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ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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VERNA DOZIER CENTENNIAL SUNDAY

OCTOBER 8, 2017

5:00 PM CONTEMPLATIVE EUCHARIST

Presider and Homilist
Michele H. Morgan

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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OCTOBER 1, 2017

Attendance:	243
Pledge & Plate collection:	\$5,103.76

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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

Opening Sentences

Presider Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's Kingdom now and forever. Amen.

The Collect

Presider God be with you.

All And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

All God of peace, sending your word vulnerable to a violent world: take from us the closed fist of death; reveal to us the open arms of love that we might stumble and fall into your hands, through Jesus Christ, our victim and our savior. Amen.

A period of silence is observed.

The Hebrew Bible Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labor and do all your work.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die." Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin."

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

The Gospel Matthew 21:33-46

Gospeller The Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.'" So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time."

Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures:
'The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord's doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes'?"

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls."

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

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 Knowing this beautiful and hallowed building is not the Church;

People **Help us remember we are the Church.**

Leader And so let us pray for the Church and for the world:

Gracious God: We give thanks for the life of Dr. Verna J. Dozier, an inheritor of your kingdom who, through her life, study, and work, helped equip us for the work you have given us to do.

People **Help us commit our lives to this doing this work.**

Leader Dreaming God: we know we have failed your dream for us;
People **We ask you to wait patiently for us.**

Leader We are faithless people who demand certainty but you continuously call us to ministry.
People **Help us become citizens of your kingdom by becoming daring, free, accepting, and compassionate.**

Leader In your kingdom, we will not be bound by yesterday, we will fear no tomorrow;
People **We will draw no lines between friend and foe, acceptable and outcast.**

Leader We are not changed by judging one another;
People **Help us remember to love instead.**

Leader We ignore the justice of the Old Testament yet wax dewy-eyed over love in the New;
People **Help us remember that love is justice in action, that love without justice is sentimentality.**

Leader We know we are not called to worship Jesus;
People **Help us remember to follow Him.**

Leader We know that it does not matter what we believe;
People **Help us to realize the difference our belief makes in our life and the lives we touch.**

Leader **We know it is not Sunday but Monday that is when our work begins.**
People Help us, your people, to be your witness in the world by our choices and our values, no matter what our daily tasks might be.

Leader **As we care for one another, let us share our joys, sorrows, and concerns concluding with “This is my prayer” to which we will respond, “Amen.”**

The people offer their prayers.

A time for individual prayers is observed.

Leader We are your people whom you called to change the world; to make it a place where everyone knows they are loved, have value, have a contribution to make, and an equal right to the world's riches.
People **Help us commit ourselves to fulfilling your dream by continuing to stir our souls with urgency. Amen.**

Confession of Sin

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

A period of silence is observed.

People 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.

Absolution

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

People **Amen.**

Blessing of the Portrait

Presider Creator God, when we observe this world of widespread exploitation and violence, of haves and have-nots, sometimes it's hard to keep up hope. Your beloved community can feel like a far distant dream. As we dedicate this representation of Verna Dozier, help us to remember we are on an intergenerational journey for healing. We thank you for your many prophets who have gone before and who are still among us, speaking truth and urging us to carry our part. Accept this portrait we pray; and grant that when we look upon it we may feel inspired to breathe your dream into life. 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

Announcements

Clergy Greeting

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Our Eucharistic Prayer was written by the members of The Dream of God adult education class that was held during February and March 2005. The class design and content was based on the book by the same title, authored by Dr. Verna J. Dozier, a nationally recognized biblical scholar and teacher and member of St. Mark's Church. In her book, Verna contends that humans are called to live into the kingdom of God – that state of existence of God's justice and love – but that all (and that includes the church) have settled for much less. Verna writes, "We have all failed the dream of God" and that "The terribly patient God still waits." This Eucharistic Prayer expresses the principal themes of Verna's book, expressing God's longing for us and our hope in God. – Paul Roberts Abernathy, 11th Rector

Eucharistic Prayer – from "The Dream of God" Class (adapted)

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 God our thanks.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider The Kingdom of God is at hand!

All What is the Kingdom of God?

Presider A world of justice and love.

All The Kingdom of God is at hand!

Presider What is the Kingdom of God?

All A world where all are welcome and no one is despised.

Presider The Kingdom of God is at hand!

All What is the Kingdom of God?

Presider A world where the broken are made whole and the marginalized brought to the center of life.

All The Kingdom of God is at hand!

Presider What is the Kingdom of God?

**All A world where Jesus dwells among us, calling us to be a new creation.
The Kingdom of God is at hand!**

Presider From the primal elements, O God, you brought forth the human race, blessing us with memory, reason, and skill, and making us stewards of your creation. But we, forgetting your dream and using your gifts for our own purposes, turned against you, one another, and your creation.

All We continue to do so.

Presider Again and again, you call us to return. Through Amos in ancient times and Verna in our day, through countless prophets and sages in all ages you have revealed to us your dream. And, in the fullness of time, you sent Jesus, to fulfill that dream, to open for us the way of justice and love.

All Help us, O God, to follow Jesus and to live in the knowledge that we are members of your Kingdom.

Presider Trusting that you hear us and will help us, we praise you, joining with all those, known and unknown, in every generation who have looked to you in hope, 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 On the night he gave himself over to suffering and death, Jesus gathered with his friends and followers. He took bread. Giving thanks, he broke the bread and gave it to them, saying, "Take. Eat. This is my Body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

After this, Jesus took the cup of wine. Giving thanks, he gave it to his friends, saying, "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the New Covenant, poured out for you and for all. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith, the way by which we set our hearts:

All Jesus of Nazareth is one by whom the Kingdom of God has been made known. Jesus died. Jesus came again among his friends and followers. Jesus is with us still and will be always.

Presider Remembering his work to make all things new, we return to the table to share in this meal of thanksgiving. O God, we pray that you pour out your Spirit upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may become spiritual food and drink for us. We also pray, O God, that you pour out your Spirit upon us that we may become spiritual people of justice and love for the world.

God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob; God of Deborah, Esther, and Ruth; God of Jesus the Christ, whose name we bear, whose way we follow: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us and here among us now. May we come to your Table with open hands and open hearts to receive this spiritual food and drink of bread and wine.

By the grace of this sacramental meal, return us to your dream of justice and love and restore in us the strength to serve the world in Jesus' name.

All Risen Christ, be known to us in partaking of the bread and in the sharing of the cup.

Presider Accept, O God, our prayers through Jesus the Christ, both our dreamer and your dream incarnate, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, we, your Church, lift our voices in praise.

All AMEN!

Presider Let us pray:

**All Eternal Spirit,
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:**

**The hallowing of your Name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.**

**For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and forever. 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

The Post-Communion Prayer

Presider Here is a call to dream by Langston Hughes:

**All To sit and dream, to sit and read,
to sit and learn about the world
outside our world of here and now –
our problem world –
To dream of vast horizons of the soul
Through dreams made whole,
Unfettered, free – help me!
All you who are dreamers, too,
help me to make our world anew.
I reach out my dreams to you.**

Presider God, too, may be saying to us:

**All Unfettered, free – help me!
You who are dreamers too,
Help me to make our world anew.
I reach out my dreams to you. Amen.**

The Blessing

Presider The peace 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 Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth into the world

All to live out God's dream for us.





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

Opening Sentences, Confession, The Peace and the Blessing: Book of Common Prayer. 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: The words of Verna Dozier curated by Doris Burton. Blessing of the Portrait: Katherine Philipson. Eucharistic Prayer, Post-Communion Prayer, the Dismissal: please see note on Page ten of this bulletin. Absolution: St. John's Episcopal Minneapolis. Version of the Lord's Prayer: Jim Cotter and The New Zealand Prayer Book. Invitation to communion by St. Mark's Episcopal.



Liturgical Leadership

Verger

Isabelle Cross



Following the service please join us for Holy Happy Hour, at which we share conversation, food, & drink.

NOTES:



CYCLE OF PRAYER

IN THE DIOCESE OF WASHINGTON

Regional Assemblies and regional conveners of the Diocese
Pray for all Native Americans and Native American congregations.

Pray for all victims of terrorism, war, and violence and for those who foster and perpetuate such acts

ANGLICAN COMMUNION

St Albans - (Canterbury, England) The Rt Revd Alan Smith
St Albans - Bedford - (Canterbury, England) The Rt Revd Richard Atkinson
St Albans - Hertford - (Canterbury, England) The Rt Revd Michael Beasley



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
Pilgrims traveling to Israel, the W. Bank (Palestine) and Jordan October 17-November 1



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

William Miller



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Michael Knipe, *Counsel*

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Jim Steed

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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.