

**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 TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**

A Season of Giving

October 24, 2021

5:00 PM

HOLY EUCHARIST

Rector

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

Assistant Rector

The Reverend Christopher Phillips

Director of Youth & Family Ministries

Caleb Nelson Amaker

Director of Music

Jeff Kempkie

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING SENTENCES

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.
Amen.

THE COLLECT

God be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray:

Beggar God, you call us from the Roadside to see ourselves in you: let us take heart and come to you, though your road leads to Calvary and absence sun, to love revealed for lightless eyes through Jesus Christ the image of the invisible God. Amen

You are invited to hold silence

THE READING Hebrews 7:23-28

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

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

THE GOSPEL Mark 10:46-52

The Gospel of Jesus according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The Gospel of Jesus.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

HOMILY

Mr. Joel Martinez

You are invited to hold silence

AFFIRMATION

We believe in God the Father: from whom everyone in heaven and on earth has life and being.

We believe in God the Son: Who has been raised through transforming love and lives now in our hearts through faith, and calls us to this same loving transformation in our own lives.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit: who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE¹

Let us pray. Strengthened and renewed by God's love, let us pray for all of God's creation, especially the Ministries beyond our walls.

We pray for the health, safety, and welfare of all people and that the dignity of every person be honored.

God of all, move us to action when we see injustice.

We pray for all serving in the ministry of the church and all who live out the gift of their vocations in the world.

God of all, move us to express our ministry in your service.

We pray for the leaders of this city, this country, and the world, that they may govern with justice, work towards peace, and serve the common good.

God of all, move us to be agents of change and understanding.

We pray for our world; for the responsible use its natural resources, and that it is passed it in good care to future generations.

God of all, move us to value all of your creation.

We pray for our siblings in this city; the unhoused, those who are food insecure, the unemployed and under employed, that their needs be fulfilled and that they draw strength from you.

God of all, move us to see the need in our midst and to serve.

We pray for those on the margins of our society; those who are incarcerated, and all refugees, especially those who are seeking resettlement in our area, that they experience your calming presence and may know your love.

God of all, move us to seek and serve Christ in all people.

We pray for those who suffer from loneliness or any trouble, and for those who have died and their loved ones who mourn.

God of all, move us to be present for those who are in need.

*You may offer your own prayers
either silently, aloud, or in the comments.*

¹ The following ministries served as inspiration for the prayers offered today: Everyone Home DC, Greater DC Diaper Bank, Homeless Assistance Response Team, Incarceration Justice, Good Neighbors Capitol Hill, Samaritan Ministries/Baskets Under the Altar, Green Lions, Widows & Widowers Group.

Together let us pray,
God of all, we lift up our prayers to you. Strengthen our resolve, guide our hearts,
and renew our minds into your service, so that we may love our neighbors as
ourselves.

THE PEACE

The peace of God be with you!
And also with you.

WELCOME

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 by choosing "Donate or Pledge" at the top.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Walk in love as Christ loves us.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Creator God, be with us.
As you are always with us.

We give you thanks for your Creation.
And that you included us.

Create with us now a Holy Circle.
So that we might honor you with our praise and service.

Creator God, out of nothingness you create everything: the universe and all the life within it. You breathe life into us, your children, and give us this beautiful earth as our home. And you create the most powerful force in the universe: love.

You call us to be faithful stewards of your creation by loving and serving you and our neighbors.

You grant us freedom to choose and send prophets to teach us, hoping that we will learn from our mistakes. But we ignore your call to put love and justice above our selfish desires.

Seduced by the abundance of creation, we waste the bounty of the earth and each other. Led astray by our power, we put our comfort above our responsibility to care for each other. Deluded by our intelligence, we resist your prophets' teachings.

And since you never abandoned us, we praise your love for your creation and for us, your children.

**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.

You sent your son and our brother, Jesus. By word and deed, he taught us how to love each other.

And yet we resisted the power of wisdom, courage, and compassion, killing him as we assault your creation and each other.

Caring for us until the end, Jesus left us with a gift just before he was betrayed. At his last meal with his friends, he broke bread and gave it to them, saying "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he passed around a cup of wine, saying "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." And so we celebrate the mystery of faith.

You, our Creator, trust us. We fail you and each other. Yet you love and care for us always.

And so we come to you once more in humility.

We ask that you send the Holy Spirit to dance among us as we gather in a circle of love. Bless this bread and this wine that we have made from your creation and allow us to feel your presence as we enjoy them. All this we ask in the name of our risen brother Jesus, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

Amen.

During this portion of Pentecost, 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 is 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 this bread and wine as God's food for all.

Therefore, whoever we are, from wherever we have come, and whatever we believe,

All are welcome and invited to receive. Amen!

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Now go in Peace, do what God wills, follow where Christ calls, pray for the gifts of the Spirit; and may the blessing of God: the Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer rest on and remain with you now and always.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth caring for the world as God cares for us.

Thanks be to God.



Welcome Newcomers!

We hope you feel a sense of connection, whether you're with us online or in-person.
There are many 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. Those attending in-person may complete the form on the last page. If you have questions, you can also contact the staff listed on the third to last page. We will be happy to help you in any way we can.

Liturgical Leaders & Worship Participants

Presider	The Reverend Patricia Catalano
Preacher	Mr. Joel Martinez
Verger	Michele Rivard



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 Rector at michele@stmarks.net

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Diocesan Delegates

Mary Neznok Raiford Gaffney Tom Getman

Cycle of Prayer

In the Diocese of Washington

World Mission Sunday

Anglican Communion

Pray for The Extra-Provincial Churches

The extra-provincial Anglican churches are a group of small, semi-independent church entities within the Anglican Communion. Under the metropolitan oversight of the Archbishop of Canterbury:

The Anglican Church of Bermuda, led by the Bishop of Bermuda

The Church of Ceylon, Sri Lanka, led by the Bishop of Colombo

The Parish of the Falkland Islands, led by the Bishop of the Falkland Islands (post currently held by the Archbishop of Canterbury himself)

The Lusitanian Catholic Apostolic Evangelical Church (Igreja Lusitana Católica Apostólica Evangélica) in Portugal, led by the Bishop of the Lusitanian Church

The Spanish Reformed Episcopal Church (Iglesia Española Reformada Episcopal) in Spain, led by the Bishop of the Spanish Reformed Church

Parish Prayer List

Louise Abbot • Collie Agle • Ben Alquiros • Nora Alquiros
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Joseph Boone • Jackie Boddie • Pamela Burton Moore • Fairfield Butt • Diane Carey
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Chase Allen Ammon • Clint Billings • Jason Earnest

Please send any names you would like to add to bulletin@stmarks.net.



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 24, 2021

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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