

WELCOME TO  
**ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
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**THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2017**

**10:00 AM CHRISTMAS LESSONS AND CAROLS**  
+  
**HOLY EUCHARIST & HOLY BAPTISM**

**Presider & Homilist**  
The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

**Deacon**  
The Reverend Cynthia Dopp

**Director of Music**  
Mr. Jeff Kempeskie

**Cell Phones** – Please turn off your cell phone or other electronic devices at any time you are in the Nave.  
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**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, which will be the last room on your right.

**The Parish Calendar is Online at** [www.stmarks.net/calendar/month](http://www.stmarks.net/calendar/month).

**Restrooms and water fountains** are available in the foyer and on the lower level.

**Lost & Found** is managed by our Parish Administrator. Please contact James (202-543-0053, ext. 306) to see if your item has been found or to turn in an item you've found.

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### DECEMBER 24 & 25, 2017

|                                       |                    |
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| <b>Attendance:</b>                    | <b>798</b>         |
| <b>Pledge &amp; Plate collection:</b> | <b>\$86,305.51</b> |

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The Advent/Christmas Wreath, which was 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 sculptor 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

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## SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| <b>9:00 am</b>  | <b>Holy Eucharist</b> ( <i>Family Eucharist is celebrated the second Sunday of most months</i> ) |
| <b>9:00 am</b>  | <b>Children's Chapel</b> ( <i>not offered when Family Eucharist is celebrated at 9:00 am</i> )   |
| <b>10:00 am</b> | <b>Sermon Seminar</b>  |
| <b>11:15 am</b> | <b>Holy Eucharist</b>  |
| <b>5:00 pm</b>  | <b>Contemplative Eucharist</b>   |

***We formally begin the worship service with the Prelude, a musical offering designed to bring us together for worship that allows for quiet reflection before the service begins. Please respect this time by refraining from conversations in the Nave as much as possible. While greeting each other is important, we ask that you do so outside the Nave or near the doors so that others can have quiet time.***

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**Prelude** Contemplation on St. Louis

*St. Louis*, arr. A.D. Miller (b. 1972)

**Opening Hymn** 107 Good Christian friends, rejoice

*In dulci jubilo*

## Opening Sentences

**Presider** Behold, I bring you good news of great joy: a Savior is born to you. Alleluia.

**People** **Unto us a child is born. Alleluia.**

**Presider** There is one Body and one Spirit.

**People** **There is one hope in God's call to us.**

**Presider** Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

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

**Song of Praise** Hymn 96 Angels we have heard on high, v. 1

*Gloria*

Angels we have heard on high, singing sweetly through the night,  
And the mountains in reply echoing their brave delight.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

## Bidding Prayer

**Presider** Dear People of the Incarnate God: as we hear again the story of God's loving purposes from the beginning of creation, may we find that peace is born among us, embodied in frail flesh like our own. With hope in the power of that miracle, we pray that this child whose birth we celebrate awakens in us a longing and a will to heal our broken and hurting world. We pray that the peace proclaimed by angels to the shepherds in the field will be realized in every place of war and on every violent street.

**People** **Come now, O God of love. Reconcile your people and make us one body.**

*Please be seated.*

## THE LESSONS & CAROLS

**Lesson I** Genesis 3:1 – 23, adapted

*Read by Raiford Gaffney*

*Adam and Eve rebel against God and are cast out of the Garden of Eden.*

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that God had made. He said to them, 'Did God say, "You shall not eat from any tree in the garden"?' They said to the serpent, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die."' But the serpent said to them, 'You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' So when they saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, they took of its fruit and ate.

Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves. They heard the sound of God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and woman hid themselves from the presence of God among the trees of the garden. But God called to the man, and said to him, 'Where are you?' He said, 'I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.' God said, 'Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?' They said, 'The serpent tricked us, and we ate.'

God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.' To the woman God said, 'I will greatly increase your pangs in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children.'... And to the man he said, '...cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life; thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread until you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; you are dust, and to dust you shall return.' The woman was named Eve, because she was the mother of all who live. And God made garments of skins for the man and for the woman, and clothed them. Then God said, 'See, they have become like one of us, knowing good and evil; and now, they might reach out their hands and take also from the tree of life, and eat, and live forever'— therefore God sent them forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground.

**Hymn 86** Savior of our fallen race

*Gonfalon Royal*

**Lesson II** Isaiah 7:10-15

*Read by Jan Lipscomb*

*Isaiah prophesizes the birth of a chosen child.*

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: 'Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good.'

**Hymn 82** Of the Father's love begotten

*Divinum mysterium*

v. 1 all; v. 2 women; v. 3 men; v. 4 all

**Lesson III** John 1:1-18

*Read by David Willson*

*The Word was made flesh and we have seen his glory.*

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

## **The Homily**

*The Reverend Michele H. Morgan*

## **Procession to the Font**

Hymn 94 While shepherds watched their flocks by night, v. 1

*Winchester Old*

*All sing.*

**Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod;  
With its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?  
Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river;  
Gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.**

## **The Baptism**

*Please see laminated Holy Baptism sheet.*

## **CANDIDATE**

WE CELEBRATE THE BAPTISM OF  
✠ MARIE SUSAN BERES MORLEY ✠

## **The Peace**

Presider      The peace of God be always with you.  
People        **And also with you.**

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

## **Welcome**

## **Clergy Greeting**

## **Electronic Offering**

Text "stmarks20003" to 73256 to give to St. Mark's using text messaging. There may be a slight delay, and then you will receive a reply text which will guide you through the initial set up.

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

**Offertory Anthem** What Is This Lovely Fragrance?

arr. Healey Willan

What is this lovely fragrance wafting like to the scents of flow'rs in spring?  
Shepherds, O tell us, whence such beauty hear you not heav'nly caroling?  
What is this lovely fragrance wafting like to the scents of flow'rs in spring?

What is this light so fair, so tender breaking upon our wond'ring eyes?  
Never the Morning Star so radiant followed his course o'er eastern skies.  
What is this light so fair, so tender breaking upon our wond'ring eyes?

Shepherds, O haste with eager footsteps seek the Saviour, born today.  
Low at His feet we lay our treasure, heart's adoration, love for aye.  
Shepherds, O haste with eager footsteps seek the Saviour, born today.

*Please stand, as able.*

**Presentation Hymn** 115 What child is this, who, laid to rest, v. 1

*Greensleeves*

## **Eucharistic Prayer**

Presider God be with you.

**People And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

**People We lift them to God.**

Presider Let us give thanks to God.

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

Presider We thank you loving God, for you did not abandon us or stand far off but came in awful nearness with the urgency of love.

Now we praise you for the Word made flesh born of Mary's body, nurtured in her womb, cradled in her arms, greeted by her song.

The fullness of God dwells in his flesh, a touch of welcome for the one thrown aside, good news of bread for the hungry and poor, a shepherd to find those who are lost.

Now we are caught up, body and soul resound with the glory of music divine, echoing through the hallowed earth:

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

**Presider** We ask that your Holy Spirit will fall upon us and upon these gifts that these fragile, earthly things may be to us the body and blood of our lord and brother, Jesus Christ; who, on the night that he was betrayed, gathered with his faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom. Calling them to his table, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me."

In the same way after supper, he took the cup, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me."

As on that night, so here and now he offers himself in touch and taste beyond all words can hold.

Great is the mystery of faith.

**People** **Christ has died.**  
**Christ has risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

**Presider** Therefore, in our eating and drinking we are filled with the life-giving presence of Christ; we proclaim him as creation's host, transforming poverty into plenty in the reckless generosity of love.

Inspire us with the hope that one day death and greed will be no more and people without number will come from east and west, north and south to share the kingdom meal. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord, by whom and with whom and in whom in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory be yours, Mother of blessings, for ever and ever.

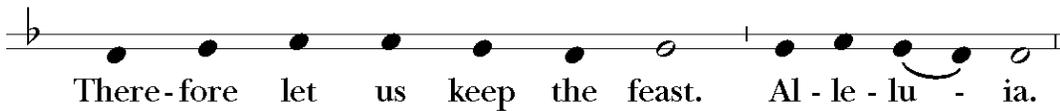
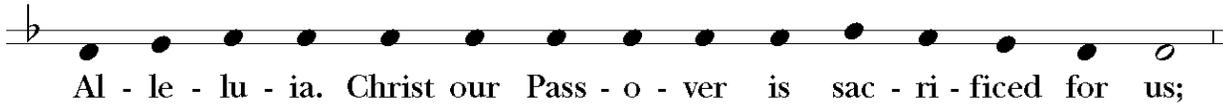
**All** **AMEN.**

Presider Now, in the words Jesus taught us, we pray,

**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.

### Fraction Anthem S 152

Ambrosian chant, adapt. Mason Martens



### Invitation to Communion

Presider We, St. Mark's, recognize this as God's table set before us and for all and this bread and wine as God's food for us and for all. Therefore whoever we are, from wherever we have come, and whatever we believe,

**All** All are welcome and invited to receive. Amen.

### The Communion

*Please gather one group at a time around the altar.*

*Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available; please make your needs known to the minister.*

### Music During Communion

Hymn 104 A stable lamp is lighted

*Andujar*

Hymn 89 It came upon a midnight clear

*Carol*

### The Post-Communion Prayer

Presider Let us pray.

**All** We thank you that our hunger finds its rest in him who offers body and blood for the life of the waiting world: earth our wandering spirit and show yourself to us in the face of every other. Amen.

Closing Hymn 105 God rest you merry, gentlemen

*God Rest You Merry*

### The Blessing

Presider The peace of God, the שלום of God, the سلام of God, which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ, our Savior; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you, and remain with you always.

**All** Amen!

## Dismissal

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

**Postlude** Christmas Is Here

French Carol, arr. Dale Wood (1934-2003)

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## Liturgy Sources

Bidding Prayer adapted from *Christmas Eve 2007*, Washington National Cathedral; Prayers of the People Eucharistic and Post-Communion Prayers from *Prayers for an Inclusive Church*; the Blessing is adapted from *The Book of Common Prayer*.

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## Liturgical Leaders and Worship Participants

|              |   |
|--------------|---|
| Verger       | Jan Lipscomb  |
| Acolyte      | Michael Knipe   |
| Altar Guild  | Josie Jordan and Margaret Wood                              |
| Bread & Wine | Beryl Maloney-Lillaston                                     |
| Lay Servers  | Raiford Gaffney, Liz Layton, Fairfield Butt, and Cindy Kopp |
| Readers      | David Willson, Scripture; Janice Gregory, Prayers           |

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## *CYCLE OF PRAYER*

### *IN THE DIOCESE OF WASHINGTON*

Church of the Epiphany, DC  
Welcome Table and Street Church, Church of the Epiphany, DC  
Epiphany Church, Forestville  
Provincial Youth Retreat (January 5-7)  
The Feast of the Epiphany (January 6)

### *ANGLICAN COMMUNION*

Zululand - (Southern Africa) The Rt Revd Monument Makhanya

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## *PARISH PRAYER LIST*

Bill Babcock • Sylvie Kalas Braddock (Barbara Nelson's granddaughter)  
Jack Burton • Joya Cox • Alisa Earnest (Lynda Bugge's grandchild)  
Taylor Emerson (Randy Marks' niece) • Joyce Gutson Dave Haglund  
Brock Hansen • Michael Henely • Olga Juarez Jose (Mary Ellison's partner)  
Debbie Keysor • Alice Kistler (Kathryn Powers' sister) • Elizabeth Long  
Lina Marks (Randy Marks' mother) • Lila Marks • Nat Marks  
Barbara Nelson • Lilly March • Pamela Burton Moore (Jack Burton's daughter)  
Ann-Mari Pierotti (Joan Pierotti's daughter) • Kristin Proctor (Student of Rosie Brooks)  
Randell Prothro • Bill Rau • Carol Roman • Rosalie Ryan • Gardner Van Scoyoc  
Andrew Stafford • Arnold Taylor • Chuck and Karen Wicker (friends of Dick Rumpf)

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## *THOSE OF OUR PARISH SERVING IN THE MILITARY*

Vincent Alcazar (Parishioner) • Burr Barton (nephew of Jan Hamilton)  
Clint Billings (son of Kevin Billings and Mary Louise Wagner)  
P. J. Boehm (brother of Rachel Boehm) • Preston Brooks (Parishioner)  
Todd Daniels (nephew of Jan Hamilton)  
Stephen Dannenmaier (brother and brother-in-law of Bill and Molly Dannenmaier)  
Jason Earnest (grandson of Lynda Smith-Bugge) • Benjamin Keltz (nephew of Jan Hamilton)  
Kurt Hansen (nephew of Brock and Penny Hansen)  
Joshua Russo, husband of Claire Russo • Weston Zarek (son of Tom Zarek)

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| Class of '19  | Stephanie Deutsch, Thia Hamilton, Beth Mahood |                          |
| Class of '20  | Tracy Council, Jim Brooks, Alix Pereira       |                          |
| Officers      | Martha Huizenga, <i>Treasurer</i>             |                          |
|               | Mary Anderson Cooper, <i>Register</i>         |                          |
|               | Michael Knipe, <i>Manciple</i>                |                          |
|               | Michael Knipe, <i>Counsel</i>                 |                          |

## Diocesan Delegates

Michael Knipe                      Cecilia Monahan                      Jim Steed

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# Welcome Guests!

We'd like to get to know you better!

We invite you to fill out this page, tear it off, and drop it into the offering plate or hand it to one of the greeters as you leave. Please take the rest of this service bulletin with you, so that you can refer to the service schedule, office directory, and information about upcoming events and classes at St. Mark's.

We hope you feel at home with us. If you have questions, please speak with the clergy or one of the greeters after the service. You can also call the office at any time and we will be happy to help you in any way we can.

Thank you for visiting St. Mark's today.

*Go in peace and return often!*

**After completing, please remove this page and place in the offering plate or give to a greeter.**

I attended:            \_\_\_\_\_ 9 am Holy Eucharist  
                              \_\_\_\_\_ 10 am Sermon Seminar  
                              \_\_\_\_\_ 11:15 am Holy Eucharist  
                              \_\_\_\_\_ 5 pm Contemplative Eucharist  
                              \_\_\_\_\_ Special (wedding, funeral, etc.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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I am interested in learning more about:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Baptism (child, adult)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Getting married at St. Mark's
- \_\_\_\_\_ Music (choir, lessons)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Children/youth classes & programs
- \_\_\_\_\_ Adult classes
- \_\_\_\_\_ Senior programs/activities
- \_\_\_\_\_ Outreach/community service
- \_\_\_\_\_ Environmental issues
- \_\_\_\_\_ Yoga classes
- \_\_\_\_\_ Dance classes
- \_\_\_\_\_ St. Mark's Players (theatrical productions)

Would you like to be contacted by a clergyperson?    \_\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ No

**Newcomers! Join us the first Sunday of each month in Baxter Hall on the main level from 10:45 to 11:15.**

*You can stay up to date on St. Mark's news by signing up online for the weekly Gospel e-newsletter at [www.stmarks.net/contact-us/](http://www.stmarks.net/contact-us/). If you'd like to join the St. Mark's Yahoo group, please contact George Meng at [gem@menglaw.com](mailto:gem@menglaw.com) and ask to be added.*