

## Pride Month at St. Thomas the Apostle

### ■ June is KC PrideFest Month

A celebration of the LGBTQIA+ community and allies

LGBTQIA+ Alliance@St.Thomas is making plans to celebrate!

To learn more visit our table in the narthex, or refer to your weekly "Connecting with You" email. Here are the dates to remember:

\* **June 2, 2pm, PH 1 & 2 at St. Thomas—LGBTQIA+101:** Learn what those letters stand for, about LGBTQIA+ terms, + tips for discussion with family & friends.

\* **June 8, KC Pride Mass and Parade—**Mass at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, KCMO, at 9:30am; then to Westport Rd & Broadway at 11am to walk in the Parade. Celebrant at the Mass will be The Rt. Rev. Cathleen Bascom, and sermon by C. J. Duffie

\* **June 30, 2pm at St. Thomas—**Scripture and the LGBTQIA+ Community. Stay tuned for more info.

## Small Groups meeting Next Week

Small Groups and Study Groups are a great way to connect with people at St. Thomas and to deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ. Some groups focus on particular interests and hobbies. Contact Mthr Kelly ([kdemo@stthomasop.org](mailto:kdemo@stthomasop.org)) or leaders below.

### ■ Prayer Shawl Small Group

Every Saturday, 10am-12, Narthex

Monday, June 3, 7:30pm, Narthex

Knit, crochet, weave prayer shawls, hats, and 8" squares. Free lessons—Susan Strom [susanstrom15@gmail.com](mailto:susanstrom15@gmail.com) or 913-244-6402.

### ● Explorers Small Group

Thurs, June 6, 7pm, PH 2 (1st & 3rd Thursdays)

This group explores the Scripture and the World around us. Contact: John McNown [johnmcnown44@gmail.com](mailto:johnmcnown44@gmail.com)

## Summer Vestry Brunches

Summer Vestry Brunches will take place right after the 10am Sunday service. We ask a freewill contribution of \$5/person, or Season Pass for 15 weeks of \$50. Join us for food and fellowship!

\* **6/2** Biscuits & Gravy & Breakfast Casseroles

\* **6/9** Breakfast Burritos      \* **6/16** Taco Bar

## Children & Youth News

### ■ SUMMER@St. Thomas Camp

**Enrollment is NOW!** Click on the QR code for more information including links to forms!



Notes can be delivered to the St. Thomas Office by NOON on Friday, May 31, to be hand carried to camp on June 2 by Barbara McCall OR can be mailed (by Monday, June 3, at the latest) to:

Camper Name (age level camp)  
c/o Camp Wood YMCA  
1101 Camp Wood Road  
Elmdale, KS 66850



St. Thomas Campers  
and Staff



## Worship Services - June 1 & 2, 2024

**Saturday – 5:30pm**

**Sunday – 10:00am**

*Fellowship & Food after the service!  
During the summer, Vestry will provide a brunch in  
the Parish Hall after the 10am service.  
All are welcome!*

Children's Chapel (geared toward ages 3-10) is during the Sunday service. Nursery care on Sunday for children ages 6 months thru 4 yrs from 9:30-11:30am (or conclusion of the 10am service).

All services are live-streamed and available afterward on [www.youtube.com/c/stthomasop](https://www.youtube.com/c/stthomasop) & [www.facebook.com/stthomasop](https://www.facebook.com/stthomasop)

## KC PrideFest Event at St. Thomas

### ■ Special Presentation: **LGBTQIA+ 101**

This Sunday, June 2, 2pm

Parish Hall 1, 2

Even for those who are members or allies of the LGBTQIA+ community, there are many letters and a lot of terminology to keep up with. When you join us for this session, you'll learn more about key terms and how to use them, and you'll pick up tips for discussing them with your family and friends.

## Calendar for May 31—June 8

**Fri, May 31:** Thom's Helpers, 10:30am-1:30pm, PH 1/Kitchen/Sacristy

**Sat, June 1:** Prayer Shawl Sm Grp, 10am-12, Narthex; Holy Communion 5:30pm, Nave

**Sun, June 2: MEGA CAMP thru June 8**

Nursery open 9:30-11:30; Coffee Hour, 9-10am, PH 1; Choir Practice, 9-9:45am, Nave; Holy Communion, 10:00am, Nave; Vestry Summer Brunch, 11am-12pm, PH 1, 2; LGBTQ+101 Presentation, PH 1, 2

**Mon, June 3:** Thom's Helpers, 10:30am-1:30pm, PH 1/Kitchen/Sacristy; Prayer Shawl Sm Grp, 7:30-9pm, PH 1 or Narthex

**Tues, June 4:** Organ reh, 10am-12, Nave; Sword Guild practice, 7-9pm, PH 2

**Wed, June 5:** Staff mtg, 10am, Rm 137; Thom's Helpers, 10:30am-1:30pm, PH 1/Kitchen/Sacristy; Voice Lessons, 2-4pm, Asbly

**Thurs, June 6:** Music lesson (Risebig), 4pm, Nave; Explorers Sm Grp, 7pm, PH 2; Sword Guild practice, 7-9pm, PH 1

**Fri, June 7:** Thom's Helpers, 10:30am-1:30pm, PH 1/Kitchen/Sacristy; SCA, 7pm, PH 1

**Sat, June 8:** KC PrideFest Eucharist, 9:30am, St. Paul's Episcopal Church KCMO; KC PrideFest Parade after the service-12pm; Prayer Shawl Sm Grp, 10am, Narthex; Mobile Food Pantry, 11:30am-1:0pm, Comanche Elementary; Holy Communion 5:30pm, Nave; 2nd Saturday Reception, 6:30pm, PH 1

**Sun, June 9:** Nursery open, 9:30-11:30am; Coffee Hour, 9-10am, PH 1; Holy Communion at 10:00am, Nave; Vestry Summer Brunch, 11-12, PH 1, 2

*Please contact Justin Smith to schedule your meeting or event — [jsmith@stthomasop.org](mailto:jsmith@stthomasop.org) or 913-451-0512.*

## Donating to St. Thomas

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



## Special All-Parish Event!

**Join us for a Church Outing  
to the KC Monarchs Baseball Game!**

**Saturday, June 29  
6:35pm - Game Start Time  
Tickets \$25 per person**



### *Flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and...*

*In celebration for Mac's and  
Colby's college graduations,  
their 22nd birthdays, and Mac  
being commissioned as an  
officer in the United States  
Navy—  
from Don & Deb McArthur*



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*Altar flowers* are a beautiful way to remember a special occasion, anniversary, birthday, or memorial. You may sign up via the link in your weekly "Connecting with You" email, or write your name on the flower chart outside the church office.

## St. Thomas Community Outreach

### ■ **Donations For KC Pet Project Needed by Sunday, June 9**

Both our Elementary and Jr. High ROTC groups will be volunteering with KC Pet Project, a large KC based no-kill animal shelter. They are in desperate need of donations and have asked for our help! All monetary and item donations are appreciated but they really need the items on the Amazon wishlist (click on QR). Please place all donations in the box in the Narthex.



### ■ **Food Pantry Volunteers Needed! 2nd Saturday—June 8, 11:30am**

Comanche Elementary, 8200 Grant Ave, OPKS

Scan the QR for more info and volunteer signups. A link is also included in your weekly email. We need volunteers!



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\*\* You can access the parish database at any time by going to <https://stthomasop.breezechms.com> and logging into your account. If you don't have access, let us know and we will get that to you. \*\*

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