



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,

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 28, 2011

10:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST

Presider

The Reverend Justi Schunior, Assistant Rector

Preacher

Mr. David Deutsch

Guest Organist

Mr. Robert Saladini

Hymnals are on the book carts by each entrance to the Nave.

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, restrooms 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 to the long connection to our friends 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 IN AUGUST

Today, there will be **10:00 am Eucharist with Sermon**.

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. To become more informed on the many parish life activities and events and be more engaged in our church community you may wish to join *St. Mark's Yahoo Group*. To subscribe, send a blank email to StMarks-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.

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 9:45 -11:45 pm in the Nursery (lower level).

The Holy Eucharist

The Liturgy of the Word

Prelude Wachet auf

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Opening Hymn 484 Praise the Lord through every nation

Wachet auf

Opening Sentences

Psalm 105:1-4

Presider Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name;

People make known his deeds among the peoples.

Presider Sing to him, sing praises to him,

People and speak of all his marvelous works.

Presider Glory in his holy Name;

People let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

Presider Search for the LORD and his strength;

People continually seek his face.

The Collect of the Day

Presider Sisters and brothers, let us pray together, saying,

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

The Hebrew Scripture Exodus 3:1-15

Read by Sara Rau

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress

them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM Who I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations."

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn 513 Like the murmur of the dove's song
(vv. 1-2 before Gospel, v. 3 after)

Bridegroom

The Gospel Matthew 16:21-28

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

People

Nancy Karpeles



Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?" For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Nancy Karpeles



The Sermon The Kitchen Table

David Deutsch

The Prayers of the People

Led by Andrew Stafford

Leader Please remain seated for the prayers. We begin with silent meditation.

The leader strikes a gong as a call to silence. A minute of meditation follows.

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, "This is my prayer," to which all will respond, "Amen."

A period is observed for the peoples' prayers.

Concluding Collect

Leader Please stand. We conclude by praying together:

O God, trusting in your steadfast love that strengthens us beyond measure, we, with undivided hearts, honor your name and seek to walk in your truth. By your Spirit, may we, in the flesh of our daily living, become the prayers we pray. Amen.

The Peace

Presider May the peace of Christ abide within you.

People And also within you.

Vestry Greeting

Phil Guire

Assistant Rector's Greeting

The Liturgy of the Table

Offertory Solo Lord God of Abraham (from 'Elijah')
Michael Schultz, soloist

Felix Mendelssohn

The people stand.

Presentation Hymn 288, v.3

Dix

As thy prospering hand hath blessed, may we give thee of our best;
And by deeds of kindly love for thy mercies grateful prove;
Singing thus through all our days praise to God, immortal praise.

Eucharistic Prayer

Enriching our Worship - Eucharistic Prayer 1, adapted

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to God.

Presider Let us give thanks to our God.

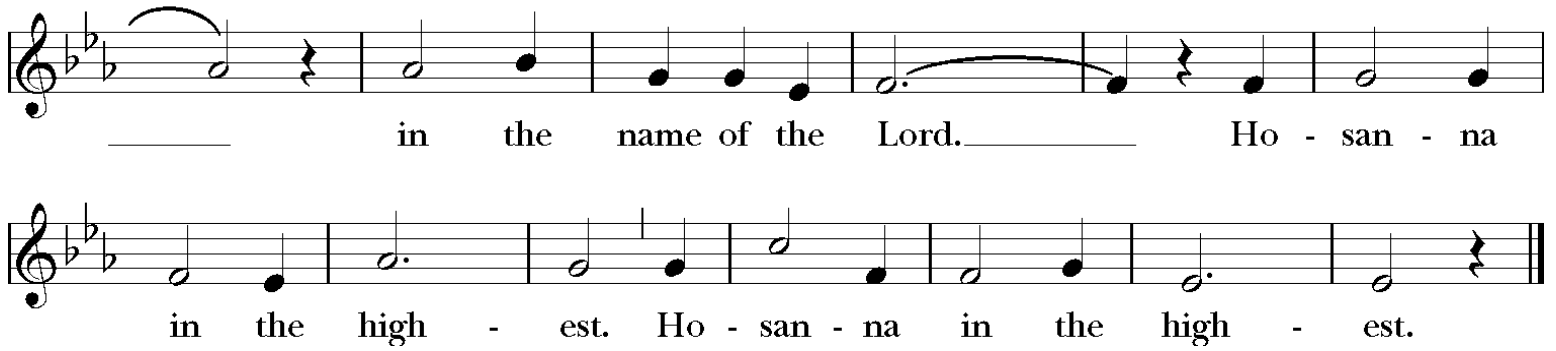
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider It is truly right to give you thanks, holy God. By your love, you fill us and all creation with life. Through Jesus Christ, you redeem us. In your Spirit, you restore us to walk faithfully in your life and love. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with every voice in heaven and on earth, to you we sing our praise:

Sanctus S 130

Schubert arr. Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



Presider Blessed are you, holy God, creator of all. You form us in your image and call us to dwell in your love. You give the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards. But we fail to honor your image in the world around us and in ourselves. We violate your creation, abuse one another, and reject your love. Yet, never ceasing to care for us, you prepare the way for our healing. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you, delivering us from slavery, sustaining us in the wilderness, and raising up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent the Eternal Word, made flesh in Jesus, born into the human family. Dwelling among us, he gave himself freely to death, conquering evil, and opening to us the way of freedom.

On the night before he died, Jesus took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, saying: "Take, eat: This is my Body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and offered it, saying: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the New Covenant, poured out for you and for all. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Presider Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you, O God, this bread and this wine we have made. By your Spirit may they be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, spiritual food and drink for us. And grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with your Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into everlasting heritage with all your daughters and sons, that with Mark and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

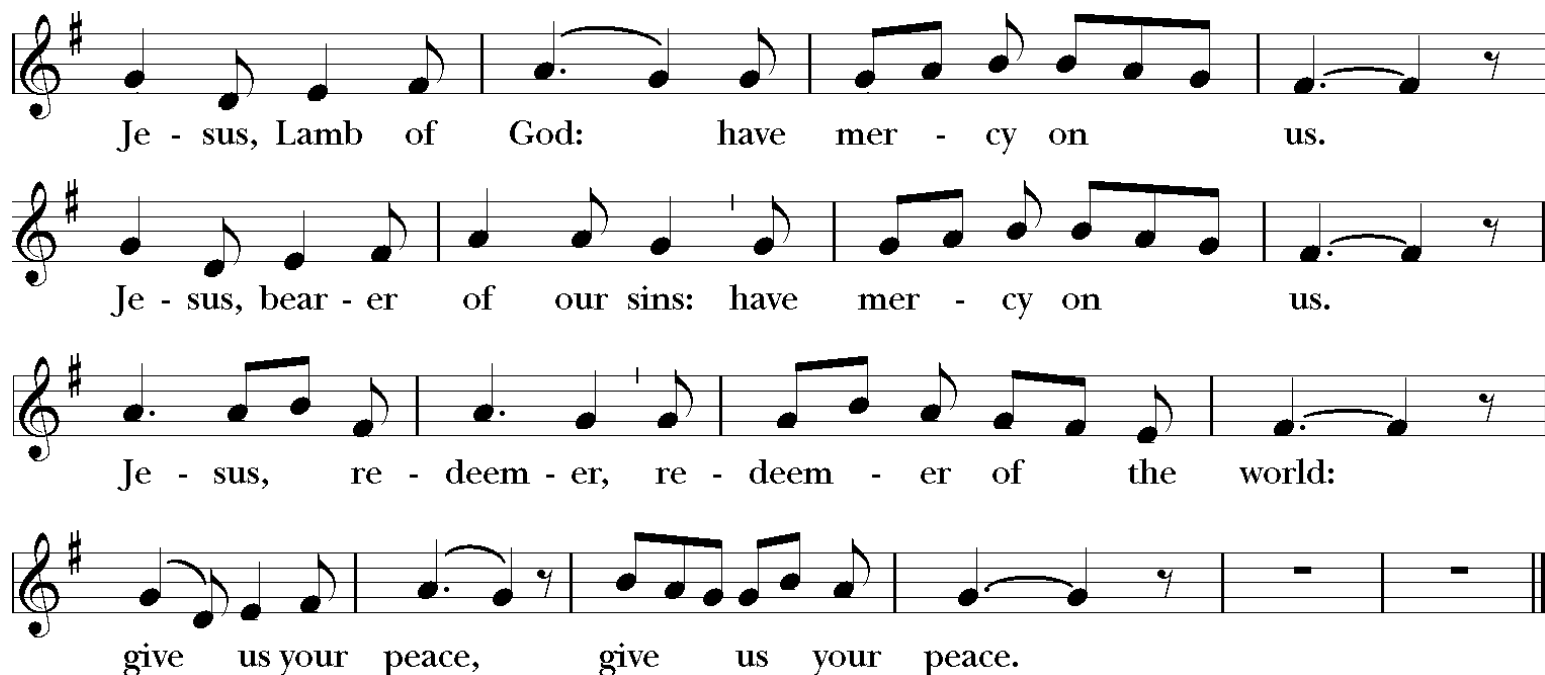
All AMEN!

Presider 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread S164

Schubert arr. Proulx



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

Invitation to Communion

Presider Here at St. Mark's, we observe an open Communion. All of us, whoever we are, from wherever we have come, and whatever we believe are 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

Be Thou With Me

Words by Mack Harrell, Music by J.S. Bach

Michael Schultz, soloist

Hymn 606 Where true charity and love dwell

Ubi caritas

LEVAS 186 I Can Do All Things Through Christ (sung twice)

Eibernita Clark

The Post-Communion Prayer

Presider Let us pray together.

We give thanks for this bread of life and this cup of salvation. By the grace of God through the love of Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit, may we be strengthened for loving service in the church and in the world, now and always. Amen.

Announcements

Closing Hymn 477 All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine

Engelberg

Blessing

Presider Let us commit together to live into a new life as children of God.

People **May we, as God's children, find his love by humbly following Jesus and by loving and serving each other.**

Presider May the blessing of God, Creator, Sustainer and Redeemer be on each of us forever. Alleluia.

All **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Presider May we walk humbly to seek and show God's love. Alleluia. Alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Postlude Sonata No. 2: Allegro maestoso e vivace

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

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Our guest organist, Robert Saladini, has been active in the Washington, DC music scene for more than 30 years. A former Senior Music Specialist at the Library of Congress, he recently retired as Senior Program Officer at the Library and its John W. Kluge Center. He had been organist and choir director at St. John's Episcopal Church, Georgetown and The Church of the Pilgrims, P St.

Announcements

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

1. **RECTOR AWAY ON VACATION.** Paul is away on annual vacation and will return to his office on Wednesday, **September 7**. Please feel free to contact Justi Schunior either at the office (ext. 302) or via email justi.schunior@stmarks.net with any pastoral concerns.
2. **TROUBLE RECEIVING THE GOSPEL?** a number of parishioners have said they are no longer receiving The Gospel weekly news email. However, when checked, the parishioners' email addresses were on The Gospel email list – and in most cases, The Gospel had been caught in a spam filter – either the ones the parishioner maintained on their computer, or the one that their ISP maintained. If you don't receive The Gospel and wish to, please first check your spam filters. But if that doesn't work, please contact Susan Block, Parish Administrator for Finance and Membership, susan.block@stmarks.net or 202-543-0053 ext. 305.

Capital Campaign Update

3. With renovation and expansion plans for the Parish Hall coming together, we are fast approaching the time to begin collecting capital campaign pledges and donations. The Vision 2020 Campaign will kick off in earnest this fall, with a fun, celebratory event in the Nave on the evening of Saturday, **October 29**. More details soon, but please save the date for the biggest social event of the fall! Meanwhile, all your questions about the campaign, the plans for the Parish Hall and other aspects of the project will be answered on Sunday, **September 4, at the 10 a.m. service**. Vision 2020 Steering Committee Co-Chairs Kenn Allen and Mike Townsend will preach that Sunday, and the service will be followed by the annual Parish Picnic, where you will have a chance to see the latest architectural plans for the project. Please join us on September 4!

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!

Facilitator Training :

4. **NUTS AND BOLTS OF FUNCTIONAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION** -- To be held on Tuesday nights starting **September 6**, with 3 sessions continuing on the 13th and 20th. This class explores the fundamentals of the Penniman Method of Christian Education as framed by Charles Penniman. This includes techniques for identifying a focus, planning the overall program and developing individual lesson plans. This is open to all who are interested in this topic and also will be an excellent bonding experience for new teams of facilitators as they prepare for the upcoming year. Please join Marilu Sherer and Bruce Sherman in the Adams room from 7:30-9:30pm

Gateway Classes:

5. **THE INTRODUCTION TO LIFE AT ST. MARK'S** class will be held on Sunday, **September 25**, 1:00-4:00 PM, in the Parish Hall. Facilitated by Paul, our rector, "Intro" offers an overview, a "thumbnail" sketch of St. Mark's communal - our vision (who we are), our vocation (what we do), and our values (how we do what we do). Near the end of the class, parish leaders will join us to share a bit about opportunities for deeper engagement in our community life. Also, we'll finish in time to join the fellowship hour following the 5.00 PM service. Please let Paul know of your plans to attend (paul.abernathy@stmarks.net).

6. **LIFE, COMMUNITY AND FAITH (LCF) CLASS** coming this FALL! Please mark your calendars and plan on joining our Rector, Paul Abernathy, together with Grady Hedgespath, Bill Jordan and Marlane Liddell. This course is a vibrant, experiential class that invites and encourages participants to identify and examine their life's concerns and questions within the community of other class participants using the lens of our Christian story, especially the relationship of Jesus and his disciples. The Fall class begins on Wednesday, **October 5** and will run for 10 Wednesdays from 7:30-9:30 (except for November 23) – and includes two weekend retreats on **October 21-23** and **December 2-4**. More information will follow, but mark your calendars now!

Fall Classes:

7. **TELLING OUR TRUTH IN THE FAMILY** - An intergenerational functional class to look at how authentic we can be with the people we are closest to. How close are we if we do not tell the truth? Our parents, siblings, children think they know us, but do they? How risky is it to be the real me to my family? At times, I am caught between being true to my values and keeping the family peace. Where can I find the strength to authentically live in this tension? Have I created a family with my friends and partner because I don't feel like I belong or can fit into my family of origin? Please join Scilla Adams, George Meng and Caitie Whelan in this 6-week class starting **September 27**. We will meet in the Adams Room on Tuesdays, 7:30-9:30, and the weekend retreat will be at Dupont House **October 14-16**.

Sunday School Updates:

8. **SUNDAY SCHOOL**- continues to take a break as August comes to a close. Please note that our one service 'summer' format will continue through September 18. The new Sunday School year will begin on **September 11** for Catechesis (ages 3-Grade 5) and on **September 25**, for Middle and Senior High so that the older children can listen to the sermons on the 10th Anniversary of 9/11 and Christian Ed Sunday on September 18.

9. **ONE WORSHIP SERVICE THROUGH SEPTEMBER 18TH**! - Please note that our one service 'summer' format will continue through **September 18**. Middle and Senior High classes will attend services on the **September 11** and **18** because of the importance of the 10th anniversary of 9/11 and Because Christian Ed Sunday will be moved to September 18. We want our teens and almost teens to share sermon seminar with us on these important occasions.

10. **NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL YEAR FOR CATECHESIS BEGINS SEPTEMBER 11TH** -- The new Sunday School year will begin on **September 11** for Catechesis (ages 3-Grade 5). Teachers will be prepared to respond to any concerns about 9/11 if they come up. Please contact your child's teacher if you want to have a further discussion about these issues.

11. **NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL YEAR FOR MIDDLE AND SENIOR HIGH BEGINS SEPTEMBER 25TH** -- The new Sunday School year will begin on September 25th for Middle and Senior High so that the older children can listen to the sermons on the 10th Anniversary of 9/11 and Christian Ed Sunday on September 18th.

12. **SUNDAY SCHOOL SENIOR HIGH NEEDS YOU!** - We are still looking for a few good women and men who would be interested in teaching Sunday School at the senior high level. Class leaders use the 'functional method' of teaching, in that our story is explored as it relates to Christian lore. Speaking from personal experience, this is a wonderful opportunity to spend time with a group of people that cherish our church community. Weekly planning in advance of the start of the class (September 18th) will be arranged and curriculum is in the works to provide a framework for your understanding and implementing discussions about the costs and promises of life's verities. Supervisor Stan Smith is at the ready to support and train the teachers. Requirements: LCF; teacher training; Safeguarding God's Children certificate (3-hour class to be taken during the year). Couples and/or a team of friends are welcome.

Outreach

13. **BACKPACKS FOR NEEDY KIDS.** Check out the Outreach section of the bulletin board for the details on Capitol Hill Group Ministry's drive to provide filled backpacks to hundreds of kids from pre-Kindergartners to High School-ers. The grand idea is to give the children the tools so they will be ready to learn at the start of school.
14. **SHORT VISIT TO HONDURAS COMMUNITIES IN DECEMBER (2011).** Have you wondered about what happens in the communities sponsored by the Trinidad Conservation Project (TCP) but not had the time for a 2-week trip? Collie Agle from St. Mark's will lead a 5-day trip that will include homestays with farming families, visits to projects carried out by youth and adults, and an overview of the Sustainable Harvest International (SHI) program for moving families from destructive to sustainable agricultural practices and greater level of economic self sufficiency. Dates: Saturday, **December 3** to Wednesday, **December 7**. Cost: \$900 (plus airfare). 50% deposit due **October 3**. For more details, email chagle@washpathfind.com or call 202-255-6287 (cell) as soon as possible.
15. **CAPITOL HILL GROUP MINISTRY GOLF TOURNAMENT.** Interested in golfing in, or sponsoring Capitol Hill Group Ministry's annual golf tournament? CHGM is a social service organization serving families in need and the homeless on Capitol Hill. Save the date - September 26 - for CHGM's 9th Annual "Hope for the Homeless" Golf Tournament. Information and registration are available at <http://www.chgm.net/>.

Worship & Meditation

16. **CONTEMPLATIVE EUCHARIST AT 5PM.** Please join us in the Nave at 5:00 PM this Sunday for our contemplative Eucharist service. Bring a beverage and/or snack to share during the social hour that follows our service.
17. **WEEK-DAY SERVICE AND MEDITATION OPPORTUNITIES**
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| <u>Mondays 7:30 to 9:00pm</u> | Insight Meditation in the Nave |
| <u>Thursdays 7:00 to 8:30am</u> | Insight Meditation in the Nave |
| <u>Thursdays Noon to 12:45pm</u> | Holy Eucharist in the Chapel |

Youth and Family Ministry

Marcella Gillis, St. Mark's Director of Youth Ministries can be reached at Marcella.gillis@stmarks.net or (202) 543-0053 x320

18. **NO SUNDAY SCHOOL IN AUGUST –** Please note that because there is only one Sunday service in August (at 10 am) there will be no Summer Sunday School classes for the month. Catechesis begins **September 11**, with High School and Middle School Sunday School beginning on **September 25**.
19. **2011-2012 SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION.** Sunday School registration is now available! Forms have been mailed and can also be found on the website (<http://www.stmarks.net/youth>). The permission form applies to all youth events through the whole year, so please make an effort to submit it!
20. **PARISH PICNIC, SEPTEMBER 4 –** Dust off your cake-walking shoes! The annual Parish Picnic is a fun time for everyone to catch up after the summer and kick off the program year. We'll have carnival games, relay races, face painting, and of course... water balloons! If you would like to help out with the children's activities, please email Marcella.
21. **BACK TO SCHOOL BRUNCH, SEPTEMBER 18 –** Mark your calendars for the homecoming brunch & volunteer fair after service on **September 18**. We'll get to catch up after the summer break, hear about this year's youth activities, and volunteer to help facilitate events

Parish Life

22. **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, September 12** at 7:30 PM in the Penniman Room. Feel free to contact the group leaders: Suella Henn, swhenn@mac.com, phone 202-544-0113, or Mary Welker, marymwelker@aol.com, 202-387-4083.

23. **PARISH PICNIC.** Join the Vestry, Pillars and the Congregation for the annual Parish Picnic Sunday September 4. The picnic will follow the one service on that Sunday. Burgers (the vegetarian version as well) and dogs will be provided. Please bring something using the following first letter of the last name list:

- A Chips: 1 bag
- B Potato salad: for 4-6 people
- C&D Pasta salad: for 4-6 people
- E&F 3 bean salad or baked beans or something similar: for 4-6
- G coleslaw: for 4-6
- H watermelon: 1 small/sliced, please
- J-L Cookies: 2 dozen
- M-O Brownies: 1 dozen
- P-R Soda: 1(One) 6-pack
- S-T Water or iced tea: flavored or plain (2 6-packs or 2 1-liter bottles)
- U-Z Beer: 1(one) 6-pack

24. **20S AND 30S GROUP.** The next Food For Thought Potluck Supper will be on **Sunday, September 11** at Baxter House following the 5 o'clock service. Please join us for dinner and discussion. Email Laurel2k@gmail.com with questions.

25. **ROOMS NEEDED.** Family and friends will be coming to DC on **September 17** to take part in a Memorial Service to our son, Dr. Thomas Taylor, who was killed in an automobile accident on the 31st of July in Carroll, NH. Some will need lodging. If any of our St. Mark's family has room for guests for Friday night, 9/16/11 and possibly the following night, please let us know. Arnold & Lilian Taylor at ahnoldt@aol.com or 202-547-7962. What kind of space is available? How far away is it from the church? Are stairs involved?

26. **ST MARK'S READING GROUP:** On **September 19** we will discuss our 100th book, *Cloudstreet* by Tim Winton. No meeting in August. If you plan to come to the meeting on September 19th, be sure to e-mail me because we have changed the venue and time for that evening. Linda Ewald at llerbe@yahoo.com. On November 7, we will discuss *Uncle Tom's Cabin* by Harriet Beecher Stowe in the Penniman Room at Baxter House at 7:30.

27. **SAVE THE DATE!** *Woman to Woman* will host a "Welcome to St. Mark's" dinner in honor of our new associate, Justi Schunior, on **Tuesday, September 20**. All women of the parish are invited and details will be available at the parish picnic on September 4.

28. **STAY CONNECTED!** St. Mark's has a Yahoo Group for members and friends of the church. Through this email group, information of interest to the St. Mark's community may be sent by any member to all members of the group. If you wish to join, please send an email explaining your connection to St. Mark's to: StMarks-subscribe@yahoogroups.com. If you have trouble joining, please contact the moderator, George Meng, at gem@menglaw.com, 301-855-7047 or 410-535-5500.

Music

29. **DO YOU LIKE TO SING?** Consider singing with the St. Mark's Chancel Choir. Rehearsals take place in the nave on Thursday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30pm with the season's first rehearsal starting on **September 8**. All rehearsals in the month of September are "open," meaning anyone may attend without further obligation. For more info on this and all other music announcements, contact Director of Music Jeff Kempskie at jeff.kempskie@stmarks.net or 202.543.0053 ext. 303.

30. **BOYS & GIRLS CHOIR RETREAT SEPTEMBER 10.** If you have a child in grades 1-8 that has an interest in singing or just music in general, we invite him/her to attend the Boys & Girls Choir Retreat at St. Mark's on Saturday September 10th from 10am-3pm. The day will include a variety of fun music-related activities including singing, games, watching a movie, and eating pizza and ice cream! The first regular Girls & Boys Choir rehearsal shall begin on Sunday September 11th from 11-11:45am in the Music Studio and will continue each week thereafter. Contact Jeff Kempeskie or Nadine Hathaway (nadinehathaway@verizon.net) for more information.

31. **PIANO LESSONS** Jeff Kempeskie is now offering piano lessons for both children and adults through the Music Studio. Rates are reasonable, plus St. Mark's members receive an extra discount.

Parish Prayer List

Lolita Abernathy (Paul's mother) • Jim Adams (former Rector) • Taylor Adams • Jackie Boddie • Mimi Chesslin • Joya Cox • Betty and Jack Davis (Beryl Maloney-Lillaston's Aunt and Uncle) • Gabrielle Giffords • Amy Greyson (friend of Susan Block) • Celia Hahn • Ray Lacey • Dennis Lewis • Winnie Mosher • Randell Prothro • Bruce Ritter • Al Rollins • Carroll Russell Sherer (Peter's mom) • Lael Stegall • Vicki Street • Kathy Tatko • Bill Wachter • Geneva Watkins (Pontheolla's mother) • Elin Whitney-Smith • Ron Young

We pray for the repose of the soul of Cindy Marble

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), Christian Schmidle (son of Robert and Pamela Schmidle, fiancé of Jen Salerno)

Military Service Deaths

2nd Lt. Joe L. Cunningham, 27, of Kingston, OK • Master Sgt. Charles L. Price III, 40, of Milam, TX
Sgt. Matthew A. Harmon, 29, of Bagley, MN • Spc. Joseph A. VanDreumel, 32, of Grand Rapids, MI
1st Lt. Damon T. Leehan, 30, of Edmond, OK • Spc. Joshua M. Seals, 21, of Porter, OK
Lance Cpl. Travis M. Nelson, 19, of Pace, FL • Pfc. Douglas L. Cordo, 20, of Kingston, NY

Cycle of Prayer

In the Diocese of Washington:

St. Albans School • The National Cathedral School for Girls
Beauvoir National Cathedral Elementary School • The Committee on Youth.
Washington Episcopal School • The Bishop John T. Walker School Committee and School
The National Association of Episcopal Schools

In the Anglican Communion:

We pray for Ruwenzori -(Uganda)

This Week at St. Mark's as of 8/24/11 at 9:30am

Sunday, August 28

9:45am - 12:30pm	Nursery Care (Nursery)
10:00am –11:00am	Holy Eucharist (Nave) Rev. Justi Schunior, Presiding; David Deutsch, Preaching
11:15pm - 2:00pm	Pub Lunch (Parish Hall)
5:00pm – 6:00pm	Contemplative Eucharist (Nave) Rev. Justi Schunior, Presiding; David Deutsch, Preaching
5:00pm - 6:00pm	ACoA Meeting (Room 6)
6:00pm - 8:00am	Congregational Shelter Ministry (Gregory Room, Baxter House Kitchen, Classrooms 4,6, Library)

Monday, August 29

3:45pm - 4:15pm	Musikgarten Trial Class (Adams Room)
4:15pm - 5:00pm	Musikgarten Trial Class (Adams Room)
6:00pm - 8:00am	Congregational Shelter Ministry (Gregory Room, Baxter House Kitchen, Classrooms 4,6, Library)
7:30pm - 9:00pm	Insight Meditation Group (Nave)

Tuesday, August 30

6:00pm - 8:00am	Congregational Shelter Ministry (Gregory Room, Baxter House Kitchen, Classrooms 4,6, Library)
7:30pm - 9:00pm	Cancer Support Group (Library)

Wednesday, August 31

6:00pm - 8:00am	Congregational Shelter Ministry (Gregory Room, Baxter House Kitchen, Classrooms 4,6, Library)
6:00pm - 10:00pm	Players: Auditions Assassins (Nave, Parish Hall)

Thursday, September 1

7:00am - 8:30am	Insight Meditation Group (Nave)
12:00pm - 12:30pm	Noon Eucharist (Chapel)
6:00pm - 10:00pm	Players: Auditions Assassins (Nave, Parish Hall)

Friday, September 2

6:00pm - 8:00pm	Women's AA Meeting (Adams Room)
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Saturday, September 3

6:00pm - 9:00pm	AA Meeting (Adams Room)
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Sunday, September 4

9:45am - 12:30pm	Nursery Care (Nursery)
10:00am - 11:00am	Holy Eucharist (Nave) Rev. Justi Schunior, Presiding
11:00am - 12:00pm	Sermon Seminar (Nave) Kenn Allen and Mike Townsend, Preaching
12:15pm - 2:00pm	Parish Picnic (Parish Hall, Courtyard)
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Contemplative Eucharist (Nave) Rev. Justi Schunior, Presiding and Preaching
5:00pm - 6:00pm	ACoA Meeting (Room 6)

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Class of '13	Bill Dickinson, Rick Hayes, Marilu Sherer	
Class of '14	Grady Hedgespath, Charlotte Murray, Janet Vail	
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Diocesan Delegates

David Deutsch

Rick Rutherford

Maureen Shea

Liturgical Leaders and Worship Participants

Verger	Margaret Wood
Acolytes	Mark Ossolinski, Andrew Loevinger and Avery Townsend
Altar Guild	Josie Jordan
Lay Servers	David Willson, Josie Jordan, Bill Jordan, Dick Rumpf
Bread & Wine	Maureen Shea and Kenn Allen