



**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.

**THE 17<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
September 16, 2018**

**5:00 PM CONTEMPLATIVE EUCHARIST  
& LAYING ON OF HANDS**

**Homilist**

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

**Presider**

The Reverend Scott Lipscomb

*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.

# Welcome to St. Mark's Episcopal Church ☒ Capitol Hill



The Parish Calendar is Online at [www.stmarks.net/connect/calendar](http://www.stmarks.net/connect/calendar)

Restrooms and water fountains are available in the foyer and on the lower level.

Lost & Found is managed by our Parish Administrator. Please contact James (202-543-0053, ext. 306) to see if your item has been found or to turn in an item.

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| September 9, 2018 |  
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Attendance:	246
Pledge & Plate collection:	\$9,246

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**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 with our sister congregations in the San Marcos Cluster 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.



## SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

- 9:00 am Holy Eucharist (*Family Eucharist is celebrated the second Sunday of most months*)
- 9:00 am Children's Chapel (*not offered when Family Eucharist is celebrated at 9:00 am*)
- 10:00 am Sermon Seminar
- 11:15 am Holy Eucharist
- 5:00 pm Contemplative Eucharist

*We formally begin the worship service with the Prelude, a musical offering designed to bring us together for worship that allows for quiet reflection before the service begins. Please respect this time by refraining from conversations in the Nave as much as possible. While greeting each other is important, we ask that you do so outside the Nave or near the doors so that others can have quiet time.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## OPENING SENTENCES

O Creator God, as we welcome the autumn months, may the earlier setting of the sun remind us to take time to rest.

**May the brilliant colors of the leaves remind us of the wonder of your creation.**

## COLLECT

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**Living One, in whose freedom creation was born as gift: free us from the need to possess, define and silence others that we might rejoice in the strangeness of your beauty revealed in flesh and blood, through Jesus Christ, our reconciliation. Amen.**

*A period of silence is observed*

## THE EPISTLE James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue-- a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to us.

**Thanks be to God!**

*The people stand as able.*

## **THE GOSPEL** Matthew 5:21-37

The Gospel of Jesus according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

“You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not murder’; and ‘whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.’ But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, ‘You fool,’ you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

“It was also said, ‘Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.’ But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

“Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.’ But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let your word be ‘Yes, Yes’ or ‘No, No’; anything more than this comes from the evil one.

Gospeller The Gospel of Jesus.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*The people sit.*

**HOMILY**

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

## MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

### A MODERN AFFIRMATION

**We believe in God the Source, infinite in wisdom, power and love, whose mercy is over all creation, and whose will is ever directed to the good of God's children.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Source's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need.**

**We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.**

*A period of silence is observed*

### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Grant us patience, O Lord, to follow the road you have taken. Let our confidence not rest in our own understanding but in your guiding hand; let our desires not be for our own comfort, but for the joy of your kingdom; for you are our hope and our joy now and unto the day of eternity.

**Lead us in your way.**

Holy God, your knowledge of us exceeds what we grasp or see in any moment; you know us better than we know ourselves. Now, help us to trust in your mercy, to see ourselves in the light of your holiness and to be present to you and to our fellow travelers.

**Lead us in your way.**

Jesus, who journeyed with the disciples on the road to Emmaus: Be with us on the way, that we may know you in the scriptures, in the breaking of bread, and in the hearts of all whom we meet.

**Lead us in your way.**

O God, it is by your gift that evening follows day and that rest restores us after labor, while we rejoice to receive these blessings, make us mindful that they come from your gracious hand.

**Lead us in your way.**

Yours, Holy One, is the day; yours also is the night; grant that the Sun of Righteousness may abide always in our hearts, to drive away all wicked thoughts and to relieve our fears, that we may always know the light of Jesus' presence.

**Lead us in your way.**

We give thanks, O God, for all that is good. We seek your peace in our homes and in the world this day.

**Lead us in your way.**

*The people are invited to offer prayers, petitions, and thanksgivings,  
either silently or aloud, at this time.*

Together let us pray:

**O Lord support us all the day long, until the shadows lengthen and the evening come, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, in thy mercy, grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last. Amen.**

## **A PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence is observed.*

**Mother eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbor, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We have wounded your love and marred your image in us. We are sorry, and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.**

## **THE ABSOLUTION**

God forgives you; forgive yourself and go in peace.

**Amen!**

## **THE PEACE**

The peace of God be always with you.

**And also with you.**

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

## **WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, GREETING**

## **ELECTRONIC OFFERING**



*Text "stmarks20003" to 73256 to give to St. Mark's using text messaging.  
There may be a slight delay and then you will receive a reply text which will  
guide you through the initial set up.*

## **THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE**

### **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

God is always present.

**God is here, among us!**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the living God.**

Let us give thanks to our sovereign God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through the great shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord**

**God of power and might**

**Heaven and Earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest!**

Holy and gracious Mother: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Source of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

**Amen!**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

And now, as Jesus 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, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!

**Therefore let us keep the feast; Alleluia!**

## **THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

We recognize this as God's table set before us and for all and this bread and wine as God's food for us and for all. Therefore whoever we are, from wherever we have come, and whatever we believe,

**All are welcome and invited to receive. Amen!**

## **THE COMMUNION**



*Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available; please make your needs known to the minister.*

*If you would like someone to pray with you about anything that is on your mind or heart, please go to the Chapel after receiving communion for laying on of hands.*

## **MUSIC DURING COMMUNION**

## **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Together, let us pray.

**God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## **THE BLESSING**

Christ has no body now on earth but yours, no hands but yours, no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes through which Christ looks out with compassion; yours are the feet with which he is to go about doing good. Yours are the hands with which God is to bless all people. And now, the blessing of the One, Holy, and Undivided Trinity be with you this day and always.

**Amen!**

## **DISMISSAL**

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Holy One!

**Thanks be to God.**



## **Acknowledgements**

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## **Liturgical Leaders and Worship Participants**

Verger

David Deutsch

Laying on of Hands

TBD



*Following the service, please join us for Holy Happy Hour,  
at which we share conversation, food and drink.*

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Cecilia Monahan    Jim Steed    Peter Nye

# Cycle of Prayer

## *In the Diocese of Washington*

St. Matthew's Church/San Mateo, Hyattsville

St. Matthew's Day School, Hyattsville

United Nations International Day of Peace (September 21) -

Pray for peace and benevolence among all nations

Remember and pray for all Jewish people during the holy time of Yom Kippur (September 19)

Deacons Ordination Service (September 22) -

Pray for those who are to be ordained to the diaconate

## *Anglican Communion*

The Most Revd Ezekiel Kumir Kondo Archbishop of the Province of Sudan & Bishop of Khartoum

## *Parish Prayer List*

Robin Blair • Jackie Boddie • Jay Bolton • Sylvie Kalas Braddock (Barbara Nelson's granddaughter)  
J. Richard Brown • Jack Burton • Tony Cogswell (brother-in-law of Ruth Roman) • Joya Cox  
Taylor Emerson (Randy Marks' niece) • David Glaze • Joyce Gutson • Dave Haglund • Susan Hall  
Michael Henely • Olga Juarez Jose (Mary Ellison's partner) • Alice Kistler (Kathryn Powers' sister)  
Sandy Lilly (mother-in-law of Madeleine Findley) • Frank Lloyd • Elizabeth Long  
LaDonna Love (Clif Grandy's cousin) • Lina Marks (Randy Marks' mother)  
Nat Marks (Randy Marks' son) • Taylor Emerson Marks (Randy Marks' niece) • Barbara Nelson  
Pamela Burton Moore (Jack Burton's daughter) • Ann-Mari Pierotti (Joan Pierotti's daughter)  
Kristin Proctor (Student of Rosie Brooks) • Randell Prothro • Carol Roman • Rosalie Ryan  
Gardner Van Scoyoc • Cheryl Smith (Dick's Sister) • Andrew Stafford • Arnold Taylor  
Fred Taylor (Sherrill Taylor's husband) • Linda Wade (Martha Huizenga's mother-in-law)  
Mary Welker • John Willson (David Willson's brother) • Wes Foster

## *Those of our Parish serving in the military*

Vincent Alcazar (Parishioner) • Burr Barton (nephew of Jan Hamilton)

Clint Billings (son of Kevin Billings and Mary Louise Wagner)

P. J. Boehm (brother of Rachel Boehm) • Preston Brooks (Parishioner)

Todd Daniels (nephew of Jan Hamilton) • Gregory DuBow (husband of Kristi James DuBow)

Stephen Dannenmaier (brother & brother-in-law of Bill and Molly Dannenmaier)

Jason Earnest (grandson of Lynda Smith-Bugge) • Benjamin Keltz (nephew of Jan Hamilton)

Kurt Hansen (nephew of Brock and Penny Hansen)

Joshua Russo, husband of Claire Russo • Weston Zarek (son of Tom Zarek)

## *Those who have died*

Malcolm Laborde (father of Kent Laborde)

## *Those serving in the military who have died*

Command Sgt. Maj. Timothy A. Bolyard, 42, from Thornton, WV



## Welcome Guests!

We'd like to get to know you better!

We invite you to fill out this page, tear it off, and drop it into the offering plate or hand it to one of the greeters as you leave. Please take the rest of this service bulletin with you, so that you can refer to the service schedule, and office directory.

We hope you feel at home with us. If you have questions, please speak with the clergy or one of the greeters after the service. You can also call the office at any time and we will be happy to help you in any way we can.

Thank you for visiting St. Mark's today.  
*Go in peace and return often!*

After completing, please remove this page and place in the offering plate or give to a greeter.

I attended: \_\_\_\_\_ 9 am Holy Eucharist  
\_\_\_\_\_ 10 am Sermon Seminar  
\_\_\_\_\_ 11:15 am Holy Eucharist  
\_\_\_\_\_ 5 pm Contemplative Eucharist  
\_\_\_\_\_ Special (wedding, funeral, etc.)

On September 16, 2018

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in learning more about:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Worship
- \_\_\_\_\_ Baptism (child, adult)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Getting married at St. Mark's
- \_\_\_\_\_ Music (choir, lessons)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Children/youth classes & programs
- \_\_\_\_\_ Adult classes
- \_\_\_\_\_ Senior programs/activities
- \_\_\_\_\_ Outreach/community service
- \_\_\_\_\_ Environmental issues
- \_\_\_\_\_ Yoga classes
- \_\_\_\_\_ Dance classes
- \_\_\_\_\_ St. Mark's Players (theatrical productions)

Would you like to be contacted by a clergyperson? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Newcomers! Join us the *first Sunday* of each month in Baxter Hall on the main level 10:45 - 11:15.

*You can stay up to date on St. Mark's news by signing up online for the weekly Gospel e-newsletter at [www.stmarks.net/contact-us/](http://www.stmarks.net/contact-us/). If you'd like to join the St. Mark's Yahoo group, please contact George Meng at [gem@menglaw.com](mailto:gem@menglaw.com) and ask to be added.*