



**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 19<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:  
October 20, 2019**

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

**Rector**

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

**Assistant Rector**

The Reverend Scott Lipscomb

**Deacon**

The Reverend Cindy Dopp

**Interim Director of Youth & Family Ministries**

Caleb Nelson Amaker

**Director of Music**

Jeff Kempskie

*Cell Phones* – Please silence cell phones and other electronic devices any time you are in the Nave.  
*Hearing Assist* – Set your hearing aid to the “T” setting or see an usher if you would like a headset.

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



To view the parish calendar online, go to our homepage [www.stmarks.net](http://www.stmarks.net) and click "Calendar" at the top of the page.

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.

## October 13, 2019

Attendance:	215
Pledge & Plate collection:	\$9,630

**THE HONDURAN CROSS** symbolizes St. Mark's connection with the broader Anglican Communion and our obligations to our sisters and brothers around the world. 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. created by the children of the Parish for Easter Season 2017. It is a representation of our donation of living plants to help pollinators have a more livable habitat.



## 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

*From October 20 through November 24, our liturgy will call us to **Embody the Spirit**, emphasizing times of silence to help us hear the still, small voice of God in our lives.*

## OPENING SENTENCES

Blessed be God: Speaker, Spoken, and Spirit.  
**Let us embody the Spirit's power and love.**  
Not in words alone—  
**But in loving action.**  
**Amen.**

*A period of silence is observed.*

## THE COLLECT

Let us pray:  
**God of the dispossessed, you teach us to hunger for justice even when the weak are shut out and the powerful keep dishonest counsel: in the heat of our anger and the bitterness of our complaints, give us the courage to protest, the persistence to pray and the heart to love, through Jesus Christ, the honest judge. Amen.**

## THE FIRST READING Jeremiah 31:27-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. In those days they shall no longer say: "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge." But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt-- a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

*The people stand as able.*

## **THE GOSPEL Luke 18:1-8**

The Gospel of Jesus according to Luke.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

The Gospel of Jesus.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*The people sit.*

## **HOMILY**

Mr. Joe Hubbard, Seminarian

## **MUSIC FOR MEDITATION**

## **THE AFFIRMATION**

**We believe in God above us, maker and sustainer of all life, of sun and moon, of water and earth, of plants and animals.**

**We believe in God beside us, Jesus Christ, the word made flesh, born of a woman, servant of the poor, tortured and nailed to a tree. A man of sorrows, he died forsaken. He descended into the earth to the place of death. On the third day he rose from the tomb. He ascended into heaven, to be everywhere present, and His kingdom will come on earth.**

**We believe in God within us, the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire, life-giving breath of the Church, Spirit of healing and forgiveness, source of resurrection and of eternal life.**

**Amen.**

*A period of silence is observed.*

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Let us now speak what the Spirit is telling us, and pray for our world, each other, and ourselves.

*A brief silence is observed as we center our attention on God's presence.*

We pray for our families, friends, and neighbors.

**Holy Spirit, bind us to one another.**

We pray for all ministers, teachers, volunteers, first responders, and others who guide and care for us.

**Holy Spirit, teach us to love.**

We pray for our leaders: the president, the Congress, governors, mayors, members of city councils, attorneys general, and all others to whom we have given governing responsibility.

**Holy Spirit, call us to justice.**

We pray for those who are sick, who are lonely, who are scared, or who are in any trouble.

**Holy Spirit, comfort and heal our brokenness.**

We pray for those who have died and for their families.

**Holy Spirit, gather us into your embrace.**

We pray for ourselves: for peace, for clarity, for courage, and most of all, for the power to truly love.

**Holy Spirit, have mercy upon us.**

I invite your prayers at this time, either silently or aloud.

*Each week we will pray for various facilities in the US where migrants may be detained:*

Oh God, you have always been with the traveler, the migrant, and the refugee. Today, we pray for any detainees, and the guards and other staff, at:

**Fort Hancock Station, Ysleta Station, El Paso Station, Central Texas Detention Facility & Jack Harwell Detention Center in the state of Texas**

Give those incarcerated courage and hope; give those who work in these places compassion and honor; and help us all to build a better world.

**Amen.**

*Members of the congregation may offer their own prayers at this time.*

Let us pray together:

**Holy Spirit, in you we move and live and have our being. When we perceive your presence, we perceive our own deepest truth. Strengthen and inspire us to live your love, beauty, and justice into this broken but beloved world.**

**Amen.**

## THE PEACE

May the peace of God be always with you!  
**And also with you.**

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

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 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

Our God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Spirit.**

Let us give thanks to the Holy One.

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

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

**By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation.

But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

**Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**By his love, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

**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!**

And so, God, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Ancestors: Sarah, Rachel, Rebecca, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God present as our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

**Amen!**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*From Oct. 20 through Nov. 24, we will pray with the traditional translation of the Lord's Prayer:*

And now, as Jesus taught us, we are bold to 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 have trespassed 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.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Alleluia, Christ our Passover has 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

*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.*

*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.

**Jesus Christ, we have met you in a meal shared together; now, Holy Spirit, fill our hearts and minds with the fire of your truth, love, and justice, that we might go where you send us, working to heal the world you love without limit. Amen.**



## THE BLESSING

The Spirit is calling! May we hear, and may we act. And so that we are strong for this work: the blessing of God: Speaker, Spoken, and Spirit, be upon you this day and always.  
**Amen.**

## DISMISSAL

Alleluia, Alleluia! Let us go forth in the power of the Spirit!  
**Thanks be to God; Alleluia, Alleluia!**

*Please join us for light refreshments after the service.*



### **Our Preacher today is our new (to us) Seminarian**

Joe Hubbard is a second-year seminarian at Virginia Theological Seminary (VTS). He was born and raised in Alabama, where he was a trial lawyer and member of the Alabama House of Representatives. Joe is discerning a call to indigenous ministries with the Diocese of North Dakota after a 25-year relationship with the people of Standing Rock Reservation. He is married to Ashley, and they have three children, Hill, Hattie, and Hannah, and one long-legged bird dog, Bubba. A recovering lawyer and politician, Joe indulges a healthy suspicion of institutions and has abiding confidence in the power and agency of the Spirit. He is looking forward to discovering what the Spirit is up to at St. Mark's and is eager to meet fellow travelers on the Jesus Way.



**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](mailto:scott@stmarks.net)

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## Liturgical Leaders and Worship Participants

**Verger**

Jennifer Cate

**Laying on of Hands**

Jan Lipscomb

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Class of '21	Christina Herman, Brandon Dunn Knight, & Amber Macdonald	
Class of '22	Andrew Stafford, Shay Waye, & Kit Arrington	
Officers	John Edwards, <i>Treasurer</i>	
	Michelle Strange, <i>Register</i>	
	Rosemary Harold, <i>Counsel</i>	

## Diocesan Delegates

Cecilia Monahan    Caitlin Frazier    Peter Nye

## **Cycle of Prayer**

### ***In the Diocese of Washington***

Pray for all Native Americans and Native American congregations.

Pray for all victims of terrorism, war, and violence and for those who foster and perpetuate such acts.

### ***Anglican Communion***

Pray for the Church in the Province of the West Indies, Vacant

### ***Parish Prayer List***

Ben Alquiros • William Aycock • Pamela Blumgart • Mickey Bolck  
Joseph Boone • J. Richard Brown • Jon Coulter • Iris Cox • Joya Cox  
Kristine Currie • Milan Das • Carolyn DeMarco • Elizabeth Fowler • David Glaze  
Grant Haver • Patricia Horrell • Eric Huizenga • Karen King • Eric Leaman • Carol Lewis  
Wilfred Morgan • Gale Johnson • Gideon Johnson • Nat Marks  
Taylor Emerson Marks • Rick Rutherford • Stephanie Sawaf • Toby Smith  
Ellen Spencer • Fred Taylor • Linda Wade • Nell Whitman

### ***Parishioners and Family Members serving in the military***

Clint Billings • P. J. Boehm • Preston Brooks • Todd Daniels  
Gregory DuBow • Stephen Dannenmaier • Jason Earnest  
Benjamin Keltz • Kurt Hansen • Joshua Russo



## 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 October 20, 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

*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 Raiford Gaffney at [rgaffneydc@gmail.com](mailto:rgaffneydc@gmail.com) and ask to be added.*