

## *Worship Committee*

You are invited to contact the worship chairs for additional contact information.

### **Worship Chairs:**

Loretta Veney, lwveney@aol.com

Jan Lipscomb, deljan26@cox.net

### **Altarguild Coordinators:**

9 am: Gretchen Willson, willsongretchen@yahoo.com

11:15: Bertha Martin, bma1963@aol.com

### **Vergers**

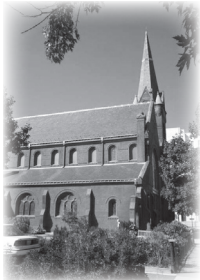
David Deutsch, head verger, dsd@his.com

Burton Reist, Loretta Veney, Margaret Wood

### **Interim Director of Music**

Jeffrey Workman

The Worship Committee meets the first  
Tuesday of each month at 7 pm.  
Please join us!



For more information about Worship,  
visit our website at  
<http://www.stmarks.net/worship/index.html>

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Loretta Veney  
Jan Lipscomb  
*Co-Chairs*

Mary Lee Watts  
*Vestry Liaison*

## *Welcome To St. Mark's!*

The essential base for every religious community is worship. For many years, lay members have participated in planning our worship services.

Each month, the worship committee meets to discuss format and liturgical elements to incorporate, such as dance, a dramatic presentation and special artwork. In addition, time is spent discussing the Biblical themes and symbols from our Christian heritage with the Clergy.

**The Worship Committee** oversees all aspects of the service from the traditional to the unusual. Planning worship services provides a meaningful way to participate in the spiritual pillar of the St. Mark's community.

### **Here are the various parts of our Worship life ...**

**Altar Guild**—Those who set the altar each Sunday for Eucharist and care for our liturgical pieces... cleaning, polishing, repairing. Membership is open to all and assignments are scheduled in rotation. Members of the guild also assist at weddings and funerals.

**Vergers**—During a visit to our sister congregation in Lichfield, England, one member recognized the important role of vergers. These are individuals who prepare for and oversee worship services to ensure everything happens in a seamless manner. We now have three trained vergers who rotate in order to assist each Sunday. Special training and an

apprentice period are required of those interested in sharing in this ministry. Please contact David Deutsch at [dsd@his.com](mailto:dsd@his.com).

**Chancel Choir**—Our adult choirs—one for each service—provide the musical leadership on Sunday as well as for special services, September to June. While no audition is required, some vocal experience is helpful. The choirs rehearse each Thursday night from 7:30–9:30. Members sing at the service of their choice.

**Children's Choirs**—Children grades 1-3 and "Boys & Girls" in grades 4-8 are encouraged to participate in services by singing in one of the children's choirs. They contribute to the worship service once per month.

**Lay Servers**—Assist with the distribution of communion wine. If you are interested in this service, please contact:

9 am: Suanna Bruinooge,  
[Suanna.Bruinooge@asco.org](mailto:Suanna.Bruinooge@asco.org)  
11:15 am: Elizabeth Long, 301.420.7922

**Beadles\***—St. Mark's doesn't use the term 'usher'—we adopted the old English term for the same job. Our beadles greet you as well as give a service bulletin, take up the collection, and provide general assistance. Please contact:

9 am: Burton Reist, [Burton.H.Reist@census.gov](mailto:Burton.H.Reist@census.gov)  
11:15 am: Volunteer needed

**Bread and Wine**—Provided by members of the congregation as a celebration of a life-event or a memorial. If you would care to provide either or both, please contact:

9 am: Joe Tarantolo, [djrtarantolo@earthlink.net](mailto:djrtarantolo@earthlink.net)  
11:15 am: Beryl Lillaston, [beryl12@verizon.net](mailto:beryl12@verizon.net)

**Acolytes**—Children and adults assist throughout the service. Training is required.

9 am: Leslie Allen, [leslie.allen@usdoj.gov](mailto:leslie.allen@usdoj.gov)  
11:15 am: Volunteer needed

**Readers Guild**—Made up of any and all who would like to read either lessons or prayers of the people. Both services: If interested, please contact Susan Witek, 703.548.9702.

**Sound**—Services are amplified to make the spoken and musical offerings accessible to all. We have two systems in place for individuals with hearing impairments. One system allows for hearing aid adjustment to a "T" setting; another system requires putting on a loop device which improves the clarity of most portions of the service. Through the expertise of one of our members, Charlie Rupp, these systems are almost automatic, and include systematic digital recording of the sermons to our website. Volunteers are needed to assist with setting up and occasional monitoring of this system. Ask one of the Worship Co-Chairs if interested.

