

**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.



**THE 2nd SUNDAY IN LENT
March 17, 2019**

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

Homilist & 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

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.

March 10, 2018

Attendance:	248
Pledge & Plate collection:	\$45,415.26

THE BROKEN MIRROR CROSS, which hangs above the altar in Lent, an especially fitting symbol reflecting to us the often fragmented nature of our lives, was designed and made by Joya Cox.



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

PENITENTIAL LITANY

O God the Source, Creator of heaven and earth,
Have mercy upon us.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
Have mercy upon us.

O God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of all humankind,
Have mercy upon us.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God,
Have mercy upon us.

A member of the congregation then recites the great summary of the Law:

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." (Mark 12:29-31)

The presider continues:

What obstacles do we create in ourselves to finding our loving God and serving our neighbors?

A brief silence.

Let us pray:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

A brief silence.

Then, the Deacon bids the congregation:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor:

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The celebrant then offers the blessing:

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Bless the Holy One who forgives all sin.

God's mercy endures forever.

A period of silence is observed.

COLLECT

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

Brooding Spirit, beneath your wings there is creation and life: accompany us on the difficult path with the disappeared and broken, the fearful and the vengeful, until we find the way to the city of our peace; through the Cross of Jesus Christ, our brother and our Teacher. Amen.

THE FIRST READING Genesis 15:1-12,17-18

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, "I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, “To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates.”

Hear what the Spirit is saying to us.
Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM 27:1-6

The psalm will be read responsively by half-verse.

The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?

When evildoers assail me
to devour my flesh—
my adversaries and foes—
they shall stumble and fall.

Though an army encamp against me,
my heart shall not fear;
though war rise up against me,
yet I will be confident.

One thing I asked of the Lord,
that will I seek after:
to live in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life,
to behold the beauty of the Lord,
and to inquire in his temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter
in the day of trouble;
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;
he will set me high on a rock.

Now my head is lifted up
above my enemies all around me,
and I will offer in his tent
sacrifices with shouts of joy;
I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

The people stand as able.

THE GOSPEL Luke 13:31-35

The Gospel of Jesus according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

The Gospel of Jesus.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

HOMILY

The Reverend Scott Lipscomb

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

The people stand as able.

AFFIRMATION

We believe that God has created us.

We believe that God is born among us.

We believe that God will always sustain us.

We believe that God calls us to bring peace, justice, and compassion into this world.

We believe that in the end of all things, God's love shall prevail.

Amen.

A period of silence is observed.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your loving kindness; in your great compassion, hear our prayers.

A brief silence.

We pray for the whole church, all leaders and ministers, and all the holy people of God.
Wash us through and through,
And cleanse us from our sin.

We pray for our nation, for all the nations of the earth, and for all who govern and judge.
Purge us from our sin,
And we shall be pure.

We pray for those who hunger, those who thirst, those who cry out for justice, those who live under the threat of terror, and those without a place to lay their head.
Make them hear of joy and gladness,
that those who are broken may rejoice.

We pray for those who are ill, those in pain, those under stress, and those who are lonely.
Give them the joy of your saving help,
and sustain them with your bountiful Spirit.

In this season of Lent we pray for those who prepare for baptism, and we pray that we all might be given the grace and strength to repent and grow closer to you, O God.
Create in us clean hearts, O God,
and renew a right spirit within us.

We pray for those who have died, and who have entered into the land of eternal Light and your abiding peace.
Cast them not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from them.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others...

The people may add their own prayers at this time.

Once these prayers have been offered, the leader continues:

Together, let us pray:

O God, our Creator, have mercy on us, according to your unfailing love. Jesus, let us learn from our transgressions, according to your great compassion. Holy Spirit, sustain us to bring to all the joy of your salvation, according to your endless power. 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 & GREETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please limit announcements to one minute or less.

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 with us.

God's healing Spirit is upon us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Holy One.

Let us give thanks to 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, Holy One, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever 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!

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Holy One,

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Source of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in harmony with your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty and Holy One, now and for ever.

AMEN!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Throughout the season of Lent, we are using the contemporary translation of the Lord's Prayer:

And now, as Jesus taught us, let us pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and and ever.

Amen.

THE FRACTION

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast

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

O God, giver of life and health—

—your Son Jesus Christ has called us to hunger and thirst to see right prevail; refresh us with your grace that we may not be weary of well-doing; for the sake of him who meets all our needs, our Savior Jesus Christ.

Amen.

THE BLESSING

May Christ who calls you to take up your cross, give you strength to bear your own and one another's burdens—and the blessing of God Our Creator, Redeemer and Giver of Life be with you always.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.

We go in the name of Christ. Amen.



Please join us for light refreshments after the service.

Liturgical Leaders and Worship Participants

Verger

Michael Bloomfield

Laying on of Hands TBD

Liturgy Request

At St. Mark's, we plan the liturgy periodically. If you would like to join in one of our Community Liturgy Planning sessions, please contact our Assistant Rector, Scott Lipscomb, at scott@stmarks.net.

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The Collect, Post-Communion Prayer, Blessing, and Dismissal: *The Book of Common Prayer* of New Zealand, adapted. The Penitential Litany and the Eucharist: *The Book of Common Prayer* of the USA, adapted. The Creed: Scott Lipscomb, adapted. Prayers of the People: the Rev. Rick Morely, based on Psalm 51.



Notes:

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Cycle of Prayer

In the Diocese of Washington

St. David's Church, DC

Anglican Communion

Pray for the Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America
The Rt Revd Julio Murray Thompson - Primate of IARCA & Bishop of Panama

Parish Prayer List

Pamela Blumgart • Joseph Boone • J. Richard Brown • Tony Cogswel • Jon Coulter
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Taylor Emerson Marks • Ann Ramish • Rick Rutherford • Stephanie Sawaf
Chryl Smith • Arnold Taylor • Fred Taylor • Linda Wade

Parishioners and Family Members serving in the military

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

Sgt. Holli R. Bolinski, 37, of Pinckneyville, IL.

Spc. Jackson D. Johnson, 20, of Hillsboro, Mo.

Both died March 5, serving w. Operation Inherent Resolve (sic)



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 March 17, 2019

Name _____

E-mail _____

Phone No. _____

Zip Code _____

I am interested in learning more about:

- _____ Volunteering during Worship (Usher, Lay Server, 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

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