

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

**ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY  
A SEASON OF STEWARDSHIP**

**November 5, 2023**

**9:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST**

**10:00 AM SERMON SEMINAR**

**11:15 AM HOLY EUCHARIST**

# Welcome to St. Mark's Episcopal Church ☩ Capitol Hill

## Our 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.

### Rector

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

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

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

PRELUDE Ground

Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

*Please stand as able.*

## OPENING HYMN

287 For all the saints, who from their labors rest, vv. 1-4

*Sine Nomine*



1 For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who  
2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might:\_\_\_\_  
3 O may thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,\_\_\_\_  
4 O blest com - mun - ion, fel - low - ship di - vine!\_\_\_\_



thee\_\_\_\_ by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy  
thou, Lord, their Cap - tain in the well - fought fight;\_\_\_\_  
fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old, and  
We feeb - ly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet



Name, O\_\_\_\_ Je - sus, be for ev - er blessed.  
thou, in the dark - ness drear, the one true Light.  
win, with\_\_\_\_ them, the vic - tor's crown of gold.  
all are\_\_\_\_ one in thee, for all are thine.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## OPENING SENTENCES

God's grace, mercy, and peace be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## THE COLLECT

The Holy Spirit is upon you!  
**And also upon you!**

Let us pray:

**Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.**

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

*The people sit.*

## THE READING Revelation 7:9-17

After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom  
and thanksgiving and honor  
and power and might  
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"For this reason they are before the throne of God,  
and worship him day and night within his temple,  
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.  
They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;  
the sun will not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat;  
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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

*The people stand as able.*

#### **THE GOSPEL** Matthew 5:1-12

The Gospel of Jesus according to Matthew.



When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

The Gospel of Jesus.



## SERMON

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

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

(11:15) *The people stand as able.*

## THE 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

Open our minds, Creator, that we may dream a church reconciled, a church that knows only your love so abundantly that it bursts with a passion for ministry, a desire to give completely, and a sense of stewardship that seeks only to give back.

**Creator, open our minds.**

Open our hearts, giver of gifts, to be transformed by the mighty outpouring of your compassion, so that our will to serve others with humility, integrity, and urgency is your desired will for us, your servants.

**Giver of gifts, open our hearts.**

Open our eyes, Sanctifier of Life, to the hurts and needs of others that challenge us to ministry. Teach us to see where our own abilities and resources – and the world's deep hunger – meet.

**Sanctifier of Life, open our eyes.**

Open our memories, Redeemer of all, as we remember those who have died. Help us to honor the wisdom of those who devoted their Earthly lives to your service, and who generously gave of their time and treasure.

**Redeemer of all, open our memories.**

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

*Please add your petitions, either silently or aloud.*

Open our hands, O Spirit to be your instrument of witness. Help us to do justice, to love kindness, and to serve humbly with you, our God.

**Spirit, open our hands.**

Open our lips, oh Spirit, that we may proclaim your benevolent truth and your call for justice in our congregation, in our communities, and in the world.

**Spirit, open our lips.**

Together, let us pray:

**Nurturing God, your love is free, your compassion unconditional, and your mercy infinite. You give us gifts in abundance. Grant that we may know and trust you, so that we may use these good gifts in joyful service to you and our neighbors. Amen.**

## **CONFESSION**

Let us confess where we have missed the mark against God and our neighbor.

*A period of silence is observed.*

**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.**

Gracious God, have mercy upon 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.**

## 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 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

Offer unto God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and pay your vows unto the Most High.

## THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

O King All Glorious

Healey Willan

Chancel Choir

*O King all glorious, amid thy saintly company,  
Whoever shalt be praised, who over passest utterance.  
Thou, O Lord, art in the midst of us, and we are called by thy Holy Name;  
leave us not, O our God, that in the day of judgment  
it may please thee to place us in the number of thy Saints and blessed ones,  
O King most blessed.*

*Please stand as able.*



# PRESENTATION HYMN

293 I sing a song of the saints of God

*Grand Isle*



1 I sing a song of the saints of God, \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 They loved their Lord so \_\_\_\_\_ dear, so dear, and \_\_\_\_\_  
 3 They lived not on - ly in a - ges past, there are



pa - tient and brave and true, who \_\_\_\_\_ toiled and \_\_\_\_\_ fought and \_\_\_\_\_  
 his love \_\_\_\_\_ made them strong; and they fol - lowed the right, for \_\_\_\_\_  
 hund-reds of thou-sands still, the \_\_\_\_\_ world is \_\_\_\_\_ bright with the



lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew. And \_\_\_\_\_  
 Je - sus' sake, the \_\_\_\_\_ whole of their good lives long. And \_\_\_\_\_  
 joy - ous saints who \_\_\_\_\_ love to do Je - sus' will. You can



one was a doc - tor, and one was a queen, and one was a shep -  
 one was a sold - ier, and one was a priest, and one was \_\_\_\_\_ slain  
 meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains,



herd - ess on the \_\_\_\_\_ green: they were all of them saints of \_\_\_\_\_  
 by a fierce wild \_\_\_\_\_ beast; and there's not an - y rea - son -  
 or in shops, or at tea, for the saints of \_\_\_\_\_ God are just



God— and I mean, God help - ing, to be one too.  
 no, not the least, why I should-n't be one too.  
 folk like \_\_\_\_\_ me, and I mean to be one too.

## EUCCHARISTIC 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; 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:

## SANCTUS

From *Music for the Eucharist*, David Hurd

Ho - ly, \_\_\_\_\_ ho - ly, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, \_\_\_\_\_

hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na \_\_\_\_\_ in the high - est.



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.**

## FRACTION ANTHEM

From *Music for the Eucharist*, David Hurd

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world:

have \_\_\_\_ mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the

sin of the world: have \_\_\_\_ mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you

take a-way the sin of the world: grant \_\_\_\_ us \_\_\_\_ peace.

## 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

LEVAS 7 I want to be ready African American Spiritual

The musical score is written in 2/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line starts with the lyrics "I want to be read - y," followed by "I want to be read - y." The piano accompaniment provides a steady harmonic background. The second system continues the vocal line with "I want to be read - y To walk in Je - ru - sa - lem just like John." and ends with a double bar line and the word "Fine". The piano accompaniment continues throughout the second system.

I want to be read - y, I want to be read - y.

I want to be read - y To walk in Je - ru - sa - lem just like John.

Fine

*Music continues on the next page.*

1. John said that Je - ru - sa-lem was four-square,  
2. When Pe - ter was preach-ing at Pen - te - cost,

Walk in Je-ru-sa-lem just like John.

1. I hope, good Lord, I'll meet you there,  
2. O he was filled with the Ho - ly Ghost,

Walk in Je-ru-sa-lem just like John. O

*D.C.*

*Remember your servants, Lord, when you come in your kingly power.*

*Blessed are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

*Blessed are those who mourn; for they shall be comforted.*

*Blessed are the meek; for they shall inherit the earth.*

*Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness;  
for they shall be satisfied.*

*Blessed are the merciful; for they shall obtain mercy.*

*Blessed are the pure in heart; for they shall see God.*

*Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God.*

*Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake;  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

*Blessed are you when the world reviles you and persecutes you;  
and utters all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake:*

*Rejoice and be exceeding glad; for great is your reward in heaven.*

*Remember your servants, Lord, when you come in your kingly power.*

## **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.**

# CLOSING HYMN 618 Ye watchers and ye holy ones

*Lasst uns erfreuen*

*Unison*



1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright ser - a - phs, cher - u -  
 2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more glo - rious than the  
 3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye pa - tri - archs and  
 4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - thems

*Harmony* *Unison*



bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al - le - lu - ia! Cry  
 ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou  
 pro - phets blest, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ye  
 ech - o - ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To



out, do - min - ions, prince - doms, powers, vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels'  
 bear - er of the e - ter - nal Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the  
 ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the  
 God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in



*Harmony*

choirs, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
 Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
 song, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
 One, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

*Unison*

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## 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 March on *Lasst uns erfreuen*

arr. David Bednall (b. 1979)



## 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?

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**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 acknowledgement 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 Honduras Cross**, above the central altar platform, symbolizes St. Mark's connection with the broader Anglican Communion and our obligations to our sisters and brothers around the world, 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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## 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](mailto:Christopher@stmarks.net)*

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<b>Verger</b>	Josie Jordan, 9:00; Raiford Gaffney, 11:15
<b>Readers</b>	Kenn Allen & Kathryn Powers 9:00; Doris Burton & Jason Campbell 11:15
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Nancy Lucas, 9:00; Mary Cooper, 11:15
<b>Acolytes</b>	Sybil Orr, 9:00; Jason Campbell, 11:15
<b>Bread &amp; Wine</b>	Josie & Bill Jordan, 9:00; Jan Lipscomb 11:15
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## Diocesan Delegates

Tom Getman (2025), and Mary Neznok (2024)

The upcoming Vestry Meetings are held on these dates. Contact Michele for the link if you want to join us: Tuesday 7pm on 11/28 (online) , 12/19, (Hybrid) 1/23/24 (Hybrid)

# Cycle of Prayer

## *In the Diocese of Washington*

All Saints' Church, Chevy Chase  
All Saints' Pre-School, Chevy Chase  
All Saints' Parish, Oakley

Veterans' Day (November 11) Pray for all military veterans, chaplains, personnel and their families.

## *Anglican Communion*

Pray for La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico

## *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

## *Additional Prayers*

*Pray not for Arab or Jew, for Palestinian or Israeli but pray rather for ourselves,  
that we might not divide them in our prayers, yet  
keep them both together in our hearts.*

(The Reverend. Sari Ateek, Rector of St. John's Norwood Episcopal Church in Bethesda  
and a Palestinian American.)

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

## **St. Mark's Annual Stewardship Appeal 2024**

### ***What is stewardship?***

Stewardship means that we individually and collectively make gifts of financial resources and of time and talents to support the mission and ministries of St. Mark's. In addition to money, time and service given to others are also critical components of stewardship - our church can't function without gifts of money, time, and service.

### ***Why is pledging important?***

Each year, we ask you to commit to the practice of financially supporting the parish. The vestry does its best to operate the church on a sound basis, and knowing what the church can expect in income enhances the vestry's ability to plan responsibly. About 77% of our annual income comes from pledging. St Mark's operating budget supports the ministry and mission of the church, it supports our staff, maintenance, and programs as well as the programs of the dioceses and the larger Episcopal Church. Your pledge enables us to tell the good news of Jesus in the world and our commitment to telling the story in a concrete way.

### ***How much should I give? Am I expected to tithe?***

The most important thing is to make a pledge and gift that is meaningful to you. The concept of tithing – giving 10% of your income – is rooted in scripture and Episcopal doctrine, yet today, we all receive appeals from multiple organizations and causes, so we may share our “tithe” among multiple organizations, many of which have large and broad donor bases.

Most of us want our financial gifts to make a real impact and since St. Mark's has a potential donor base of 300 households, your gift to St. Mark's makes a very large impact on our ability to fulfill the many important ministries that support our parish and community.

### ***Why should every member pledge?***

We give so that we can be part of a community and be in relationship to God. We all expect the church to be here when we need it—baptisms, weddings, funerals, and, of course, every single Sunday of the year. Together, we share responsibility to fund these ministries. We know that the past few years have been challenging for many and that our costs will likely increase in the coming year. We ask that you consider making, and if possible increasing, your pledge this year.

### ***How do I make my pledge?***

Fill out and return a pledge card (there is one on the following page). You may also pledge online at <https://www.stmarks.net/get-involved/donate-pledge/>

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St. Mark's depends on donations to sustain its programs and facilities. The annual church operating budget is based on the sum of these pledges, and the number of programs and service and social justice activities that St. Mark's is able to offer depends directly on our collective generosity.

**Amount of your Pledge** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ ANNUAL PLEDGE. I/We pledge to contribute to support the work of the church during the year 2024.

\_\_\_\_\_ NEWCOMER PLEDGE. I am/We are new this year. I/We pledge to contribute something to support the church during the year 2024.

\_\_\_\_\_ LEGACY POSSIBILITY. Please send information about how to include St. Mark's in my/our will or estate plan.

\_\_\_\_\_ LEGACY. I/We have already included St. Mark's in my/our estate plan.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional names (if pledging as a household):**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Apt.:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City/State:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile /Work/Home

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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 November 5, 2023

Name \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in learning more about:

- \_\_\_\_\_ BECOMING A MEMBER
- \_\_\_\_\_ 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

*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/](http://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](mailto:rgaffneydc@gmail.com)).*