WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH A 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 FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY
January 6, 2019

9:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST & LAYING ON OF HANDS

10:00 AM SERMON SEMINAR

11:15 AM HOLY EUCHARIST & LAYING ON OF HANDS

Preacher

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

Presider

The Reverend Scott Lipscomb

Deacon

The Reverend Cindy Dopp

Director of Youth & Family Ministries

Caroline McReynolds-Adams

Director of Music

Jeff Kempskie

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

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Childcare: the Nursery is open! Children up to age 3 are welcome. Take the stairs to the lower level; turn right to go down the hall to the Nursery, which will be the last room on your right.

The Parish Calendar is Online at 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.

December 24, 25, & 30, 2018

Attendance: 896

Pledge & Plate collection: \$30,683.35

The Epiphany Star above the altar is a gift from Joya Cox, its creator. It is an icosahedron, a figure with 20 plane surfaces, each of which also serves as the base of a pyramid.

The Owls are Watching, spread throughout the church, make visible the 1,350 incidents of sexual harassment experienced by 55 parishioners over their lifetimes. See the wall text for more on this project by the Parliament of Owls.

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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

PRELUDE Prelude sur l'Introït de l'Épiphanie

Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

OPENING HYMN 117 Brightest and best of the stars of the morning *Morning Star*

OPENING SENTENCES

From near and far, people are seeking God's love. Jesus the child manifests that love here today.

The Feast of the Epiphany celebrates the arrival of the wise men from the East—representing the reach of the Good News of Jesus to the Gentile nations. For the next nine Sundays, during the season of Epiphany, we will celebrate and reflect on this spreading of God's message of love.

COLLECT

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

Shepherd of Israel and Light of all Nations, on this day your Presence was celebrated with gifts from afar: may unjust powers and the hatred within us be disarmed by your friendship and dethroned by your love; through Jesus Christ, the tiny child who manifests your unending love. Amen.

(9:00) Children wishing to participate in Children's Chapel may follow the Crucifer to the Dance Studio (second floor) at this time.

THE HEBREW SCRIPTURE Isaiah 60:1-6

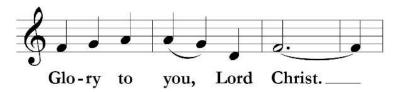
Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to us.

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL Matthew 2:1-12

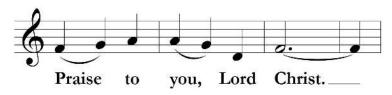
The Gospel of Jesus according to Matthew.



In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: 'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'" Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared.

Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

The Gospel of Jesus.



SERMON

The Reverend Michele Morgan

AFFIRMATION

I believe in the Source Eternal, the creator of the universe, who spoke, "Let there be light!" and there was light, setting in motion all of creation and blessing it to this day.

I believe in Jesus Christ, the Light that shines in the darkness; the darkness cannot overcome him. He manifests God in our midst, suffered under sin on the Cross, and lives as God's saving grace.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the guiding light of God in our world, who conquers the darkness of human sin, helps people grow and become the images of God we are meant to be.

I believe in the power of transformation, here in this world and in the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us turn to the God incarnate.

A brief silence.

We praise the light that you, our Creator, shine to give us hope in dark times. We ask that we may enlighten ourselves and all we meet to the power of your love.

Incarnate God,

Manifest your hope in us.

We praise you, Jesus, for your self-sacrifice. We ask that you empower your church, its leaders, and its people to risk themselves themselves in service to our neighbors.

Incarnate God,

Manifest your love through us.

We praise You, Holy Spirit, for your sanctifying presence among us that calls us to loving action, as well as your healing love in our lives. We ask for wisdom, courage, and strength to care for each other.

Incarnate God,

Manifest your peace amongst us.

We praise you, O God of all people, for your command that we care for your creation and work to build your Kingdom on earth. We ask that you inspire our governmental leaders to work for a compassionate, just, and loving world.

Incarnate God,

Manifest your justice through us.

We praise you, Holy Trinity, for the message of renewal and reconciliation that is the Gospel of Jesus, the Anointed. We ask for the courage to proclaim this message with boldness and patience.

Incarnate God,

Manifest your message with our voices.

We praise you, God, for the lives of all people, especially for those we have lost. We ask you to manifest your comforting presence to all who mourn, and that, in the end, you shall gather all into your loving embrace.

Incarnate God,

Manifest your mercy for us.

Let us now offer prayers for those joys, worries, or sorrows that fill our hearts today:

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

Together, let us pray:

Creator, inspire our faith. Jesus, our brother, lead us in your way of compassion and justice. Holy Spirit, light our way, so that we may manifest your love and truth in each day of our lives.

THE PEACE

May the peace of the Incarnate God arise within you! And also within you!

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

WELCOME

(11:15) ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please limit announcements to one minute or less.

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Far away, what splendour comes this way? attrib. Jean-Baptiste Lully, arr. Georges Bizet adap. Hugh Keyte & Andrew Parrott

Chancel Choir

Far away, what splendour comes this way? The wind is waving many colored banners; Far away, what splendour comes this way? I see a cavalcade in fine array. O rich and fair are the robes they wear, and bright gold gleams on the harness of the camels; O rich and fair are the robes they wear, and on their turbans glitter jewels rare.

Kings, all three, such splendid men must be, for each is brilliant as a golden sunrise; Kings, all three, such splendid men must be, who on white stallions ride a king to see. They all obey him who leads by day, but every night by a star they have been guided, They all obey him who leads by day; his long white beard is seen from far away.

Now I hear the sound of music clear: a page is singing with a voice of silver; Now I hear the sound of music clear; such singing never heard I far or near. O tell me why, in a stable nigh, they stoop so low to a baby in a manger? O tell me why, in a stable nigh, they worship him who on a cross will die?

PRESENTATION HYMN

124 What star is this, with beams so bright, vv. 1-3

Puer nobis

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

God is always with us.

The Spirit is moving among us!

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Incarnate One.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Worship and praise belong to you, Creator, in every place and at all times. All power is yours. You are without beginning and without end. You called into being all that is; you created the heavens and established the earth, giving life to all.

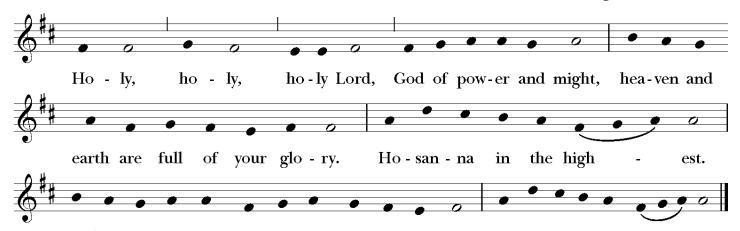
Through your Son Jesus Christ our life and yours are brought together in a wonderful exchange: divinity is bound to human nature and humanity taken up to God.

Through your Holy Spirit, you call all humankind to new birth in a creation restored by love. As children of your redeeming purpose we offer you our praise.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels and with the whole company of heaven, we sing the hymn of your unending glory:

SANCTUS S 124

From New Plainsong; David Hurd



Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving Creator, for the gift of your Son born in human flesh. He is the Word existing beyond time, both source and final purpose, bringing to wholeness all that is made and manifesting your love for us. We thank you that through him you have freed us from our sin: that though he died upon the cross, he has risen again for us.

We give you thanks, because in taking our nature upon him, he manifested the radiance of your glory, and brought us out of darkness into his marvelous light.

On the night before he died, he took bread and gave you thanks. He broke the bread, gave it to his disciples and said:

"Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you."

After supper, he took the cup; he offered you thanks, he gave it to them and said:

"Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant: it is poured out for you and for all people, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

And so now:

We recall his blessed passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and we look for the coming of his kingdom. United with him, we offer you these gifts and ourselves with them; one, holy, and living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Creator, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, manifesting Jesus's life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your kingdom.

Help us who are bound into the fellowship of your whole Church to live and work to your praise and glory.

May we grow together in unity and love until at last in a renewed creation we share the life of the Saints, in the company of all Apostles and Prophets, and of all our siblings living and departed.

Accept our offering through Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom, with whom and in whom, all honor and glory be to you, God of all Ages, world without end.

AMEN!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as Jesus taught us, let us 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.

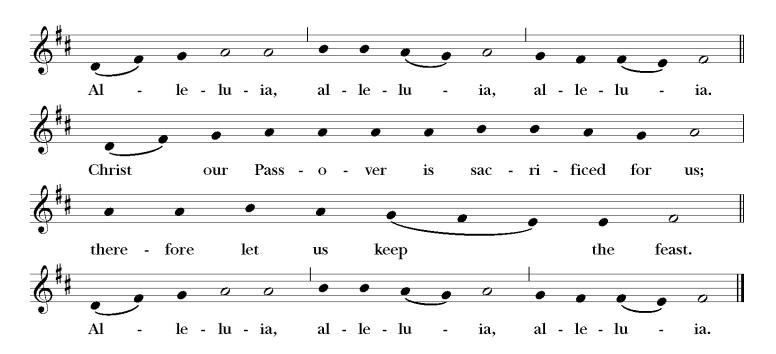
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

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.

FRACTION ANTHEM S 154

From New Plainsong; David Hurd



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

Please gather, one group at a time, around the altar.
Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available; please make your needs known to the minister.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Hymn 112 In the bleak midwinter

Cranham

In a world where people walk in darkness

Words by Robert Willis Music by John Harper

Chancel Choir

In a world where people walk in darkness let us turn our faces to the light, To the light of God revealed in Jesus, to the daystar scattering our night.

Refrain: For the light is stronger than the darkness and the day will overcome the night. Though the shadows linger all around us, let us turn our faces to the light.

In a world where suff'ring of the helpless casts a shadow all along the way, Let us bear the cross of Christ with gladness and proclaim the dawning of the day. Refrain

Let us light a candle in the darkness, in the face of death, a sign of life.

As a sign of hope where all seems hopeless, as a sign of peace in place of strife. Refrain

Hymn 132 When Christ's appearing was made known

Erhalt uns, Herr

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

The light shines in the darkness—

—and the darkness has not overcome it. Creator, we thank you for feeding us with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that the brightness of his presence may shine in our hearts, and his glory manifest in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God who is manifest as Jesus Christ: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Source, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Alleluia, alleluia: Go in peace to love and serve God!

In the name of Christ: alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE We Three Kings of Orient Are

setting by Janet Linker (b. 1938)

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Sermon Seminar at 10:00 am

Announcements

Please limit announcements to one minute or less.

The Sermon

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

Sermon Seminar Guidelines:

- 1. Is what I have to say relevant to the sermon?
- 2. Is it meaningful? Will others care?
- 3. Can I make it short?
- 4. Will I later regret having said it?
- 5. Has anyone else said it?

Season of Epiphany Sermon Series: Following the Way of Love

A Preaching Series by the Reverends Michele Morgan, Scott Lipscomb, and Patricia Catalano

January 6th Introduction to the Way of Love

January 13th Turn

January 20th Rest

January 27th Learn

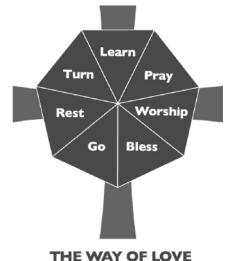
February 3rd Go

February 10th Pray

February 17th Bless

February 24th Worship

March 3rd Following the Way of Love



Practices for Jesus-Centered Life

The deep roots of our Christian tradition offer us a path to grow more deeply with Jesus Christ at the center of our lives so that we can bear witness to his way of love in and for the world. For centuries, monastic communities have shaped their lives around rhythms and disciplines for following Jesus together. Such a pattern is known as a "Rule of Life." *The Way of Love: Practices for Jesus-Centered Life* was developed by our Presiding Bishop, the Most Reverend Michael Curry, to outline a Rule for the Episcopal branch of the Jesus Movement. Throughout the season of Epiphany, the Reverends Michael Morgan, Scott Lipscomb, and Patricia Catalano will lead a preaching series reflecting on Bishop Curry's proposed rule to ask how we can apply Jesus's wisdom to our lives today.

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Liturgy Request

At St. Mark's, we frequently change the liturgy (the language we use during our worship service). Our goal is to use language that reflects our common effort to put into words our relationship with God. In order to keep the liturgy truly alive and life giving, we need your input. Please feel free to contact the clergy at any time to discuss the liturgy and how the words we say affect you.

Acknowledgements

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Liturgical Leaders and Worship Participants

If you would like to volunteer to serve in the liturgy in any of the following roles, we'd love to talk to you! For more information, contact our Assistant Rector, Scott Lipscomb, at scott@stmarks.net.

Verger David Deutsch 9:00

Jan Lipscomb 11:15

Altar Guild TBD 9:00

TBD 11:15

Vestry Greeters Kenn Allen 9:00

Stephanie Deutsch 11:15

Newcomer Greeter Peter Hawley 9:00

Linda Ewald 11:15

Lay Servers Gretchen Willson, David Willson, & Karen Getman 9:00

Jane Byrne & Michael Knipe 11:15

Acolytes Maggie Humphrey, crucifer; Lynn Fredriksson & Alden

Humphrey, torchers 9:00

TBD 11:15

Ushers Kristi James, Sis McKay, & Nat White 9:00

Mary Cooper, Raiford Gaffney, Tucker Harris 11:15

Bread & Wine TBD 9:00

Michele Morgan 11:15

Readers Mike Novy, scripture; Kristin Humphrey, prayers 9:00

Doris Burton, scripture; Charmian Crawford, prayers 11:15

Laying on of Hands Josie Jordan 9:00

Penny Farley 11:15

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Class of '20	Tracy Councill, Jim Brooks, Alix Pereira
Class of '21	Christina Herman, Brandon Dunn Knight, Amber Macdonald
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	Mary Anderson Cooper, Register
	Rosemary Harold, Counsel

Diocesan Delegates

Cecilia Monahan Jim Steed Peter Nye

Cycle of Prayer

In the Diocese of Washington

Church of the Epiphany, DC Welcome Table and Street Church, Church of the Epiphany, DC Epiphany Church, Forestville

Anglican Communion

Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia The Most Revd Philip Richardson - Bishop of Taranaki and Primate The Most Revd Don Tamihere - Pihopa o Aotearora and Primate The Most Revd Fereimi Cama - Bishop of Polynesia and Primate

Parish Prayer List

Robin Blair • Pamela Blumgart • Joseph Boone • J. Richard Brown • Jack Burton • Tony Cogswel Milan Das • David Glaze • Robert Headley • Gideon Johnson • Bill Jones • Lina Marks • Nat Marks Taylor Emerson Marks • Ann Ramish • Rick Rutherford • Carol Roman • Chryl Smith Fred Taylor • Linda Wade

Parishioners Who Have Died

Jack Burton • Jim Meek

Parishioners and Family Members serving in the military

Vincent Alcazar • Burr Barton
Clint Billings • P. J. Boehm • Micheal Boone • Preston Brooks • Todd Daniels
Gregory DuBow • Stephen Dannenmaier • Jason Earnest • Benjamin Keltz
Kurt Hansen • Joshua Russo

Those serving in the military who have died

Army Capt. Andrew Patrick Ross, 29, of Lexington, VA
Army Sgt. 1st Class Eric Michael Emond, 39, of Brush Prairie, WA
Air Force Staff Sgt. Dylan J. Elchin, 25, of Hookstown, PA
Sgt. Jason Mitchell McClary, 24, from Export, PA died Dec. 2 of 11/27 injuries in Afghanistan.

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!

I attended:	9 am Holy Eucharist	
	10 am Sermon Seminar	
	11:15 am Holy Eucharist	
	5 pm Contemplative Eucharist	
	Special (wedding, funeral, etc.)	On January 6, 201
Name		
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I am interested in lear	ning more about:	
	Volunteering during Worship (Usher, Lay Serv	er, Altar Guild, etc.)
	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	

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/. If you'd like to join the St. Mark's Yahoo group, please contact Raiford Gaffney at rgaffneydc@gmail.com and ask to be added.

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