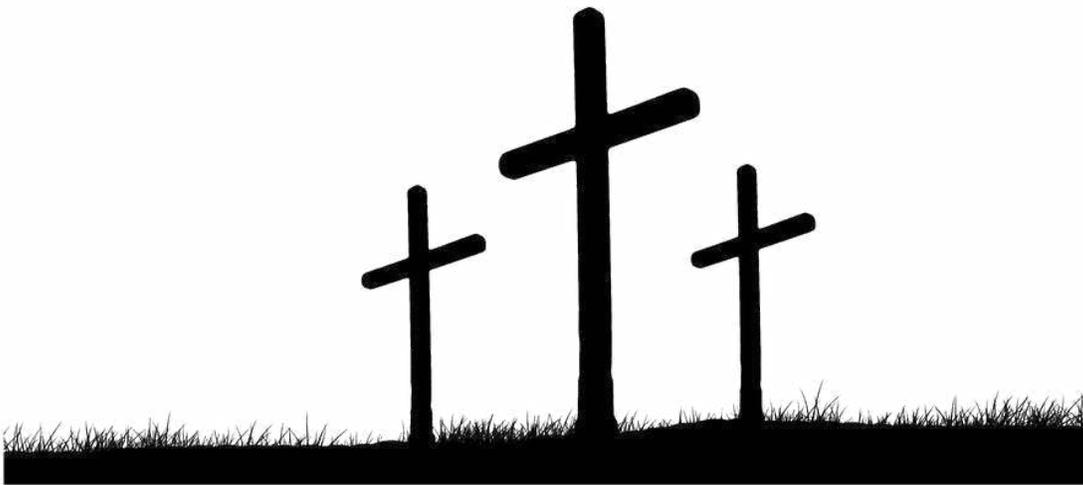


**WELCOME TO
ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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CAPITOL HILL**

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.

GOOD FRIDAY



APRIL 10, 2020

12:00 NOON

**THE ONLINE LITURGY FOR
GOOD FRIDAY**

Rector
The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

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



Introduction

As we celebrate the Passion of Jesus Christ and hear John's Gospel account of his suffering and death, we are reminded of the injustices that pervade our world. Often times, these systems of oppression, hate and fear are so commonplace that perhaps we do not even notice them. Good Friday serves as a reminder of this brokenness. It is easy to become discouraged, to see the work that has to be done and look away. Today we pray that we may have the conscience to see and the courage to act, remembering that death never wins. Life and love always prevail in Christ.

The traditional Good Friday liturgy contains three unique components: the reading of John's Passion, the praying of The Solemn Intercessions, and the Adoration of the Holy Cross. Each of these helps us enter more fully into our relationship with Christ and recommits us to pray and work for the good of the church and the world.

Special Offering: Traditionally, St. Mark's has joined Episcopal churches across the country to support the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem with a collection on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. There is still a way that you can give, and that is, you can direct your donation to "Gaza/West Bank Hospitals COVID-19 Response" at [American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem](#). You can also mail a gift to AFEDJ at: 25 Old King's Highway North, Darien, CT 06820



EASTER SCHEDULE

**Easter Sunday,
April 12**

11:15 am Festival Eucharist, *Live Stream from Washington National Cathedral*

After the Cathedral Easter Service, Elin Whitney Smith and Peter Mosley will lead interactive Prayers of the People online. More information at <http://stmarks.net/easterpop/> and in the E-Gospel later this week.

THE LITURGY FOR GOOD FRIDAY

PRELUDE

Lord of Glory, we proclaim your death and look ever forward to your Resurrection. As we contemplate your Cross, the tree on which you hung so that we may have life, may we be ever aware of the life that springs from death, the light that rises from darkness, and the hope that banishes fear. Draw us close to you, so that we may know the glory your Cross points to. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Observe a moment of silence

THE PASSION NARRATIVE John 19:1- 37 (adapted)

Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. And the soldiers wove a crown of thorns and put it on his head, and they dressed him in a purple robe. They kept coming up to him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and striking him on the face. Pilate went out again and said to them, "Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no case against him." So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe. Pilate said to them, "Here is the man!" When the chief priests and the police saw him, they shouted, "Crucify him! Crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him; I find no case against him." The people answered him, "We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die because he has claimed to be the Son of God."

Now when Pilate heard this, he was more afraid than ever. He entered his headquarters again and asked Jesus, "Where are you from?" But Jesus gave him no answer. Pilate therefore said to him, "Do you refuse to speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to release you, and power to crucify you?" Jesus answered him, "You would have no power over me unless it had been given you from above; therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin." From then on Pilate tried to release him, but the crowds cried out, "If you release this man, you are no friend of the emperor. Everyone who claims to be a king sets himself against the emperor."

When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus outside and sat on the judge's bench at a place called The Stone Pavement, or in Hebrew Gabbatha. Now it was the day of Preparation for the Passover; and it was about noon. He said to the crowd, "Here is your King!" They cried out, "Away with him! Away with him! Crucify him!" Pilate asked them,

“Shall I crucify your King?” The chief priests answered, “We have no king but the emperor.” Then he handed him over to them to be crucified.

So they took Jesus; and carrying the cross by himself, he went out to what is called The Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them. Pilate also had an inscription written and put on the cross. It read, “Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews.” Many of the people read this inscription, because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek. Then the chief priests said to Pilate, “Do not write, ‘The King of the Jews,’ but, ‘This man said, I am King of the Jews.’” Pilate answered, “What I have written I have written.”

When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and divided them into four parts, one for each soldier. They also took his tunic; now the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from the top. So they said to one another, “Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see who will get it.” This was to fulfill what the scripture says, “They divided my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast lots.” And that is what the soldiers did.

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, “Woman, here is your son.” Then he said to the disciple, “Here is your mother.” And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

After this, when Jesus knew that all was now finished, he said (in order to fulfill the scripture), “I am thirsty.” A jar full of sour wine was standing there. So they put a sponge full of the wine on a branch of hyssop and held it to his mouth. When Jesus had received the wine, he said, “It is finished.” Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Since it was the day of Preparation, the crowd did not want the bodies left on the cross during the sabbath, especially because that sabbath was a day of great solemnity. So they asked Pilate to have the legs of the crucified men broken and the bodies removed. Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who had been crucified with him. But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. Instead, one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once blood and water came out. (He who saw this has testified so that you also may believe. His testimony is true, and he knows[g] that he tells the truth.) These things occurred so that the scripture might be fulfilled, “None of his bones shall be broken.” And again another passage of scripture says, “They will look on the one whom they have pierced.”

OFFERING

All donations given today will go to support the the Jerusalem Princess Basma Center for Childhood Rehabilitation and the Al Ahli Hospital in Gaza.

Information on Page 2 of this bulletin

VENERATION OF THE CROSS

You may want to take the time light sit and look upon the cross you have or to pray the Litany for forgiveness.

Litany for Forgiveness:

For the times we have not loved as we are called to love	Creator, forgive.
For the times we have cultivated doubt instead of hope	Father, forgive.
For the times that selfishness, greed, and lust influence our decisions	Mother, forgive.
For the times we nurture isolation instead of community	Creator, forgive.
For the times we hear the needs of others but refuse to act	Father, forgive.
For the times we pass judgment on ourselves	Mother, forgive.
For the times we pass judgment on those whom we encounter	Creator, forgive.
For the times we create divisions	Father , forgive.
For the times we neglect care for our common home	Mother, forgive.
For the times we are not good stewards of the gifts you give us	Creator forgive.

THE CONCLUDING PRAYER

Let us pray:

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living, pardon and rest to the dead, to your holy Church peace and concord, and to us sinners everlasting life and glory, for with the Creator and Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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Worship Participants

Presider

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

Acknowledgements The Solemn Collects: *Book of Common Prayer 1979*, adapted

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Welcome Newcomers!

We hope you feel a sense of connection as we share this time together online.
There are many other opportunities to get involved with St. Mark's, even remotely.

If you are a newcomer and want us to get to know you better, please fill out [this form](#). If you have questions, you can also contact the staff listed on the last page..
We will be happy to help you in any way we can.

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Announcements

Announcements, not to exceed 150 words, are to be submitted to bulletin@stmarks.net by 5:00 pm on the Tuesday preceding the Sunday you wish the announcement to run.

To view the parish calendar online, go to our homepage stmarks.net and choose “Calendar” at the top of the page.

***** Note that all parish-wide events have been cancelled through at least May 16, in accordance with Bishop Mariann’s directive to all churches in the diocese. *****

Current Events

Christian Education

1. [Online] St. Mark’s Mediation Center: Meditation, Mondays 7:30-9:00pm

Contact: Collie Agle, (202) 255-2687 or Charles.agle@gmail.com.

[Sign up for the weekly program email](#) to receive info on weekly online meetings

2. [Online] Centering Prayer. Everyday on Zoom at 8:00am. Centering Prayer is an early Christian contemplative practice that places a strong emphasis on interior silence. For more information or to join the group, contact The Rev. Patricia Catalano at adjunct@stmarks.net

3. [Online] Wednesday Morning Bible Study, 11:30am – 12:45pm. If you would like to know how to connect please contact Elin Whitney Smith elin@netalyst.com

Class Leader: Peter Mosley; Coordinator: Raiford Gaffney (rgaffneydc@gmail.com or 202-460-5415). Focus is on the **study of Paul’s letter to the Romans** using The Authentic Letters of Paul written by Westar Institute scholars

Dewey/Hoover/McGauthy/Schmidt. The book or Kindle edition is available on Amazon.

4. We need Your Input and Help: We are beginning the planning process for the next Christian Education calendar year (September 2020 to June 2021) and seek your input or help for the following:

- Do you have ideas for Christian Ed classes you would like to see offered? Please let us know!
- Are you interested in teaching Sunday School or an adult class?

Please contact your Christian Ed co-directors (Susan Thompson or Greg Niblett) at susanlynnthompson@gmail.com or greg.niblett@mtctrains.com or at 703-329-9797 (Susan) or 202-297-8859 (Greg).

Outreach

5. Seeking Laptops: Do you have an extra usable laptop in good condition? Good Neighbors Capitol Hill may be able to use it to **help refugee families** learn English as well as apply for jobs, etc. If the laptop needs to be scrubbed and loaded with new basic software for use by our Afghan families, we can arrange for that. If you have a laptop to donate, please contact karen.getman@gmail.com

Also seeking nice women's coats/jackets for refugee women and older girls (size small or medium). Please contact ednaboon@gmail.com or karen.getman@gmail.com to arrange for pick up. Thank you.

6. Lenten Creation Care Calendars available: To inspire our Lenten practice, the Green Lions suggest Lenten Creation Care Calendars - for DC, MD or Northern VA - created by Interfaith Power & Light and Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake.

The calendars can be **downloaded from the Green Lions** page on the St. Mark's website at [Www.stmarks.net/service-and-justice/st-marks-green-lions](http://www.stmarks.net/service-and-justice/st-marks-green-lions). They provide readings and practices that could spark deeper conversations about what it means to faithfully respond to climate change as a church community and at home.

Parish Life

7. St. Mark's Yoga Center Online SMYC is offering free or by-donation classes online Sunday-Thursday. The links to join the classes by Zoom are available at stmarks.net/yoga

Music & Arts

8. Virtual Music Lessons are available through the St. Mark's Music Studio: Diane Atherton (dianesvoicestudio@gmail.com) offers voice lessons, and Stephanie Ng (stephanien217@gmail.com) teaches piano lessons. Students of all ages and experience are welcome. Learn more about our teachers at stmarks.net/music.

Youth and Family Ministries

9. [Check out this week's Youth E-News](#) for activities to do this week,

10. Bible storytime podcast. Join Caleb and the St. Mark's Sunday School team for a 5 minute daily podcast! We'll have some music, read a bible story, and say a prayer. We're starting soon - [sign up to receive the first episode!](#)

11. St. Mark's Family Pen Pals. At a time when we are practicing distance, many St. Mark's members are isolated, snail mail is a great way to stay in contact and bring joy to other people. If your family would be willing to draw pictures or write letters to another member of our community please email youthdirector@stmarks.net!

Canceled and Postponed Events

Parish Life

12. [On Hold] Lambda Lions: Save the Date for 2020 Spring/Summer Activities, which will generally take place on the **4th Monday of the month (except in May) from 7-9 pm at St. Mark's in the Elders Room.** We are planning an engaging series of discussions.

April 27: Discussion Series P2 **May 18:** Discussion Series Pt 3

DC Pride 2020 -- June 5-7, 2020 -- Please mark your calendars for this weekend when we plan to have some special activities!

The Lambda Lions hopes to provide a supportive space for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) members and visitors to socialize, discuss issues of identity and faith, engage in positive change, and support one another wherever we may find ourselves in the faith journey.

If you are interested in learning more about the Lambda Lions, please contact Co-Facilitators Brandon Knight (brandonlknight@yahoo.com) and Mary Ellison (mary.c.ellison@gmail.com).

13. [On Hold] 20s/30s Faith Fellowship - Calling all young in age or at heart who are looking for an opportunity for fellowship. Come join us in the **Dozier Library on the last Sunday of the month following the 5:00 pm service (around 6:00 pm)** for a faith tea time of discussion and reflection. For more information, email Emily McDuff at emily.a.mcduff@gmail.com.

Christian Education

14. [TBD] Looking Ahead – “What Do I Believe” Bruce Sherman and Betsy Athey will lead this issues-based, experiential class in May. Over 30 people have signed up so this class is currently closed. If you would like to be on a waiting list, contact Betsy at 202-251-0482 or Bruce at 202-213-9066 or Betsy at atheylloyd@comcast.net.

[On Hold] Sunday Morning Bible Class, 10-11 am until May 17, 2020, Penniman Room: Second Samuel (Hebrew Scriptures) Convener: Bob Ewald (lherbe@yahoo.com; 301-541-5133)

Second Samuel focuses on the complicated life of David: claiming his kingship; centralizing the religious and political traditions of the Israelites; waging war against The Other; dealing with messy family relationships. The class consists of class discussion of the assigned reading for that day. Regular attendance is encouraged. Additional outside readings are not expected.

Outreach

15. [Postponed, Rescheduling Online] Our next Incarceration Ministry meeting will be Tuesday, March 31st, from 6:30 - 8:00 pm at St. Mark's in the Verna Dozier Library. Please join us to hear about recent activities, including our letters to and from incarcerated individuals and advocacy efforts on behalf of returning citizens. Please contact juanita.lipscomb@gmail.com -or- Jason Horrell - jrhorrell86@gmail.com for further information.

Music & Arts

16. [On Hold] Boys & Girls' Choir: Rehearsals have begun and our new director, Kerry Court, is looking for more children to join the group. Email her at bgcdirector@stmarks.net for more information. The choir **rehearses most Sundays from 11:00 am to noon downstairs in the Elders Room.** Children must be able to read in order to be in the choir, though we're hoping to have some opportunities for younger children to sing soon!

17. [On Hold] Get Involved in Music. We're always looking for more people to participate in the music program! The **Chancel Choir rehearses Thursdays 7:30-9:30 pm**, and the **Handbell Choir rehearses the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month from 6:45-8 pm.** Let us know if you play an instrument and we can find ways to get you involved. Contact Music Director Jeff Kempkie jeff@stmarks.net for more info.

Cycle of Prayer

In the Diocese of Washington

Calvary Church, DC
Church of the Atonement, DC
African Palms

Anglican Communion

Pray for Michigan (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Bonnie Perry
West Texas (The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd David Reed

Parish Prayer List

Louise Abbot • Ben Alquiros • William Aycock
Pamela Blumgart • Joseph Boone • Kitty Donnelly
Bill Eveleth • Jean Eveleth • Taylor Emerson • Elizabeth Fowler
Gene Garner • Gale Johnson • Carol Lewis • Nat Marks • Bao Nguyen
Rick Rutherford • Rick Warfield • Mary Welker • Nell Whitman

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

Please send any Prayer List changes to bulletin@stmarks.net.

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