

WELCOME TO  
**ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
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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.



**HOLY SATURDAY**  
**APRIL 23, 2011**

**THE LITURGY FOR HOLY SATURDAY**  
**NOON**

**THEME FOR HOLY WEEK**  
**FINDING LOVE THROUGH HUMILITY**

**Presider & Homilist**  
The Reverend Paul Roberts Abernathy, Rector

*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 the gifts of God and community in our historic church. Worship is in the round, and you are invited to sit anywhere in the Nave. Bulletin boards, restrooms and a water fountain are located in the hallway, and the Parish Hall is just beyond. If you have questions, we invite you to introduce yourself to the Vestry Greeter at the end of the service. Please ask the Greeter for a Newcomer form if you don't receive one during the service, so we can learn more about you and welcome you to St. Mark's.

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).

In Grateful Recognition: The plain wooden cross over the altar platform is the work of and a gift from Bill Dannenmaier. The woodblock prints of The Stations of the Cross which are hanging in the Nave throughout Lent were created by and given to St. Mark's by Tracy Council.

## CUSTOMS AND TRADITIONS

**Passing the Peace** is exuberant at St. Mark's and many hug freely! We invite you to join in or feel free to simply shake hands as many parishioners do – you will not be alone!

**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.

**NEWCOMER GATHERINGS** occur throughout the year. Read the announcements to learn when the next *Intro to St. Mark's*, *Newcomer's Potluck*, or *Life, Community and Faith (LCF)* class is scheduled.

**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 for Holy Saturday

## The Collect

Presider Let us pray.

**All O God, Creator of heaven and earth: Grant that, as the crucified body of your dear Son was laid in the tomb and rested on this holy Sabbath, so we may await with him the coming of the third day, and rise with him to newness of life; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Hebrew Scripture** Job 14:1-14

*Read by Maureen Shea*

'A mortal, born of woman, few of days and full of trouble, comes up like a flower and withers, flees like a shadow and does not last. Do you fix your eyes on such a one? Do you bring me into judgment with you? Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? No one can. Since their days are determined, and the number of their months is known to you, and you have appointed the bounds that they cannot pass, look away from them, and desist, that they may enjoy, like laborers, their days. 'For there is hope for a tree, if it is cut down, that it will sprout again, and that its shoots will not cease. Though its root grows old in the earth, and its stump dies in the ground, yet at the scent of water it will bud and put forth branches like a young plant. But mortals die, and are laid low; humans expire, and where are they? As waters fail from a lake, and a river wastes away and dries up, so mortals lie down and do not rise again; until the heavens are no more, they will not awake or be roused out of their sleep. O that you would hide me in Sheol, that you would conceal me until your wrath is past, that you would appoint me a set time, and remember me! If mortals die, will they live again? All the days of my service I would wait until my release should come.

Reader Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

**People Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 31:1-5** (*Read in unison*)

**In you, O Lord, I seek refuge; do not let me ever be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me. Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily. Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me. You are indeed my rock and my fortress; for your name's sake lead me and guide me, take me out of the net that is hidden for me, for you are my refuge. Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.**

**Epistle** 1 Peter 4:1-8

*Read by Michael Knipe*

Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves also with the same intention (for whoever has suffered in the flesh has finished with sin), so as to live for the rest of your earthly life no longer by human desires but by the will of God. You have already spent enough time in doing what the Gentiles like to do, living in licentiousness, passions, drunkenness, revels, carousing, and lawless idolatry. They are surprised that you no longer join them in the same excesses of dissipation, and so they blaspheme. But they will have to give an account to him who stands ready to judge the living and the dead. For this is the

reason the gospel was proclaimed even to the dead, so that, though they had been judged in the flesh as everyone is judged, they might live in the spirit as God does. The end of all things is near; therefore be serious and discipline yourselves for the sake of your prayers. Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins.

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### **The Gospel** Matthew 27:57-66

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

**People Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. So Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock. He then rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb and went away. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb. The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate and said, 'Sir, we remember what that impostor said while he was still alive, "After three days I will rise again." Therefore command that the tomb be made secure until the third day; otherwise his disciples may go and steal him away, and tell the people, "He has been raised from the dead", and the last deception would be worse than the first.' Pilate said to them, 'You have a guard of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can.' So they went with the guard and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone.

The Gospeller The Gospel of our Lord.

**People Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

### **Homily**

The Rector

**Reflections** *Those present are invited to share their thoughts.*

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Presider Now as Jesus taught us, we say:

**All 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 Concluding Prayer**

Presider Let us pray.

**All Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living; pardon and rest to the dead; to your holy Church peace and concord; and to us sinners everlasting life and glory; for with God and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and for ever. Amen**

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**Easter Eve, April 23**

8.00 PM: 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Joint\* Capitol Hill Easter Vigil Service

*\*Site: St Mark's*

*Participating Congregations: Capitol Hill Presbyterian, Christ Episcopal, Lutheran Church of the Reformation, and St. Mark's.*

**Easter Day – The Sunday of the Resurrection, April 24**

8.45 & 11.15 AM: Festival Holy Eucharist (incense at 11.15)

Presider & Preacher: Paul; Co-Presider:

10.00 AM Easter Egg Hunt (Church Garden)

5.00 PM Contemplative Eucharist

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