

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 life and care for others with love, justice, and compassion.



THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE REV. WILLIAM BAXTER
CENTENARY

October 8, 2023

9:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST 10:00 AM SERMON SEMINAR 11:15 AM HOLY EUCHARIST

Rector

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

Associate Rector

The Reverend Christopher Phillips

Pastoral Associate

The Reverend Patricia Catalano

Deacon

The Reverend Thom Sinclair

Director of Youth & Family Ministries

Caleb Nelson Amaker

Director of Music

Jeff Kempskie

To view the **parish calendar online**, please visit our homepage, www.stmarks.net and click "Calendar" at the top of the page.

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

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TODAY at St. Mark's, we celebrate the life of the Reverend William Baxter, our 9th Rector, on the centenary of his birth. The Reverend Baxter is credited with saving St. Mark's from closure, revitalizing our community, and beginning the work that has sustained us ever since. We will reflect on his work in our worship, the sermon, and the launch of a special exhibit on his life and work. Please join us for lunch and a program after the 11:15 service to hear from parishioners who were here when Bill was. His daughter, Grae, will join us for the Sermon Seminar and the lunch program. Today's liturgy is a Morning Prayer service with Eucharist, evoking the liturgies used during The Reverend Baxter's rectorship. Thank you to the Archives & Parish History Team for their efforts in planning this Sunday's events and sharing Reverend Baxter's legacy.

Land Acknowledgement We acknowledge with respect the history, spirituality, and culture of the peoples on whose traditional territory we are located, specifically the Piscataway and Nacotchtank (Anacostan) peoples. We make this acknowledgment mindful of the traumatic events and the ongoing forces of systemic racism and oppression that forced native peoples from their lands. We continue our commitment to learning, growing, and finding a new way forward together for meaningful, mutual healing.

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

PRELUDE Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

Schmücke dich, arr. A.D. Miller (b. 1972)

Please stand as able.



OPENING SENTENCES

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. And also with you.

(9:00) Children wishing to participate in Children's Chapel may follow the leader at this time.

THE CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

Please be seated.

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Lord, open our lips.

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.





O be joyful in the Lord | all ye lands:

- * serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his | presence with a song.
- 2 Be ye sure that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us and not | we ourselves;
 - * we are his people and the | sheep of his pasture.
- 3 O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his | courts with praise;
 - * be thankful unto him and | speak | good of his Name.
- 4 For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is | everlasting;
 - * and his truth endureth from generation to | generation.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son,

* and | to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and | ever shall be,

* world without | end. Amen.

THE PSALM Psalm 80:7-14 (read responsively by the half verse)

Restore us, O God of hosts; * show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

You have brought a vine out of Egypt; * you cast out the nations and planted it.

You prepared the ground for it; * it took root and filled the land.

The mountains were covered by its shadow * and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.

You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea * and its branches to the River.

Why have you broken down its wall, * so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?

The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, * and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

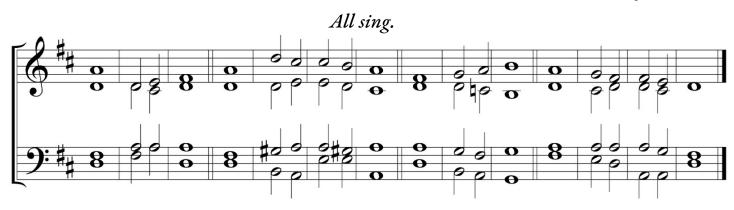
Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven; behold and tend this vine; *
preserve what your right hand has planted.

THE FIRST LESSON Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labor and do all your work. Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die." Moses told the people, "Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



Blessed art thou, O Lord | God of • our fathers:

- * praised and exalted above | all for ever.
- 2 Blessed art thou for the | Name of thy Majesty:
 - * praised and exalted above | all for ever.
- 3 Blessed art thou in the temple | of thy holiness:
 - * praised and exalted above | all for ever.
- 4 Blessed art thou that beholdest the depths, and dwellest be tween the Cherubim:
 - * praised and exalted above | all for ever.
- 5 Blessed art thou on the glorious | throne of thy kingdom:
 - * praised and exalted above | all for ever.
- 6 Blessed art thou in the firmalment of heaven:
 - * praised and exalted above | all for ever.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son,

* and | to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and | ever shall be,

* world without | end. Amen.

THE GOSPEL Matthew 21:33-46

The Gospel of Jesus according to Matthew.



Glo - ry to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the

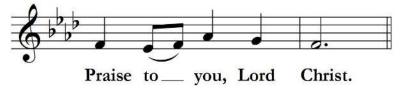
tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected

has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'?

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls."

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

The Gospel of Jesus.



THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE SUFFRAGES

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance; Govern them and uphold them, now and always.

Day by day we bless you;

We praise your name for ever.

Lord, keep us from all sin today; Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.

Lord, show us your love and mercy; For we put our trust in you.

Let us pray for those in our lives and for others.

Please add your petitions, either silently or aloud.

In you, Lord, is our hope; And we shall never hope in vain.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray:

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A COLLECT FOR FOR GUIDANCE

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SERMON

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

The sermon for the 9 AM service will be delivered after the service during the Sermon Seminar.

THE PEACE

The peace of 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 <u>online</u> <u>gift</u>, or learn about the <u>other ways to give</u>, by visiting the St. Mark's website, <u>stmarks.net</u>, 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 loves us.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM I'm Gonna Sing

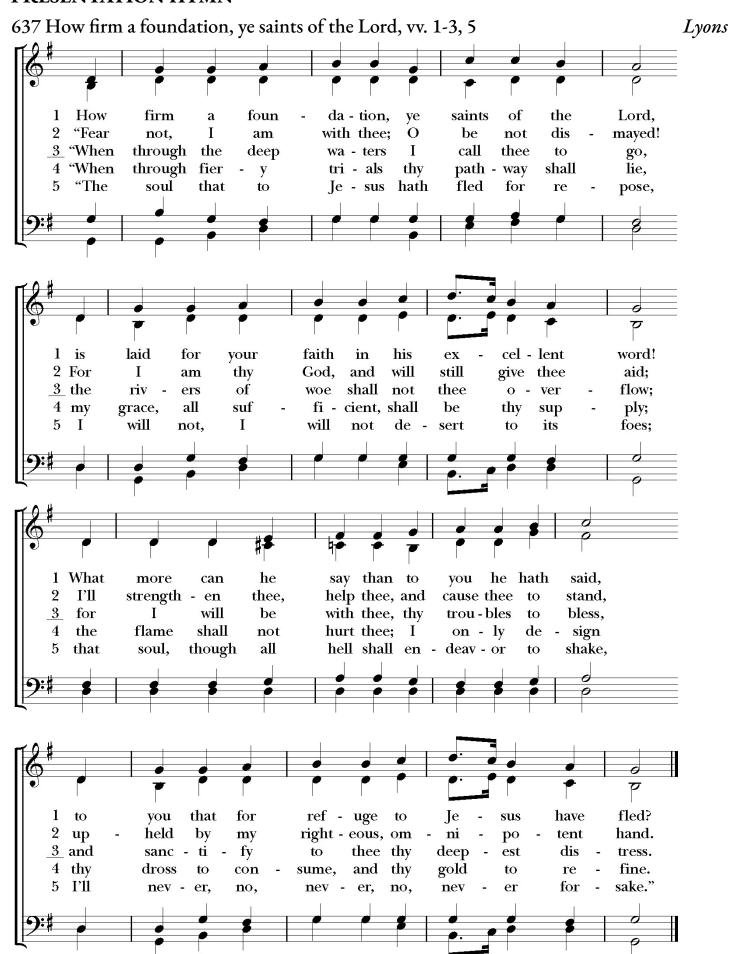
Traditional Spiritual

Chancel Choir

I'm gonna sing when the spirit says "Sing!" and obey the spirit of the Lord! I'm gonna pray when the spirit says "Pray," and obey the spirit of the Lord! I'm gonna shout when the spirit says "shout!" And obey the spirit of the Lord! I'm gonna sing/pray/shout "Hallelujah!" And obey the spirit of the Lord!

Please stand as able.

PRESENTATION HYMN



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

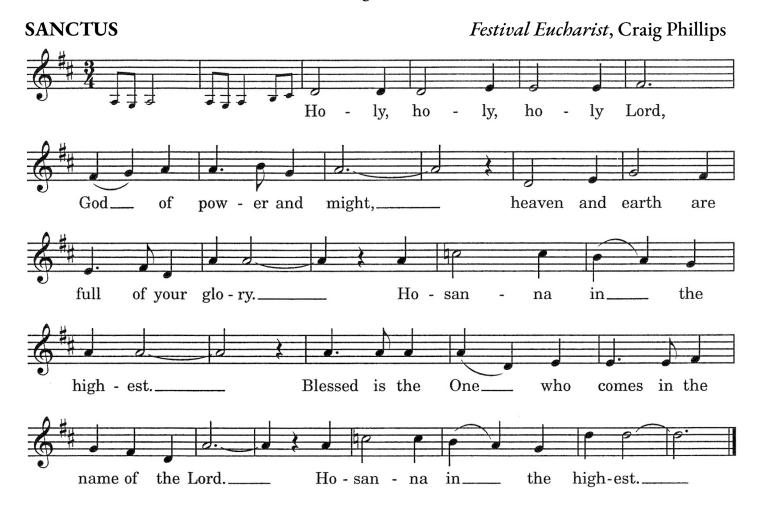
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all of creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; we especially keep your servant Bill on the occasion of his birthday as you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit, you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:



Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out 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.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your children, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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.

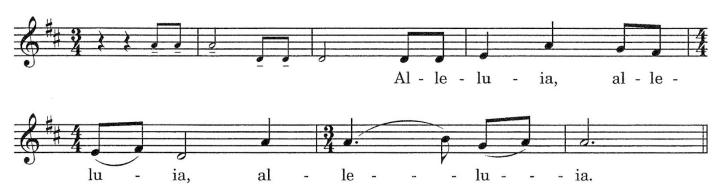
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

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.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Festival Eucharist, Craig Phillips



The Choir sings the verse "Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us" after which all repeat the refrain.

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 or do not believe, all are welcome and invited to receive. Amen!

THE COMMUNION

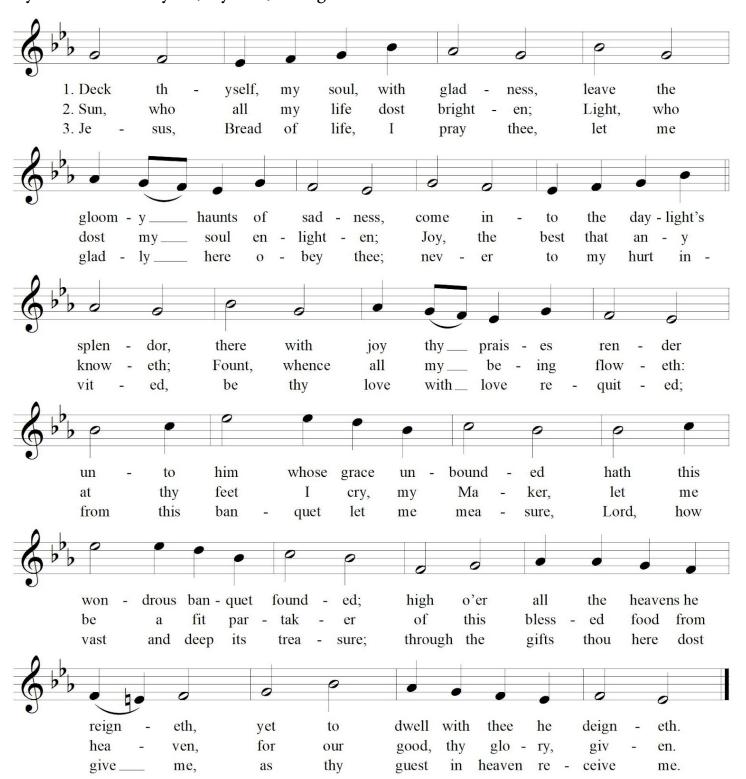
St. Mark's receives communion "in the round" as a symbol of our strong belief in the power of community.

You will be offered bread by a celebrant, and invited to drink from the common cup. Please refrain from intincting (dipping) the host (the bread) into the wine.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

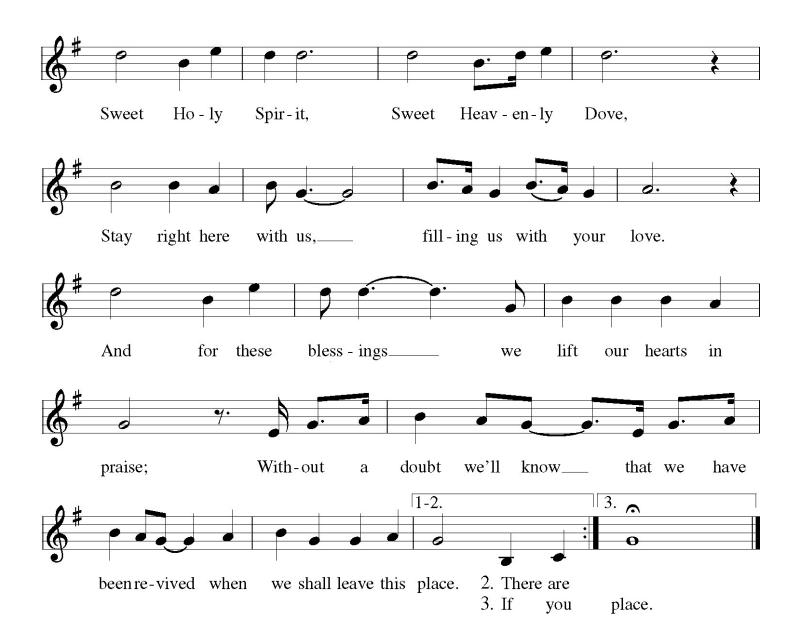
Hymn 339 Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness

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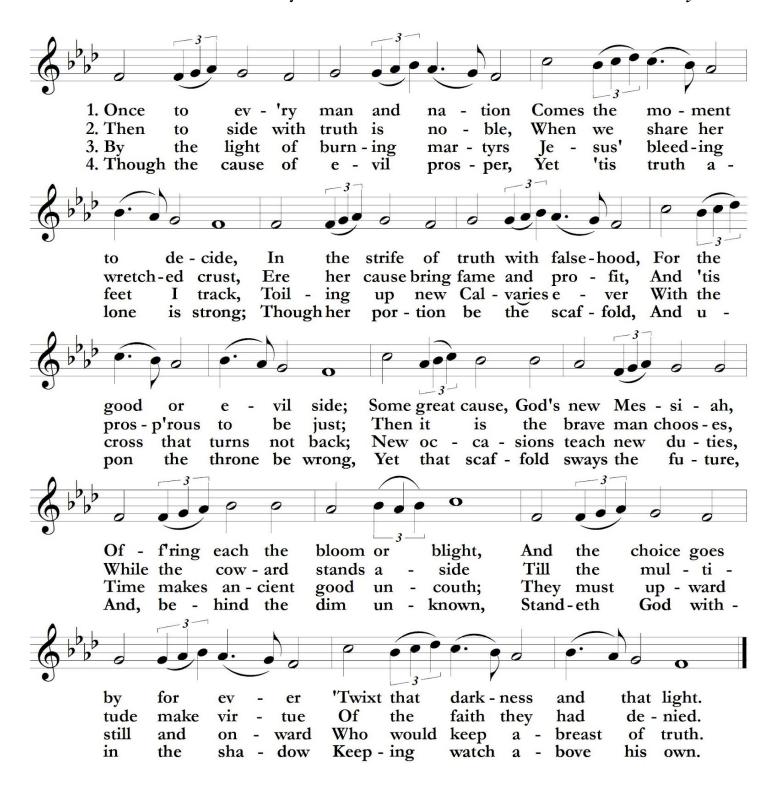
(Hymn continues on next page)



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray:

Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.



THE BLESSING

Life is short, and we have but little 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

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

POSTLUDE A Thornbury Fanfare

Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)

Sermon Seminar at 10:00 am

Announcements

Please limit announcements to one minute or less.

The Sermon

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

Sermon Seminar Guidelines:

- 1. Is what I have to say relevant to the sermon?
- 2. Is it meaningful? Will others care?
- 3. Can I make it short?
- 4. Will I later regret having said it?
- 5. Has anyone else said it?

Liturgical Leaders and Worship Participants

If you're interested in serving in the liturgy in any of the following roles, we'd love to talk to you! For more information, contact our Associate Rector Christopher Phillips, Christopher@stmarks.net

Presider The Reverend Michele H. Morgan
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Director of Music Jeff Kempskie

Vergers Josie Jordan, 9:00; Raiford Gaffney, 11:15 Readers Kenn Allen & Terri Poxon-Pearson, 9:00;

Martha Connor-Donnelly & Andrew Stafford, 11:15

Altar Guild Susan Sedgewick, 9:00; Jane Miller & Anne Headley, 11:15

Acolytes Finn Nostrand, 9:00; Stephanie Deutsch, 11:15

Bread & Wine Kim Bayliss, 9:00

Linda and Bob Ewald: In honor of Linda's birthday! 11:15

Video Director Elin Whitney-Smith

Technical Director Chris Berendes

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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The Honduras Cross, above the central altar platform, symbolizes St. Mark's connection with the broader Anglican Communion and our obligations to our siblings worldwide, particularly with our sister congregations in the San Marcos Cluster in Honduras. Eileen Blumenthal and the 2000 Mission to Honduras designed the cross, and Eileen commissioned its construction in Honduras as a gift to the St. Mark's community.

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Class of '24	Christoph Berendes, Katherine Buchanan, and Jeb Ory		
Class of '25	Harrison Donnelly, Jan Lipscomb, and Nick Rogers		
Class of '26	Travis Beaty, Meg Platt, and Todd Thorpe		
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	Bill Jordan, Asst. Treasurer		
	Shay Waye, Clerk		
	Martha Huizenga, Manciple		
	Rosemary Harold, Vestry Counsel		

Diocesan Delegates

Maureen Shea (2026), Tom Getman (2025), and Mary Neznek (2024)

The upcoming Vestry Meetings are held on Zoom on these dates. Contact <u>Michele</u> for the link if you want to join us: Tuesday 7pm on 10/24

Cycle of Prayer

In the Diocese of Washington

Pray for all Native American/Indigenous and Native American/Indigenous congregations.

Pray for all victims of terrorism, war, and violence and for those who foster and perpetuate such acts.

Anglican Communion

The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East

Parish Prayer List

Louise Abbot • Ben Alquiros • Nora Alquiros • Eileen Blumenthal
Pamela Blumgart • Joseph Boone • Greg Burton • Fairfield Butt

Alexander Casadonte • Presiding Bishop Michael Curry • Shadi Khoury • Martin De Nys
Mary De Nys • Charley Donnelly • Pete Eveleth • Candance Golladay
Gale Johnson • Pat Latin • Nat Marks • Taylor Emerson Marks
Mac McLaughlin • Pam Burton Moore • David Peterson • Sylvia Peterson
James and Wanda Pittman • Deb Sullivan • Olga, Tony & Anthony Sullivan
Eleanor Whitman • Joel Wilson • Rita Wolfinger
Geoffrey Wood • May Yazawa • Tom Zarek

Family members of our community who have died.

Richard Martin Butkus a relative of Christopher Phillips

Parishioners and Family Members Serving in the Military

Chase Allen Ammon • Clint Billings • Jason Earnest • Noah Landen

If you would like to request to add or remove a name, please email the Bulletin Coordinator at 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!

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 October 8, 2023
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	BECOMING A MEMBER Volunteering during Worship (Usher, Lay Serve 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)	er, Altar Guild, etc.)

You can stay up to date on St. Mark's news by signing up online for the weekly eGospel newsletter at www.stmarks.net/contact-us/. If you'd like to join the St. Mark's egroup to interact with other parishioners, please contact Raiford Gaffney (rgaffneydc@gmail.com).