



WELCOME TO
ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
+
CAPITOL HILL
St. Mark's Mission Statement

St. Mark's is an open community, welcoming people wherever they are on their faith journey. We celebrate the gifts of God that empower us to engage boldly in the struggles of life and to care for others with love, justice, and compassion.

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
FEBRUARY 6, 2011

9:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST + LAYING ON OF HANDS
9:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHAPEL
10:00 AM SERMON SEMINAR
11:15 AM HOLY EUCHARIST + LAYING ON OF HANDS

Holy Eucharist, 9.00

Presider: The Reverend Paul Roberts Abernathy, Rector

Children's Chapel, 9.00

Leader: The Reverend Susan Flanders

Sermon Seminar, 10.00

Preacher: The Reverend Bill Flanders

Holy Eucharist, 11.15

Presider and Preacher: The Reverend Bill Flanders

Co-Presider: The Reverend Paul Roberts Abernathy, Rector

Director of Music: Mr. Jeff Kempkie

VISITING OR NEW TO ST. MARK'S?

WE WELCOME YOU TO ST. MARK'S! Wherever you are on your faith journey, we invite you to celebrate life with us. Worship is in the round, and you are invited to sit anywhere in the Nave. Bulletin boards, rest-rooms and a water fountain are located in the hallway, and the Parish Hall is just beyond. If you have questions, please introduce yourself to the Vestry Greeter at the end of the service.

The Honduras Cross, above the central altar platform, symbolizes St. Mark's connection with the broader Anglican Communion and our obligations to our sisters and brothers around the world, particularly with our sister congregations in the San Marcos Cluster and Colonia Episcopal in Honduras. Eileen Blumenthal and the 2000 Mission to Honduras designed the cross, and Eileen commissioned its construction in Honduras as a gift to St. Mark's community.

WORSHIP SERVICES AT ST. MARK'S

The **9 am** is a **family Eucharist** without a sermon. At 9:45 am, children go to Sunday School classes while adults remain in the Nave for coffee, announcements and Sermon Seminar.

The **10 am Sermon Seminar**. After the sermon, anybody can feel free to comment on what or how the sermon "spoke" personally. Sermon Seminar concludes by 10:45 am and is often followed by a **Coffee Hour** in the Parish Hall.

The **11:15 am Eucharist and Sermon** is a more traditional format. It is often followed by a **Pub Lunch** at 12:30 pm in the Parish Hall, to which all visitors are invited as our guests.

The **5 pm Eucharist** is a contemplative service with a homily and meditative music held every Sunday. An informal social hour follows the service where food and beverages are shared.

In the spirit of inclusion we offer both a "teleloop" system and infrared headsets for those who are hard of hearing. To access the signal, switch your own hearing aid to the "T" position. Headsets are available by the doors from the beadles (ushers).

CUSTOMS AND TRADITIONS

Open Communion is our invitation to *everyone* to gather around the altar for spiritual and communal nourishment. We believe this meal is a manifestation of God's love for each of us, regardless of our religion, beliefs or questions.

Announcements of church activities are often made by parishioners during the service. You can find more details in the Sunday Bulletin as well as on our website, www.stmarks.net.

Childcare - St. Mark's Nursery provides care for children up to 3 1/2 yrs old during the Sunday morning worship services. Caregivers are available from 8:45 -12:45 pm in the Nursery (lower level).

The Liturgy of the Word

✠ *Portions of the liturgy omitted at the 9:AM service*

Silent entrance of clergy and acolytes.

Prelude Trio Op. 49 No. 7

Joseph Rheinberger (1839-1901)

Read by Randy Marks and Jennifer Holland (9:00)

Don Mosher and Holly Madsen (11:15)

1st Voice Once Jesus was asked when the kingdom of God was coming, and he answered,

2nd Voice "The kingdom of God is not coming with things that can be observed; nor will they say, look, here it is! or There it is!

1st Voice For in fact, The kingdom of God is among you.

Opening Sentences

from Helen Keller

Presider I believe that God is in me,

People As the sun is in the color and fragrance of a flower,

Presider The Light in my darkness,

People The Voice in my silence.

The Collect

Written by Randy Marks

Presider Let us pray together:

Holy God, we are often lost in the darkness of ignorance and self-doubt. We need your light to guide us into the liberty of work, radiating your love and ours. Amen.

Opening Hymn 8 Morning Has Broken

Bunessan

✠ **The Hebrew Scripture** Isaiah 58.1-9, adapted

Read by Holly Madsen (11:15)

Shout out, do not hold back! Announce to my people their rebellion. Yet day after day they seek me, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness. They ask: "Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves; you do not notice?" My people, look, you serve your own interest on your fast day. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. A day to humble oneself? To bow down the head like a bullrush, and lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast? Is this not the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly. Then you shall call, the the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and the Lord will say, Here I am.

A passage from *Dover Beach* by Matthew Arnold

Read by Jenifer Holland (9:00)

Don Mosher (11:15)

The Sea of Faith was once, too, at the full, and round earth's shore lay like the folds of a bright girdle furled. But now I only hear its melancholy, long, withdrawing roar, retreating to the breath of the night-wind, down the vast edges drear and naked shingles of the world.

The Gospel Matthew 5:13-16

Gospeller The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
People

William Flanders



You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to God in heaven.

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◆The Sermon

The Reverend Bill Flanders

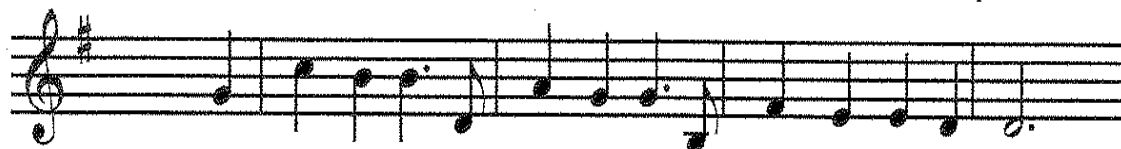
Hymn

God's Dearest Work of Art

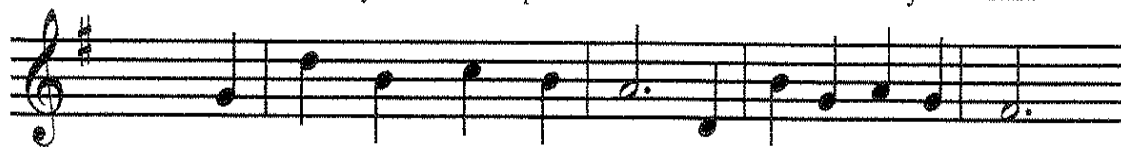
William Flanders



1. God's dear-est work of art we long have called the heart,
2. In man-ner bold or meek, if from the heart we speak,
3. To so dis-close the heart is then the cru - cial part.



the depth with-in from which be-gin the prayers that we im-part.
we speak to God, we reach to God, for God is whom we seek.
The ve - ry wish to speak like this be - comes the way to start.



A heart whose thoughts ex - ceed our rea-son and our need,
And when our heart lies bare, no mat-ter when or where,
And when, touched by love's fire, to love we then as - pire,



and o - pen us to ful - ler life be - yond our wants and greed.
or how the words are first ad - dressed, our speak - ing is a prayer.
we know all that we need to know: the heart lives through de - sire.

The Prayers of the People

Led by Randy Marks (9:00), Don Mosher (11:15)

Leader Please be seated for the prayers. We begin with a minute of meditation.

(Minute of Silent Meditation)

Leader If we speak from our hearts, we trust that we speak to God. Those who wish are invited to stand and offer their prayers, concluding simply with: "This is my prayer", to which we will respond, "Amen".

Concluding Collect

from the Mishkan T'Filah

Leader We conclude by praying together:

We are called unto life, destiny uncertain. Yet we offer thanks for what we know. For life, for health, for hope, for beautiful, bountiful blessing, all praise to You, the Source of Being. Amen.

The Peace

Prisider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

Vestry Greeting

Joe Calizo (9:00), Rick Hayes (11:15)

Rector's Greeting

The Liturgy of the Table

The Offertory Anthem O Christ, Who Art the Light and Day
Chancel Choir

Robert Whyte

*O Christ, who art the light and day, Thou drivest darksome night away,
We know thee as the light of light, Illuminating mortal sight.*

*All holy Lord, we pray to thee, Keep us tonight from danger free;
Grant us, dear Lord, in thee to rest, So be our sleep in quiet blest.*

Presentation Hymn 712 Dona Nobis Pacem (Sung in Unison)

Dona nobis Pacem

A Eucharistic Prayer

Bill Flanders, adapted

Presider Open your hearts.

People We open our hearts to God.

Presider To this table we bring ourselves.

People All that we are, and all that we are not.

Sanctus

Franz Schubert, Words adapted

The image shows a musical score for the Sanctus, consisting of two systems of vocal lines. Each system has a treble clef and a bass clef. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system has the lyrics: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Source of all life and love." The second system has the lyrics: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Hope of our hearts, our Home." The music is in a 3/4 time signature and a key signature of one flat (B-flat).

Presider Holy God, we honor you in whom our lives are founded, and in whom our futures lie. We honor also those who have sought and found your presence, and who have perceived your meaning for all of life. Above all we honor Jesus, our Christ, whose life and death reveal to us, as does his resurrection, the full nature of your being and the potential nature of ours.

Co-Presider We remember that, on the night before his death, Jesus gathered his friends for a common meal. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, and gave some to each one, saying, "Take, eat: this is my body given for you and for everyone. Do this in remembrance of me."

Presider After supper he took the cup of wine and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my blood shed for you and for everyone. Drink this in remembrance of me."

Co-Presider Together we acknowledge the mystery of our faith:

All Who is God? Where is God? When is God? for me?

Presider Holy God, may our hearts and minds be alive to what is sacred in these symbols of bread and wine. We seek your Spirit in them, that they may open us to your guidance, and to your love for us, for all humankind, and for all life on this earth and in the universe.

All Amen.

Co-President And now, as Jesus has taught us, we pray:
**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not
into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

President This bread, broken for all.

Co-President This cup, given for all.

The Communion

Everyone is invited to God's Table. Gather, one group at a time, around the altar platform. Remain until everyone has received the bread and wine and has been dismissed by the President, saying, "Go in peace." You may consume the bread, then receive the wine by taking a sip from the chalice or goblet OR you may hold the bread, which will signal that you wish to intinct (dip it) into the chalice or the goblet. A non-alcoholic alternative to wine is offered in the plain goblet, and gluten-free crackers are available upon request.

Music during Communion

Lead Me, Lord

S.S. Wesley

Chancel Choir

*Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness, make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.*

Solo: He's Got the Whole World in His Hands Traditional Spiritual / arr. Moses Hogan
Charmian Crawford, soloist

LEVAS 146 Break Thou the Bread of Life Words: Mary Lathburg, Music: William Sherman

Post-Communion Prayer

from the *Mishkan T'Filah*

President Let us pray.

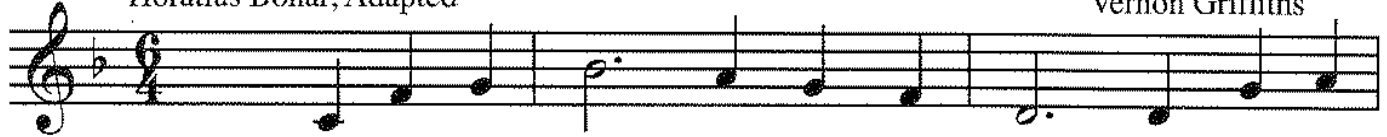
This is an hour of change. Within it we stand uncertain on the border of light. Shall we draw back or cross over? Where shall our hearts turn? Shall we draw back, my brother, my sister, or cross over?

Recessional Hymn

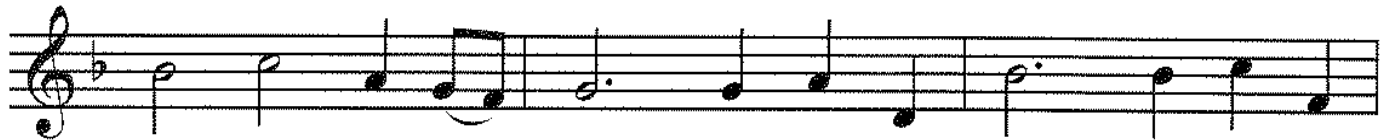
O Love of God

Horatius Bonar, Adapted

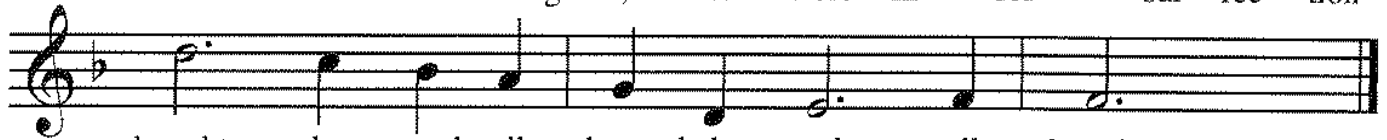
Vernon Griffiths



1 O love of God how strong and true, e - ter - nal
2 O wide em - brac - ing won - drous Love, we read thee
3 We read thee best in one who said, "God's for the
4 We read thy power to bless and save e'en in the



and yet ev - er new; un - com - pre - hend - ed and un -
in the sky a - bove; we read thee in the earth be -
liv - ing, not the dead." Who chose to live, full know - ing
dark - ness of the grave; still more in res - sur - rec - tion



bought, be - yond all know - ledge and all thought.
low, in seas that swell and streams that flow.
death. Whose spir - it lives as God's own breath.
light we read the ful - ness of thy might.

The Blessing

Presider

May God's blessing be known by all who enter this church in need, all who have brought the offerings of their hearts.

The Dismissal

Co-Presider

May our worship lead us to acts of kindness, peace and love.

All

Amen!

Postlude Ostinato from "A Little Suite for Organ"

Lindsay Lafford (b.1912)

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Sermon Seminar

Announcements *please limit each announcement to 30 seconds.*

Hebrew Scripture Isaiah 58.1-9, adapted

Sermon

Read by Jenifer Holland

The Reverend Bill Flanders

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Announcements

Announcements should not exceed 125 words and should be submitted to Rebecca Richards by 5:00pm on Tuesday preceding the Sunday announcement is to run.

1. **ANNUAL MEETING.** Please mark your calendars now - the 2011 annual meeting and chili supper will be **Saturday, March 26. Dinner will begin at 5 pm and the meeting will commence promptly at 6:30 pm.** First-year vestry members will host the 2nd annual Winged Lion Bake-off. If you are interested in showcasing your confectionary or dessert-baking skills, please contact Rick Hayes at bigbeardc@yahoo.com to join the contest.
2. **ELECTIONS.** At the annual meeting, we will be electing a new Senior Warden, Junior Warden, three members of the Vestry and one delegate to the Diocesan Convention. **The nomination process is now OPEN and the deadline to declare candidacy is March 6.** Enclosed is a nomination petition form, and information also is on the St Marks website. Interested in being a candidate? Please contact Paul or Kenn if you have questions or want more information.

Christian Ed

We welcome your participation and your interest in Christian Education classes offered at St. Mark's. Let us know where your interests lie in becoming more involved in the life of the parish!

3. **SUNDAY SCHOOL** – – For children ages 3 through 5th grades, the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd classes are located downstairs in the Undercroft of the church. Middle School meets in the Adams Room and high school students will continue to meet in Baxter House at 118 3rd St., SE.

Gateway Classes

4. **WHAT'S AN EPISCOPALIAN? TRADITION, LITURGY & THEOLOGY** - This class is designed to follow Life, Community and Faith, as a preparation for the Rite of Confirmation in the Episcopal Church. It provides a lens through which class members examine the promises and commitments involved in being a confirmed communicant in the Episcopal Church. The class covers the history and traditions of the Episcopal Church as well as key elements of our worship and experience. Paul Abernathy will lead this class over four Sundays, **February 6th** and 20th, and **March 6th** and 13th, from 2 - 4 pm in the Adams Room except for the final class in the Penniman Room of Baxter House. Please contact Paul directly with any questions and to register at Paul.Abernathy@stmarks.net. A sign-up sheet is also in the hall. *Cost: \$30.*

Winter Adult Classes

5. **THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY** – Want to better understand the connections between the Bible and our lives today? Please join us in exploring questions about biblical scripture and how it brings meaning and purpose to our individual and collective lives at St. Mark's. Classes began **January 27th**, but it's not too late to join. We meet and from 6:30-7:30 pm in the Penniman Room of Baxter House and will run for as long as there is interest. This is a continuation of the reading group that Susan Pinkerton started last year. The first book examines biblical parables, which will be available for purchase at the first class. Contact Michael Knipe at haroldknipe@gmail.com or Andrew Stafford at andrew611@earthlink.net, for questions, a sign up sheet in the vestibule.

6. **AWAKENING THE FIRE WITHIN: AN EVENING WITH BILL DOLS** - Please join us on Wednesday, **February 9th** from 7- 9 p.m. in the Nave for An Evening With Bill Dols, veteran Episcopalian priest, past Director of The Educational Center (*Penniman* center), and master teacher for the Guild and Jung Society of Washington. Using Jungian and functional education concepts, Bill will use text from the New Testament to guide participants into a deeper exploration of who we are and what our longings ask of us. If you have any questions, please email Matthew Black at matthewblack904@yahoo.com. Signups are in the foyer. *Fee: Goodwill donation to St. Mark's.*

7. **JESUS SEMINAR ON THE ROAD AT ST. MARK'S** - "Jesus of Nazareth: Savior, Lord, or Wisdom Teacher?" Christianity generally emphasizes Jesus as Savior or Lord, his saving death, powerful deeds, or his prophetic social program. Recent scholarship sees Jesus as a teacher of wisdom and part of a larger tradition of wisdom teaching. What difference does this change in perspective make for an understanding of the historical Jesus? This JSOR explores the ancient and contemporary significance of Jesus as wisdom teacher in three sessions. Led by Biblical Scholars Charles W. Hedrick & Hal Taussig. **Friday March 11th, 7:30 – 9 pm:** "Jesus, the Peasant Sage": the importance of ancient wisdom traditions for understanding the historical Jesus; and **Saturday, March 12th, 9:30 – noon:** the quips of Jesus - Finding wisdom in hyperbole, humor, and ambiguity; and **1:30 – 4 pm:** Parables - Finding wisdom in open-ended fictional narratives about the ordinary. Early registration discount up to **Feb 25** is \$60, \$50 for additional family members, and full-time students with valid ID are 50%. Sign-up on the bulletin board or register online at www.westarinstitute.org/Events/JSORs/dc2011.html. For more info: Raiford Gaffneyrgaffneydc@gmail.com.

8. **GOD'S CREATION OUR DEVASTATION: FINDING A BRIDGE TO HOPE.** What does it mean to care for God's earth, and be faithful to God's vision of love and community? Where do we begin to explore our spiritual consciousness and lifestyle choices to transform crisis into a sustainable future? This course, as an incubator of callings, offers a space for reflection of our role in the world and how we may move toward sustainability. Guided by James Gustave Speth's "The Bridge at the Edge of the World", with participation by environmental leader Rafe Pomerance and DC Council Member Tommy Wells, we will explore the oncoming environmental crisis and its roots and impacts in government, media, and economics. Six Mondays: **March 14th - April 18th, 7:30 - 9:30 pm**, includes a boat trip on the Anacostia on Sat, April 2nd. Leaders: Sis McKay, sismckay@att.net, Fred Taylor, fredtay@verizon.net, and Maria Barker of the Church of the Savior. *Cost: \$100.*

9. **NECESSARY LOSSES: LOVE AND DEATH:** Join David Evelyn, Nancy Corr and Tucker Harris for this functionally-designed class. Looking at necessary losses through the lens of the Lenten prism, we will explore the costs and promises of love, knowing that death comes inevitably, whether it be the death of a personal relationship, a dream pursued, or a career ending in addition to the physical death we all face. Dates are 6 Tuesday nights, 7:30 to 9:30, from **March 15 to April 19**. We will have one weekend together at Shrinemont from April 8-10. Fee is \$275, some scholarship help is available. Call or email team leaders for more information: David at artdave@verizon.net, Nancy at nancy.corr@verizon.net, or Tucker at tucker@jacktuck.com.

Special Summer Offering:

10. **WHO I AM, I MUST BECOME: A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY.** Registration is now open for an experiential retreat to be held from July 23 through July 31 at Shepherd's Spring, Sharpsburg, Maryland. This seminar will encourage participants to transform their individual spiritual journeys by accessing the wisdom, creativity, and power we hold at our core. Our work will be the quest to know ourselves more fully by using Jungian psychology as it interfaces with the teachings of Jesus, as well as western spiritual and contemplative traditions. This retreat is **sponsored by St. Mark's Church**, the Guild for Psychological Studies, the Center for Progressive Christianity, and the Jung Society of Washington and will be led by two Guild for Psychological Studies leaders – Hal Childs, PhD, MFT, MDiv and Patricia Stenger, MA, MFT. Contact susanthompsonhoffman@yahoo.com or Matthew Black at Matthewblack904@yahoo.com for registration. Signups are in the foyer of St. Mark's Church.

Outreach

11. **CASSEROLES FOR THE SOUP KITCHEN:** Today, please pick up a casserole recipe and pan from the table near the High Altar. Bring your casseroles **next Sunday, February 13**, to any of the three services, and thereby help us feed needy persons at the Church of the Brethren (COB). Our monthly goal is **20 casseroles**. Questions? Contact Soup Kitchen Team Members Jack Richards; Mary Lee Watts; or Jim She-lar.

12. **OTHER SOUP KITCHEN ACTIVITIES:** Next Sunday, February 13, from 5–6:00 P.M., we will again be chopping vegetables at the **Church of the Brethren**, located at 4th Street and North Carolina Av. SE.

We always need 4-5 volunteers to help us finish on time! Please plan to join us in support of those in need of nourishment.

13. **SAMARITAN MINISTRY** is in need of items for an auction at its 25 year anniversary gala celebration on Saturday, **March 12, 2011**. Particular needs include services and tickets to events. Items need to be promised by February 15. Contact Gwen Bole: 202-462-9267 or gwendolynbole@aol.com.

Music

14. **SINGERS NEEDED: ALL VOICE PARTS** Consider joining the St. Mark's Chancel Choir. Rehearsals take place in the Nave every **Thursday** from 7:30-9:30 pm. The ability to read music is helpful but not required. For this and all other music-related announcements, please contact Director of Music Jeff Kempstie for more information.

15. **MODERN MUSICK CONCERT** Early music chamber group Modern Musick will present a concert titled "Music For A While" featuring vocal and instrumental music by Purcell and Handel at St. Mark's on **Saturday Feb. 19th at 8 pm**. \$20 suggested contribution.

16. **NEW BOYS & GIRLS CHOIR REHEARSAL TIME** In an effort to increase participation in the Boys & Girls Choir, Nadine Hathaway has offered to lead rehearsals every Sunday from 10:55 to 11:30 am in the Music Studio downstairs. Open to all children in grades 1-8. No prior experience necessary. First rehearsal starts on **Feb. 20th**.

17. **EVENSONG SERVICE FEB. 27** The St. Mark's Chancel Choir and Girls & Boys Choir will lead a Choral Evensong service on **Sunday Feb. 27th** at 4 pm in the Nave with The Reverend Paul Roberts Abernathy presiding. Please consider attending this contemplative service with special music.

Parish Life

18. **CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP**. The next meeting of the support group for those caring for a loved one or ones seriously ill or otherwise incapacitated, will be on **Monday, February 14**, at 7:30 PM in the Penniman Room. Feel free to contact the group leaders: Suella Henn, swenn@mac.com, phone 202-544-0113, or Mary Welker, marymwelker@aol.com, 202-387-4083.

19. **RED LANYARDS FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**. The membership committee seeks the assistance of the congregation in its efforts to insure that all visitors to our church feel welcome. Toward that end, we have provided welcome badges hung with red lanyards and we are asking that each Sunday ten members voluntarily wear a red-lanyard badge and greet newcomers. A revolving welcoming group will increase our outreach to all who worship with us. Badges can be found on the badge screen and should be returned at the end of the service to keep them available for future volunteers.

20. **FIRST FRIDAYS**. First Fridays has gone back to the drawing board - watch this space for the next fun thing the Membership Development Committee is planning for you.

21. **ST. MARK'S READING GROUP**: Monday, **February 7** we will meet in the Penniman Room at Baxter House at 7:30 p.m. to discuss *Old Filth* by Jane Gardam. On March 7, we will discuss *The Man in the Wooden Hat* by Jane Gardam. The first book is about an English lawyer, told from his point of view. The second book is told from his wife's point of view. For more information, contact Linda Ewald at llerbe@aol.com.

22. **FOOD FOR THOUGHT**: The 20/30s group will have a potluck supper and discussion on February 13 at 6:30pm in Baxter House (118 Third St., SE). The theme is "grade school valentine." This is a great chance to meet new people and share some love. Bring a dish to share and valentines supplies. Contact Laurel Kennedy (Laurel2k@gmail.com) if you have questions.

23. **NEED A NAMETAG?** Please email Frederica Barrow at fhbarrow@gmail.com. New nametags will be provided the last Sunday of the month.

Worship & Meditation

24. **CONTEMPLATIVE EUCHARIST AT 5PM.** Please join us in the Nave at 5:00 PM this Sunday for our contemplative Eucharist service. Feel free to bring a beverage and/or snack to share during the social hour that follows our service.

25. **WEEK-DAY SERVICE AND MEDITATION OPPORTUNITIES**

Mondays 7:30 to 9:00pm Insight Meditation in the Nave

Thursdays 7:00 to 8:30am There will be no Thursday Morning Meditation until **February 24**

Thursdays Noon to 12:45pm Holy Eucharist in the Chapel

26. **READERS NEEDED.** Interested in joining the St. Mark' Readers Guild? Would you like to read the scriptures or lead the Prayers of the People during our Sunday services? If you are interested in joining the St. Marks Readers Guild, contact Susan Witek at slwitek@gmail.com. You only read at times and dates that work for you.

Youth and Family Ministry

Megan Courtney, St. Mark's Director of Youth Ministries can be reached at megan.courtney@stmarks.net or (202) 543-0053 x320

27. **YOUTH OUTREACH PROJECT TODAY 11:00-12:00 – Casseroles for Soup Kitchen** – Today following Sunday school all children and youth are invited to join us in the Baxter House kitchen to make casseroles for the Church of the Brethren Soup Kitchen. Look forward to seeing you there!

28. **CHILDREN'S CHAPEL AT 9.00 AM** – This short service for young children continues in the Adams Room during the Liturgy of the Word upstairs. Songs, drawn prayers, and a confession ritual are part of this hands-on, kid-friendly gathering, led this week by Susan Flanders. The group rejoins the service in the Nave at the Peace. Questions or concerns? Please contact susanflanders@earthlink.net

29. **TODAY IS THE LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP FOR THE FAMILY SKI TRIP** – The annual ski trip is planned for President's Day weekend, **February 19-21**. So far we have 25 adults and youth venturing to Cannan Valley for a wintry ski trip, plan to join us? The list will close today, so please let Megan know by 5p if you would like to come along. We will be lodging at Windwood Resorts bunk-house in Canaan Valley: two nights, four meals at \$90 per adult / \$75 per child - final payments due by Sunday, February 13.

30. **YOUTH CONFIRMATION, INFORMATION SESSION ON FEBRUARY 27 AT 11:00** – Is your child 12 or older and considering taking our spring youth confirmation course? Please join us on Sunday February 27 at 11:00 to hear more about the teachers, curriculum, and confirmation rite. **More about the youth confirmation class:** This class is for youth, ages 12 and older, who have not yet been confirmed and who seek to discover who they are and where they belong within their community and the Episcopal Church. The 6-week confirmation course will explore various topics such as statement of beliefs, creeds, sacraments and broader world religions. Lead by Megan Courtney, Nancy Lucas and Clif Grandy, the class will take place on Sundays from 11:30–1:30 starting **March 13th - May 1st**, with two weeks off for Easter break. At the end of the course, each person will reflect with clergy to discern the level of their interest in the confirmation experience and make plans to participate or attend the Cathedral service on **May 14th** with other youth in the diocese. **Signing up for the class:** To register please send Megan an email at Megan.Courtney@stmarks.net and submit \$30 class fee no later than March 6. *Class fee covers expenses for lunch and curriculum (with partial funding by St. Mark's).*

Parish Prayer List

Taylor Adams • Anne Alden • Mimi Chesslin • Ann Child (Elizabeth Long's sister) • Joya Cox •
 Betty and Jack Davis (Beryl Maloney-Lillaston's Aunt and Uncle) • David Evelyn •
 Tom Foggin • Celia Hahn • Ray Lacey • Dennis Lewis •
 Barbara Marks • Janet McGregor • Bruce Ritter •
 Al Rollins • Carroll Russell Sherer (Peter's mom) • Elin Whitney-Smith •
 Vicki Street • Phoebe Thompson (grand niece Susan Thompson)

We pray for the repose of the soul of Alex Mahood.

Those of our Parish serving in the military: Clint Billings (son of Kevin Billings and Mary Louise Wagner),
 George Brown (son of Margaret Brown),
 August Dannenmaier (son of Chris Dannenmaier and nephew of Bill & Molly Dannenmaier),
 Jason Earnest (son of Erika Bugge and grandson of Paul Bugge and Lynda Smith Bugge),
 Karen Gangloff (daughter of Don Gangloff and Linda Huntington),
 Christian Schmidle (son of Robert and Pamela Schmidle)

Military Service Deaths

Cpl. Joseph C. Whitehead, 22, of Axis, AS • Maj. Michael S. Evarts, 41, of Concord, OH
 Spc. Joshua T. Lancaster, 22, of Millbrook, AL • Sgt. Jason G. Amores, 29, of Lehigh Acres, FL
 Petty Officer Dominique Cruz, 26, of Panama City, FL • Pfc. Amy R. Sinkler, 23, of Chadbourn, NC

Cycle of Prayer

In the Diocese of Washington:

THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION SUNDAY
 The Canon for Deployment and Vocational Ministry
 The Diocesan Commission on Ministry
 All Seminaries, Seminarians, and Seminary Professors;
 Nominees, Postulants, and Candidates
 Christ Church, Georgetown

In the Anglican Communion:

We pray for The Most Revd Dr Mouneer Hanna Anis President Bishop, Jerusalem & the Middle East &
 Bishop in Egypt with North Africa and the Horn of Africa,

We also pray for our sister congregations in Honduras and Lichfield, England.

This Week at St. Mark's as of 2/3/11 at 9:30am	
Sunday, February 6– Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany	
8:45am - 12:30pm	Nursery Care (Nursery)
9:00am – 10:00am	HOLY EUCHARIST , Rev. Paul Roberts Abernathy; Presiding
9:00am - 10:00am	Children's Chapel (Adams Room)
9:00am - 12:00pm	Youth Casserole Project (Baxter House Kitchen)
9:45am – 10:45am	Sunday School (Classrooms)
10:00am -10:50am	Sermon Seminar (Nave) Bill Flanders; Preaching
11:00am –12:00pm	Teacher Training (Adams Room)
11:15 – 12:30pm	HOLY EUCHARIST , Rev. Paul Roberts Abernathy; Presiding, Bill Flanders; Preaching and Co-presiding
12:45pm -2:00pm	Pub Lunch (Parish Hall)
12:45 pm -1:45pm	Children's Choir (Nave)
2:00pm - 4:00pm	What's an Episcopalian? (Adams Room)
4:30pm - 6:00pm	Yoga (Dance Studio)
5:00pm – 6:00pm	Contemplative Eucharist (Nave), Paul Roberts Abernathy; Presiding and Preaching
5:00pm – 6:00pm	ACoA Meeting (Room 6)

Monday, February 7	
10:15am –7:30pm	Dance Classes (Dance Studio)
6:00pm - 7:05pm	Yoga (Adams Room)
7:30pm - 9:00pm	St. Mark's Reading Group (Penniman Room)
7:30pm - 9:00pm	Insight Meditation Group (Nave)
7:30pm - 9:30pm	Men's Class (Adams Room)
Tuesday, February 8	
12:15pm – 1:15pm	Yoga Class (Dance Studio)
4:00pm - 8:45pm	Dance Studio Classes (Dance Studio)
6:00pm - 7:05pm	Yoga Class (Adams Room)
7:30pm - 9:30pm	Cancer Support Group (Library)
7:30pm - 9:30pm	Women's Class (Adams Room)
Wednesday, February 9	
10:30am –11:00am	Organ Rehearsal (Nave)
11:00am - 1:00pm	Wednesday Bible Study (Adams Room)
11:30am - 7:30pm	Dance Studio Classes (Dance Studio)
6:00pm - 7:05pm	Yoga Class (Adams Room)
7:00pm - 9:00pm	Bill Dols Experiential Lecture (Nave)
7:30pm - 9:30pm	Life Community and Faith Class (Adams Room)
Thursday, February 10	
12:00pm -12:30pm	Noon Eucharist (Nave)
4:00pm - 8:30pm	Dance Studio Classes (Dance Studio)
6:30pm - 8:00pm	Yoga Class (Adams Room)
6:30pm - 7:30pm	Thursday Bible Study (Penniman Room)
7:30pm - 9:30pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Nave)
Friday, February 11	
7:00am – 8:00am	Yoga Class (Dance Studio)
5:00pm – 7:30pm	Dance Classes (Dance Studio)
6:00pm - 8:00pm	Women's AA Meeting (Adams Room)
Saturday, February 12	
8:30am - 6:00pm	Dance Classes (Dance Studio)
9:00am - 5:00pm	Players Rehearsal: Chicago (Nave)
10:00am -12:00pm	Yoga Class (Parish Hall)
6:00pm - 9:00pm	AA Meeting (Adams Room)
Sunday, February 13-Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany	
8:45am - 12:30pm	Nursery Care (Nursery)
9:00am – 10:00am	Family EUCHARIST , Rev. Paul Roberts Abernathy; Presiding
9:45am – 10:45am	Sunday School (Classrooms)
10:00am -10:50am	Sermon Seminar (Nave) Rev. Paul Roberts Abernathy; Preaching
11:00am –12:00pm	Teacher Training (Adams Room)
11:15am -12:30pm	HOLY EUCHARIST , Rev. Paul Roberts Abernathy; Presiding and Preaching
12:45pm - 1:45pm	Acolyte Training (Nave)
12:45pm - 2:00pm	Pub Lunch (Parish Hall)
12:45 pm -1:45pm	Children's Choir (Music Studio)
1:15pm - 4:00pm	Vestry Meeting (Adams Room)
4:30pm - 6:00pm	Yoga (Dance Studio)
5:00pm – 6:00pm	Contemplative Eucharist (Nave), Paul Roberts Abernathy; Presiding and Preaching
5:00pm – 6:00pm	ACoA Meeting (Room 6)
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Soup Kitchen and Casseroles (Off-site)

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Liturgical Leaders and Worship Participants

Verger

Margaret Wood

Acolytes

(9:00)

Dave Johnson (11:15)

Altar Guild

Nancy Lucas and Josie Jordan (9:00)

Jane Miler and Fairfield Butt (11:15)

Lay Servers

Nat White, Randy Marks, Sherrill Taylor, Joe Tarantolo (9:00)

Jackie Boddie, Linda Cheatham, Liz Layton, Jan Lipscomb (11:15)

Bread & Wine

P.J. Young (9:00)

Lil and Arnold Taylor (11:15)

Beadles

Peter Hawley, Rosemary Harold, and Michael Knipe(11:15)

Laying on of Hands

Gene Kendall and Josie Jordan (9:00)

Barbara Nelson (11:15)