

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.



CHRISTMAS EVE

December 24, 2025

8:30 PM CONGREGATIONAL
CAROLING

9:00 PM FESTIVAL HOLY
EUCHARIST

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The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

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The Reverend Caitlin Frazier

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Lisa Ramish

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

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

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

Childcare – The Nursery is closed this evening.

Restrooms are available in the foyer, with more downstairs.



PRELUDE MUSIC & CONGREGATIONAL CAROLING

Carol of the Bells (brass)

Peter J. Wilhousky, arr. David Baldwin

HYMN 100 Joy to the world! The Lord is come

Antioch

**1 Joy to the world! the Lord is come:
let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare him room, and
heaven and nature.**

**3 No more let sins and sorrows grow,
nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow
far as the curse is found.**

**2 Joy to the world! the Savior reigns;
let us our songs employ,
while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains,
repeat the sounding joy.**

**4 He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness,
and wonders of his love.**

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly (brass)

Polish folk tune, arr. Charles Evans

HYMN 81 Lo, how a Rose e're blooming

Es ist ein Ros

**1 Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming
from tender stem hath sprung!
Of Jesse's lineage coming
as seers of old have sung.
It came, a blossom bright,
amid the cold of winter,
when half spent was the night.**

**To show God's love aright,
she bore to us a Savior,
when half spent was the night.**

**2 Isaiah 'twas foretold it,
the Rose I have in mind,
with Mary we behold it,
the Virgin Mother kind.**

**3 O Flower, whose fragrance tender
with sweetness fills the air,
dispel in glorious splendor
the darkness everywhere;
true man, yet very God,
from sin and death now save us,
and share our every load.**

HYMN 105 God rest you merry gentlemen

18th Century English Carol

1 God rest you merry, gentlemen,
let nothing you dismay;
remember Christ our Savior
was born on Christmas Day,
to save us all from Satan's power
when we were gone astray.

*O tidings of comfort and joy,
comfort and joy;
O tidings of comfort and joy!*

2 From God our heavenly Father
a blessed angel came
and unto certain shepherds
brought tidings of the same:
how that in Bethlehem was born
the Son of God by name. *Refrain*

3 "Fear not, then," said the angel,
"Let nothing you affright;
this day is born a Savior
of a pure virgin bright,
to free all those who trust in him
from Satan's power and might."
Refrain

4 Now to the Lord sing praises,
all you within this place,
and with true love and charity
each other now embrace;
this holy tide of Christmas
doth bring redeeming grace.
Refrain

I Wonder As I Wander (solo)

Appalachian Carol, collected, adapted
& arranged by John Jacob Niles

Charmian Crawford, soloist

*I wonder as I wander, out under the sky, how Jesus the Savior did come for to die
For poor on 'ry people like you and like I...I wonder as I wander, out under the sky.*

*When Mary birthed Jesus, 'twas in a cow's stall, with wise men and farmers and shepherds and all.
But high from God's heaven a star's light did fall, and the promise of ages it then did recall.*

*If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing, a star in the sky, or a bird on the wing,
Or all of God's angels in heav'n for to sing, he surely could have it, 'cause he was the King.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 83 O come, all ye faithful

Adeste fideles



1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
2. God from God, Light from Light e - ter - nal,
3. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing;



come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;
lo! he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb;
sing, all ye ci - ti - zens of heav'n a - bove;
Je - sus, to thee be glo - ry given;



come and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
on - ly - be - got - ten Son of the Fa - ther;
glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est;
Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;



O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a -



dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, Christ, the Lord.

OPENING SENTENCES

I bring you good news of great joy!
A Savior has been born to you! Alleluia!

Unto us a child is born!
The child is a gift! Alleluia!

7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT

God be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray:

Creator God, whose Word has come among us in the Holy Child of Bethlehem. May faith enlighten our hearts and shine in our words and deeds. In the name of Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The people sit.

THE LESSON Titus 3:4-7

When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

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

The people stand as able.

SEQUENCE HYMN 87 Hark! the herald angels sing

Mendelssohn

1 Hark! the her-ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new - born King!
 2 Christ, by high - est heaven a - dored; Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord;
 3 Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,

Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!
 late in time be - hold him come, off - spring of the Vir - gin's womb.
 born to raise us from the earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.

Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise, join the tri - umph of the skies;
 Veiled in flesh the God - head see; hail the in - car - nate De - i - ty.
 Risen with heal - ing in his wings, light and life to all he brings,

with the an - gel - ic host pro - claim Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!
 Pleased as man with us to dwell; Je - sus, our Em - man - u - ell
 hail, the Sun of Right - eous - ness! hail, the heaven - born Prince of Peace!

Refrain

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing glo - ry to the new - born King!

THE GOSPEL Luke 2:1-14, *adapted*

The Gospel of Jesus according to Luke.

Glo - ry to you, Lord Christ.

In those days, a census decree for all the world went out from Emperor Augustus. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All traveled to their own towns to be registered. Joseph, a descendent from the house and family of David, went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea to the city of David called Bethlehem. He went to be registered with Mary to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. An angel of God stood before them, and the glory of God shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. Behold, I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people! To you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.” Suddenly, there appeared a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom God favors!”

The Gospel of Jesus.



Praise to — you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

The people stand as able.

THE AFFIRMATION

We believe in God the Creator:

from whom everyone in heaven and on earth has life and being.

We believe in God the Son: Who broke into the world incarnate, bringing 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: Creator, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Jesus, for whom there was no room in the inn, give courage to all who are homeless;
in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Jesus, who fled into Egypt, give comfort to all refugees;
in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Jesus, who fasted in the desert, give relief to all who are starving;
in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Jesus, who died on the cross, give strength to all who suffer;
in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Jesus Christ, hear our prayer,
and make us one in heart and mind
to serve you with joy for ever. Amen.

THE PEACE

May the peace of God, born among us, be with you!
And also with you.

All, one with another, exchange a sign of peace.

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.

Food offerings may be brought forward to the baskets under the altar at this time.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Let us put into action the generosity that comes from faith.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM A babe is born

Words by 15th Century Anonymous
Music by William Mathias

Chancel Choir

*A Babe is born all of a may,
To bring salvation unto us.
To him we sing both night and day.
Veni Creator Spiritus (Come Creator Spirit)*

*At Bethlehem, that blessed place,
The child of bliss now born he was;
And him to serve God give us grace,
O lux beata Trinitas. (Oh blessed light, Trinity.)*

*There came three kings out of the East,
To worship the King that is so free,
With gold and myrrh and frankincense,
A solis ortus cardine. (From the rising of the sun)*

*The angels came down with a cry,
A fair song that night sung they
In worship of that child:
Gloria Tibi Domine. (Glory to you, Lord)*

The people stand as able.

PRESENTATION HYMN

109 The first Nowell the angel did say, vv. 1-3, 6

17th Century English Carol

1 The first No - well the an - gel did say
2 They look - ed up and saw a star
3 And by the light of that same star
4 This star drew nigh to the north - west,
5 Then en - tered in those wise men three

1 was to cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay;
2 shin - ing in the east be - yond them far,
3 three wise men came from coun - try far;
4 o'er Beth - le - hem it took its rest,
5 full rev - erent - ly up - on their knee,

1 in fields as they lay, keep - ing their sheep,
2 and to the earth it gave great light,
3 to seek for a king was their in - tent,
4 and there it did both stop and stay
5 and of - fered there in his pres - ence

It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere, to give thanks to you, Holy One, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Child to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in Jesus of everlasting life; that when Christ shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may rejoice to behold his appearing without shame or fear.

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:

SANCTUS S 128

William Mathias

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Holy and gracious Father: 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."

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ has 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as Jesus taught us, let us 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.

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 Let all mortal flesh keep silence, v. 2

Picardy

All Sing.

2 King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, as of old on
earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu - man
ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the Blood
he will give to all the faith - ful
his own self for heaven - ly food.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

We recognize this as God's table and this bread and wine as God's food for us 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 put out your hands to help guide the cup to your lips, and drink.

If you do not wish to receive the wine, please cross your hands over your chest. Please refrain from intincting (dipping) the host (the bread) into the wine.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

In the bleak midwinter

Words by Christina Rossetti
Music by Harold Darke

Chancel Choir; Jess Szmajda, soloist

*In the bleak midwinter
frosty wind made moan,
earth stood hard as iron,
water like a stone:
snow had fallen,
snow on snow, snow on snow,
in the bleak midwinter,
long ago.*

*Enough for him whom cherubim
worship night and day,
a breastful of milk
and a mangerful of hay:
enough for him
whom angels fall down before,
the ox and ass and camel
which adore.*

*Our God, heaven cannot hold him,
nor earth sustain;
heaven and earth shall flee away
when he comes to reign:
in the bleak midwinter
a stable place sufficed
the Lord God Almighty,
Jesus Christ.*

*What can I give him,
poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd,
I would bring a lamb,
if I were a wise man
I would do my part,
yet what I can I give him,
give my heart.*

Still, Still, Still (brass quintet)

Traditional Austrian Carol, arr. Charles Evans

Hymn 101 Away in a manger, no crib for his bed

Cradle Song



1 A - way in a man-ger, no crib for his bed,
2 The cat - tle are low - ing, the ba - by a - wakes,
* 3 Be near me, Lord Je - sus; I ask thee to stay



the lit - tle Lord Je - sus laid down his sweet head.
but lit - tle Lord Je - sus no cry - ing he makes.
close by me for ev - er, and love me I pray.



The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
I love thee, Lord Je - sus! Look down from the sky,
Bless all the dear chil - dren in thy ten - der care,



the lit - tle Lord Je - sus a - sleep on the hay.
and stay by my side un - til morn - ing is nigh.
and fit us for hea - ven to live with thee there.

Candles will be lit. Please share the light with your neighbors.

Si - lent night, ho - ly night, all is calm,
 Si - lent night, ho - ly night, shep - herds quake
 Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Son of God,

all is bright round yon vir - gin mo - ther and child.
 at the sight, glo - ries stream from hea - ven a - far,
 love's pure light ra - diant beams from thy ho - ly face,

Ho - ly in - fant, so ten - der and mild, sleep in hea - ven - ly
 heaven - ly hosts— sing al - le - lu - ia; Christ, the Sa - vior, is
 with the dawn of re - deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at thy

peace. born! birth. Sleep Christ, Je - sus, Lord, in hea - ven - ly the Sa - vior, is peace. born! birth.

Please extinguish all candles; place them in the containers by the doors as you depart.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Together, let us pray.

Loving God, we thank you for nourishing us with the spiritual food of your body and blood. Open our eyes to see your Christ in all people: open our hearts to be present to the suffering, open our hands to heal the wounded, and open our minds to renew the lost. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us: that all your children shall be free. Guide us to continue in the embodied life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN 96 Angels we have heard on high

Gloria

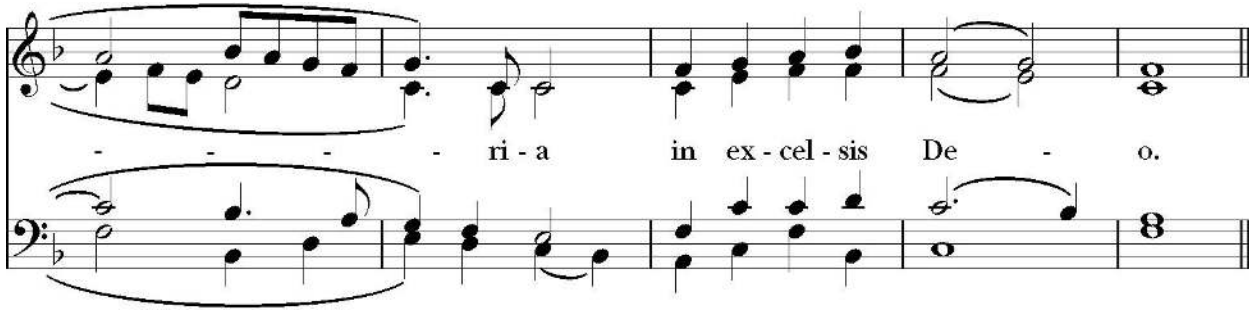
1 An - gels we have heard on high, sing - ing sweet - ly through the night,
2 Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why these songs of hap - py cheer?
3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;
4 See him in a man - ger laid whom the an - gels praise a - bove;

and the moun - tains in re - ply ech - o - ing their brave de - light.
What great bright - ness did you see? What glad tid - ings did you hear?
come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the Lord, the new - born King.
Ma - ry, Jo - seph, lend your aid, while we raise our hearts in love.

Refrain

Glo - - - - - ri - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo - - - - -



THE BLESSING

When the song of the angels is stilled,
when the star in the sky is gone,
when the kings and princes are home,
when the shepherds are back with their flocks,
the work of Christmas begins: to find the lost,
to heal the broken, to feed the hungry,
to release the prisoner, to rebuild the nations,
to bring Peace/שלום / سلام among the people,
to make music in the heart.

And the Blessing of God: Creator,
Redeemer, and Sustainer be with us now and forever. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit!
Christ is born in us! Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE Toccata on Joy to the World

Craig Phillips (b. 1961)



Schedule of Christmas Services

Thursday, December 25 - 10 am Christmas Day Holy Eucharist

Sunday, December 28 - 10 am Christmas Lessons & Carols



Liturgical Leaders and Worship Participants

Presider	The Reverend Caitlin Frazier & The Reverend Michele H. Morgan
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Readers	Gwen Dillard & Randy Marks
Altar Guild	Bridey Heing & Jason Wallis
Acolyte	Doris Burton
Bread & Wine	Michael Knipe
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The Advent/Christmas Wreath, given to St. Mark's by Scilla Adams in loving memory of her father, Colonel Neil Ramsay, was hand-forged by Richard A. Martin, a metal sculpture in Alexandria, Virginia. This work is made of steel with solid-link chains and hammered drip pans, painted black and measuring three feet in diameter, with a cross hanging beneath the central candle.

Chrismons The ornaments on the trees beside the chancel steps are called Chrismons and symbolize Jesus's life and ministry. They were a gift to St. Mark's over 50 years ago from Jeanie Anderson, Mary Cooper's mother, who made all of them herself, and they have been used in the church every year since. The word Chrismon is an abbreviation of "Christ's Monogram". The ornaments are used in many denominations, especially in Lutheran churches. They are supposed to be white and gold and are traditionally made from donated household items, although there are some available commercially that utilize colors and synthetic ingredients.



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