

WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



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 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

HOME, FAMILY & COMMUNITY

January 15, 2023

5:00 PM CONTEMPLATIVE
EUCCHARIST

Rector

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

Associate Rector

The Reverend Christopher Phillips

Deacon

The Reverend Thom Sinclair

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**, please visit our homepage www.stmarks.net and click "Calendar" at the top of the page.

Masks are optional at St. Mark's and you may continue to wear them during the service.

Hearing – Infrared headsets providing amplified sound are in the tract racks by the doors, or ask an usher.



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.

The bulletin cover art is a linocut entitled "Peace At Home" by artist Ken Swinson. Please visit his website, www.kenswinson.com, for more information.



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING SENTENCES

Arise, shine for your light has come,
And the glory of the Lord has dawned upon us.

The gates will always be open;
By day or night they will never be shut.

THE COLLECT

Let us pray:

Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of enslavement, and made them free at last: Grant that your church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may strive to secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

You are invited to hold silence.

THE FIRST READING Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands,
pay attention, you peoples from far away!
The Lord called me before I was born,
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.
He made my mouth like a sharp sword,
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;
he made me a polished arrow,
in his quiver he hid me away.
And he said to me, "You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."
But I said, "I have labored in vain,
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my cause is with the Lord,
and my reward with my God."

And now the Lord says,
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him,
for I am honored in the sight of the Lord,
and my God has become my strength--
he says,
"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to restore the survivors of Israel;
I will give you as a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

Thus says the Lord,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,
"Kings shall see and stand up,
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,
because of the Lord, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to us.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able.

THE GOSPEL John 1:29-42

The Gospel of Jesus according to John

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

The Gospel of Jesus.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

HOMILY

Joel Martinez

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

AFFIRMATION

I believe in the Source Eternal, the creator of the universe, who spoke, “Let there be light!” and there was light, setting in motion all of creation and blessing it to this day.

I believe in Jesus Christ, the Light that shines in the darkness; the darkness cannot overcome him. He manifests God in our midst, suffered under sin on the Cross, and lives as God's saving grace.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the guiding light of God in our world, who conquers the darkness of human sin, helps people grow and become the images of God we are meant to be. I believe in the power of transformation, here in this world and in the world to come. Amen.

You are invited to hold silence.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, we may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory to the world.

Show us your mercy, O Lord;
And grant us your salvation.

Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
Let your people sing with joy.

Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
For only in you can we live in safety.

Lord, keep this nation under your care;
And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Let your way be known upon earth;
Your saving health among all nations.

Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

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

Together, let us pray:
**Create in us clean hearts, O God;
And sustain us with your Holy Spirit. 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

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

Walk in love as Christ loved us, and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Our God be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to our God.

Let us give thanks to our 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, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Child Jesus Christ.

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:

**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.

Holy and gracious God: 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 Father 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 Mother, 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.

Please note that during the season of Epiphany, we will 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 FRACTION

**Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast.**

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

We recognize this as God's table set before us, 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

St. Mark's receives communion "in the round" as a symbol of our strong belief in the power of community. Please remain socially distanced from others for COVID protection.

You will be offered bread by a celebrant, which you may consume as usual. Please remain in place until the presider dismisses the group.

If you are uncomfortable receiving and consuming the host while standing close to others, please remain seated until the last circle has finished and then come forward to receive from the clergy.

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

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray, saying together:

Gracious God, you have called us to your table, fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood, and taught us to welcome one another as Christ welcomed us. Send us out, knit together in fellowship and community, renewed to do

the work you have set before us: to love and serve you and others in your name, with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God, who made us, who loves us, and who travels with us, be with you now and forever.
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!

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**Coming Home: A Sermon Series for Epiphany
examining themes of
Home, Family, and Community,
through the lenses of scripture and experience.
January 8 through February 19th**

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Diocesan Delegates

Tom Getman, Mary Neznok and Ruth Roman

The upcoming Vestry Meetings are held on Zoom on these dates.

Contact Michele for the link if you want to join us:

Tuesday 7pm on 2/28, 3/28, 4/25, 5/23, 6/27, 7/25

Cycle of Prayer

In the Diocese of Washington

St. Peter's Church, Poolesville
Church of the Ascension and St. Agnes, DC
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
St. Timothy's Parish, DC
St. Timothy's Child Development Center, DC
Diocesan Ordination Service (January 19) Pray for those who are being ordained.

Anglican Communion

The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion)

Parish Prayer List

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*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!

I attended: _____ 9 a.m. Holy Eucharist
_____ Sermon Seminar
_____ 11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist
_____ 5 p.m. Contemplative Eucharist

on January 15, 2023

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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