



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.

THANKSGIVING DAY
NOVEMBER 25, 2010

10:00AM HOLY EUCHARIST

Presider and Preacher
The Reverend Paul Roberts Abernathy
Rector

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, reflects the beauty of God's creation, as well as symbolizing St. Mark's connection with the broader Anglican Communion. 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.

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.

Offerings may be placed in the offering plate during the service. With your donation you help contribute to the ministry of St. Mark's and we thank you for your generosity.

Social Gathering immediately after our service. All are invited to join us for sharing of food and fellowship as we get to know members of our community. You are most welcome to bring finger food and/or beverages to share and these items may be left on the entrance table.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude Ar Hyd Y Nos (For the Fruit of All Creation)

Frank Stoldt

Opening Hymn 290 Come, ye thankful people, come

St. George's Windsor

Opening Sentences

Presider O God, out of nothing you call all things into being

People **and we celebrate your loving-kindness!**

Presider Yet, do you rejoice in what we have done with creation?

People **By your mercy, O God, deliver us from our pride.**

Presider By your grace, make our lives a blessing:

People **that in truest thanksgiving**

Presider we may labor to preserve the earth,

People **make wars to cease,**

All **and bring peace to all peoples. Amen.**

Collect for the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

All **O God, fruitful maker, faithful sustainer, by your Spirit the breath of life is given and preserved. As you have made us one with all creation, may we, in thanksgiving, so cherish and respect everything that lives and moves and has being that we, with you, may share in all life-giving labor; to your honor and for the enjoyment of all. Amen.**

The Hebrew Scripture Deuteronomy 26.1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of

the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.' You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

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

People Thanks be to God

Sequence Hymn

The Holy Gospel John 6.25-35

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

People Glory be to you, O Lord.

When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat." ' Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.' Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

The Rector

Prayers of the People

Words by F. Pratt Green, amended

Leader For the fruit of all creation,

People **Thanks be to God!**

Leader May we, in truest thanksgiving,

People **share the earth's bounty that all may be fed.**

Leader For God's gifts to every nation,

People **Thanks be to God!**

Leader May we, in truest thanksgiving,

People **honor all peoples that all may dwell in peace.**

Leader For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safe-keeping,

People **Thanks be to God!**

Leader May we, in truest thanksgiving,

People **labor to preserve the earth for all who come after us.**

Leader For the harvests of the Spirit,
People **Thanks be to God!**
Leader May we, in truest thanksgiving,
People **show forth in our lives the fruit of love and justice.**

Leader For the good we all inherit,
People **Thanks be to God!**
Leader May we, in truest thanksgiving,
People **safeguard the light of liberty entrusted to us.**

Leader For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us, most
of all that love has found us,

People **Thanks be to God!**
Leader May we, in truest thanksgiving,
People **stay open to revelation in our being and evolution in our becoming.**

Leader I invite you now to offer your prayers of petition, intercession, and
thanksgiving, silently or aloud, and if aloud, ending by saying, "This is
my prayer," to which your community will respond, "Thanks be to God."

A period of time is allowed for the people's prayers.

Leader Together, let us pray,
All **With spoken words and with the silent language of our hearts, we
offer our prayers in gratitude to you, our God, trusting that by your
love you hear us and that by your Spirit you strengthen us to do our
faithful part to effect all that we ask and desire. Amen.**

The Peace

Presider God's peace abide with you!
People Also with you!

All, one with another, exchange a sign of peace.

Vestry Greeting

Rector's Greeting

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

The Offertory Hymn 690 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

Cwm Rhodda

Presentation Hymn 424 For the fruit of all creation (vs. 1)

East Acklam

For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.

For his gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.

For the plowing, sowing, reaping,

Silent growth while we are sleeping

Future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God

Eucharistic Prayer

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.

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." 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."

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.**

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, we place no restrictions upon it and make no distinctions within it. 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

Hymn 301 Bread of the world, in mercy broken
LEVAS 232 Thank you, Lord (sung three times)

Rendez a Dieu
African American Spiritual

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 your world. Amen.**

Closing Hymn 397 Now Thank we all our God

Nun danket alle Gott

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 The Ash Grove (Let All Things Now Living)

Frank Stoldt

This liturgy, "In Truest Thanksgiving" (Opening Sentences, Collect for the Day, Prayers of the People, Eucharistic Prayer, Breaking the Bread, Invitation to Communion, Post-Communion Prayer, and the Benediction), was written by the Rector.



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) • Bruce Ritter • Al Rollins • Carroll Russell Sherer (Peter's mom) • Elin Whitney-Smith • Cher Stepanek • 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)

Military Service Deaths

Staff Sgt. Jordan B. Emrick, 26, of Hoyleton, IL • Lance Cpl. Randy R. Braggs, 21, of Sierra Vista, AZ
Sgt. Aaron B. Cruttenden, 25, of Mesa, AZ • Spc. Dale J. Kridlo, 33, Hughestown, PA
Spc. Anthony Vargas, 27, of Reading, PA • Spc. Andrew L. Hutchins, 20, of New Portland, ME
Sgt. Jason J. McCluskey, 26, of McAlester, OK • 2nd Lt. Robert M. Kelly, 29, of Tallahassee, FL
Lance Cpl. James B. Stack, 20, of Arlington Heights, IL • Lance Cpl. Dakota R. Huse, 19, of Greenwood, LA
Senior Airman Andrew S. Bubacz, 23, of Dalzell, SC • Cpl. Shawn D. Fannin, 32, of Wheelersburg, OH

Circle of Prayer

In the Diocese of Washington:

Christ Church, LaPlata (Port Tobacco Parish) Joseph W. Trigg, Rector, Eric Shoemaker, Assistant Rector
All Church Musicians and Choirs
The Daughters of the King
All Travelers
Pray for our National Life and all the Blessings of God's Hand

In the Anglican Communion:

The Church of the Province of South East Asia and The Most Reverend Dr. John Chew
We also pray for our sister congregations in Honduras and Lichfield, England.



This Week at St. Mark's as of November 16, 2010

Sunday, November 21– Last Sunday after Pentecost

8:45am – 12:30pm	Nursery Open (Undercroft)
9:00am – 10:00am	HOLY EUCHARIST, Paul Roberts Abernathy, Presider;
9:45am - 10:45am	Sunday School (Classrooms)
10:00am- 10:45am	Sermon Seminar (Nave)
11:00am- 12:00pm	Teacher Training (Adams Room)
11:15am- 12:30pm	HOLY EUCHARIST, Paul Roberts Abernathy, Presider and Preacher; Susan B. Pinkerton, Co-presider
12:45pm - 2:00pm	Pub Lunch (Parish Hall)
12:45pm - 1:45pm	Children's Choir (Nave)
1:15pm - 3:15pm	Membership Development Committee (Library)
4:30pm - 6:00pm	Yoga (Dance Studio)
5:00pm – 6:00pm	HOLY EUCHARIST, Paul Roberts Abernathy, Presider and Preacher (Nave)
5:00pm – 6:00pm	ACoA Meeting (Room 6)

Monday, November 22

10:00am – 7:30pm	Dance Classes (Dance Studio)
6:00pm - 7:05pm	Yoga Class (Adams Room)
7:30pm - 9:00pm	Insight Meditation Group (Nave)
7:30pm - 9:00pm	Caregivers Support Group (Penniman Room)
7:30pm – 9:30pm	Israeli-Palestinian Class (Adams Room)
7:30pm - 10:00pm	Players Rehearsal (Parish Hall)

Tuesday, November 23

12:15pm - 1:15pm	Yoga (Dance Studio)
4:00pm - 8:45pm	Dance Classes (Dance Studio)
6:00pm - 7:05pm	Yoga (Adams Room)
7:15pm - 10:00pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Nave)
7:30pm - 9:00pm	Cancer Support Group (Library)

Wednesday, November 24

10:30am – 11:00am	Organ Rehearsal (Nave)
11:00am - 1:00pm	Wednesday Bible Study (Adams Room)
11:30am - 7:30pm	Dance Classes (Dance Studio)
6:00pm - 7:15pm	Yoga (Adams Room)
7:30pm - 9:30pm	Life Community and Faith (Adams Room)

Thursday, November 25

10:00am – 11:15am	OFFICE CLOSED --- Happy Thanksgiving ! Thanksgiving Eucharist (Nave)
-------------------	---

Friday, November 26

7:00am - 8:00am	OFFICE CLOSED --- Thanksgiving
12:00pm – 6:30pm	Yoga (Dance Studio)
5:00pm - 7:30pm	Setting (Nave)
6:00pm - 8:00pm	Dance Classes (Dance Studio)
	Women's AA Meeting (Adams Room)

Saturday, November 27

8:30am - 6:00pm	Dance Classes (Dance Studio)
10:00am – 12:00pm	Yoga (Adams Room)
2:00pm - 5:00pm	Roger Craig Memorial (Nave, Parish Hall)
6:00pm – 9:00pm	AA Meeting (Adams Room)

Sunday, November 28– First Sunday of Advent

8:45am – 12:30pm	Nursery Open (Undercroft)
9:00am – 10:00am	HOLY EUCHARIST, Susan B. Pinkerton; Presider, Paul Roberts Abernathy; Co-presiding
9:45am - 10:45am	Children's Activity (Adams Room)
10:00am- 10:45am	Sermon Seminar (Nave) Sandra Swann; Preaching
11:00am- 12:00pm	Teacher Training (Adams Room)
11:15am- 12:30pm	HOLY EUCHARIST, Susan B. Pinkerton; Presider Sandra Swann; Preacher, Paul Roberts Abernathy; Co-presiding
12:45pm - 2:00pm	Pub Lunch (Parish Hall)
1:00pm – 2:30pm	Membership Development Committee (Library)
1:30pm – 3 :30pm	Race and Reconciliation Group (Adams Room)
4:30pm - 6:00pm	Yoga (Dance Studio)
5:00pm – 6:00pm	HEARTY EUCHARIST, Susan B. Pinkerton; Presiding and Preaching
5:00pm - 8:00pm	Pot Luck
5:00pm – 6:00pm	ACoA Meeting (Room 6)

St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Capitol Hill

+

3rd and A Streets, SE

Baxter House Church Office: 118 3rd Street, SE, Washington, DC 20003
202-543-0053 (phone) 202-546-3695 (fax) www.stmarks.net

Office Directory

The Rev. Paul Roberts Abernathy, Rector

paul.abernathy@stmarks.net

The Rev. Susan Beth Pinkerton, Associate Rector

susan.pinkerton@stmarks.net

Jeffrey Ray Workman, Interim Director of Music

jeffrey.workman@stmarks.net

Erik Alexander Lipscomb, Children's Choir Director

erik.lipscomb@gmail.com

Megan Courtney, Director of Youth Ministries

megan.courtney@stmarks.net

Susan C. Block, Parish Administrator for Finance & Membership

susan.block@stmarks.net

Caitlin E. Jacobs, Parish Administrator for Programs and Facilities

caitlin.jacobs@stmarks.net

Warren E. O'Hearn, Bookkeeper

wohearn@hotmail.com

Edwin D. Green, Maintenance Contractor (240-447-0027)

edwin.green@stmarks.net

Adjunct Clergy: The Reverends William Flanders, Susan Flanders, Carl Siegel, Arnold Taylor

The Vestry

Senior Warden

Kenn Allen (kenn@civilsocietyconsulting.com)

Junior Warden

John Sedgewick (sedgewickjohn@gmail.com)

Class of '11

Joe Calizo, Susan Thompson, Mary Lee Watts

Class of '12

Ed Corr, Cecilia Monahan, Vicki Street

Class of '13

Bill Dickinson, Rick Hayes, Marilu Sherer

Officers

Kathryn Powers, *Treasurer*, Raiford Gaffney, *Register*, Norm Wolfe, *Manciple*,
Michael Knipe, *Counsel*

Diocesan Delegates

Mark Lindley

David Deutsch

Rick Rutherford

Maureen Shea (alternate)

Liturgical Leaders and Worship Participants

Verger

Acolytes

Beadles

Altar Guild

Jane Miller and Janice Brown

Lay Servers

Bread & Wine

Kenn Allen and Maureen Shea