



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 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY  
JANUARY 2, 2011

10:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST + LAYING ON OF HANDS

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**Presider and Preacher**

The Reverend Paul Roberts Abernathy  
Rector

**Co-Presider**

The Reverend Susan Beth Pinkerton  
Associate Rector

**Music Director**

Mr. Jeff Kempeskie

*Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS) Hymnals* are located & stored in the rack under the **front** of your chair.  
**Cell Phones** – Please turn off your cell phone or other electronic devices at any time you are in the Nave.  
**Hearing** – Infrared headsets providing amplified sound are in the tract racks by the doors, or ask an usher.

# 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.

## 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](http://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).

# Holy Communion

*\*\* Unless otherwise noted, the piano selections played by Nancy Eagle Lindley are from **The Christmas Tree**, a cycle of twelve pieces for piano that are musical impressions related to Christmases past, written by Franz Liszt late in life.*

**Prelude** An Old Carol - Scherzoso (The Lighting of the Candles)

**Processional** Hymn 93 Angels, from the realms of glory

*Regent Square*

**Opening Sentences**

Psalm 84.1, adapted

*Presider* How dear to me is your dwelling,

*People* **O God of hosts!**

*Presider* My soul longs for your courts.

*People* **My heart and flesh rejoice in you, O living God!**

**The Collect**

*Presider* God be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us pray,

**O holy God, you wonderfully create and, in Immanuel, still more wonderfully restore our human nature. By your Spirit, may we, with Jesus, share your life so that the world, through us, may behold the power of your love. Amen.**

**Gloria** Hymn 96 Angels we have heard on high v. 3

*Gloria*

Come to Bethlehem and see him whose birth the angels sing;

Come, adore on bended knee Christ, the Lord, the newborn King.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.

**Hebrew Scripture** Jeremiah 31.7-14

*Read by Jim Steed*

For thus says the Lord: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, 'Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel.' See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labour, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. Hear the word of the Lord, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, 'He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock.' For the Lord has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the Lord, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the Lord.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People  
People **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn 497** How bright appears the Morning Star (vv. 1 & 3) *Wie schön leuchtet*

**The Gospel** Matthew 2.1-12

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Nancy Karpeles



In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."' Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord

People Nancy Karpeles



**The Sermon** The Rector

**"Mini" Sermon Seminar**

*A brief period is observed to invite comments stirred by the sermon.*

**The Prayers of the People** *Written by Sam Sherman, Hanna Andrews, and Stephen Dalze*  
*Read by Charmian Crawford*

**Leader** Thank you for magi,  
And how they see futures that others do not.  
Give us the vision to lead your people when they are lost.  
God in your mercy,  
**All** **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Thank you for shepherds,  
And how they care for all in their charge.  
Give us the compassion to care for your people when they are hurt.  
God in your mercy,

*All* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Thank you for animals,  
And how they help us to see true love and teach us the circle of life.  
God in your mercy,

*All* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Thank you for angels,  
And how they bring joy and hope to the world.  
Give us the creativity to lift up your people when they are suffering.  
God in your mercy,

*All* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Thank you for parents and children,  
And how they show each other your presence on earth.  
Give us love to embrace your people when they feel alone.  
God in your mercy,

*All* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Thank you for the church and all who make it special.  
God in your mercy,

*All* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Thank you for the nation and all who are protecting it,  
especially those who gave their lives for us.  
God in your mercy,

*All* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* You may now offer your own prayers, silently or, if aloud, ending with "God, in your mercy," to which everyone responds "Hear our prayer."

*Moment of silence is observed*

*Leader* May we all find peace and love this Christmas. **AMEN.**

### **The Peace**

*Presider* May God's peace abide with you.

*People* **And also with you!**

*Please exchange with strangers and friends a sign of God's Peace.*

### **Vestry Greeting**

### **Rector's Greeting**

# The Liturgy of the Table

**Offertory Anthem** Old Provencal Carol - Lullaby

*(The people stand)*

**Presentation Hymn** 115 What child is this (vv. 1 & 3)

*Greensleeves*

## The Great Thanksgiving

Presider O God, source of our being, end of our journeying, to you, in whom we find our first birth and our everlasting rest, we give thanks for creating us, calling us to be sisters and brothers one to another, and for giving the world into our care. In the sin of our self-interest, we deny our creation and defy your call, warring against one another and despoiling the world. Into our enmity against you, you sent your son, our beloved brother, Jesus, who, by the words of his lips, taught us to hope for salvation, by the works of his hands, reached out in healing, and by the cross of his death, showed us the power of self-sacrificial love.

Co-Presider Therefore, with all the host who, through two millennia, have believed and followed Jesus, seeing in him the fullest expression of life, we lift our voices in praise, saying:

All **Holy, holy, wholly-giving God,  
earth and heaven are filled with your glory;  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Blessed is the one who comes in your Name;  
Hosanna in the highest!**

Presider On the night before he died, Jesus, much like we this day, gathered with his sisters and brothers in feast and fellowship. He took, blessed, and broke the bread, giving it to them, saying, "This is my body given for you. Do this to remember me."

Co-Presider After supper, he took and blessed the cup of wine, offering it to them, saying, "This is my blood poured out for you and for all. Whenever you drink it, do this to remember me."

Presider So it is in thanksgiving that we proclaim the mystery of our faith.

All **Jesus died.  
Jesus was raised from the dead.  
Jesus, by God's Spirit, comes among us now.**

Co-Presider Therefore, we pray God's Spirit come upon these gifts of bread and wine, making them spiritual food for us. As we eat this bread and drink this cup, the body of Jesus broken and his blood poured out for us, may we, strengthened for service, share in his sacrificial life and death for the world.

All **Amen!**

## **The Lord's Prayer (adapted)**

from A New Zealand Prayer Book

Presider

Now, praying in words like those Jesus taught us, we say,

**Eternal Spirit,**

**Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,**

**Source of all that is and all that shall be,**

**Father and Mother of us all,**

**Loving God, in whom is heaven:**

**The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!**

**The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!**

**Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!**

**Your commonwealth of peace and freedom**

**sustain our hope and come on earth.**

**With the bread we need for today, feed us.**

**In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.**

**In times of temptation and testing, strengthen us.**

**From trials too great to endure, spare us.**

**From the grip of all that is evil, free us.**

**For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,**

**now and for ever. Amen.**

## **Breaking the Bread**

Presider

This bread of life is broken to be shared with us and, through us, with all.

All

**In thanksgiving, we open our hands to receive it that we may open our hearts in service to others.**

## **Invitation to Communion**

Presider

Here at St. Mark's, we celebrate an Open Communion, for this is God's Table, not ours, and the bread and wine, God's supper. Therefore, whoever we are, whatever we believe, from wherever we have come, we, one and all, are welcome and invited to receive.

## **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 Presider, 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**

Christ the Lord Is Come To Earth

Coventry Carol

Jennifer L. Stammers

arr. Martin Shaw

Ad Hoc Choir

Prelude in A-flat

In Olden Times

Frederic Chopin

## Post-Communion Prayer

Presider Together, let us pray,

All **In the assurance of our souls strengthened by this spiritual food, may we leave the comfort of this place, returning to a world of need, to give our hearts in service. By the help of our hands, may even one of our sisters and brothers whose mind is enshrouded in the darkness of ignorance be enlightened. May even one whose belly is empty in hunger be fed. May even one whose life is ensnared in despair be uplifted in hope. O God, in giving thanks to you for your loving-kindness, make us, in our living, a thanksgiving for the world. Amen.**

## Announcements

**Recessional Hymn** 109 The first Nowell the angel did say (vv. 1-3)

*The First Nowell*

## The Benediction

Presider May the power that spins the stars, that gives breath to every living thing enkindle in us zeal and empower us with strength and courage that we, through our words and deeds of love and justice, become living blessings for the world.

All **Amen!**

**Postlude** Carillon - The March of the Magi (Adeste Fidelis)

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*The Collect, Eucharistic Prayer, Breaking the Bread, Invitation to Communion, and Post-Communion Prayer were written by the Rector*

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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.*

### **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!*

1. **SUNDAY SCHOOL** – There will be no Sunday School **December 26<sup>th</sup>, January 2<sup>nd</sup> or January 9<sup>th</sup>** as everyone takes a well deserved break. Be sure to give your child's Sunday School teachers a special thank you during this Holiday Season as their dedication to our children is truly a gift to us all.

*Winter Adult Classes*

2. **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION WEEKEND BECKONS YOU** – As you think about life in the coming year where do your New Year's resolutions intersect with saying 'yes!' A new job, a new love, a new venture? What are the issues for us when we are wrestling with getting to yes? How can we embrace opportunity beyond our comfort zone? Please join us for a great tradition at St. Marks - the Christian Ed Week-end, **January 7-9, 2011**, at DuPont House in Rehoboth Beach, DE. It is a time of rest, relaxation and recreation with lots of opportunities to reflect on the transformational nature of saying 'yes' as many of you all have so generously done this year and for many years. *A very generous benefactor allows us to provide a free weekend for all Sunday School Leaders and Christian Ed is offering an additional ½ discount for*

those under 35 years of age. Cost: \$275.

3. **WOMEN IN TRANSITION: FINDING YOUR CENTER IN THE MIDST OF CHANGE** – Living at the speed of light in this evolving 21<sup>st</sup> century doesn't leave much time for stepping back to assess how changes, gradual or sudden, are affecting us. Every age brings milestones that stand out as particularly challenging moments of adjustment – coming of age, entering committed relationships, choosing to raise children, relating to adult children and entering the third age. The class will run for five Tuesdays, **January 11<sup>th</sup>**-February 8<sup>th</sup>, 7:30-9:30 pm, in the Adams Room with a weekend retreat at Shepherd's Spring, Sharpsburg, MD, **February 4<sup>th</sup>**-6<sup>th</sup>. Your leaders - Rita Ossolinski [rossolinski@yahoo.com](mailto:rossolinski@yahoo.com); Susan Cunningham, [Susan\\_Cunningham@gensler.com](mailto:Susan_Cunningham@gensler.com); and Kathryn Chefetz [k.j.chefetz@psychsense.net](mailto:k.j.chefetz@psychsense.net) - welcome any questions. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Cost: \$275.

4. **FORGIVENESS** - *What is our wound? What binds us? How do we set ourselves free?* Join fellow seekers in exploring the theme of forgiveness through the life and teachings of the historic Jesus in the Synoptic Gospels. Based on the unique approach of the Guild for Psychological Studies ([www.guildsf.org](http://www.guildsf.org)), we will also use meditation, expressive arts, movement, journaling and music to deepen our explorations. This one session class will be held in Baxter House on **Saturday, January 29** from 10 am-5 pm (*note new date!*) The facilitators - Julie Gaebe [jgaebe@gmail.com](mailto:jgaebe@gmail.com) and Pete Eveleth 202-543-6948 welcome your questions. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. \*\* *This is the second of 3 classes this year at St. Mark's that explore different themes using the Guild approach to Bible study, a powerful tool for learning about ourselves and how to live fully in the world. Classes may be taken individually or in any combination.* \*\* Bring your own bag lunch. Cost: \$30 includes materials.

5. **MEN'S CLASS: OUR SHARED SEARCH FOR MEANING AND BELONGING** – Men today face a challenging landscape. At the same time we are fast becoming the minority in many professions, we still carry within us our fathers' (and mothers') expectations that we would become leaders of our communities and bread-winners of our families. How can we accept the pressures to play the role of hero in our family stories and in the wider world yet still meet other personal needs? This class will allow each of us to learn from the struggles of other men to gain, if not clear answers, then at least greater insight into the questions we face. The class will meet five Monday evenings, 7:30-9:30, **Jan. 31-March 7** (no class Feb. 21), in the Adams Room, with a weekend retreat **Feb. 25-27** at the Roslyn Center, Richmond, VA. Please join the leaders Doug Ammon, Frank Lloyd, and Tucker McDonald on this journey. Cost: \$275.

6. **WINTER/SPRING LIFE, COMMUNITY & FAITH (LCF) CLASS** - When did you last give yourself the gift of time to think, to ponder, to question? The LCF class affords you that opportunity. By taking the class, you become part of a smaller community within St. Mark's and often create lasting friendships, while learning a lot about yourself along the way! The class is scheduled for Wednesday evenings, 7:30-9:30, **Feb. 2-April 6**. The two weekend retreats will be **Feb. 25-27** and **March 25-27**. Please join the teaching team of Susan Flanders (adjunct clergy), Rob Hall, Ray Hahn and Heather Burneson. The sign up sheet is in the hall or you can contact Heather Burneson at 703-534-5699 or [hburneson@msn.com](mailto:hburneson@msn.com) with questions.

### Music

7. **JOIN A CHOIR IN JANUARY** – Start the New Year singing with one of the St. Mark's choirs. Contact Jeff Kempskie at 202.543.0053 x303 or [jeff.kempskie@stmarks.net](mailto:jeff.kempskie@stmarks.net) for more information.

- **Chancel Choir** for adults meets Thursday evenings 7:30 - 9:30. Choir members sing for either the 9:00 or the 11:15 service, and for special services and concert events throughout the year.
- **Boys and Girls Choir** for children in grades 1 - 8 meets on Sunday afternoons from 12:45 – 1:45. The choir usually sings at the 9:00 Family service on the second Sunday of each month, as well as for occasional special events. Members have the opportunity to attend a summer RSCM choir camp.

## Outreach

8. **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, January 9, 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 Shelar.
9. **OTHER SOUP KITCHEN ACTIVITIES** - Next Sunday, January 9, from 5–6:00 P.M, we will again be chopping vegetables at the Church of the Brethren, located at 4<sup>th</sup> Street and North Carolina Ave., 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.
10. **HOLIDAY PROJECT CHRISTMAS DAY CAROLING** - Thank You! to the St. Mark's adults and children who joined the annual Holiday Project & St. Mark's-sponsored Christmas Day caroling event at Sibley Memorial Hospital in NW DC. 60 volunteers, both from St. Mark's and the Greater Metropolitan area, sang Christmas carols and provided small gifts and Christmas cards to patients in 9 wards and one adjoining assisted living facility. The visits generally lasted from 1 – 2:30 PM. Many of the Christmas cards, not so incidentally, were created by our Sunday school children, with Megan Courtney's help. Questions or comments? Please contact Jack Richards.
11. **HELP THE AFGHANS AND MARINES SERVING THERE:** Spirit of America, a 501c3 nonprofit, is helping American Soldiers and Marines provide warm clothing and blankets to Afghan families and children. The items are sent to our troops in Afghanistan who will give them to local people. This helps our troops build better relations which makes them safer and more successful and helps people in need. **Most needed items:** **Winter Coats and Jackets:** All sizes and styles are accepted, especially children's coats. **Shoes:** All sizes are needed - especially infants and children. Boots and slip-ons or sneakers are preferred. **Scarves, Gloves, Winter Hats:** All sizes and styles are needed. **Blankets- Important Note:** Donated items may be new or used provided the items are clean and in good condition. We cannot accept articles with religious themes, western logos such as flags or that portray images of pigs (i.e., Porky Pig, Miss Piggy, Piglet, etc.). Please do not include crayons or liquid items. Also, for security reasons, we cannot accept battery-powered shoes, toys, and stuffed animals, or other articles that are battery-operated, or that contain electronic devices of any type. Go to [www.spiritofamerica.net](http://www.spiritofamerica.net) for more information. OPERATION CARE, 1424 EASTON RD STE 700, ATTN B43020, HORSHAM, PA 19044-1425. NB: No package can be longer than 72" or weigh more than 70 lbs.

## Parish Life

12. **CHRISTMAS GREENING "THANK YOU"!** A BIG "Thank You" for their labor and their donated items for our "greening" this season goes to fellow parishioners: Maureen Shea, Kristen Hartke, Judy Smith, Gwen Dillard, Charlie Rupp, Rosalie Ryan, Mary and Bert Cooper, Betty Foster, Ben Schaibly, Kerstin Millius, Alvin Moseberry, Carol Rodeffer, Carolyn Carol, Loretta Veney and Jan Lipscomb.
13. **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, January 10, 2010, at 7:30 PM in the Penniman Room. Feel free to contact the group leaders: Suella Henn, [swhenn@mac.com](mailto:swhenn@mac.com), phone 202-544-0113, or Mary Welker, [marymwelker@aol.com](mailto:marymwelker@aol.com), 202-387-4083.
14. **FIRST FRIDAYS-** There will be no First Friday in January.
15. **ST. MARK'S READING GROUP:** Tomorrow, January 3 we will meet in the Penniman Room at Baxter House at 7:30 p.m. to discuss *The Solitude of Prime Numbers* by Paolo Giordano. That evening we will pick books for both February and March. For more information, contact Linda Ewald at [llerbe@aol.com](mailto:llerbe@aol.com).
16. **THIRD AGERS' Winter Pot Luck and Program** will be held on Saturday, **January 22, 2011** in the Parish Hall from 11:00 – 2:00. Phyllis Jane Young will lead us through the subject of DOWNSIZING & DECLUTTERING. Bring ONE SMALL item to GIVE AWAY! Sign up on the bulletin board to bring a dish for 8+. Mimi Chesslin: 202-544-0748, [mchesslin@yahoo.com](mailto:mchesslin@yahoo.com); Tiiu Kera: 202-547-8295, [t.kera@verizon.net](mailto:t.kera@verizon.net); or Gretchen Willson: 202-362-4417, [willsongretchen@yahoo.com](mailto:willsongretchen@yahoo.com)

## **Worship & Meditation**

17. **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. Contact Susan Pinkerton at [susan.pinkerton@stmarks.net](mailto:susan.pinkerton@stmarks.net) for further information.

### 18. **WEEK-DAY SERVICE AND MEDITATION OPPORTUNITIES**

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

Thursdays 7:00 to 8:00am Insight Meditation group in Adams Room

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

18. **SERVICE TO SERVE HAITI (STSH)** Please mark your calendars for the service of remembrance and action held on Sunday, January 16th, from 3-6 PM in The Lutheran Church of the Reformation at 212 East Capitol Street, NE. STSH will engage our local community in remembering the hope and resiliency of our Haitian partners after the earth quake of January 12, 2010 and, as part of the MLK weekend of volunteerism, recruit volunteers to contribute time, skills and resources to various development programs. Local organizations and their Haitian partners will exhibit their reconstruction projects from 3-6 PM; at 4 PM an ecumenical service will be held in the church to commemorate the anniversary of the quake. If you would like to learn more about the activities, our Haitian-based projects, and ways to participate, please visit [www.servicetoservehaiti.org](http://www.servicetoservehaiti.org).

## **Youth and Family Ministry**

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

19. **SUNDAY SCHOOL HOLIDAY BREAK** –Please note, that there will be **no Sunday school today and January 9**. We celebrate all teachers who have given their time this year to teach Sunday School as they take a holiday break; classes will resume on January 16.

20. **TODAY - CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES IN ADAMS ROOM** – In lieu of Sunday School, there will be a lesson and activity for all children and youth in the Adams Room during Sermon Seminar.

21. **FAMILY SKI TRIP, SIGN UP NOW** – Mark your calendars, the annual ski trip is planned for President's Day weekend, **February 19-21**. Traditionally, we have traveled to Cannan Valley, West Virginia for a snowy ski trip, lodging at the YMCA Camp Horseshoe. Unfortunately, Camp Horseshoe will be closed for renovations this year; however, we have found a bunk-house in Cannan Valley that offers similar accommodations: 2 nights, 4 meals at \$90 per adult / \$75 per child. Please sign up on the bulletin board today or send Megan an Email, with **deposits (\$100 per family/ \$50 per individual) due by January 16**.



### 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 • Jan Hoffman • Ray Lacey • Dennis Lewis • Karen Linkletter (Jane Osborne's sister-in-law) • Alexander Mahood (father of Beth Mahood Andrews) • Barbara Marks • Bruce Ritter • Al Rollins • Carroll Russell Sherer (Peter's mom) • Elin Whitney-Smith • Vicki Street • Phoebe Thompson (grand niece Susan Thompson)

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

Pfc. Conrado D. Javier Jr., 19, of Marina, CA  
Lance Cpl. William H. Crouse IV, 22, of Woodruff, SC  
Lance Cpl. Kenneth A. Corzine, 23, of Bethalto, IL  
Sgt. Garrett A. Misener, 25, of Cordova, TN

#### Circle of Prayer

#### **In the Diocese of Washington:**

St. Anna's Home  
House of Mercy  
The Rosemount Center  
Christ Church (Prince George's Parish), Rockville  
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#### **In the Anglican Communion:**

We pray for the Church of Lahore - (Pakistan) and The Rev. Dr. Alexander John Malik  
We also pray for our sister congregations in Honduras and Lichfield, England.



This Week at St. Mark's as of 12/8/10 at 9:30am

### ***Sunday, January 2– Second Sunday after Christmas***

10:00am – 11:00am	<b>HOLY EUCHARIST</b> , Paul Roberts Abernathy; Presiding and Preaching
11:00am - 12:30pm	Pub Lunch (Parish Hall) Hosted by Raiford Gaffney
12:00pm – 4:00pm	De-greening (Nave, Parish Hall)
4:30pm - 6:00pm	Yoga (Dance Studio)
<b>5:00pm – 6:00pm</b>	<b>Contemplative Eucharist</b> (Nave), Paul Roberts Abernathy; Presiding and Preaching
5:00pm – 6:00pm	ACoA Meeting (Room 6)

**Monday, January 3**

10:15am – 7:30pm	OFFICE CLOSED--- Observing New Year's Holiday
6:00pm - 7:05pm	Dance Classes (Dance Studio)
7:30pm - 9:00pm	Yoga (Adams Room)
7:30pm - 9:00pm	Insight Meditation Group (Nave)
7:30pm - 9:00pm	St. Mark's Reading Group (Penniman Room)
7:30pm - 9:30pm	Players Rehearsal (Parish Hall)

**Tuesday, January 4**

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)
7:00pm - 9:00pm	Worship Team
7:15pm - 10:00pm	Players WATCH Judge Training (Adams Room)
7:30pm - 9:00pm	Cancer Support Group (Library)

**Wednesday, January 5**

10:30am – 11:00am	Organ Rehearsal (Nave)
11:00am - 1:00pm	Wednesday Bible Study (Off-site)
11:30am - 7:30pm	Dance Studio Classes (Dance Studio)
6:00pm - 7:05pm	Yoga Class (Adams Room)
7:30pm - 9:30pm	Players Rehearsal (Parish Hall)
7:30pm - 9:30pm	Middle East Working Group (Library)

**Thursday, January 6**

7:00am - 8:00am	Insight Meditation Group (Adams Room)
12:00pm - 12:30pm	Noon Eucharist (Nave)
4:00pm - 8:30pm	Dance Studio Classes (Dance Studio)
6:30pm - 8:00pm	Yoga Class (Adams Room)
7:15pm - 10:00pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Nave)
7:30pm - 9:30pm	Players Rehearsal (Parish Hall)

**Friday, January 7**

7:00am – 8:00am	Christian Education Weekend (Off-site: Dupont House)
5:00pm – 7:30pm	Yoga Class (Dance Studio)
6:00pm - 8:00pm	Dance Classes (Dance Studio)
	Women's AA Meeting (Adams Room)

**Saturday, January 8**

8:30am - 6:00pm	Christian Education Weekend (Off-site: Dupont House)
10:00am -12:00pm	Dance Classes (Dance Studio)
10:00am - 1:00pm	Yoga Class (Parish Hall)
6:00pm - 9:00pm	Players Rehearsal (Nave)
	AA Meeting (Adams Room)

**Sunday, January 9- First Sunday after the Epiphany**

8:45am - 12:30pm	Christian Education Weekend (Off-site: Dupont House)
9:00am – 10:00am	Nursery Care (Nursery)
9:45am – 10:45am	Family <b>EUCHARIST</b> , Paul Roberts Abernathy; Presiding, Susan B. Pinkerton; Co-presiding
10:00am -10:50am	Youth Activity (Adams Room)
10:00am – 11:00am	Sermon Seminar (Nave) Paul Roberts Abernathy; Preaching
	<b>HOLY EUCHARIST</b> , Paul Roberts Abernathy; Presiding and Preaching, Susan B. Pinkerton; Co-presiding
11:00am - 12:30pm	Pub Lunch (Parish Hall) Hosted by St. Mark's Players
1:00pm - 2:00pm	Children's Choir (Nave)
1:00pm - 4:00pm	Vestry Meeting (Adams Room)
1:00pm - 8:00pm	Player's Tech Rehearsal (Parish Hall, Nave)
4:00pm - 5:00pm	Soup Kitchen and Casseroles (Off-site)
4:30pm - 6:00pm	Yoga (Dance Studio)
5:00pm – 6:00pm	<b>Contemplative Eucharist</b> (Adams Room), Paul Roberts Abernathy; Presiding and Preaching
5:00pm – 6:00pm	ACoA Meeting (Room 6)

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Class of '13	Bill Dickinson, Rick Hayes, Marilu Sherer
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## Diocesan Delegates

Mark Lindley      David Deutsch      Rick Rutherford      Maureen Shea (alternate)

## Liturgical Leaders and Worship Participants

Verger	Margaret Wood
Acolytes	Corey Loevinger, Teddy Ammon and Andrew Loevinger
Altar Guild	Fairfield Butt, Anne and Robert Headley
Lay Servers	Sarah Baldwin, Brian Gluckman, Dick Rumpf, Donna Sabino
Bread & Wine	Beryl Maloney-Lillaston
Laying on of Hands	Suella Henn and Barabara Nelson
Beadles	Peter Hawley, Michael Knipe and Rosemary Harold