

**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 THIRD SUNDAY
AFTER EPIPHANY
A SEASON FOR CREATION**

January 26, 2020

5:00 PM HOLY EUCHARIST

Rector

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

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 for a headset.

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



To view the **parish calendar online**, go to our homepage 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.

In this space, we will post the number of people for the previous week in the context of our average Sunday attendance and our numbers last year. At the end of February, we will share financials to give you a snapshot of “where we are,” including our online giving.

	Average Sunday Attendance 2019	2019 total number at all 3 services	2020 at all 3 services and funeral on Sat.
January 19	284	289	529

During Epiphany, 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.



Sunday Worship Schedule

9:00 am Holy Eucharist (*Family Eucharist is celebrated on the fourth 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

God declared, “Let the land produce living creatures, all kinds of living creatures.” And it was so.

Then God said, “Let us make [Human]kind in our image, so that they may care for creation.”

God offered to the people, “I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food.”

God saw all that was made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day.

A period of silence is observed.

THE COLLECT

Let us pray:

God of all hope and joy, grant that our hearts may be ready for your unexpected coming. Amen.

The people sit.

THE FIRST READING 1 Corinthians 1:10, 17-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose.

For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to us.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able.

THE GOSPEL Matthew 4:12-23

The Gospel of Jesus according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—
the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned.”

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

The Gospel of Jesus.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

HOMILY

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God, grant us the wisdom to recognize your presence in every living thing.

Creator God, make us conscious servants.

Jesus, grant us the grace to discern faithful responses to your calls to care for all.

Creator God, make us conscious servants.

Holy Spirit, grant us the power to act boldly in the face of ignorance, indifference, uncertainty, and conflict.

Creator God, make us conscious servants.

God, in your extravagant love and trust in us, you give us the power to affect the earth. Give us the humility to know this power comes from You and the will to exercise it wisely. **Creator God, make us conscious servants.**

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:
Yuma Station, Wellton Station and La Palma Correctional Center in the state of Arizona; El Centro Station and Adelanto ICE Processing Center in the state of California.

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.

We pray now for the concerns of this community, especially Ben, William, Pamela, Mickey, Joseph, Taylor, Elizabeth, Alice, Gale, Carol, Nat, Rick, Rick, Mary, and Nell.

(please note these names are listed in full on page 11)

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

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

Together we pray:

We offer our prayers in the faith that God, our Creator, Jesus, our brother, and the Holy Spirit, our connection to the divine, hear us and entrust us to be your hands to answer them. Amen.

CONFESSSION

Let us confess our sin before God and all creation.

Silence.

O God, we confess our failure to be stewards, turning a blind eye to caring for our world, choosing ignorance and indulgence, rather than making sacrifices for the earth and one another.

We do not see the needs of all your creation with whom we share this world. We do not take responsibility for the impact we make.

Generous God, help us to care for your earth, ourselves, and each other. Amen.

God forgives you, forgive yourself and go in peace.

Amen.

THE PEACE

May the peace of God be 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

God be with you.

And also with you.

We give thanks for your Creation,

All that is and our part in it.

Let us give thanks to You

For entrusting us as stewards.

Generative God, out of nothingness you have made all things: the universe and all life within it. You breathe life into us and give us this beautiful earth as our home. All this you have done by the power of love.

Living into our call we will love one another and we will care for creation.

You grant us the freedom to choose and send prophets to teach us to care for each other and this earth. But we ignore the call to put love and justice above our desires.

Seduced by our desire for abundance, we waste the bounty of the earth. Seduced by the desire for our comfort, we do not care for the poor. Seduced by our desire to be right, we resist your prophets' teachings.

And as you never abandon us, we praise your love for your creation.

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!

Then you sent another teacher, your son and our sibling, Jesus. By word and deed, he taught us how to share your love with one another.

Yet we resisted the truth of interdependence, crucifying him as we are crucifying your creation.

Caring for us until the end, he shared a last meal with his friends, he broke bread and gave it to them, saying "Take, eat: This is my Body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, he shared a cup of wine, saying "Drink this, all of you: this is my Blood of the new Covenant, shed for you and for all. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

And so 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 which is among us as we gather to stand shoulder to shoulder in a circle of love. This we ask in the name of the risen Jesus.

Amen!

During this season of Epiphany, we pray with the contemporary translation of the Lord's Prayer.

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 it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread,

And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who have sinned against us.

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

For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever 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

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

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray, saying together:

O God, you have called your people to your table, so that we may be nurtured, but also so that we may nurture what you have given us. Now give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that the Holy Spirit is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Brother. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The world is too dangerous and too beautiful for anything but love. May your eyes be so blessed that you see God in everyone. Your ears, so you hear the cry of the poor.

May your hands be so blessed that everything you touch is a sacrament. Your lips, so you speak nothing but the truth with love. May your feet be so blessed that you run to those who need you. And may your heart be so opened, so set on fire, that love changes everything. And may the blessing of God, our Creator, our Redeemer, and our Sustainer be with us now and always.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Beloved, let us love, not only in word or speech,
but in truth and action.

Go in peace to love and serve our God.

Amen!



Please join us for light refreshments after the service.

Liturgical Leaders and Worship Participants

Verger

Michele Rivard

Liturgy Request: At St. Mark's, we plan the liturgy periodically. If you would like more information on how we do this as a community, please contact Rector Michele Morgan at michele@stmarks.net.

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Epiphany Sermon Series: Care For Creation

Preaching Series by
The Reverends Michele Morgan & Patricia Catalano

January 12 Ecology and Creation

The Reverend Michele Morgan

January 19 Creation and Contemplation Pt. 1
Ecology of Oikos

The Reverend Patricia Catalano

January 26 Creation and the Family

The Reverend Michele Morgan

February 2 Creation and Contemplation Pt. 2:
Our Crucified Earth

The Reverend Patricia Catalano

February 9 Creation and the Incarnation

The Reverend Michele Morgan

February 16 Creation and Conversation

The Reverend Michele Morgan

February 23 Bishop Visitation

The Right Reverend Mariann Budde

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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>	
	Kim Bayliss, <i>Register</i>	
	Rosemary Harold, <i>Counsel</i>	

Diocesan Delegates

Cecilia Monahan Caitlin Frazier Peter Nye

Cycle of Prayer

In the Diocese of Washington

St. Paul's Church, Baden and St. Mary's Chapel, Aquasco

St. Paul's Church, Rock Creek

St. Paul's Church, K Street

St. Paul's Church, Piney

Diocesan Convention: The Bishop, Diocesan Convention Officers, Clerical & Lay Delegates, (Jan 25)

Pray for the Diocesan Revival "More Jesus, More Love" with Presiding Bishop Michael Curry (Jan 26)

Anglican Communion

Pray for the Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

The Most Revd Naudal Alves Gomes - Primate of Brazil & Bishop of Curitiba

*In an effort to keep the prayer list up-to-date, we recently restarted the list.
Please send any names you would like to add to bulletin@stmarks.net.*

Parish Prayer List

Ben Alquiros • William Aycock • Pamela Blumgart
Mickey Bolek • Joseph Boone • Taylor Emerson • Elizabeth Fowler
Alice Gunderson • Gale Johnson • Carol Lewis • Nat Marks
Rick Rutherford • Rick Warfield • Mary Welker • Nell Whitman

People Who Have Died

Linda Wade

Parishioners and Family Members serving in the military

Chase Allen Ammon • Clint Billings • Preston Brooks • Jason Earnest



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 January 26, 2020

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/. 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.