# WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH E 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.



# TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 16, 2025

9:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST & LAYING ON OF HANDS

10:00 AM SERMON SEMINAR

11:15 AM HOLY EUCHARIST & LAYING ON OF HANDS

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To view the **Parish Calendar online**, go to 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.

**Restrooms** are available in the foyer, with additional facilities located downstairs.

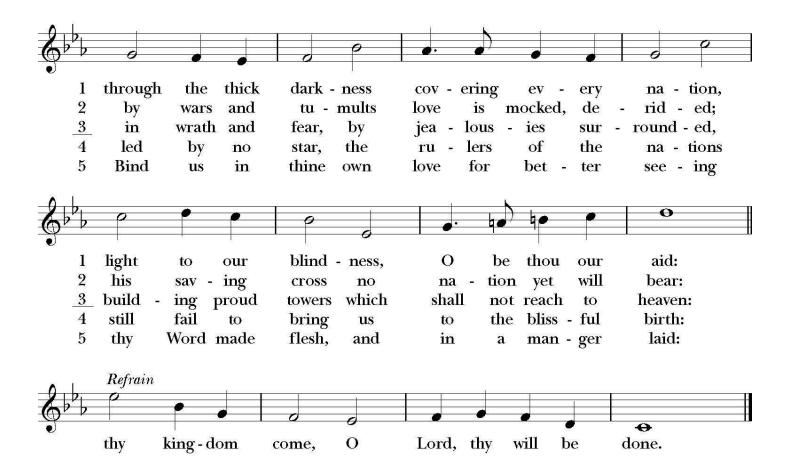
Childcare – The Nursery is open! Children up to age 3 are welcome. Take the stairs to the lower level; turn right to go down the hall to the Nursery, the last room on your right.

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## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### **PRELUDE**

OPENING HYMN 573 Father eternal, Ruler of creation, vv. 1-2, 4-5 Langham 1 Fa - ther Ru - ler of e ter - nal, cre tion, Rac - es and peo - ples, lo. we stand di vid - $\mathbf{of}$ heart, blind eyed, with tongues con - found - ed, En - vious 4 Lust ses - sion work - eth des la - tions: of pos 0 How shall we 1v5 love thee, ho hid - den Be - ing, O Spi - rit life, which 1  $\mathbf{of}$ moved form made, ere was shar - ing and, griefs,  $\mathbf{n}$ o can share; not our joy na tion by tion still goes for given, na un powers 4 there is no meek - ness in the of earth; 5 if the world which thou hast made? love not



#### **OPENING SENTENCES**

Today, the Spirit calls us! Let us hear, and let us act.

#### THE COLLECT

God be with you. And also with you.

# Let us pray:

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

# (9:00 am) Children up to 8 years old wishing to participate in Children's Chapel may follow the leader at this time.

(9:00 am) Children ages 8-13 wishing to participate in the Next Gen Reflection may go downstairs to the Adams Room.

# The people sit.

#### THE FIRST READING Isaiah 65:17-25

For I am about to create new heavens

and a new earth;

the former things shall not be remembered

or come to mind.

But be glad and rejoice forever

in what I am creating;

for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem,

and delight in my people;

no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it,

or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it

an infant that lives but a few days,

or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;

for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,

and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them;

they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit;

they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,

and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain,

or bear children for calamity;

for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord-

and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer,

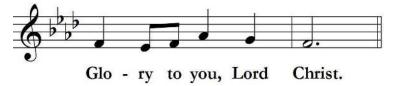
while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent-- its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

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

#### **THE GOSPEL** Luke 21:5-19

The Gospel of Jesus according to Luke.



When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

The Gospel of Jesus.



SERMON Rebekah Taylor

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

#### **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 PEOPLE

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to God, saying "God, have mercy."

For our Bishops, and for all clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

God, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

God, have mercy.

For the DC Metro, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

God, have mercy.

For immigrants, law enforcement officers, the homeless, the National Guard, and activists, let us pray to the Lord.

God, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord. **God, have mercy.** 

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

God, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

God, have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord. God, have mercy.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

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 together saying:

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

#### THE PEACE

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

VESTRY GREETING

(11:15) ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME

MISSION MOMENT Gun Violence Prevention

#### **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.

In November, individuals who rely on SNAP benefits are likely to face food insecurity. To help offset that, we are passing a second basket, and the money will go to food shelves in the DMV area.

#### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. (Psalm 50:14)

## THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

#### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM** And I Saw a New Heaven

Edgar L. Bainton

Chancel Choir

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and first earth had passed away, and there was no more sea.

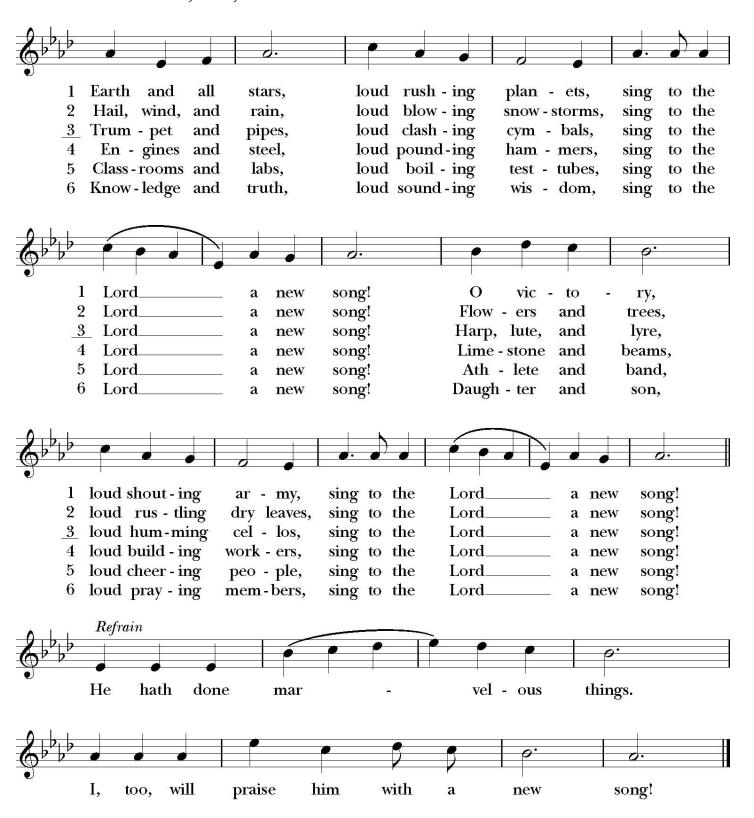
And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband; and I heard a great voice out of heaven, saying:

Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them and they shall be his people; and God himself shall be with them and be their God; and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes, and there shall be no more death neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things are passed away.

#### PRESENTATION HYMN

## 412 Earth and all stars, vv. 1, 5-6

#### Earth and All Stars



#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

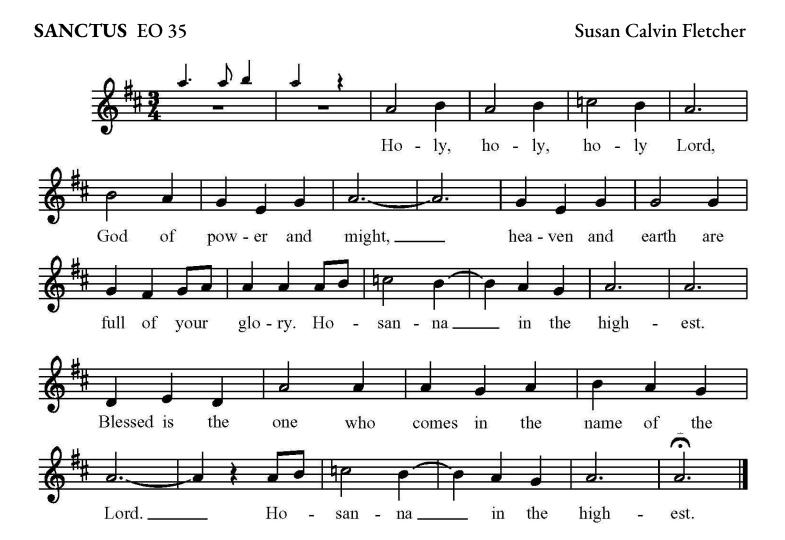
We lift them to God.

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, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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 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 Creator of all. Jesus 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 Jesus 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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:



We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, 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 God, now and for ever.



#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as Jesus taught us, we are bold to pray:

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.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

#### THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Susan Calvin Fletcher







#### 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!

#### **MUSIC DURING COMMUNION**

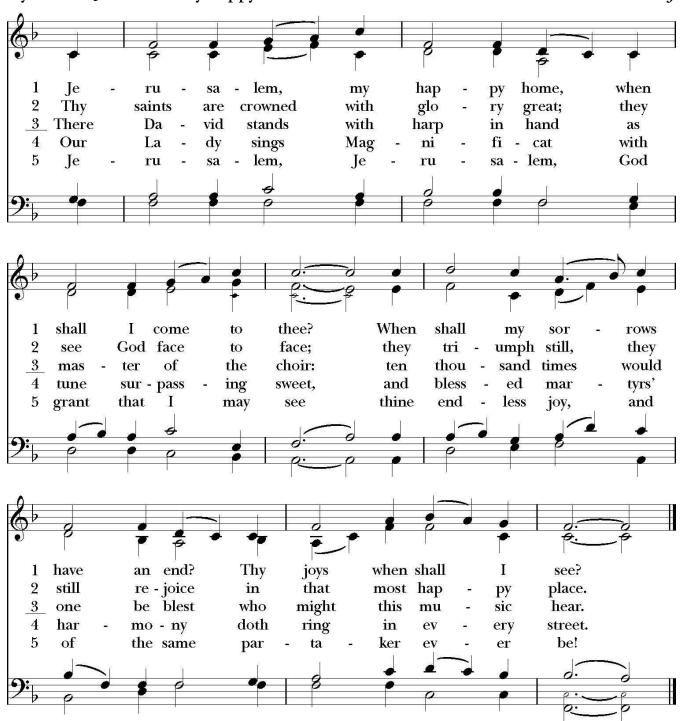
Lord, I trust thee G. F. Handel

#### Chancel Choir

Lord, I trust thee, I adore thee. Ah! thou friend of man, restore me!
On thy loving grace relying, For the bread of life I'm sighing.
Quench my thirst and let my hunger cease, fill my heart with joy and endless peace.
When the breath of life has left me, may my soul be blended with thee.

Hymn 620 Jerusalem, my happy home

Land of Rest



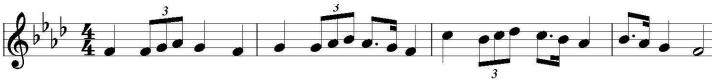
#### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Together, let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# CLOSING HYMN WLP 721 Signs of ending all around us

Ton-y-Botel



- 1. Signs of end-ings all a round us—dark ness, death, and win ter days
- 2. Can it be that from our end-ings, new be gin-nings you cre-ate?
- 3. Speak, O God, your Word a mong us. Bar ren lives your pres-ence fill.



shroud our lives in fear and sad-ness, numb-ing mouths that long to praise.

Life from death, and from our rend-ings, realms of whole-ness gen - er - ate?

Swell our hearts with songs of glad-ness, ter - rors calm fore-bod-ings still.



Come, O Christ, and dwell a - mong us! Hear our cries, come set us free.

Take our fears, then, Lord, and turn them in - to hopes for life a - new:

Let your prom-ised realm of jus - tice blos-som now through-out the earth;



Give us hope and faith and glad - ness. Show us what there yet can be. Fad - ing light and dy - ing sea - son sing their Glo - ri - as to you. your do - min-ion bring now near us; we a - wait the sav - ing birth.

#### THE BLESSING

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us, so be swift to love, and make haste to be kind, and the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

#### **DISMISSAL**

Go into the world and know how much a tired and hurting world needs your strength and gladness.

There are deeds of compassion and courage that will never be done unless we do them; and words of hope and healing that will never be spoken unless we speak them.

And now let us go forth into the world in peace, to love and serve the Lord. **Amen.** 

#### **POSTLUDE**

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#### Sermon Seminar at 10:00 am

#### Announcements

Please limit announcements to one minute or less.

The Sermon Rebekah Taylor

#### 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?

# Worship Participants

We'd love to talk to you if you're interested in serving in the liturgy in any of the following roles! For more information, contact our Associate Rector Caitlin Frazier, <u>Caitlin@stmarks.net</u>

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The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

Preacher Rebekah Taylor

Interim Director of Music Mike McCarthy

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Greeters Danielle Collins & Kenn Allen, 9:00;

Abby Attia & Hannah Harkey, 11:15

Acolytes Jojo Sierra, 9:00; Mitch Wood, 11:15

**Readers** Danielle Collins & Kathryn Powers, 9:00;

Stephanie Deutsch & Karen Wiedemann, 11:15

Bread & Wine Gabriella Abruzzi, 9:00,

Gina Faranda, 11:15

Altar Guild Gretchen Willson, 9:00;

Leda Bloomfield, 11:15

Eucharistic Ministers Matthew Viator, 9:00; Stephanie Deutsch, 11:15

Video Director Rosemary Harold

Technical Director Matt Dodge

Laying on of Hands Josie Jordan, 9:00; Jan Lipscomb & Cecilie Jones, 11:15

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# In Honor of Indigenous Peoples Month

#### Diné Bizaad

NihiTaa Jesus Diyin ayoo at'ei biye nilíini ninąajį'Kodóó hózhó dooleełDoo yá'áh'da'téehi bits'ąajįAjooba' dóó áshįįnééBee daa k'é'goHózhó násháslįį dooleeł.

# **English Translation**

In the name of Jesus Christ, the Holy One, We set out to walk in harmony, Seeking forgiveness and wholeness. Through compassion and service, Love binds us in relationship to all creation. In the Beauty Way all is restored again.

# Cycle of Prayer

# In the Diocese of Washington

Christ Church, Chaptico
Christ Church, Clinton Parish
Christ Church, La Plata
Christ Church, Rockville
Christ Episcopal School, Rockville
Christ Church, Wayside

Thanksgiving Day (November 28) Pray for our national life and all of God's blessings

# Anglican Communion

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J.R. Randall (2027), Mary Neznek (2027), Jan Lipscomb (2028), Randy Marks (2026

The upcoming Vestry Meetings will be held on November 18, 7:00 PM via Zoom and in-person. If you have questions, contact the Vestry Clerk at <a href="mailto:clerk@stmarks.net">clerk@stmarks.net</a>.

#### 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. If you have questions, please speak with the clergy or one of the greeters after the service.

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I attended:	9 a.m. Worship Service on November 16, 2025 11:15 a.m. Worship Service on November 16, 2025
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	Service and Social Justice
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	Music (choir, lessons)
	Children/youth classes & programs including Sunday School
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	Getting married at St. Mark's
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	Yoga classes
	Dance classes
	St. Mark's Players (theatrical productions)
Anything else you w	ould like to share?

Thank you for visiting St. Mark's today. Go in peace and return often!