



SAINT MARK'S CHURCH

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THE REV'D CANON MARK A. WEITZEL, RECTOR

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024 | 10:00 AM
SUNG MASS, RITE II | Mass Setting: Gerald Near

WELCOME TO SAINT MARK'S!

Whether young or old, straight or gay, female or male, homeless or housed—you are welcome here. Whatever the color of your skin or your cultural heritage—you are welcome here. Whether you have never been in church before today, or if you attend church regularly as a matter of course—you are welcome here. You are welcome here because Christ welcomes you and, therefore, so do we!

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

Organ Voluntary

Parish Notices

PLEASE STAND AT THE RINGING OF THE BELL.

The Opening Hymn

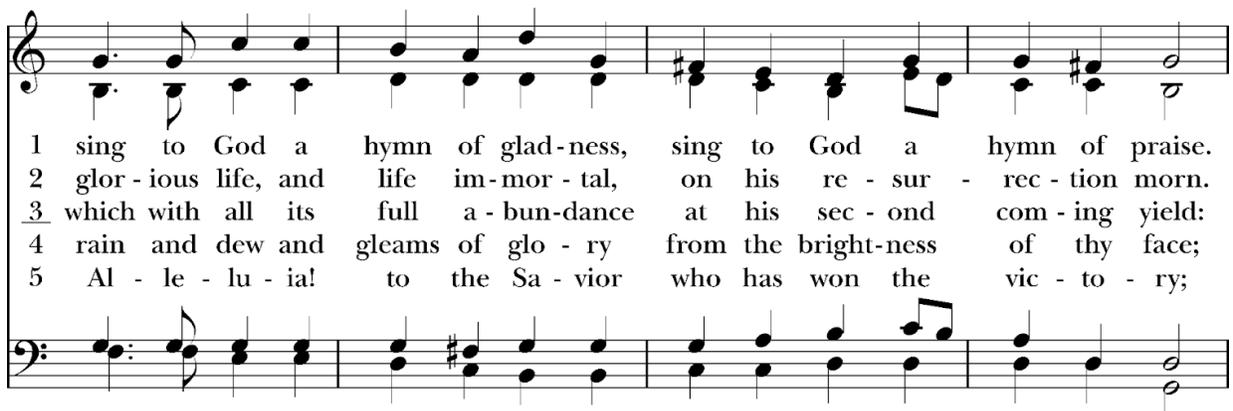
The Hymnal 1982, #191

“Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts and voices heavenward raise”

LUX EOI



1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts and voic - es heaven-ward raise:
2 Now the i - ron bars are bro - ken, Christ from death to life is born,
3 Christ is ris - en, Christ, the first-fruits of the ho - ly har - vest - field,
4 Christ is ris - en, we are ris - en! Shed up - on us heav - en - ly grace,
5 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high;



1 sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, sing to God a hymn of praise.
2 glor - ious life, and life im - mor - tal, on his re - sur - rec - tion morn.
3 which with all its full a - bun - dance at his sec - ond com - ing yield:
4 rain and dew and gleams of glo - ry from the bright-ness of thy face;
5 Al - le - lu - ia! to the Sa - vior who has won the vic - to - ry;

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1 He, who on the cross a vic - tim, for the world's sal - va - tion bled,
 2 Christ has tri - umphed, and we con - quer by his might - y en - ter - prise:
 3 then the gold - en ears of har - vest will their heads be - fore him wave,
 4 that, with hearts in hea - ven dwell - ing, we on earth may fruit - ful be,
 5 Al - le - lu - ia! to the Spi - rit, fount of love and sanc - ti - ty;

1 Je - sus Christ, the King of glo - ry, now is ris - en from the dead.
 2 we with him to life e - ter - nal by his re - sur - rec - tion rise.
 3 ri - pened by his glo - rious sun - shine from the fur - rows of the grave.
 4 and by an - gel hands be gath - ered, and be ev - er, Lord, with thee.
 5 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! to the Tri - une Ma - jes - ty.

Words: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885), alt. Music: *Lux eoi*, Arthur Seymour Sullivan (1842-1900).

THE WORD OF GOD

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant



Al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en.

People



The Lord is ris - en in - deed. Al - le - lu - ia.

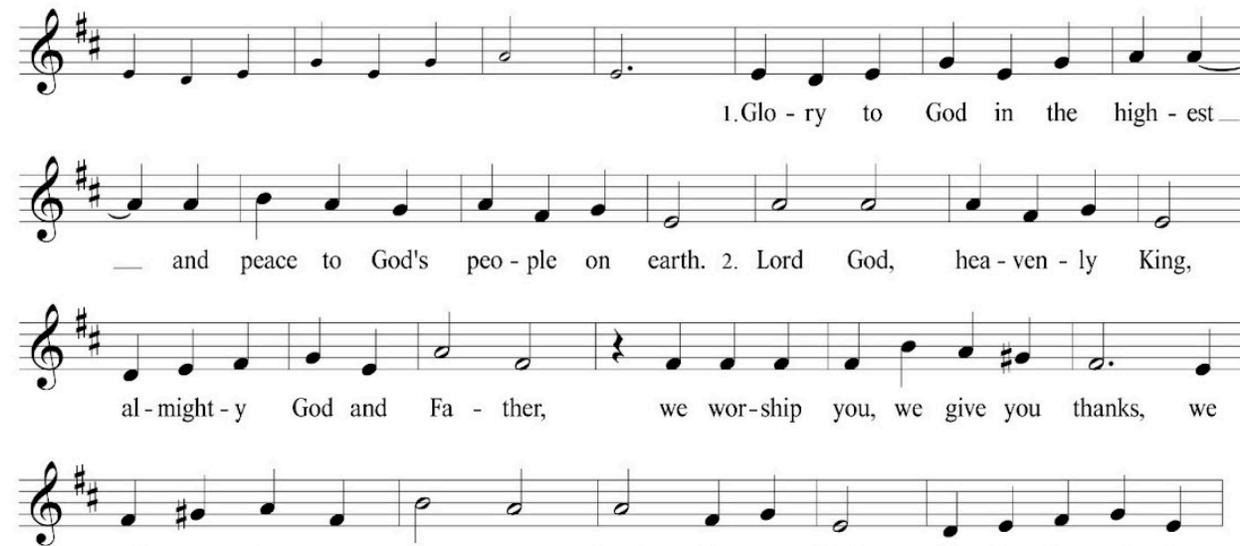
Music: From *Missa orbis factor*; arr. David Hurd (b. 1950). Copyright © 1979 GIA Publications, Inc.

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Gloria in excelsis



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est —
— and peace to God's peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King,
al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the

Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, 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 Salutation and Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson

Acts 10:44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalter

Psalm 98

(Sung by the Choir)

Anglican Chant Setting by Bruce Neswick (b. 1956)

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.

The Second Lesson

1 John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The Sequence Hymn

The Hymnal 1982, #455

“O love of God, how strong and true”

DUNEDIN



O love of God, how strong and true, e - ter - nal
O wide e - brac - ing, won - drous Love, we read thee
We read thee best in him who came to bear for
We read thy power to bless and save e'en in the



and yet e - ver new; un - com - pre - hend - ed and un -
in the sky a - bove; we read thee in the earth be -
us the cross of shame; sent by the Fa - ther from on
dark - ness of the grave; still more in re - sur - rec - tion



bought, be - yond all know - ledge and all thought.
low, in seas that swell and streams that flow.
high, our life to live, our death to die.
light we read the full - ness of thy might.

The Holy Gospel

John 15:9-17

Gospeler The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, “As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Homily

Deacon Robert Sammis

The Nicene Creed *(said by all)*

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

Form 2, BCP pg. 385

Deacon Christ hear us.
People **Christ graciously hear us.**

AFTER THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN READ,
THE CELEBRANT OFFERS A CONCLUDING COLLECT.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Anthem at the Offertory

If ye love me

Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

If ye love me, keep my commandments.
And I will pray the Father,
And he shall give you another comforter,
That he may 'bide with you forever;
E'en the sp'rit of truth.

The Presentation Hymn

The Hymnal 1982, #348

“Lord, we have come at your own invitation”

O QUANTA QUALIA



1 Lord, we have come at your own in - vi - ta - tion,
2 Here, at your ta - ble, con - firm our in - ten - tion
3 When, at your ta - ble, each time of re - turn - ing,
4 So, in the world where each du - ty as - signed us



cho - sen by you, to be coun - ted as friends:
ev - er to cher - ish the gifts you pro - vide;
vows are re - newed, and our cour - age re - stored:
gives us the chance to cre - ate or des - troy,



yours is the strength that sus - tains our vo - ca - tion,
teach us to serve with - out pride or pre - ten - sion,
may we in - creas - ing - ly glo - ry in learn - ing
help us to make those de - ci - sions that bind us,



ours a com - mit - ment we know nev - er ends.
led by your Spi - rit, de - fend - er and guide.
all that it means to ac - cept you as Lord.
Lord, to your - self, in o - be - dience and joy.

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Sanctus and Benedictus



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. Bles - sed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

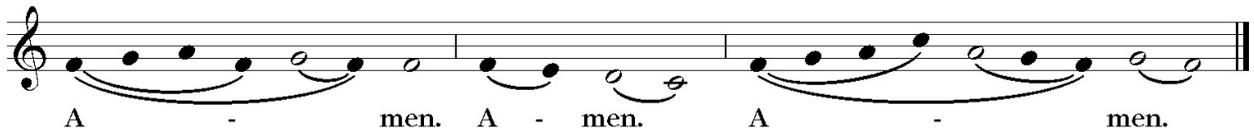
Therefore, according to his command, O Father:

All **We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

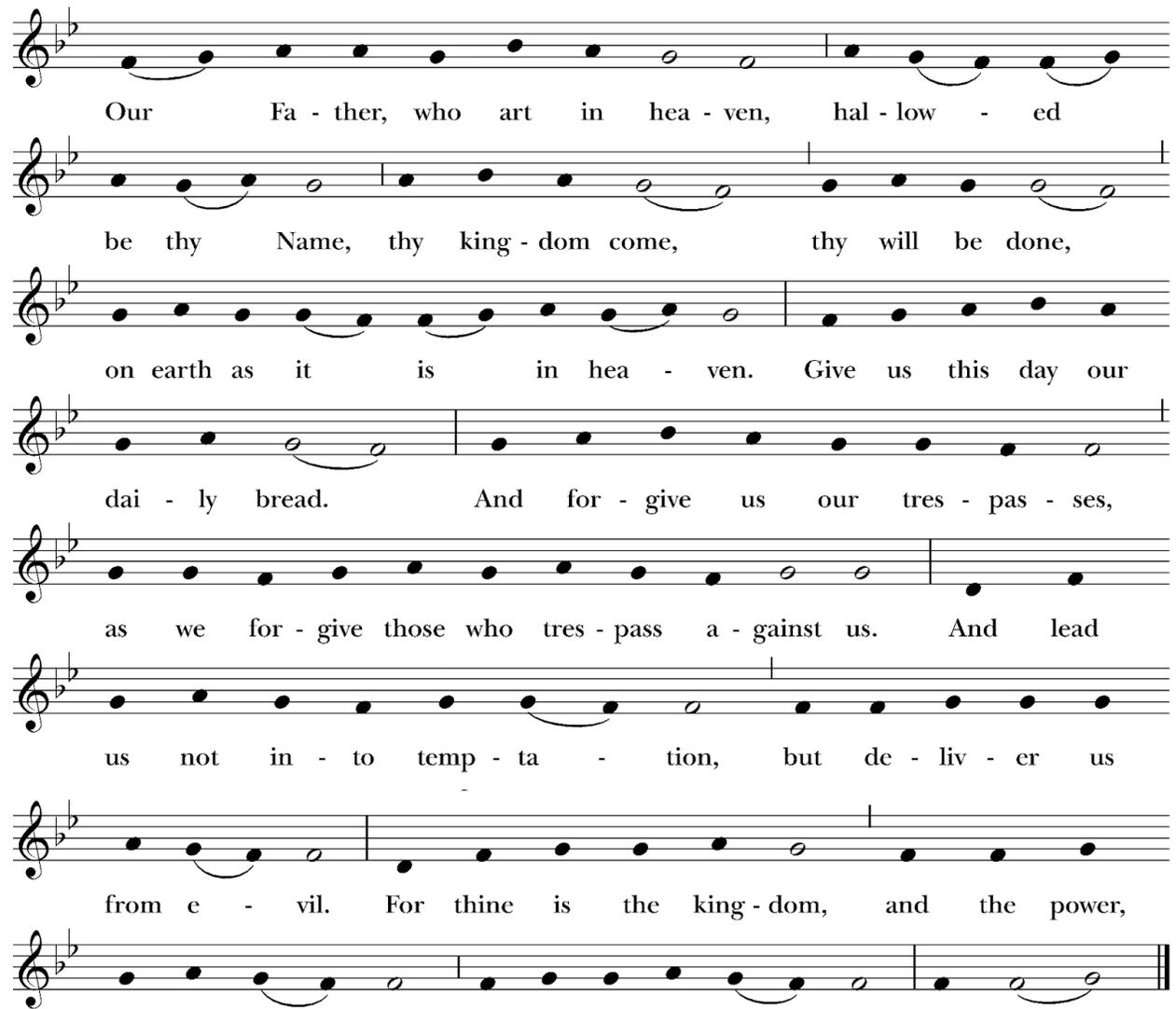
We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Mark and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.



The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

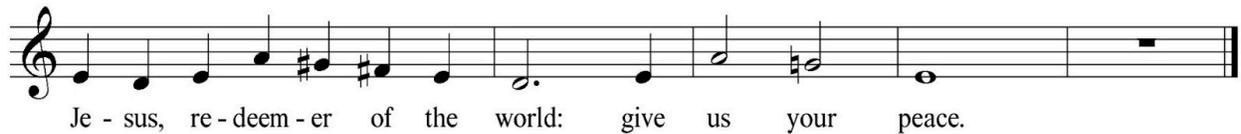
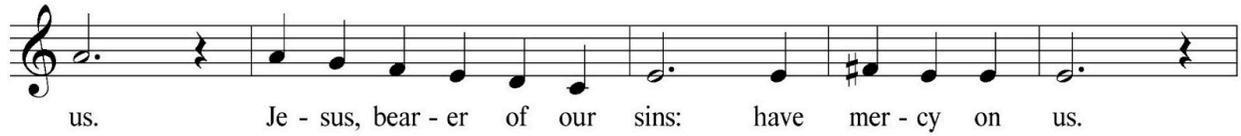


Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Agnus Dei



The Invitation to Holy Communion

Celebrant Behold what you are.

People **May we become what we receive.**

IF YOU ARE RECEIVING COMMUNION, PLEASE COME FORWARD
BEGINNING WITH THE BACK PEWS.

IF YOU WISH TO COME TO THE ALTAR RAIL FOR A BLESSING BUT DO NOT WISH TO RECEIVE
THE BREAD AND/OR THE WINE, PLEASE CROSS YOUR ARMS OVER YOUR CHEST.

TO RECEIVE THE BREAD, HOLD YOUR CUPPED HANDS FORTH
WHEN THE PRIEST APPROACHES YOU.

TO RECEIVE THE WINE, CONSUME THE BREAD AND HELP GUIDE THE CHALICE TO YOUR
MOUTH BY GENTLY GRASPING THE BASE, OR HOLD OUT YOUR HANDS
WITH THE BREAD TO THE CHALICER
WHO WILL DIP THE BREAD IN THE WINE AND THEN PLACE IT ON YOUR TONGUE.

PLEASE RETURN TO YOUR PEW BY THE SIDE AISLES.

The Communion Hymn
"Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing"

The Hymnal 1982, #344
SICILIAN MARINERS

1 Lord, dis - miss us with thy bless - ing; fill our hearts with
2 Thanks we give and a - dor - a - tion for thy Gos - pel's
3 so that when thy love shall call us, Sa - vior, from the

joy and peace; let us each, thy love pos - sess - ing,
joy - ful sound: may the fruits of thy sal - va - tion
world a - way, fear of death shall not ap - pall us,

tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace: O re - fresh us,
in our hearts and lives a - bound: ev - er faith - ful,
glad thy sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,

O re - fresh us trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.
ev - er faith - ful to thy truth may we be found;
may we ev - er reign with thee in end - less day.

Words: Att. John Fawcett (1739/40-1817) Music: *Sicilian Mariners*, Sicilian melody; first published *The European Magazine and London Review*, 1792, alt.

The Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord:
All **and grant in your mercy that those whom
you have nourished with this Paschal sacrament
may be made one in heart and mind;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

The Dismissal

THE DEACON, OR THE CELEBRANT, DISMISSES THE CONGREGATION AND THE PEOPLE
RESPOND "THANKS BE TO GOD. ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA"

Regina caeli

(Sung by All)



O Queen of heav - en, be joy - ful, al - le - lu - ia,



For he whom you have hum - bly borne for us, al - le - lu - ia,



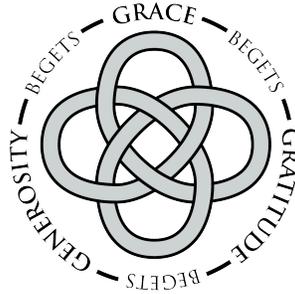
Has a - ris - en, as he prom - ised, al - le - lu - ia,



Of - fer now our prayer to God, al - le - lu - ia.

Organ Voluntary

Please join us for Coffee Hour after mass in Parlour Hall!



I am grateful for Rhett Judice who, while being immensely talented in his own right, takes the helm of the Skinner organ when I need to be away. —Ron Barnett

I'm so very grateful for our gardens and our gardeners and our inspiring and welcoming parishioners and architecture. —Carol Sayles

I am grateful for the Seward-Sebaldt family who provided a hot and nutritious meal to Ascencia on April 20. Thank you, thank you, thank you! —Deacon Susie

Thank you to Cindy Hunter who led a parent education evening for the preschool families Wednesday evening. I am grateful that she shared her time, wisdom and experience - parents are always so appreciative for the huge help and insights. —Julia Peacock

I am grateful today for coming to church with my sister and my dad and that God forgives my sins. —Angela Seyronyan

I am grateful today for the birds in the sky, the wind in the trees, and the clean air we breathe. —anonymous

Many thanks to Cindy Hunter who hosted Coffee Hour last Sunday, and much gratitude to the Dilger-Lawson Family who hosted the Welcome Table. Special thanks to Aubrey Larson who made a delicious Chicken Tortilla Soup with all the fixings (SO good!) for the Thursday night Faith and Practice class this past week, and to Arline Latino for chopping all the veggies for the salad. A BIG thank you to Jacqueline Segobin who helped in the front office this week, and to Geoff Howard (church treasurer and handyman extraordinaire!) who repaired the lock in the unisex bathroom by the front offices. Last (but not least!) thank you to the Egede-Nissen Family for locking up the church on Saturdays during April. —Chey Widdop

Would you like to include a gratitude statement in an upcoming e-blast? It's easy! Email Chey Widdop, Associate for Community Life at chey@saintmarks.la, or call 818-240-3860, option 2.

INFANTS, CHILDREN AND YOUTH:

Cry Room

If you are bringing your infant to church, we have a cry room available if parents feel like a break during mass is needed. The Cry Room is located above the Narthex, the entrance area of the sanctuary. Please ask a greeter if you need help finding it. *To be very clear, the clergy and staff of Saint Mark's FULLY welcome little ones in mass and believe God put the wiggle in children—and we love that!*

Nursery

Available to infants through non-toilet trained toddlers. The nursery (Preschool Red Room) opens at 9:45 am; parents are asked to sign their kids out of the nursery immediately following Mass. The nursery is staffed each week by one of our preschool teachers and a helper, except for the 5th Sunday of the month when we will need parent volunteers. *(To sign up, please email Deacon Susie Fowler: susie@saintmarks.la.)* Parents need to bring diapers & wipes, a comfort toy or blanket, and any bottles/snacks/water/juice that their kids might need.

Preschool and Kindergarten

Available to toilet trained toddlers through children in Kindergarten. The classroom (Preschool Blue Room) opens at 9:45 am; the children will be brought to their parents in church between the Lord's Prayer and the Agnus Dei, so that families can receive communion or a blessing together. Shelley Weitzel, assisted by Kristin Poon, lovingly teach this age group each week. On the few Sundays that Shelley is not able to be present, parent volunteers will be asked to stand in for her.

Grades 1 through 5

This age group will gather in the Preschool Yellow Room no earlier than 9:45 am, *with the exception of the 2nd Sunday of the month when the kids will meet in the Parish Hall for Children's Chapel & Communion (sorry, parents, but this is for the children only!)*. On Sundays when there is no Children's Chapel, the children will be brought to their parents in the church between the Peace/Offertory and the Eucharistic Prayer to receive communion or a blessing together. *Parent volunteers will be needed to teach and be present with this age group on all Sundays except the 2nd Sunday of the month. To sign up, please email Deacon Susie Fowler: susie@saintmarks.la.*

Volunteers Kristine Eller and Kate Mulligan are the Coordinators for this age group—they work together on lesson planning, parent recruitment, and developing occasional special events for kids and their families. Thank you Kristen and Kate!

Youth (Grades 6 through High School)

Deacon Robert Sammis meets in-person with the youth of our parish on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month after the 10 o'clock Mass. Youth gather in the Youth Room (naturally!) at the top of the front office stairs. Keep an eye out for special youth gatherings printed in the bulletin and sent in the E-blast on Fridays.

If you need help finding any of the locations mentioned above, please ask a greeter or anyone wearing a name tag.

COMMUNITY NOTICES:

WELCOME TABLE HOST

Kevin Liu

I came to Saint Mark's for the thoughtful, reverent worship and received such a warm and genuine welcome that I didn't even check other parishes. I look forward to seeing everyone at the Welcome Table on Sunday!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please email Chey Widdop, Associate for Community Life at chey@saintmarks.la, or call 818-240-3860, option 2.

- **May 6 — Nazik Kiourktzian, Janet Lawler**
- **May 7 — Zoe Quinn De Paolo, Robert Filip, Thomas Tate**

AN INVITATION TO REALM

Saint Mark's parish database and so much more!

Here at St. Mark's we have an online platform called Realm where parish members can create an account with a username and password. It's a great system that allows individuals and families to do things like add/update address information, include birthdays, and track giving, just to name a few. We would LOVE for our parish members to create their account in Realm!

To make the process easier, a table will be set up in the parish hall on Sundays during May at 10am coffee hour to help folks login and become familiar with the system. Kevin Liu (who is also serving as Welcome Table host on Sunday) will be at the table and is looking forward to helping folks get signed up! Thank you, Kevin!

If you would like to give it a go on your own, we applaud you! Please use the following link to get started: onrealm.org/saintmarks. Thank you to all the folks at Saint Mark's who have already signed up for Realm!

LAZIER FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

2024 Inaugural Year

Announcing the inaugural Lazier Family Scholarship, created to honor the numerous contributions of David and Janet Lazier. This annual scholarship is meant to assist and empower awardees as they begin their higher education journey. Active parish members who are graduating high school seniors (or graduated seniors currently engaged in an intentional gap year) with a GPA of 3.0 or higher are eligible to apply. To receive an application, or for more information, please email lazierscholarship@saintmarks.la. Application deadline is May 31.

If you would like to help grow this scholarship with a donation, please email the above address or make a gift through Realm at: onrealm.org/saintmarks/give/now and indicate Lazier Family Scholarship in the memo line.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION ON BRAND BLVD.

Through May 20, 7am - 5pm

Glendale will begin improvements on Brand between Glenoaks and Mountain on Tuesday, April 9.

Below are two links that will give you more information. The city is adding bike lanes along the curb with planters between the bike lane and the diagonal parking spaces. They are also reconstructing corners to shorten crosswalks. The second link has a drawing to show the final plan. It also has a contact email address for more information and a place to subscribe for updates. Hope you find this helpful!

- <https://www.glendaleca.gov/government/departments/public-works/projects/current/north-brand-boulevard-demonstration-project>
- <https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/4650e80aaa324ac3a7473611fc515422>

WORSHIP:

MID-WEEK WORSHIP

Wednesday, May 8 at 8am—Feast Day of Julian of Norwich

Triune God, Father and Mother to us all, who showed your servant Julian revelations of your nurturing and sustaining love: Move our hearts, like hers, to seek you above all things, for in giving us yourself you give us all. Amen.

CENTERING PRAYER

Mondays at 10am with Carol Sayles

Centering Prayer as a spiritual practice is about cultivating one's relationship with God. We do this by setting aside 20 minutes (ideally twice a day) to sit in silence and allow God to work in us. With eyes closed and seated comfortably, we let go of all thoughts and emotions during that prayer period. A sacred word of your choice assists in the process of releasing thoughts and feelings and returning to God's presence.

Carol Sayles has been involved in Centering Prayer for many years and would like to invite anyone in the parish to join her via Zoom on Mondays at 10am. Please reach out to Carol via email at: sayles.carol@gmail.com for the Zoom link. (The session is offered through Saint Mark's in Altadena.)

COMPLINE and SIMPLE SUPPER

Thursday, May 9 at 6:30pm

Compline and simple supper will return on May 9, Ascension Day, then the service will be on hiatus until September 5 for the start of the program year.

The evening will begin with supper in the parish hall. Please RSVP by May 7 if you plan to join for the meal. Or, you may attend Compline only, which starts at 8pm in the choir area of the sanctuary.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

Do you know someone who needs hours?

If so, please have them contact Chey Widdop in the church office. There are plenty of jobs around the church that are great for fulfilling community service hours!

Chey can be reached via email at: chey@saintmarks.la.

NEIGHBORS IN NEED

Natural disasters

It seems that natural disasters have become all too common, and the need in their aftermath is hard to wrap one's arms around. So many. Such loss. Where to begin? The most recent and prominently featured in the news are the earthquake in Morocco and the flood (made more deadly by bursting dams) in Libya. The loss of life has been staggering, as has been the displacement of persons. We continue to endorse Episcopal Relief & Development as a trustworthy avenue of support covering many concerns and needs around the world. If you go to their website, you will surely find that which weighs on your heart like no other. Please visit Episcopal Relief & Development (www.episcopalrelief.org) where you will find targeted efforts for Libya, Morocco, Maui and much much more.

PARISH ACTIVITIES:

SAINT MARK'S BOOK CLUB

Next Meeting: May 15 at 7pm via Zoom

The Saint Mark's Book Club invites you to join us in reading our next selection, *The Last Castle: The Epic Story of Love, Loss, and American Royalty in the Nation's Largest Home*, by Denise Kiernan.

- A New York Times bestseller with an "engaging narrative and array of detail" (The Wall Street Journal), the "intimate and sweeping" (Raleigh News & Observer) untold, true story behind the Biltmore Estate—the largest, grandest private residence in North America, which has seen more than 120 years of history pass by its front door.
- The story of Biltmore spans World Wars, the Jazz Age, the Depression, and generations of the famous Vanderbilt family, and features a captivating cast of real-life characters including F. Scott Fitzgerald, Thomas Wolfe, Teddy Roosevelt, John Singer Sargent, James Whistler, Henry James, and Edith Wharton.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, May 15 at 7:00 P.M. via Zoom. We'd love to see you there! Contact Julia Joslin at (818) 486-4961 or juliajoslin@hotmail.com for more information.

MUSIC IN THE GARDEN: THE LONGEST DAY CABARET

Save the Date: Friday, June 21 from 7-8:30pm

The Sun's warmth provides the light necessary for all living beings to thrive and prosper. The summer solstice is a great day to get together with friends, family, and loved ones, and express our gratitude for these gifts and celebrate the source of life on Earth.

Come celebrate with us at The Longest Day Cabaret on Friday June 21st from 7-8:30pm! Featuring delectable drinks, delicious bites, and the Saint Mark's Band, not to mention some extra sunlight!

Would you like to volunteer to help with Music in the Garden? We need folks for set-up (4:30pm), serving, and clean-up (8:30-9pm). Contact Chey Widdop if you can help: chey@saintmarks.la.

SAINT MARK'S COOKBOOK PROJECT

Send in your recipe today...deadline is July 4!

Do you have a special recipe that has been passed down for generations? Or perhaps a recipe that you love making for yourself and others? Or maybe something that has become your signature dish? Alma Saghi and Mason Shefa are collecting recipes for an upcoming Saint Marks cookbook. Send one or send multiple, so long as you include a short paragraph about why each recipe is meaningful to you. (The dessert category is now full.) Please send recipes to Mason shefa@mshefa@gmail.com. We are looking to fill the following categories:

- Hors d'Oeuvres
- Soups and Salads
- Vegetables & Side Dishes
- Luncheon Dishes
- Dinner Entrées
- Cocktails
- Miscellaneous

EPISCOPAL NIGHT AT DODGER STADIUM

L.A. Dodgers vs. Cleveland Guardians

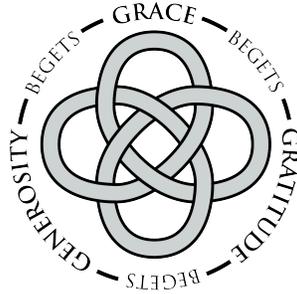
Join Saint Mark's congregation for a night out at Dodger Stadium on Friday, September 6 at 7:00pm.

Baseball season is underway, so it is time once again for all Episcopalians to gather at Dodger Stadium for Episcopal Night, featuring the Dodgers and the Guardians. This year's game date is Friday evening, September 6. The game starts at 7:00 p.m. and tickets are \$35. There will also be a drone show following the game, so plan to stay.

Sign up for tickets at the Welcome Table, or go to our webpage:
<https://www.saintmarks.la/episcopal-night-at-dodger-stadium>.

Deadline to sign-up for tickets is Sunday, July 21!

PLEDGE PAYMENTS/DONATIONS/OFFERINGS/GIFTS:



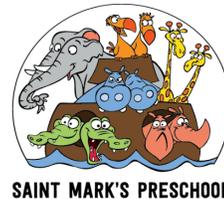
**We experience God's grace in our lives.
Our response to grace is gratitude.
In gratitude, we share God's bounty.
In sharing God's bounty, we extend grace into other's lives.**

Thank you to everyone for your pledge payments, donations, offerings, and gifts to Saint Mark's! Your faithful generosity makes a difference and we are extremely grateful for each of you.

Weekly, monthly, quarterly or annual pledges/offerings/gifts may be:

- placed in the Offering Plate on Sundays
- mailed to the church office (1020 N. Brand Blvd., Glendale, CA 91202)
- automatically mailed to Saint Mark's by your bank
- charged to your credit/debit card via the secure giving portal by going to www.saintmarks.la/giving

Questions about our stewardship program or pledging? Contact Chey Widdop, Associate for Community Life, at chey@saintmarks.la, or by calling 818-240-3860, option 2.



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