

ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



LENT

The Second Sunday of Lent

**Holy Eucharist, Rite II
March 17, 2019 • 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.**

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Welcome Guests!

We warmly welcome those who worship with us today!

During your visit today, you can relax and just observe, or participate as you feel comfortable. Some of the worship service may seem new to you. That's okay. You're welcome to be at ease. We trust you'll feel at home here soon.

If you are thinking and praying, searching and hoping for a place to belong, to serve God, and to make a difference in this world, be our guest! There is a special place here at St. Mark's just for you. We're so glad you are here.

THE MINISTERS OF ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH ARE THE PEOPLE OF THIS PARISH

supported by our Vestry

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WE SERVE OUR LORD AS PART OF THE DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA

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The Rt. Rev. Susan E. Goff, *Bishop Suffragan of Virginia*

The Rev. Dr. John C. N. Hall, *Interim Rector*

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

THE WORD OF GOD

The people(who are able) stand for the

Processional Hymn

Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured

Hymnal #313(vs.1-3)

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **God's mercy endures forever.**

The Penitential Order

Celebrant Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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

Kyrie • Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

WLP #840

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons *The people sit.*

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, “Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” And Abram said, “You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.” But the word of the LORD came to him, “This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.” He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness. Then he said to him, “I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.” But he said, “O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?” He said to him, “Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon.” He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away. As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, “To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates.”

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 27 *Dominus illuminatio*

- 1 The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? *
the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?
- 2 When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, *
it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who stumbled and fell.
- 3 Though an army should encamp against me, *
yet my heart shall not be afraid;
- 4 And though war should rise up against me, *
yet will I put my trust in him.
- 5 One thing have I asked of the LORD; one thing I seek; *
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;
- 6 To behold the fair beauty of the LORD *
and to seek him in his temple.

- 7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; *
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.
- 8 Even now he lifts up my head *
above my enemies round about me.
- 9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; *
I will sing and make music to the LORD.
- 10 Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; *
have mercy on me and answer me.
- 11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." *
Your face, LORD, will I seek.
- 12 Hide not your face from me, *
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.
- 13 You have been my helper; cast me not away; *
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.
- 14 Though my father and my mother forsake me, *
the LORD will sustain me.
- 15 Show me your way, O LORD; *
lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.
- 16 Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries, *
for false witnesses have risen up against me, and also those who speak malice.
- 17 What if I had not believed that I should see the goodness of the LORD *
in the land of the living!
- 18 O tarry and await the LORD's pleasure; be strong, and he shall comfort your heart; *
wait patiently for the LORD.

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

People The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

All (who are able) stand for the

Gradual Hymn

I To The Hills Will Lift Mine Eyes

Hymnal #668

Then, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People

Glorify to you, Lord Christ.

Luke 13:31-35

Some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All sit for

The Sermon • *The Rev. John C. N. Hall, Interim Rector*

The Nicene Creed *All (who are able) stand.*

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 I

The Leader and People pray responsively

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

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

For our Bishop, for all the clergy and people, and for all those mentioned in our prayer list, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

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

People **Lord, have mercy.**

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

People **Lord, have mercy.**

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, 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.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

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

People **Lord, have mercy.**

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

People **Lord, have mercy.**

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

In the communion of Saint Mark and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People **To you, O Lord our God.**

We pray for our parish and our new Rector.

We thank you Lord for the community of St. Mark's church; for the love among us and the ministries we do. Be with us now as we prepare to call a new Rector. Guide the Search Committee as they help us to discern our future and how we may continue to know your will for our parish family. Strengthen us as we look to a new future built on the foundation of the past. Help us to know what to keep and what to let go. Enlighten the heart of the person who will be our new Rector, that they will hear your call. Give us all courage and faith to trust you to lead us to a new and exciting future. Amen.

The Peace

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

All are seated for the

Offertory Anthem

“Into the Woods, My Master Went”

by Austin Lovelace

The Doxology *All (who are able) stand.*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn: (WLP #857)

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, and Jacob and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

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

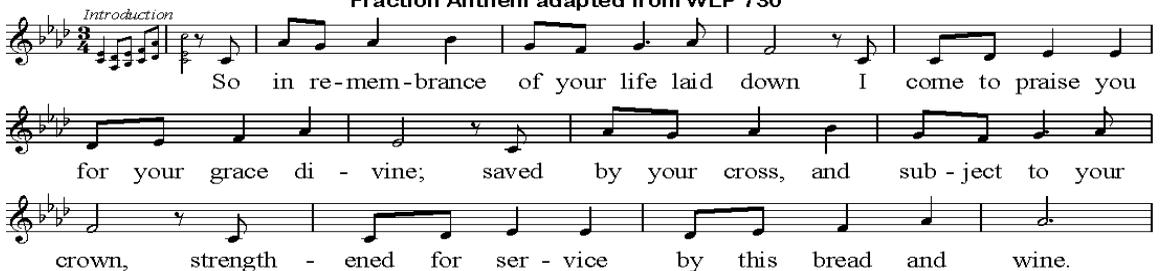
People **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Fraction Anthem adapted from WLP 730

Introduction



So in re-mem-brance of your life laid down I come to praise you
for your grace di - vine; saved by your cross, and sub - ject to your
crown, strength - ened for ser - vice by this bread and wine.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion.

Communion Hymn

How Firm a Foundation

Hymnal #636

After Communion, the People (who are able) stand and the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

People **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.**

The Solemn Prayer Over the People

Deacon Bow down before the Lord.

Celebrant Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice forever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

All are seated for the

Announcements

All (who are able) stand for the

Closing Hymn

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Hymnal #691

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses the People with these words

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Please join us for fellowship following the service.



Worship Service Volunteers

LEMs

3/17/19 Bonnie Wilkins/Sheryl Sims
3/24/19 James Bailes/Michael Foughty

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3/17/19 Al Dominic/Rodney Fisher
3/24/19 TBD

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3/17/19 Ana Ventura
3/24/19 Jimmy Bailes

Acolytes

3/17/19 Ryan Lear/Ben Bluey
3/24/19 Hannah Luxner/JoAnna Wright

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3/17/19 Sidoux Mitchell/Estela Escobar
3/24/19 Donna Anderson/Kathy Hughes

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3/17/19 Wally & Terry Tienken
3/24/19 Mary Stockstill

Ushers

3/17/19 Nihal Masih/Pam Smith
3/24/19 Wally Tienken/Eulie Campbell

Flower Guild

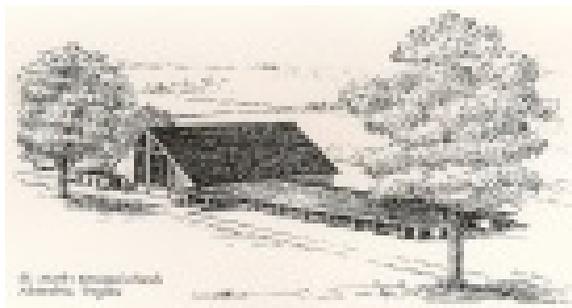
3/17/19 Sidoux Mitchell
3/24/19 Delsa Chui

Tellers

3/17/19 Karen Ashworth/Irrsula Mpouma
3/24/19 JW Bailes/Steve Mitchell

Vestry Person

3/17/19 Tracy Tienken
3/24/19 Rob Bluey



“Enter to Worship.....Exit to Serve”