Leavenworth, KS

For more info please refer to your weekly "Connecting with You" or click the QR code for details and registration.





#### **Youth Musicians Wanted**

■ Singers/instrumentalists needed for service Preludes & Postludes. Also join "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" on April 21! \*\* Sign up by contacting Julieanne Stapleton, Director of Music istapleton@stthomasop.org \*\*

#### **Music Events:**

April 21: "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" during the 8:45 service

April 28: "The Messiah" during 11am service

#### **Children & Youth**

■ 2nd Annual Palm Sunday Eve "Soup & Stations" Sunday, March 24 from 5-7pm

A potluck style event where everyone is encouraged to bring something to share. All Ages Welcome! Questions? Barbara McCall bmccall@stthomasop.org. Sign up with the QR!



■ Celebration Sunday & Easter Egg Hunt Sunday, April 7

FILLINGS NEEDED—Non-Edible or Non-Chocolate Candy Also—SPARE COINS—for summer camp partner, KC Pet Project. PLEASE no plastic eggs—thanks!

More info may be found in your weekly "Connecting with You" email.

#### ■ Parents of Seniors!

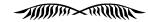
Sunday, May 5, we'll celebrate Senior Sunday!

If you have a graduating senior (either from high school, technical school, college, or grad school) please email kdemo@stthomasop.org with a picture and their information so we can celebrate them!





"Agape" Supper, or LOVE FEAST with "Walk Through Holy Week." All ages are welcome.



Join us for Coffee Hour in Parish Hall 1 after both services.

Children's Chapel (geared toward ages 3-10) is available during Sunday services.

Nursery care is available on Sunday for children ages 6 months thru 4 yrs from 8:15am -12:15 (or conclusion of the 11am service).

All services are live-streamed and available to watch afterward on www.youtube.com/c/stthomasop & www.facebook.com/ stthomasop

## **Holy Week & Easter Services**

Maundy Thursday, Mar. 28, 7pm Footwashing and Holy Communion

Good Friday Stations of the Cross—Noon Good Friday Solemn Liturgy—7pm

Easter Vigil with Holy Communion—5:30pm Easter Sunday Holy Communion—6:30am Sunrise (Apostle's Garden); 8:45 and 11:00am

Easter is a great time to invite family and friends to church. Share the Easter joy with those you love by inviting them to St. Thomas.

Nursery care and Children's Chapel will be available during the Maundy Thursday and Easter 8:45 & 11 services.

#### Calendar for March 22-30

Fri, Mar 22: Thom's Helpers, 10:30am-1:30pm, PH 1/Kitchen/ Sacristy; PEO mtg, 5:30-9:30pm, PH 1, 2

Sat, Mar 23: Middlemen's Grp, Bkfst, 9am, Big Biscuit; Chancel Choir/Instrumental rehearsal, 9-10am, Nave; Apostle's Garden cleanup, 9:30am-12; Prayer Shawl Sm Grp, 10am-12pm, Asbly or Narthex; Palm Sunday Holy Communion, 5:30pm, Nave

**Sun, Mar 24:** Nursery 8:15-12:15; Holy Communion at 8:45 and 11:00am, Nave; Children & Youth Sun School, 9:45am, Educ Wing & Youth Rm; Adult Forum, 10am, PH 2; Coffee Hour 10-11am, PH 1, 2; Palm Sunday Agape Supper, 5-7pm, PH 1, 2; Youth Grp, 7-8pm, Nave, PH, Narthex

Mon, Mar 25: Thom's Helpers, 10:30am-1:30pm, PH 1/Kitchen/ Sacristy; Outreach Committee mtg, 6:30pm, PH 1

**Tues, Mar 26:** Organ practice, 10am-12; Sword Guild practice, 7-9pm, PH 2

Wed, Mar 27: Staff mtg, 10am, PH 1 or lobby; Thom's Helpers, 10:30am-1:30pm, PH 1/Kitchen/Sacristy; Chancel Choir, 6:30-9pm, Nave

Thurs, Mar 28: PEO mtg, 12:30-3pm, PH 2; Sword Guild, 7pm, PH

Fri, Mar 29: Church Office closed—Good Friday Stations of the Cross, Noon, Nave; Good Friday Liturgy, 7pm, Nave

Sat, Mar 30: Apostle's Garden cleanup, 9:30am-12; Prayer Shawl Sm Grp, 10am-12pm, Asbly or Narthex; Great Vigil of Easter, 5:30pm, Outside & Nave

Please contact Justin Smith to schedule your meeting or event jsmith@stthomasop.org or 913-451-0512.

## **Donating to St. Thomas**

Give online securely via the OR code or visit the St. Thomas website—https://stthomasop.org and click on the "Donate" tab.



### **Sunday Christian Formation**

Formation will not meet on Easter Sunday. but will resume on April 7.

- Adult Formation—10:00am—Parish Hall 2 Join us as we continue the journey of the book, "The Creative Act: A Way of Being" by Rick Rubin.
- Children & Youth Formation Groups—9:45am Education Wing—Someone will greet you and show you the way!

## **Passion Gospel Readers Needed!**



We still need a few more volunteers to read parts in the Passion Gospel during services on Palm Sunday weekend and Good Friday. Most are 1-2 liners. So get in the act and sign up now! **Palm Services** 



**Good Friday** 

## **Easter Offerings needed March 25**

If you wish to have your name included in the Easter bulletins, please return the envelope in your bulletin in the offering or to the church office before **Monday**, March 25. You may also submit and donate using the QR code. Your gifts will help provide special music and beautiful flowers at the altar during Easter.



# **Small Grps/Study Grps this week**

■ Middlemen's Small Group Breakfast

Saturday, March 23 - 9AM The Big Biscuit—8520 W 135th St, Overland Park, KS 66223

For men navigating the joys and challenges of faith, work, and family in Middle Life (~30s-50s). 4th Saturday each month for breakfast. Dads - come enjoy breakfast and conversation! Contact: John McCall jmccall07@gmail.com

■ Prayer Shawl Small Grp

Sat, March 23, 10am-12, Asbly Rm or Narthex (Meets Sats, 10am-12; 1st Mon, 7:30-9pm)

Knit, crochet, weave prayer shawls, hats, and 8" squares. Free lessons—contact Susan Strom susanstrom15@gmail.com or 913-244-6402

■ Wednesday Study—"The History of Islam"

Next session: Apr 3, 10:30-11:40am, Asbly Rm (meets weekly)

This group will not meet during Holy Week. The last session on Islam is April 3. We will then study Joseph Campbell's work, "The Power of Myth." April 10 through May 15, then break for summer. Contact: Jan at 913-522-7938 or Suzie at 785-979-0606.

■ Thursday Study—"The Friendship of Women: The Hidden Tradition of the Bible"

Next session: Thurs, Apr 4, 10:30am, Asbly Rm (meets weekly)

Contacts: Sheryl sliroller@gmail.com or 913-908-4130 or Susan susanstrom15@gmail.com or 913-244-6402.