



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.

SEPTEMBER 11, 2011
10TH ANNIVERSARY OF 9/11

10:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST
11:00 AM SERMON SEMINAR

Presider and Preacher

The Reverend Paul Roberts Abernathy, Rector

Co-Presider

The Reverend Justi Schunior, Assistant Rector

Organist

Mr. Jeff Kempskie, Director of Music

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

Today, there will be **10:00 am Eucharist** followed by an **11:00 am Sermon Seminar**.

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 Aria on a Chaconne

Joel Martinson (b. 1960)

Opening Hymn 400 All creatures of our God and King (vv. 1-2, 4-5)

Lasst uns erfreuen

Opening Sentences

Presider A decade past, on a sun-kissed Tuesday morn,

People the heavens, a clear, azure blue, adorned,

Presider bore no sign of horror to come when terror fell from the sky;

People buildings belched smoke, fields aflame burned, and 1000s died.

Presider Hearts clutched with grief; some with hate churned,

People matching that which against us burned.

Presider O God, by your loving grace, may we learn

People in the security of hospitality, how to “the other” turn.

The Collect of the Day

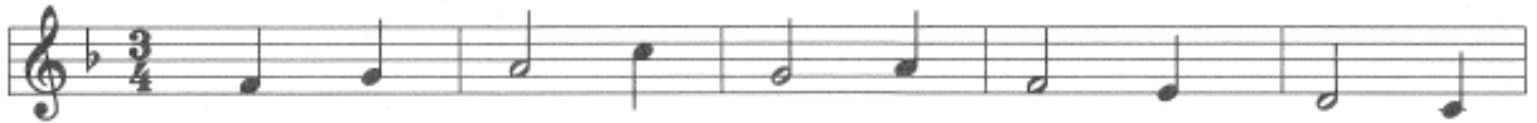
Presider Let us pray.

O God of grace, O God of glory, by the bright flame of your Spirit continually lead us that we, though fear may enfold us, enlightened by knowledge and emboldened by courage may open our hearts to all the world and our hands to all peoples that reconciliation may abound and peace abide. Amen.

Sequence Hymn The Summons

Kelvingrove

vv. 1-3 before Gospel, vv. 4-5 after



1. Will you come and fol - low me If I but
2. Will you leave your - self be - hind If I but
3. Will you let the blind - ed see If I but
4. Will you love the 'you' you hide If I but
5. Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true When you but



call your name? Will you go where you don't
call your name? Will you care for cruel and
call your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
call your name? Will you quell the fear in -
call my name. Let me turn and fol - low



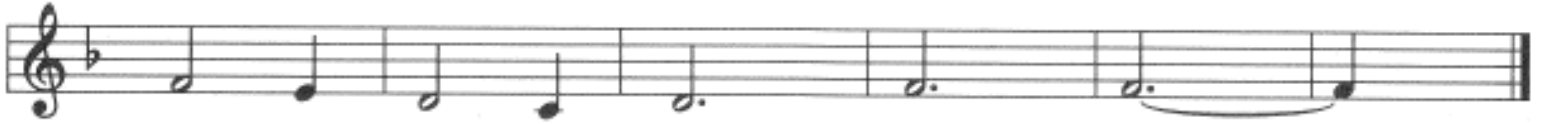
know And nev - er be the same? Will you
kind And nev - er be the same? Will you
free And nev - er be the same? Will you
side And nev - er be the same? Will you
you And nev - er be the same. In your



let my love be shown, Will you let my
risk the hos - tile stare Should your life at -
kiss the lep - er clean, And do such as
use the faith you've found To re - shape the
com - pa - ny I'll go Where your love and



name be known, Will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, And ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, Through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown In you and you in me?
 pray'r In you and you in me?
 mean In you and you in me?
 sound In you and you in me?
 grow In you and you in me.

The Gospel Matthew 18.21-35, adapted

Gospeller The Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People

Nancy Karpeles



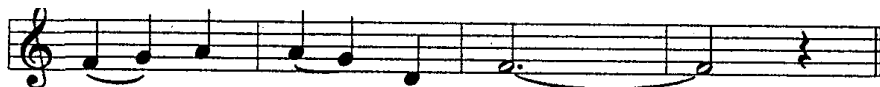
Glo-ry to you, Lord Christ.

Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, if a brother or sister sins against me, how often must I forgive? Seven times?" Jesus said, "No. I tell you, seventy-seven times. For the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. One owed 10,000 talents and could not pay. Thus, for payment to be made, the king ordered him to be sold with his wife and children and all his possessions. The slave begged the king, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay.' Out of pity, the king forgave the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him 100 denarii; and, seizing him by the throat, said, 'Pay what you owe.' The fellow slave pleaded, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay.' But he refused, throwing him into prison until he paid the debt. The other slaves, greatly distressed, reported all that had happened to the king, who then summoned the slave, saying, 'I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' In anger the king sent him to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

Gospeller This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ!

People

Nancy Karpeles



Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Prayers of the People

Led by David Deutsch

Leader O God of grace, O God of glory, on your people bestow your Spirit-power and so bring the story of your grace and mercy in us to glorious flower. Then grant us wisdom, grant us courage

People for the facing of this hour.

Leader O God of grace, O God of glory, tho' the hosts of ill surround us, from the fears that long have bound us, free our hearts to trust and praise. Then grant us wisdom, grant us courage

People for our living of these days.

Leader O God of grace, O God of glory, cure all the world's warring madness, bend human pride to love's control; heal our selfish gladness, for we, so very rich in things, are oft so poor in soul. Then grant us wisdom, grant us courage

People and lead us to your kingdom's goal.

Leader O God of grace, O God of glory, spare us from our resignation in the swell of evil we deplore; let your gift of inspiration, stir us ever more and more. Then grant us wisdom, grant us courage

People to stand up for love and justice evermore.

Leader *(Striking a gong following each intercession)*

My sisters and brothers, I now bid our silent prayers of remembrance and reflection:

For all who died on September 11, 2001, at the World Trade Center in New York, the Pentagon in Arlington, and the field in Shanksville, Pennsylvania;

For all first responders, emergency, fire, and police department personnel, who gave aid that day to the survivors and the injured, to the dying and the dead; some of whom, in their selfless service, suffered ill effects to their health, subsequently, succumbing to their own dying;

For all, whether military personnel or civilians, who, o'er the course of the years, in the broadening quest for security, have been sent or have found themselves in harm's way;

For all casualties of war, those who have killed and those who have been killed, and those who have been injured and maimed, whether combatants or civilians, men, women, and children, and the families and friends who love them.

All now may offer prayers of petition, intercession, and thanksgiving, silently or, if aloud, ending with the words, "This is my prayer," to which all will respond, "Amen."

A period of time is given for individual prayers.

Leader Let us pray.
All **May God's Spirit who breathes through us, granting us grace to give air to that which we desire also fire our hearts with zeal to do our part to fulfill the words we pray. Amen.**

The Peace

Presider May the peace of Christ's Spirit ever abide within you.
People **And within you.**

Vestry Greeting

Phil Guire

Rector's Greeting

The Liturgy of the Table

Offertory Anthem Lay Me Low

Chancel Choir

Shaker song by Addah Z. Potter
arr. by Kevin Siegfried

*Lay me low
Where the Lord can find me,
Where the Lord can own me,
Where the Lord can bless me.*

The people stand.

Presentation Hymn 705 v. 3 adapted

Forest Green

With gratitude and humble trust we bring our best to thee
To serve thy cause and share thy love with all humanity.
O thou who gavest life to all that we might be as one,
Help us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.

Eucharistic Prayer

Presider In the beginning, O Spirit of God, you swept o'er the face of the formless void, bringing light out of darkness, breathing life into all that buds and flowers, that swims in the sea, flies through the air, and stands on the earth, yea even humankind.

Co-Presider Throughout the ages, O Spirit of God, you spoke through prophets and sages, revealing the divine word and will. In the fullness of time, you took flesh as love and justice made incarnate in Jesus; who, in his preaching and teaching, and reaching out to all with words of hope and hands of healing, lived that the world might grow wise in the ways of God. Therefore, with all creation, we lift our voices in praise, saying:

All Holy, holy, holy Spirit of God, earth and heaven are filled with your grace and glory; Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the one who comes in your Name; Hosanna in the highest!

Presider Jesus, faithfully following the path of his mission and ministry, stirred the anger of worldly principalities and powers that brought him to death. On that night before he died, he took, blessed, broke, and gave the bread to his friends, saying, "This, my body, I give to you. Eat and remember me."

Co-Presider Then Jesus took and blessed the cup, sharing it with his friends, saying, "This, my blood, I pour out for you and for all. Drink and remember me." Now, in our remembrance, let us declare the wonder of our faith:

All **Jesus was crucified and buried. Jesus was raised from the dead. Jesus, through God's Spirit, lives in us now.**

Presider O Spirit of God, even now, in our day, come, we pray, as holy breath upon this bread and wine, making them spiritual food for us. In our partaking, reconcile us with you and with all!

All **Amen!**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider And now, as Jesus has taught us, we are bold to 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.**

Breaking the Bread

Presider Alleluia! We break this bread so that all may be fed.

People **Let us, in partaking, be strengthened for service. Alleluia!**

Invitation to Communion

Presider Here at St. Mark's, we observe an open Communion. In the holy might of the Spirit of God who strengthens us to be as the One we follow, we, like Jesus, invite everyone, whomever we are, from wherever we have come, and whatever we believe into the fellowship of this table.

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

LEVAS 137 Just As I Am

Words by Charlotte Elliott, Music by William B. Bradbury

Hymn 336 Come with us, O blessed Jesus

Werde munter

This is my song

Finlandia

$\text{♩} = 76$

1. This is my song, O God of all the na-tions,
2. My coun-try's skies are blu-er than the o-cean,

The first system of music consists of a treble and bass staff in 2/2 time, with a tempo marking of quarter note = 76. The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides harmonic support. The lyrics are written below the notes.

a song of peace for lands a-far and mine.
and sun-light beams on clo-ver-leaf and pine;

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The lyrics are written below the notes.

This is my home, the coun-try where my heart is;
but oth-er lands have sun-light too, and clo-ver,

The third system concludes the piece. The lyrics are written below the notes.

here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;
and skies are ev - ery - where as blue as mine.

but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing
O hear my song, thou God of all the na - tions,

with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
a song of peace for their land and for mine.

The Post-Communion Prayer

Presider Together, let us pray.

O Spirit of God, strengthened by this food, this bread and this wine of heaven, may we, now, here on earth and down to the depths of our souls, become what we eat. Make us like Jesus: people who respect the dignity of all, embrace equality for all, and labor for the liberty of all. Amen.

The Blessing

Presider As we commemorate that day when terror moved its fateful hand darkening the land with the shadow death, may we, recognizing our human diversity, also acknowledge our commonality with all who live and move and have being. In that due awareness, let us pledge anew to build a world of mutual understanding. For this, we pray God's blessing upon us, now and always!

All Amen!

Dismissal

Co-Presider Let us, as Spirit-filled people, go forth into the world, empowered by grace, to be love and justice for all!

People Thanks be to God!

Postlude Adagio for Strings, Op. 11

Samuel Barber (1910-1981)

Please exit the Nave quietly during the Postlude for the sake of those who wish to remain in silence and reflection.

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Sermon Seminar

Announcements

The Hebrew Scripture Genesis 50.15-21, adapted

Read by Henry Wolfinger

With their father (Israel) dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers.' Therefore please forgive the wrong we did to you." Joseph wept...His brothers also wept, falling before him, saying, "We are your slaves." But Joseph said, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you meant to do me harm, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as God is doing today. So have no fear; I will provide for you." In this way Joseph reassured his brothers, speaking kindly to them.

Reader O God, grant us ears to listen.
People **That we may hear and heed.**

Sermon "Remember To Forgive"

The Rector

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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. WHO ARE THE “OTHERS” THAT OUR MISSION CALLS US TO CARE FOR “WITH LOVE, JUSTICE AND COMPASSION”? The community engagement work that began with the capital campaign discernment process has led to many discoveries about the community within 1.5 miles of our church. On Sunday September 25, the sermon will reflect on those discoveries and during sermon seminar and pub lunch, we will have an opportunity to discuss what they mean and how our discoveries call us, as a community, to act. Some of what we learned may surprise you:

Poverty is St. Marks’ Neighbor						
Census Tract	Location	% Kids in poverty	%Families in poverty	% Unemployment	Families w/ food stamps	Total population
66	St Marks	0	5.1	2.1	17	1909
47	Mass, NY NW and N Cap behind Gonzaga	71	48	31	1,822	4,990
64	Southwest – M St., South Cap; River	68	37	20	1,396	2,051
71	Area Near Potomac Gardens at 12 and G Streets, SE	47	38	20	1,003	3,088
7901	Benning Rd; 19th St. NE, MD. Ave.	57	32	14	1,439	3,926

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.

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

CE Program Updates

3. CHRISTIAN ED CATALOG FOR 2011-2012 AVAILABLE NOW! – The entire Christian Education Team would like to extend a warm and heartfelt THANK YOU to Karen Falk for her tireless efforts on creating our catalog. We think you’ll all agree it looks BEAUTIFUL! Pick one up from the back table or from one of the Christian Ed Directors and be amazed by the more than **100** volunteers who’ve agreed to teach or supervise classes or support the CE program this year and start considering what classes you’ll want to take!

Sunday School Updates

4. **NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL YEAR FOR CATECHESIS BEGINS TODAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH** – All three levels of Catechesis start today for children ages 3-Grade 5. Catechesis I for ages 3-5 will meet in Room 6, Catechesis II for Grades 1-3 will meet in Rooms 1 and 3 and Catechesis III for Grades 4 and 5 will meet in Room 4. Please take your children to the undercroft and introduce you and your children to their teachers. Please note that the Teachers will be prepared to respond to any concerns about 9/11 if they come up.

5. **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.

6. **ONE WORSHIP SERVICE THROUGH SEPTEMBER 18TH!** - Please note that our one service 'summer' format will continue through September 18th

Gateway Classes

7. **THE INTRODUCTION TO LIFE AT ST. MARK'S** class will be held on **Sunday, September 25th**, 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).

8. **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 Lidell. 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 3rd** and will run for 10 Wednesdays from 7:30-9:30 (except for November 23) – and includes two **weekend retreats on Oct. 21-23 and Dec. 2-4**. More information will follow, but mark your calendars now!

Bible Studies

9. **WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** – Started **September 7th** from 11:00 am 12:15 pm in the Adams Room. Join the Weekly Bible Discussion and Study Group in the Adams Room. We will be studying the Letters of Paul from The Authentic Letters of Paul by Arthur J. Dewey and others, 2010. The book can be ordered in class for \$21 or via Polebridge Press for \$27 + shipping. Class is open to everyone and drop-ins are welcome. *A brown bag lunch follows until 1:00 pm. The Leaders are Rector Paul Abernathy, Buzz March, and other Lay Leaders. Please direct any questions to Coordinator Raiford Gaffney at rgaffneydc@gmail.com or 202.543.8930. Fee: voluntary contribution of \$25 per semester + cost of book.*

10. **MARCHING THROUGH the BIBLE – “THE APOCRYPHA”** – Beginning September 25th, join Buzz March and Bob Ewald, in this Bible Study class that will cover a collection of 2nd and 3rd century BC writings in order to explore the theological concerns of the day. The course consists of assigned readings and class discussions and will demand attendance at all sessions and full participation in class. Other outside readings are not expected. We are trying to get more familiar with reading and discussing the scripture itself. The course will meet every Sunday through April 22nd from 10-11 am in the Library. *Fee: Voluntary contribution of \$25 per semester*

11. **CURIOUS ABOUT THE LORD'S PRAYER YOU RECITE EVERY SUNDAY?** -The Thursday night Bible Study begins again on **September 29th** and is going to read The Greatest Prayer, by Dominic Crossan. He analyzes every sentence of the prayer in the context of passages from the Hebrew and New Testaments, giving meaning to a prayer we all say by rote with little understanding of what it means in the context of our biblical traditions. We'll meet weekly at 7:00 pm, in Baxter House on Thursday nights. The book costs \$10.95. Sign up sheet is in the vestibule or contact Michael Knipe, haroldknipe@gmail.com, or Andrew Stafford, andrew611@earthlink.net. *Fee: voluntary contribution of \$25 per semester + cost of book.*

Fall Class

12. **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 27th**. We will meet in the Adams Room on Tuesdays, 7:30-9:30, and the weekend retreat will be at Dupont House **October 14th-16th**.

Outreach

13. **SOUP KITCHEN SANDWICH-MAKING!** - We ask for **4-5** volunteers to help us make sandwiches, **today, in our Parish Hall, from 5:00 – 6:00 P.M.** (we will remain, until 6:00 P.M. for additional casseroles). **Kids welcome!** Questions? Contact Co-Managers Jack Richards 703 751-1456 or Mary Lee Watts 703 998-0384

14. **CASSEROLES FOR THE SOUP KITCHEN!** - ***Thank You!***, for today's casserole donations, towards our monthly goal of 20 casseroles! **You may also deliver your casserole(s) today, 5:00 – 6:00 P.M.** to our **Parish Hall**. These afternoon-delivered casseroles will be placed in our church freezer and delivered later this month to the Capitol Hill United Methodist Church.

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/>.

16. **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 home stays 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.

17. **WANT TO EXPERIENCE RADICAL HOSPITALITY FOR "OTHERS?"** Come see what the Church of the Epiphany in downtown DC does every Sunday for homeless persons in terms of group activities, a religious service, and a breakfast. St. Mark's will be sponsoring 4 Sundays this year. The Rector at the Church of the Epiphany will host and guide about 15 people from St Mark's, allowing us to experience what another Episcopal church does every Sunday. It's an incredible experience. Sign up in vestibule or contact Michael Knipe, haroldknipe@gmail.com, or Susana Gomez, cubanasusana@yahoo.com.

Worship & Meditation

18. **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.

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

<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

20. **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! Catechesis begins **September 11**, with High School and Middle School Sunday School beginning on **September 25**.
21. **BACK TO SCHOOL BRUNCH**— 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.
22. **HIGH SCHOOL LOCK-IN!** We're looking for adult leaders to help out with the lock-in on **October 1**. The program will be broken into shifts, so please let Marcella know if you're available to lend a hand!

Parish Life

23. **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.
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. **SEPTEMBER 16 FILM CLUB - "STRANGERS ON A TRAIN"**. The September Film Club will feature Alfred Hitchcock's 1951 classic, "Strangers on a Train," starring Farley Granger and Robert Walker. Don't miss this great noir thriller set against the backdrop of Washington, D.C. Please join us on Friday, September 16, 7:30 p.m., 1321 Geranium Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. Bring snacks/desserts/potent potables to share. Contact Alicia Ruble, 202-420- 9256, blurbologist@hotmail.com.
26. **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?
27. **A MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR TOM TAYLOR** will be held in the Nave on **Saturday, September 17**, at 11 AM and will be followed by a reception in the Parish Hall. Approximately 250 people are expected to attend. Therefore we are asking you to help in the following ways. Please call or email Penny Hansen with your choice of a salad for 10 (202-362-3150; pennyhansn@aol.com). This may be any type (green, pasta, potato, "particularly creative", etc.) but we need to know the general category to assure a variety. Please call or email Sara Rau (703-573-7037; rausara@gmail.com) with your choice of a finger desert (cookies, brownies, tarts, etc.) For those who cannot bring either of the above but wish to participate, we ask that you send monetary contributions to either Penny or Sara (addresses in the directory) to help defer the cost of the purchased items. We will both be in church this Sunday to receive your contributions as well. Many thanks. With your help we will be able to show our support and love to Lil and Arnold and their family and friends.
28. **ST MARK'S READING GROUP:** On **September 19** we will discuss our 100th book, *Cloudstreet* by Tim Winton. If you plan to come to the meeting on September 19th, e-mail Linda Ewald at llerbe@yahoo.com because we have changed the venue and time for that evening. . On **November 7**, we will discuss *Uncle Tom's Cabin* by Harriet Beecher Stowe in the Penniman Room at Baxter House at 7:30.
29. **CALLING ALL WOMEN!! Please join us on September 20** as we welcome Justi. The evening begins with cocktails at 6:45, dinner at 7:30 followed by a brief program (and you're out by 9). This is a pot-

luck so please sign up at the table in the Parish Hall. We also need help with clean up so consider being a part of that team (less than 1 hour). (NOTE: 9/20 is the correct date **NOT** Oct 7 as the calendar summary listed)

30. **UGANDAN BISHOP:** You may have heard of the horrific antigay legislation being considered in Uganda. You may not know that one of the leading figures fighting that legislation is retired Ugandan Episcopal Bishop Christopher Senyonjo. Despite condemnation and death threats, Bishop Christopher continues to fight for the rights of LGBTQ people. He is now on tour to educate Americans about the difficulties facing LGBTQ people in Uganda and in 75 other countries where homosexuality is criminalized. He will be honored at a banquet **September 23** at 6:30 at the Lutheran Church of the Reformation, 212 E. Capitol. Proceeds will benefit his St. Paul Center for Reconciliation and Equality. Tickets are \$25 - \$40. For reservations call Philip Moeller at 202 543 1282.

31. **FILM SCREENING: It Takes a Village to Unite a Divided People. "BUDRUS"** The Mid-East Working Group of St. Mark's and The Corner Store are sponsoring this award winning documentary. **September 22** The Corner Store, (900 S.C. Ave. SE) and **September 30** St. Mark's, 6:30 PM Snacks and seating, 7:00 film followed by discussion. \$5 donation *Budrus* is the story of a Palestinian community organizer joined by Israeli supporters in an unarmed movement to save his village from destruction by Israel's Separation Barrier. One of the most moving parts of the film is when his 15-year-old daughter launches a women's contingent that quickly moves to the front lines. *Budrus* shines a light on people who choose nonviolence to confront a threat. We hope you'll join us.

32. **3RD AGERS POTLUCK.** The first gathering of 3rd Agers (those of us who are 60 or 60+) for 2011-2012 will be held on Saturday, October 1 from 10:30 to 2:30. Our theme for the day is **Telling Some of Our Stories.** We'll do just that after a short business meeting and pot luck lunch. Sign up list is on the bulletin board in the foyer. Questions? Call or e-mail Jane Miller, Kathy Tatko, or Nancy Van Scoyoc. Contact information is in the Directory.

33. **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.

FOR THOSE OF US WHO WERE HERE DURING THE "ADAMS ERA". Jim Adams continues to cope with his brain cancer. If you feel so inclined, you might want to drop him a line. He is cheered when he hears from folks he knew in the past. If you do write him, use snail mail. He doesn't check his e-mail often, if at all. And do not expect a response. Although he has said he'd like to respond, his energy rightly is devoted to his family at this time. His address is 224 Brattle Street, Cambridge MA 02138.

Music

34. **DO YOU LIKE TO SING?** There are opportunities for both children and adults! The Boys & Girls Choir (children in grades 1-8) rehearses Sundays from 11-11:45am in the Music Studio with Nadine Hathaway: nadinehathaway@verizon.net The Chancel Choir (open to high school students and adults) rehearses Thursday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30pm in the nave. All September rehearsals are "open," meaning anyone may attend without further obligation. So, if you have the slightest desire to sing, give it a try! All voice parts are needed. Contact Jeff Kempskie, Director of Music, for more information.

35. **PIANO LESSONS** Jeff Kempskie 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.

36. **NEW! MUSIKGARTEN CLASSES IN GERMAN!** Musikgarten's philosophy is steeped in the understanding that music and movement are a natural, joyous part of childhood. *Little germans musik* is now offering the Musikgarten curriculum in German. Combine the benefits of early childhood music with language immersion and enrich your family life with active music-making while nurturing language skills. Fall 2011 schedule at St Mark's, Dance Studio: *Toddlers 15 months – 3 years* plus caregiver: Mondays 3:30-4:00pm; *Children 3-5 years*, caregiver optional: Mondays 4:15-5:00pm. 10 week session starts 9/19/2011. For class description, more information and registration go to www.littlegermans.com.

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 • Julio Gomez • 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) • Mary Welker • Elin Whitney-Smith • Ron Young

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

Sgt. William B. GrossPaniagua, 28, of Daly City, CA • Pfc. Brice M. Scott, 22, of Columbus, GA
Staff Sgt. Leon H. Lucas Jr., 32, of Wilson, NC • Staff Sgt. Patrick R. Dolphin, 29, of Moscow, PA
Sgt. Dennis E. Kancler, 26, of Brecksville, OH • Sgt. Christopher M. Wrinkle, 29, of Dallastown, PA
Staff Sgt. Kirk A. Owen, 37, of Sapulpa, OK • Spc. Barun Rai, 24, of Silver Spring, MD
Pfc. Cody G. Baker, 19, of Holton, KS • Pfc. Gil I. Morales Del Valle, 21, of Jacksonville, FL
Capt. Waid C. Ramsey, 41, of Red Bay, AL • Sgt. Anthony Del Mar Peterson, 24, of Chelsea, OK
Sgt. Daniel D. Gurr, 21, of Vernal, UT • Spc. Jinsu Lee, 34, of Chatsworth, CA
Spc. Mark J. Downer, 23, of Warner Robins, GA • Sgt. Daniel J. Patron, 26, of Canton, OH
Cycle of Prayer

In the Diocese of Washington:

The Church of Our Saviour, Brookland Parish
The Angus Dun Committee
All victims of terrorism, war, and violence
Pray for Interfaith Cooperation and Dialogue,

Remember all Jews and Muslims during the holy seasons of Ramadan, Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur

In the Anglican Communion:

We pray for Sittwe - (Myanmar)

This Week at St. Mark's as of 9/7/11 at 9:30am

Sunday, September 11

9:45am - 12:30pm	Nursery Care (Nursery)
10:00am - 11:00am	Holy Eucharist (Nave) Rev. Paul Roberts Abernathy, Presiding; Rev. Justi Schunior, Co-Presiding
11:00am - 11:45am	Boys and Girls Choir Rehearsal (Music Studio)
11:00am - 12:00pm	Sermon Seminar (Nave) Rev. Paul Roberts Abernathy, Preaching
12:00pm - 2:00pm	Pub Lunch (Parish Hall)
4:30pm - 6:00pm	Yoga Class (Dance Studio)
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Contemplative Eucharist (Nave) Rev. Paul Roberts Abernathy, Presiding and Preaching
5:00pm - 6:00pm	ACoA Meeting (Room 6)
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Soup Kitchen Sandwich Prep (Parish Hall)
5:45pm - 9:30pm	Young Professionals (Baxter House)
6:00pm - 9:00pm	LCF Spring Teaching Team Meeting (Library)

Monday, September 12

6:00pm - 7:05pm	Yoga Class (Adams Room)
7:00pm - 10:00pm	Players Rehearsal: Assassins (Parish Hall)
7:30pm - 9:00pm	Insight Meditation (Nave)
7:30pm - 9:30pm	Caregivers Support Group (Penniman Room)

Tuesday, September 13

12:15pm - 11:15pm	Yoga Class (Dance Studio)
5:00pm - 7:00pm	Vision 2020 Meeting (Gregory Room)
5:30pm - 7:30pm	Fall LCF Teaching Team (Penniman Room)
6:00pm - 7:05pm	Yoga Class (Adams Room)
7:00pm - 9:00pm	Liturgy Planning Team (Nave)
7:00pm - 10:00pm	Players Rehearsal: Assassins (Parish Hall)
7:30pm - 9:00pm	Cancer Support Group (Library)
7:30pm - 9:30pm	Nuts and Bolts of Functional Education (Adams Room)

Wednesday, September 14

11:00am - 1:00pm	Wednesday Bible Study (Adams Room)
6:00pm - 7:05pm	Yoga Class (Adams Room)

Thursday, September 15

7:00am - 8:30am	Insight Meditation Group (Nave)
12:00pm - 12:30pm	Noon Eucharist (Chapel)
6:30pm - 8:00pm	Yoga Class (Adams Room)
7:30pm - 9:30pm	Choir Rehearsal (Nave)

Friday, September 16

7:00am - 8:00am	Yoga Class
6:00pm - 8:00pm	Women's AA Meeting (Adams Room)

Saturday, September 17

10:00am - 12:00pm	Yoga Class (Dance Studio)
11:00am - 4:00pm	Taylor Memorial (Nave, Parish Hall)
6:00pm - 9:00pm	AA Meeting (Adams Room)
6:00pm - 9:00pm	Yoga (Dance Studio)

Sunday, September 18

9:45am - 12:30pm	Nursery Care (Nursery)
10:00am - 11:00am	Holy Eucharist (Nave) Rev. Paul Roberts Abernathy, Presiding; Rev. Justi Schunior, Co-Presiding
11:00am - 11:45am	Boys and Girls Choir Rehearsal (Music Studio)
11:00pm - 12:00pm	Sermon Seminar (Nave) Christian Ed Co-Directors, Preaching
12:00pm - 2:00pm	Pub Lunch (Parish Hall)
4:30pm - 6:00pm	Yoga Class (Dance Studio)
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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Rick Rutherford

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Altar Guild	Vena Darling and Ryan Velasco
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Beadles	