



WELCOME TO
ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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CAPITOL HILL

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THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 1, 2017

5:00 PM CONTEMPLATIVE EUCHARIST

Presider and Preacher
The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

*Following the service please join us for a Happy Hour "Mezze"
to meet the pilgrims to the Holy Land*

Cell Phones – Please turn off your cell phone or other electronic devices at any time you are in the Nave.

Hearing – The T-Coil system can be accessed by using a hearing aid with a T-setting, or by using one of our headsets. Please ask an usher for assistance.

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The Parish Calendar is Online at 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 new maintenance contractor PMM. Please contact the PMM On-Site Team (202-695-9433) to see if your item has been found or to turn in an item you've found.

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SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

Attendance:	278
Pledge & Plate collection:	\$4,971.75

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The Honduras Cross symbolizes St. Mark's connection with the broader Anglican Communion and our obligations to our sisters and brothers around the world. Eileen Blumenthal and the 2000 Mission to Honduras designed the cross, and Eileen commissioned its construction in Honduras as a gift to St. Mark's community.

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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

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.

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Welcome

Presider Welcome in the name of God, whose grace, mercy and peace be with you.

People And also with you.

Opening Sentences

Presider Speak to us

People that we may hear your word.

Presider Move among us

People that we may behold your glory.

Presider Receive our prayers

People that we may learn to trust you. Amen.

A period of silence is observed.

The Collect

Presider God be with you.

All And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

All God of strange authority, whose questions challenge the powers of this world: teach us to look beyond appearance, to see your power emptying itself through Jesus Christ, the only Lord, the humble Servant. Amen.

Please be seated.

The Hebrew Bible Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to us.

People Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Matthew 21:23-32

Gospeller The Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

Gospeller This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Homily

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

Music for Meditation

The Immigrants Creed

Presider Let us affirm our faith together:

People I believe in God, who guided the people in exile and in exodus, the God of Joseph, Moses and Miriam in Egypt and Daniel in Babylon, the God of foreigners and immigrants.

I believe in Jesus Christ, a displaced Galilean, who was born away from his people and his home, who fled his country with his parents when his life was in danger, and returning to his own country suffered the oppression of the tyrant Pontius Pilate, the servant of a foreign power, who then was persecuted, beaten, and finally tortured, accused and condemned to death unjustly. But on the third day, this scorned Jesus rose from the dead, not as a foreigner but to offer us a larger citizenship in God.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the eternal immigrant from God's kingdom among us, who speaks all languages, lives in all countries, and reunites all races.

I believe that the church is the secure home for the foreigner and for all believers who constitute it, who speak the same language and have the same purpose.

I believe that the Communion of the Saints begins when we accept the diversity of the saints.

I believe in the forgiveness, which makes us all equal, and in the reconciliation, which identifies us more than does race, language or nationality.

I believe that in the Resurrection, God will unite us as one people in which all are distinct and all are alike at the same time.

Beyond this world, I believe in Life Eternal in which no one will be an immigrant but all will be citizens of God's kingdom, which will never end. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Leader Let us pray. God, as our Jewish family honors the Day of Atonement, allow us to understand better our history and our connection to other faith communities.
We ask for grace

People **to be a new people.**

Leader God, as we move through our year, allow us to see new ways of following Jesus and acting as your prophets in this broken world. We ask for grace

People **to be a new people.**

Leader God, as we experience and witness pain, sickness, loneliness, and loss, allow us to find new ways of comforting and serving each other. We ask for grace

People **to be a new people.**

Leader God, as your people, including us, struggle to see the humanity in “enemies,” allow us the empathy to connect with those with whom we profoundly disagree, so that we, by example, may help create the world of which you dream. We ask for grace

People **to be a new people.**

*All may share prayers of petition, intercession, and thanksgiving silently, or if aloud, ending by saying “**This is my prayer**” to which the community will respond “**Amen.**”*

A time for individual prayers is observed.

Leader Let us pray.

People **We offer our prayers in the faith that you, our Creator; Jesus, our Brother; and the Holy Spirit, our connection to the divine; will hear them and empower us to be your hands to answer them. Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Presider Let us take a moment to reflect on our lives.

A period of silence is observed.

People God, in our mistakes we have avoided your call.
Our love for you is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes away early.

Have mercy on us;
bind up our wounds and revive us;
Refresh us with a new source of water,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Absolution

Presider God forgives you, forgive yourself and go in peace.

People **Amen.**

Blessing of the Holy Land Pilgrims

Presider Today, we ask God's blessing on these "pilgrims" as they prepare for their journey to the Holy Land. Pilgrims, as you travel to the holy places shared by Christians, Jews, and Muslims, we pray you will be spiritually nourished.

Pilgrims We will with God's help.

Presider Recognizing the tension and conflict you will encounter, we pray you will minister to one another and those you meet with patience, kindness, and compassion.

Pilgrims We will with God's help.

Presider We pray you will gain new perspectives on the search for a just and lasting peace for Palestinians and Israelis alike.

Pilgrims We will with God's help.

Presider When you return, we pray that you will share your experiences of faith and understanding, not only with the St. Mark's community, but with the wider world.

Pilgrims We will with God's help.

The people stand, as able.

Presider To the community here gathered, will you keep these pilgrims in your daily thoughts and prayers while they are apart from us?

All **We will.**

Pilgrims And we will keep all of you in our thoughts and prayers each day.

Presider Let us pray together:

All **O God, make us instruments of your peace. Fill us with your abiding spirit and strengthen us to be your reconciling presence in the world. Amen.**

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.

Vestry Welcome, Announcement, Clergy Greeting

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Eucharistic Prayer

Presider God be with you.

All And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to God.

Presider Let us give thanks to God.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we exclaim

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your Glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:

“Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Presider Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

All AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider And now, as our Savior 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.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Invitation to Communion

Presider We 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, wherever we have come from, 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

Post-Communion Prayer

Presider Together, let us pray.

All Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed, that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Presider The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God, strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity.
All **Amen.**

Dismissal

Presider Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing be with you always.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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Liturgy Request

At St. Mark's, we frequently change the liturgy (the language we use during our worship service). Our goal is to use language that reflects our common effort to put into words our relationship with God. In order to keep the liturgy truly alive and life giving, we need your input. Please feel free to contact the clergy at any time to discuss the liturgy and how the words we say affect you.

Liturgy Sources

Welcome, Opening Sentences, Confession (adapted): Church of England Common Worship. Collect: Prayers for an Inclusive Church. The Immigrants Creed (adapted): Jose Luis Casal, General Missioner Tres Rios Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church USA. Prayers of the People: Randy Marks. Eucharistic Prayer and Post-Communion Prayer: Rite for Jubilee Ministry, Prayer 1, The Episcopal Church. Absolution: St. John's Episcopal Minneapolis. Blessing: Celtic. Dismissal: Society of Saint Claire.

Liturgical Leadership

Verger

Michele Rivard

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2017 St. Mark's Pilgrimage Travelers - September 17 – November 1

Charles Alcorn	Glen Ellyn, Illinois
Sandra Alcorn	Glen Ellyn, Illinois
Tammy Borman	New Jersey
Fiona Bryce	United Kingdom
John Burgess	Washington, DC – St. Columba's
Karen Burgess	Washington, DC – St. Columba's
Betty Sue Flowers	New York, NY
Karen Getman	Washington, DC - St. Mark's
Tom Getman	Washington, DC - St. Mark's
Claudette Haring	Milwaukee, WI
Grady Hedgespeth	Washington, DC - St. Mark's
Fritz Henn	Washington, DC - St. Mark's
Kate Kallis	Hingham, MA
Jessica Kauffman	Denver, CO
Roger Kilgore	Denver, CO
Sue Kilgore	Denver, CO
Allegra Louw	Cape Town, South Africa
Lionel Louw	Cape Town, South Africa
Randy Marks	Washington, DC – St. Mark's
Carolyn Michalski	Milwaukee, WI

Please pray for the peace
in the Holy Land and
keep us in your thoughts and prayers
as we travel.

Tom Neu	Chevy Chase, MD
Ian Woods	United Kingdom
Ngomane Nompumelelo (Mungi)	Nashville, TN
Edmund Ovington	United Kingdom
Heather Powers	Takoma Park, MD, St. Mark's
John Salzberg	Sandy Springs, MD
Alan Thomas	Rockville, MD
Cynthia Thomas	Rockville, MD
Sharon Townsend	New Jersey
Janet Vail	Washington, DC – St. Mark's
David Wood	United Kingdom
Hazel Wood	United Kingdom



CYCLE OF PRAYER

IN THE DIOCESE OF WASHINGTON

St. Francis Church

Pray for humane treatment of all of God's creatures, especially companion, rescue, and service animals

ANGLICAN COMMUNION

Southern Philippines - (Philippines) The Rt Revd Danilo Labacanacruz Bustamante



PARISH PRAYER LIST

Sue Ash (Christina Herman's sister) • Bill Babcock
Sylvie Kalas Braddock (Barbara Nelson's granddaughter) • Janice Brown
Jack Burton • Joya Cox • Alisa Earnest (Lynda Bugge's grandchild)
Taylor Emerson (Randy Marks' niece) • Mr. and Mrs. David Glaze (of Boulder, CO)
Joyce Gutson • Dave Haglund • Brock Hansen • Rick Hayes • Michael Henely
Debbie Keysor • Alice Kistler (Kathryn Powers' sister) • Dennis Lewis
Elizabeth Long • Lina Marks (Randy Marks' mother) • Lila Marks • Nat Marks
Lilly March • Pamela Burton Moore (Jack Burton's daughter) • Barbara Nelson
Ann-Mari Pierotti (Joan Pierotti's daughter) • Randell Prothro • Bill Rau
Rosalie Ryan • Gardner Van Scoyoc • Andrew Stafford • Arnold Taylor



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)



THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Gary Paust (Mandy Paust's father)



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Announcements, not to exceed 150 words, are to be submitted to bulletin@stmarks.net by 5:00 pm on the Tuesday preceding the Sunday you wish the announcement to run.



St. Mark's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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 _____

Email _____

Zip Code _____

Phone _____

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/. If you'd like to join the St. Mark's Yahoo group, please contact George Meng at gem@menqlaw.com and ask to be added.