



WELCOME TO
ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

5:00 PM CONTEMPLATIVE EUCHARIST

Presider and Preacher
The Reverend 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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SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

Attendance:	278
Pledge & Plate collection:	\$14,296.75

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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 Generous God, whose gift defies the balance sheet of ownership and just reward: free our hearts and minds from the envy which enslaves us; shape our lives to show your self-forgetting love; through Jesus Christ, the free gift of grace. Amen.

Please be seated.

The Hebrew Bible Exodus 16:2-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?" And Moses said, "When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord."

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites;

say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'"

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

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

A period of silence is observed.

The Gospel Matthew 20:1-16

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

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

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

The Sermon

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 celebrate the New Year, allow us to understand better our history and our connection to them and to other faith communities. We ask for grace

People to be a new people.

Leader God, as we begin our own new program 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.

Liturgy of Departure

Jessie Babcock

Jessie speaks from the lectern. Then comes down to the center of the nave.

Presider Jessie during your time with us, where there has been hurt or sorrow, let it be forgiven. Where there has been growth and joy, let us be thankful. Now go in peace. Love and serve God. Be strong in the power of the Spirit.

People Go in peace, Jessie

Jessie The grace of Christ be with you all.

People Our prayers will be with you wherever you go.

Jessie And mine with you.

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

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 sing:

**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.

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Liturgical Leadership

Verger Michele Rivard

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



CYCLE OF PRAYER

IN THE DIOCESE OF WASHINGTON

The Church of the Holy Communion, Congress Heights Parish
Church of St. Michael and All Angels
Vocational Deacons Ordination Service (September 30) Pray for those who are to be ordained

ANGLICAN COMMUNION

Southeast Florida - (IV, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Leopold Frade
Coadjutor Bishop - (IV, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Peter David Eaton



PARISH PRAYER LIST

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
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)



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Jim Steed

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.