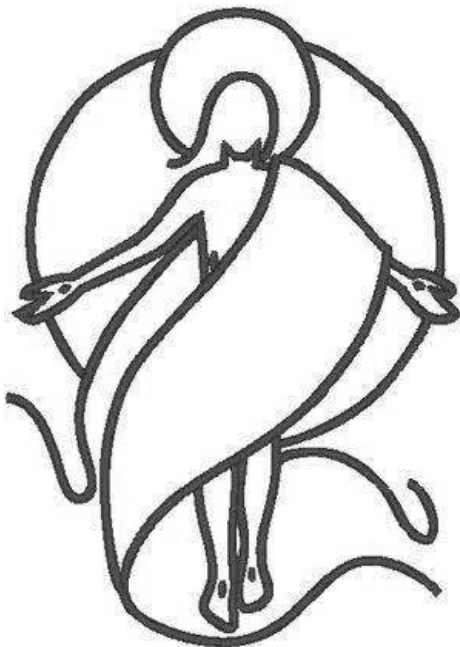


**WELCOME TO
ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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CAPITOL HILL**

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 SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 29, 2022

**5:00 PM CONTEMPLATIVE
EUCCHARIST**

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING SENTENCES

Alleluia. Christ is risen!

Jesus is risen indeed. Alleluia!

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

**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.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The risen God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Living God, Mystery of love given and received before all foundations, you open our hearts hardened by division and indifference: enrich our love for diversity and deepen our yearning for unity, through Jesus Christ, who makes known your love. Amen.

You are invited to hold silence.

THE READING Acts 16:16-34

With Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi in Macedonia, a Roman colony, and, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they

are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

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

The people stand as able.

THE GOSPEL John 17:20-26

The Gospel of Jesus according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

The Gospel of Jesus.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

HOMILY

The Reverend Joe Hubbard

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

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.

You are invited to hold silence.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Living God, we gather in prayer to glorify you and serve each other. Let us pray for the world, for all communities, and for all of Creation.

Silence.

God, you have blessed us with a loving community. Send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us so that we may serve our neighbors as ourselves and strive to heal our broken world. By your grace,

Strengthen us.

God, you have blessed our church with passionate and creative members. Send your Holy Spirit to enlighten us so that we may embrace humility, work in harmony, and speak truth in love. By your grace,

Enlighten us.

God, you have blessed us with open minds and inquiring souls. Send your Holy Spirit to enliven us so that we may proclaim and create a world of love and justice. By your grace,

Enliven us.

God, you have embraced us in a cloud of witnesses. Send your Holy Spirit to sustain us so that we may act as faithful stewards of what we have been given. By your grace,

Sustain us.

God, through Jesus's resurrection you conquered death, comfort us as we experience the fear and grief that accompanies profound loss. Give peace to the departed and solace to those left behind. By your grace,

Comfort us.

Let us pray for our needs and others.

*All may now offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud, ending with
"This is my prayer" to which all will respond "Amen."*

Let us pray:

God, our Creator, help us to love you and our neighbors; Jesus, our Risen brother, give us humility to follow you as your disciples did; Holy Spirit, form us to be your hands and voice healing this broken world. Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of the risen God be with you!

And also with you.

VESTRY GREETING

WELCOME

ELECTRONIC OFFERING

Please consider supporting the work of the church. You may make an online gift, or learn about the other ways to give, by visiting the St. Mark's website, stmarks.net, and choosing "Donate or Pledge" at the top.



Gifts to St. Marks can also be made by texting "stmarks20003" to 73256, or by visiting the QR code.

Thank you for your generous support of our collective work.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to 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. Above all we praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, the true paschal lamb who was sacrificed for us; by dying he destroyed our death; by rising he restored our life.

In the beginning, O God, you watered the earth that we might have food and drink. You gave your servants Abraham and Sarah bread to strengthen them on their journey. You called Moses and his people and sustained them with food and drink in the wilderness. You gave Mary and the other disciples their daily bread. And here at your table you nourish us for our journey as your children.

And so with all our siblings, before us and beside us, we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, 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.

Among friends, gathered around a table, Jesus took bread, and having blessed it, broke the bread and gave it to his friends, saying,

"Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, he took wine, and having given thanks, gave the cup to his friends, saying,

"This cup is the new relationship with God, sealed with my blood. Take this and share it for the remembrance of me."

So now, following Jesus' example, we take this bread and this wine, ordinary things of the world, that they may become extraordinary means of God's blessing. As Jesus offered thanks for the gifts of the earth, let us also celebrate God's goodness.

Blessed are you, O God, for you have brought forth bread from the earth.

Blessed are you, O God, for you have created the fruit of the vine.

God present as our Lord Jesus Christ, breathe your Spirit upon this bread and wine that they may be heaven's food and drink for us; renewing us, sustaining us, and making us whole. Breathe your Spirit upon us that we may be your body on earth, loving and caring in the world.

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

Accept these prayers and praises, Creator, 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.

Throughout the season of Easter we are using 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 FRACTION

**The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.
We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread**

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 join us in the eating of the bread,
knowing this act of community is a full communion.*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

God of Life:

We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer ourselves in service. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

THE BLESSING

**Faced with the joy, the confusion, the wonder, and the power of Jesus, crucified yet risen, let us renew ourselves in faith for the work of transforming love that God calls us to. And so that we might be strong for this work, the blessing of God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you this day and remain with you always.
Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ, alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.



Liturgical Leaders and Worship Participants

Presider & Preacher	The Reverend Joe Hubbard
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 Assistant Rector Christopher Phillips at assistantrector@stmarks.net.

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The Butterfly Cross was 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.

Rev. Joe Hubbard is our guest preacher this Sunday, May 29. Joe is well known to all of us. On his Facebook page, he describes himself as “Husband, father, follower of the Jesus Way, and priest to the Body of Christ,” a reflection of his commitments and his priorities to God, family, and the world. A lawyer, a member of the Alabama House of Representatives, a graduate of Virginia Theological Seminary, an ordained priest and a member of the St Mark's family during and after his time with us as Seminarian – Joe now is Vicar at St Christopher's Episcopal Mission in Bluff, Utah, in the Navajoland Area Mission. Joe will be in the pulpit for all three services on Sunday. Welcome back, Joe!

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Tom Getman, Mary Nezneek and Ruth Roman

Cycle of Prayer

In the Diocese of Washington

All Faith Church, Charlotte Hall
Christ Church, Nanjemoy

Anglican Communion

Pray for The Church of South India (United)

Parish Prayer List

Betsy Agle • Ben Alquiros • Nora Alquiros • Raiford Gaffney
Pamela Blumgart • Molly & David Bonnell • Joseph Boone • Fairfield Butt
Diane Carey • Martin De Nys • Jan Hoffman • Elizabeth Long • Nat Marks
Taylor Emerson Marks • Pam Burton Moore • David Peterson • Joan Pierotti
Gardner Van Scoyoc • Eleanor Whitman • Joel Wilson
Margaret Wood • May Yazawa • Tom Zarek

Family members of the Parish who have died.

Sara Townsend (Mike Townsend's mother)

Parishioners and Family Members serving in the military

Chase Allen Ammon • Clint Billings • Jason Earnest

In order to keep the prayer list updated, we begin anew semi-annually.

If you would like to request to add a name, please email the

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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 a.m. Holy Eucharist
_____ Sermon Seminar
_____ 11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist
_____ 5 p.m. Contemplative Eucharist
_____ Special (wedding, funeral, etc.)

on May 29, 2022

Name _____

E-mail _____

Phone No. _____

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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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