

**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 FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT  
March 29, 2020**

**9:45 AM GATHER**

**10:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST  
LIVESTREAM**

**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

# 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.

Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. It is through encountering God within worship that we are formed and transformed as the people of God. One of the glories of the Episcopal Church is its liturgical worship. Liturgy refers to the patterns, forms, words, and actions through which public worship is conducted.



# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**PRELUDE** Psalm Prelude, Op. 32, Set 1, No. 1

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

## **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.**

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)

What parts of ourselves do we hold back from the love of God and the service of our neighbor?

*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.*

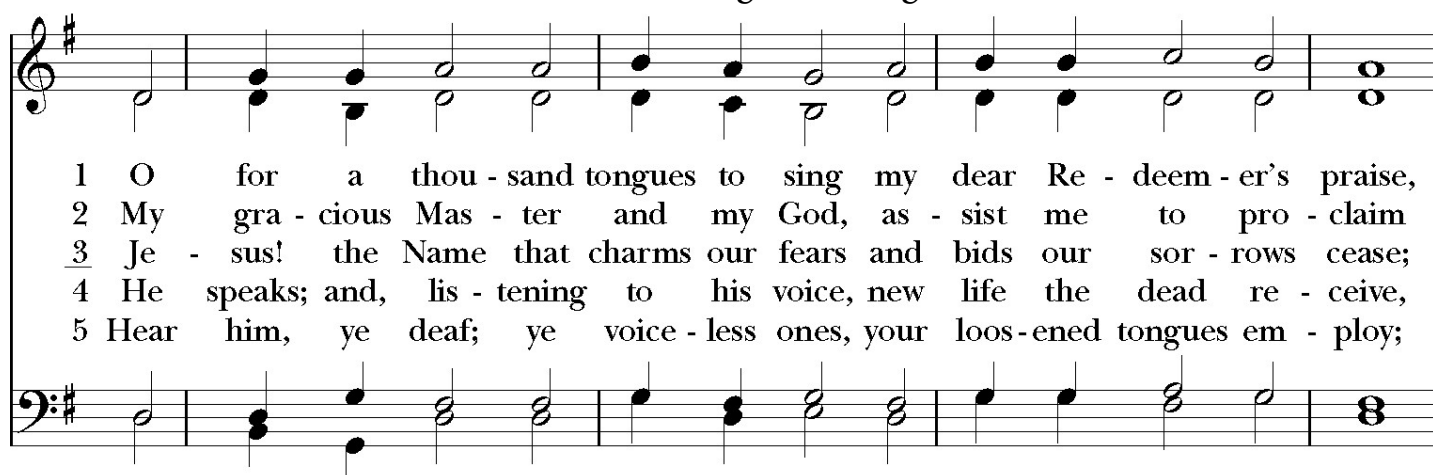
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor:

**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.**

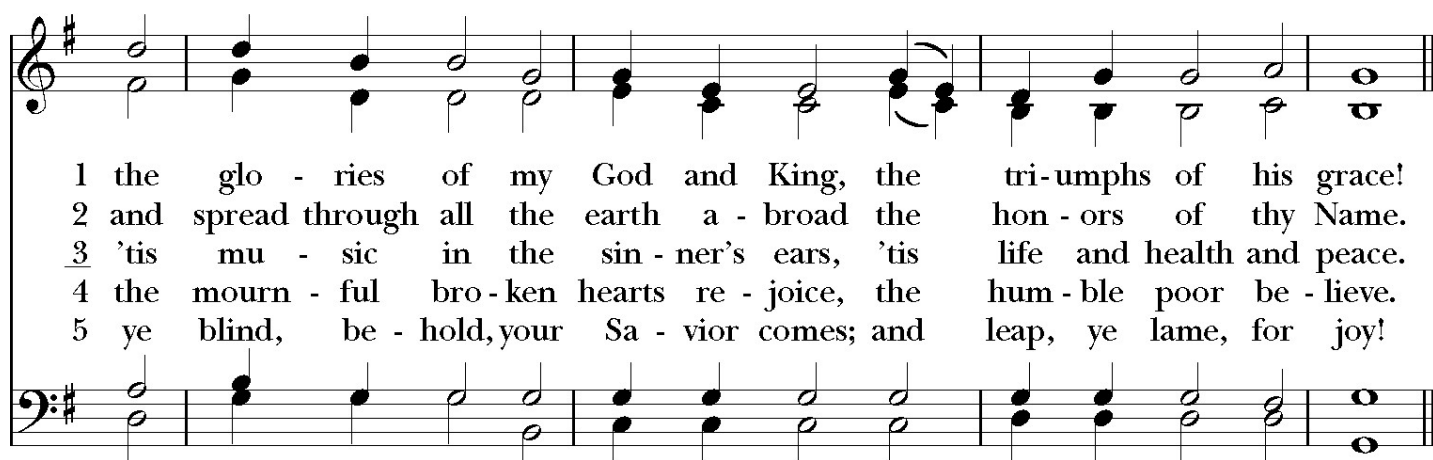
God forgives you. Forgive yourself and go in peace.  
**Amen.**

# OPENING HYMN 493 O for a thousand tongues to sing

*Azmon*



1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,  
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim  
 3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;  
 4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,  
 5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;



1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!  
 2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.  
 3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.  
 4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.  
 5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

6 Glory to God and praise and love  
 be now and ever given  
 by saints below and saints above,  
 the Church in earth and heayen.

## COLLECT

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## THE FIRST READING Romans 8:6-11

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to us.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 130



- 1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD;  
LORD, / hear my voice;\*
- Let your ears consider well the voice of my sup/plication.
- 2 If you, LORD, were to note what is / done amiss, \*  
O Lord, / who could stand?
- 3 For there is forgiveness / with you; \*  
therefore you / shall be feared.
- 4 I wait for the LORD; my soul / waits for him; \*  
in his word / is my hope.
- 5 My soul waits for the LORD, more than watchmen for the / morning; \*  
more than watchmen for / the morning.
- 6 O Israel, wait for the / LORD, \*  
for with the LORD there / is mercy;
- 7 With him there is plenteous re/demption, \*  
and he shall redeem Israel / from all their sins.

## THE GOSPEL John 11:1-45

The Gospel of Jesus according to John.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again."

Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out.

They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

The Gospel of Jesus.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**SERMON**

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

**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.**

## 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 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.**

Oh God, you have always been with the traveller, the migrant, and the refugee. Today, we pray for any detainees, and the guards and other staff, at: **Pulaski County Detention Center in the state of Illinois, Clay County Jail in the state of Indiana, Hardin County Correctional Center and Story County Jail Iowa in the state of Iowa and Boone County Jail in the state of Kentucky.**

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

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

*The people may add their own prayers at this time either silently, aloud, or in the comments.*

*Once the 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.

## WELCOME & GREETING

## ELECTRONIC OFFERING

To support the work of the church, make an [online gift](#) now or learn about the [other ways to give](#).

Pledges to support the church in the future and online gifts can also be made through the St. Mark's website [stmarks.net](http://stmarks.net) by choosing "Donate or Pledge" at the top.

## THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY SOLO Be Thou My Vision

Traditional Irish Melody  
arr. Richard Walters

Marika Klein, soloist

*Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,  
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art.  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, thy presence, my light.*

*Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father and I Thy true son;  
Thou in the dwelling, and I with Thee one.*

*Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise.  
Thou mine Inheritance, now and always;  
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.*

*High King of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.*

## PRESENTATION HYMN In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

Jacques Berthier

In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord I will re -

joice! Look to God, do not be a - fraid. Lift up your

voic - es, the Lord is near; lift up your voic - es, the Lord is near. In the

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

God is always present.

**God is here, among us!**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the living God.**

Let us give thanks to our sovereign 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, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through, Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way 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 sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## SANCTUS

Jack Warren Burnham

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the

Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy and gracious Mother: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Source of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 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 all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

**Amen!**

*Throughout the season of Lent, we will use the traditional translation of the Lord's Prayer.*

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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

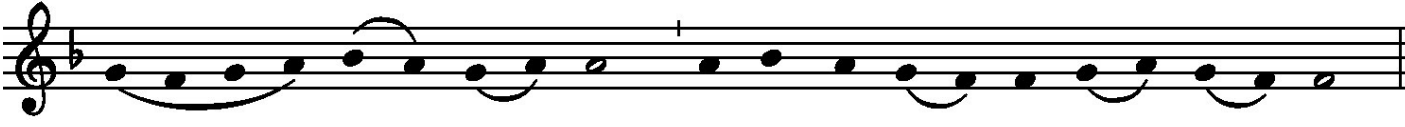
*Mode 6, based on Ubi caritas, adapt. David Hurd*

*All*




We who are man-y are one bo - dy, for we all share in the one bread.

*Cantor*



We break this bread to share in the Bo - dy of Christ.

*All*



We who are man-y are one bo - dy, for we all share in the one bread.

## THE COMMUNION

*A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.*

Together let us pray,

**Redeeming God, who sustains us; We believe that you are truly present in the blessing of the bread and wine. We love you above all things and long for a closer connection to you. Since we cannot now receive the bread and wine, come into our hearts, and help us to connect with you more deeply. We embrace your presence and unite ourselves to you; never permit us to be separated. Amen.**

## MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

*Dolcezza, No 3. of Reflections*

Percy W. Whitlock (1903-1946)

## 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 Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

# CLOSING HYMN 610 Lord, whose love through humble service

*Blaenhafren*



1 Lord, whose love through hum - ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man  
 2 Still your chil - dren wan - der home - less; still the hun - gry cry for  
 3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal - ing  
 4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we

need, who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, of - fered mer - cy's  
 bread; still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we  
 light, in its height and depth and great - ness, dawns up - on our  
 go, to the child, the youth, the a - ged love in liv - ing

per - fect deed, we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship  
 mourn our dead. As, O Lord, your deep com - pas - sion  
 quick - ened sight, mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens  
 deeds to show; hope and health, good will and com - fort,

not of voice a - lone, but heart, con - se - crat - ing  
 healed the sick and freed the soul, use the love your  
 your com - pas - sion bids us bear, stir - ring us to  
 coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, that your ser - vants,



to your pur - pose ev - ery gift that you im - part.  
 Spi - rit kin - dles still to save and make us whole.  
 tire - less striv - ing, your a - bun - dant life to share.  
 Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

## THE BLESSING

Creator God,  
 Send us anywhere you would have us go, only go there with us.  
 Place upon us any burden you desire, only stand by us to sustain us.  
 Break any tie that binds us, except the tie that binds us to you.  
 And the blessing of God Almighty, Creating, Redeeming and Sustaining, be with you —  
 those you love, serve and challenge — this day and forever.  
**Amen.**

## DISMISSAL

Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.  
**We go in the name of Christ. Amen.**

## POSTLUDE Saraband (in Modo Elegiaco)

Herbert Howells



## 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.

## Worship Participants

<b>Presider &amp; Preacher</b>	The Reverend Michele H. Morgan
<b>Director of Music</b>	Jeff Kempskie
<b>Soloist</b>	Marika Klein
<b>Camera</b>	David Deutsch
<b>Video Production</b>	Charlie Rupp



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## Lenten & Easter Services

<b>Sunday, April 5</b> <b>Palm Sunday</b>	9:45 am Gather 10:00 am Liturgy of the Palms & Holy Eucharist <i>Online</i>
<b>Monday, April 6</b>	7:00 pm Service of Confession <i>Online</i>
<b>Wednesday, April 8</b>	7:00 pm Tenebrae, Contemporary readings and music <i>Cancelled</i>
<b>Maundy Thursday, April 9</b>	6:00 pm Holy Eucharist <i>Online</i>
<b>Good Friday, April 10</b>	12:00 pm Good Friday Service <i>Live Stream or Home devotion</i> 1:30 pm Stations of the Cross <i>Online</i> 3:30 pm Stations of the Cross <i>at the U.S. Capitol, Live Stream</i> 7:00 pm Good Friday Service <i>Cancelled</i>
<b>Holy Saturday, April 11</b>	10:00 am Following after Jesus <i>On hold attempting to create online</i> An interactive, all-generational walk through the last week of Jesus's life.
<b>Easter Sunday, April 12</b>	9:45 am Gather 10:00 am Holy Eucharist <i>Live Stream</i>



## Announcements

*Announcements, not to exceed 150 words, are to be submitted to [bulletin@stmarks.net](mailto: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](http://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

### Parish Life

**1. 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](http://stmarks.net/yoga)

### Christian Education

**2. TODAY [Online]** In this online edition of **Wrestling with the Angel**, Joe will be leading us through a conversation about the Church’s history with epidemics. We will look at the different ways the Church embodied the Gospel in the midst of epidemic, and we will ask what it means to become the body of Christ in our worship, our sacrament, and our service in the midst of our own epidemic.

The class will take place **Sunday March 29th from 1:30-3pm EST** and will be live-streamed from St. Mark’s Facebook page. For those who would like to participate virtually, it will also be available by Zoom. The Zoom login will be provided in the eGospel and on the St. Mark’s Facebook page. Invite a friend. All are welcome.

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

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

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

**4. [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](mailto:adjunct@stmarks.net)

**5. 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](mailto:susanlynnthompson@gmail.com) or [greg.niblett@mtctrains.com](mailto:greg.niblett@mtctrains.com) or at 703-329-9797 (Susan) or 202-297-8859 (Greg).

### **Outreach**

**6. 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](mailto: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](mailto:ednaboon@gmail.com) or [karen.getman@gmail.com](mailto:karen.getman@gmail.com) to arrange for pick up. Thank you.

**7. 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.

### ***Canceled and Postponed Events***

### **Parish Life**

**8. [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).

**11. [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**

**13. [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 attheylloyd@comcast.net.

**14. Ongoing Christian Education.** These groups are open to all parishioners and newcomers:

- ✱ **Online if you would like to know how to connect please contact Elin Whitney Smith [elin@netalyst.com](mailto:elin@netalyst.com)**

**The Wednesday Morning Bible Study, 11:30am – 12:45pm, Brown bag lunch follows**

**Location: Elders Room (in the undercroft).** 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.

- ✱ **[On Hold] Sunday Morning Bible Class, 10-11 am until May 17, 2020, Penniman Room**

**Second Samuel (Hebrew Scriptures) Convener: Bob Ewald (lberbe@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.

### **Christian Education**

**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](mailto:juanita.lipscomb@gmail.com) -or- Jason Horrell - [jrhorrell86@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:jeff@stmarks.net) for more info.

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

### **Youth and Family Ministries**

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

**20. 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!](#)

**21. 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](mailto:youthdirector@stmarks.net)!



## **Cycle of Prayer**

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

Christ Church Accokeek (St. John's Parish) and St. John's Chapel

Christ Church, Georgetown

Christ Church, Chaptico

Pray in thanksgiving for the life and witness of Martin Luther King, Jr. (April 4)

### ***Anglican Communion***

Today, the fifth Sunday in Lent, is the focus of the Primates' Task Group's call for a period of prayer and repentance in the Anglican Communion.

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

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

Louise Abbot • Ben Alquiros • William Aycock

Pamela Blumgart • Joseph Boone • Kitty Donnelly

Bill Eveleth • Jean Eveleth • Taylor Emerson

Elizabeth Fowler • Gale Johnson • Carol Lewis • Nat Marks • Bao Nguyen

Rick Rutherford • Rick Warfield • Mary Welker • Nell Whitman

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

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