



WELCOME TO
ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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CAPITOL HILL

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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 10, 2017

11:15 AM HOLY EUCHARIST

Preacher & Co-President

The Reverend Dr. Kate Heichler

Co-President

The Reverend Michele H. Morgan

Deacon

The Reverend Cynthia Dopp

Director of Music

Jeff Kempskie

Director of Youth & Family Ministries

Caroline McReynolds-Adams

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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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.

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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DECEMBER 3, 2017

Attendance:	459
Pledge & Plate collection:	\$41,530.12

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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

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.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please observe silence when the lights are dimmed.

Prelude Prepare the Royal Highway *Bereden väg för Herran*, arr. Robert Hobby (b. 1962)

Opening Hymn 65 Prepare the way, O Zion *Bereden väg för Herran*

Opening Sentences

Presider Keep awake!

People You know not when God comes.

Presider Keep awake!

People God is coming.

Trisagion S 100

From *New Plainsong*, David Hurd

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -
mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God,
Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy
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The Collect

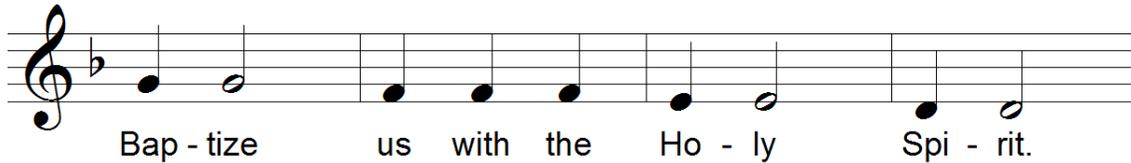
Presider Let us pray.

All Wild God of the wastes, whose gospel begins with a cry and summons: take us to the pathless place where we can start again to taste creation's gifts anew and await the Spirit's touch; through Jesus Christ, the one who is to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Leader Let us pray.

First time choir only, then all.



Leader We pray for the holy Church of God, Christ's body in the world. We pray that we might live into the holy dream of your love for every part of creation. In all we do,

All Sung Response

Leader Gracious God we pray that those in power have the clarity of mind and openness of heart to make decisions that heal divisions, uplift those in need, and forgive things of the past. In all we do,

All Sung Response

Leader Gracious God we pray for areas of the world that seemed to be filled darkness, may those who work for peace have the vision to look to you as their guiding light. In all we do,

All Sung Response

Leader Gracious God we pray for a holy imagination that inspires the work of this community to bring about your dream of love for the world. In all we do,

All Sung Response

Leader Gracious God we pray for your healing love for those in need. Especially those without access to healthcare. In all we do,

All Sung Response

Leader Gracious God we pray for the departed and for those who mourn, may they be enveloped and comforted in your loving embrace. In all we do,

All Sung Response

Leader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*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 with the **Sung Response**.*

A time for individual prayers is observed.

Leader Let us pray.

People **Almighty and most merciful God, grant that by the indwelling of your Holy Spirit we may be enlightened and strengthened for your service; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit; one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

A period of silence is observed.

Confession of Sin

Deacon Let us confess how we have missed the mark of God at the center of our lives and of our truest selves.

A period of silence is observed.

All **Holy and loving God,
we have dwelt in darkness
and preferred it to the light;
we have been proud of our accomplishments
and despaired over our shortcomings.
Smooth down the mountains of our pride,
and lift up the valleys of our doubts.
Open a path in the wilderness of our lives
that we might find our way to you again.**

Absolution

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

People **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider His judgement is not vengeance, an eye for an eye; his peace is not false, a veil for injustice; he comes to break the spear, to silence the guns and still our warring souls. May the peace of Christ rule our world and heal our hearts.

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

Offertory Anthem Come, Comfort, Comfort

Freu dich sehr, arr. John Ferguson

Chancel Choir

*“Comfort, comfort now my people; Tell of peace!” so says our God.
Comfort those who sit in darkness mourning under sorrow’s load.
To God’s people now proclaim that God’s pardon waits for them!
Tell them that their war is over; God will reign in peace forever!*

*For the herald’s voice is crying in the desert far and near,
Calling us to true repentance, since the Kingdom now is here.
Oh, that warning cry obey! Now prepare for God away!
Let the valleys rise to meet him, and the hills bow down to greet him!*

*Straight shall be what long was crooked, and the rougher places plain!
Let your hearts be true and humble, as befits his holy reign!
For the glory of the Lord now on earth is shed abroad,
And all flesh shall see the token that God’s word is never broken.*

Presentation Hymn 56 O come, O come, Emmanuel, vv. 3-4

Veni, veni, Emmanuel

**O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy tribes on Sinai’s height
in ancient times didst give the law, in cloud, and majesty, and awe.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!**

**O come, thou Branch of Jesse’s tree, free them from Satan’s tyranny
that trust thy mighty power to save, and give them victory o’er the grave.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!**

Eucharistic Prayer

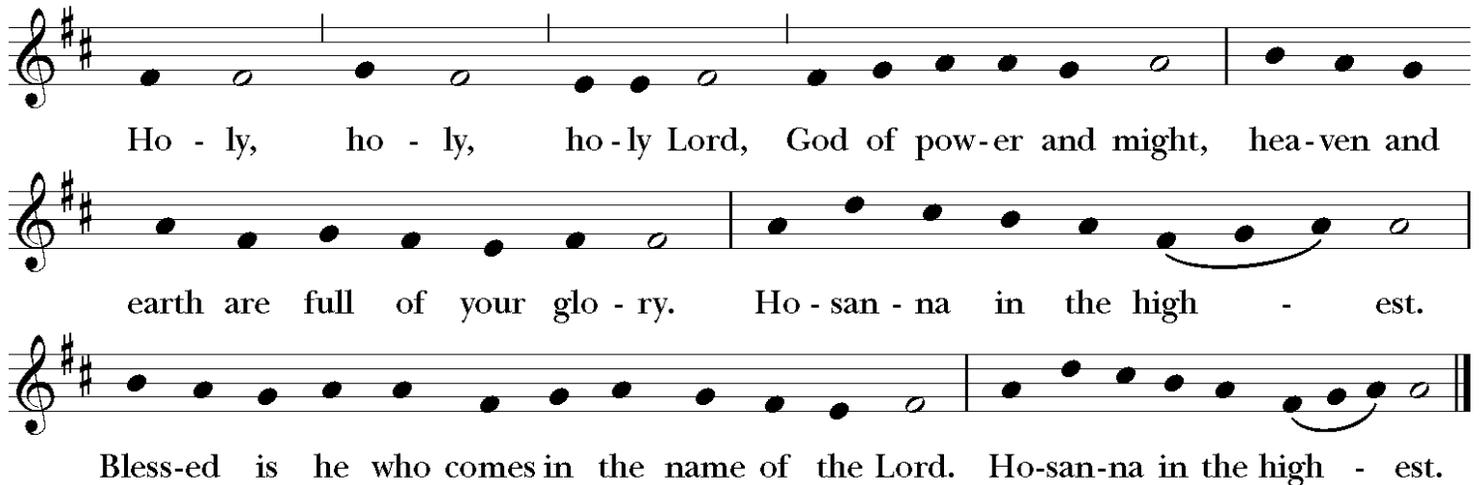
Presider O come, Emanuel, into our longing hearts.

People We open ourselves to You.

Presider As we gather around this table

People In expectation and hope.

Presider We embrace all that is holy as we sing:



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 In this season of waiting, of shorter, darker days, and of preparation for Christmas, we hear of the coming of Jesus. We hear from the prophets of God's dream for the world. From Isaiah, we hear of a time when peace will take the place of war. From Verna Dozier, in our own day, we hear of a world of justice, freedom and forgiveness, of God's dream for the way our world could be.

Co-Presider We hear from Jesus of the coming of the Son of Man, and we are warned to be ready for change, to be awake. We wonder what this can mean now as we grope in the tattered remains of our faltering hopes for a better world.

Presider And we light our Advent candles, as of old, savoring tradition even as we yearn for change.
 Our tradition reminds us of Jesus, and how, on the night before he died, he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Co-Presider We remember how, after supper, he took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; this is my blood poured out for you and for everyone. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.

Presider In our hope for a new vision, we pray that by the power of the Holy Spirit, this bread and wine may be the body and blood of Christ for us and so strengthen us to be change agents. May Jesus come to us still as God's power in our humanity. May we in our own day, seek and be inspired by the prophets. Move in us to translate your dream into reality, to fire our hearts and minds and wills to love and serve you in the world.

All **AMEN.**

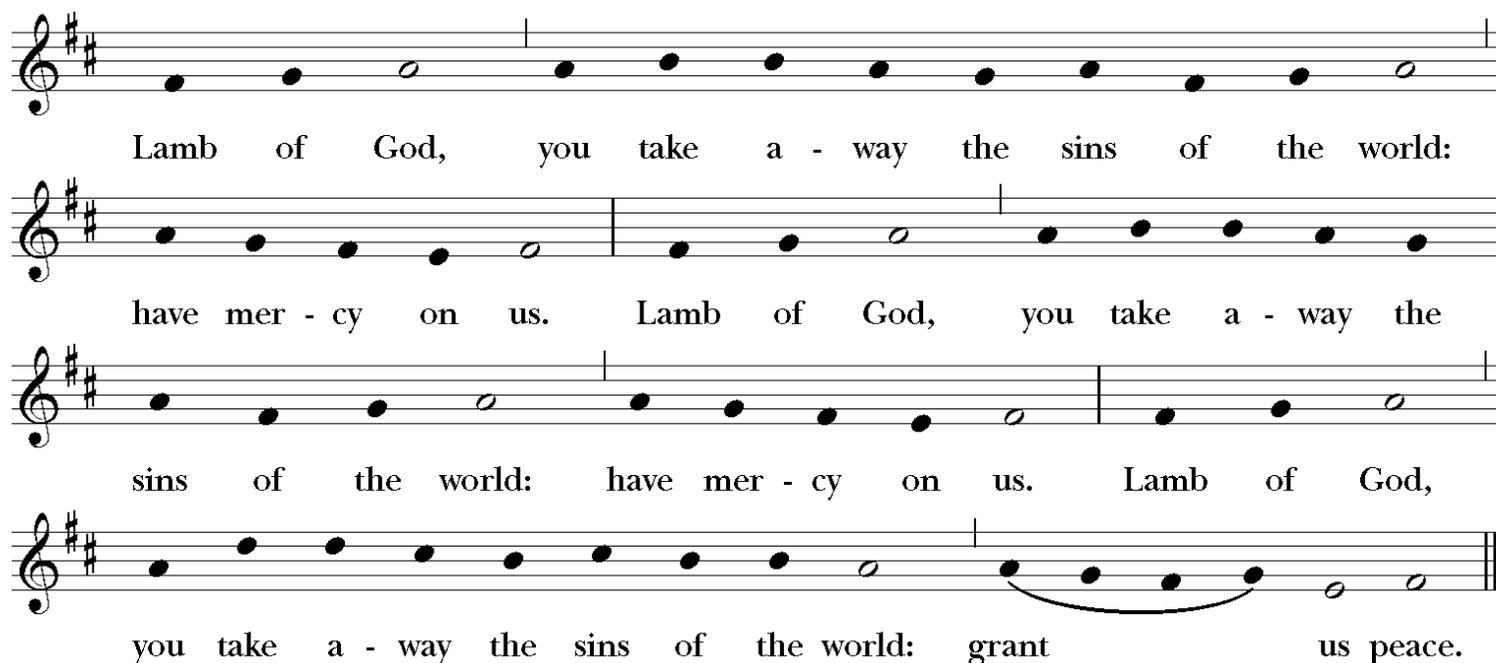
The Lord's Prayer

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.**

Fraction Anthem S 161

From *New Plainsong*, David Hurd



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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

O Radiant Dawn

James MacMillan

Chancel Choir

*O Radiant Dawn, Splendor of eternal Light, Sun of Justice:
Come, shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.*

*Isaiah had prophesied, 'The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;
Upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone.'*

Amen.

LEVAS 11 Prepare ye the way of the Lord

James E. Moore, Jr

Post-Communion Prayer

Presider Let us pray together.

All God of all grace, may we live in expectation and hope, and may the gifts we have received at this table remind us not only of the gift of Christ, but of your steady presence among us, that we may act faithfully in response to your love.

Closing Hymn LEVAS 14 Soon and Very Soon

Andrae Crouch

The Blessing

Presider May Christ, who by his Incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, fill you with his joy and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace, to serve God through loving in the world.

People We go in hope and faith and gratitude. Amen.

Postlude O Come, O come, Emmanuel *Veni, veni, Emmanuel*, arr. Marilyn Biery (b. 1959)



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

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Liturgical Leaders and Worship Participants

Verger	Josie Jordan
Acolyte	Michael Knipe
Altar Guild	Joan Schindel & Elizabeth Becker
Bread & Wine	Victoria Doyon
Lay Servers	Linda Huntington, Jane Byrne, Jane Miller, & Cindy Dopp
Readers	Kathy Tatko, scripture; Raiford Gaffney, prayers of the people

SCHEDULE OF CHRISTMAS SERVICES

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11	7 PM	SERVICE OF LOSS & REMEMBRANCE
WED., DECEMBER 13	6:30 PM	CAROLS & CHEER
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24	10 AM	CHRISTMAS EVE MORNING EUCHARIST
	4 PM	CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT & HOLY EUCHARIST
	10 PM	CHRISTMAS EVE FESTIVAL EUCHARIST
MONDAY, DECEMBER 25	10 AM	CHRISTMAS DAY HOLY EUCHARIST
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31	10 AM	HOLY EUCHARIST
	5 PM	HOLY EUCHARIST

CYCLE OF PRAYER

IN THE DIOCESE OF WASHINGTON

Episcopal Church Women
Memorial Scholarship of the Episcopal Church Women
United Thank Offering
Bishop John Bryson Chane Scholarship for Social Justice

ANGLICAN COMMUNION

Western North Carolina - (IV, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd José Antonio McLoughlin

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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 • Rick Hayes • 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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THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Susan Ash (Christina Herman's sister)
Ricky Hayes (parishioner)

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Michael Knipe, *Manciple*

Michael Knipe, *Counsel*

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Michael Knipe

Cecilia Monahan

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.