

March 17, 2024 10:30 a.m.

## Welcome to Saint Mark's Episcopal Church

## The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Welcome to Saint Mark's. Whether this is your first visit or you are a member of long standing, it is a joy to have you join in worship this morning.

If this is your first visit, please take a moment and fill out an information card. You can put the bottom portion in the offering plate.

The Episcopal Church welcomes all baptized Christians to receive communion. If receiving communion makes you uncomfortable, please come forward at communion time and cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing.

Bathrooms are located in the back of the church, next to the chapel.

## Reflections on the Sunday Readings

Each year on the first four Sundays of Lent we hear Old Testament readings which recall the most important events in "salvation history". On the fifth Sunday each year, we hear one of the prophetic passages which foresee the greater and ultimate saving event to come in Jesus' dying and rising. This year, the reading is Jeremiah's message that God will at some time in the future establish a new covenant with the people which will transcend the old covenant of the Exodus. The most significant thing about this new covenant is that it will be expressed in an interior relationship with God rather than an exterior law.

The second reading today describes Jesus' suffering as the manifestation of his priestly ministry (using the image of the mysterious Old Testament priest Melchizedek, who in Hebrew tradition was thought greater than the priests of Israel and one who was, in some sense, immortal). This is part of this epistle's argument that Jesus has supplanted the priesthood and worship of Israel. The Gospel reading also relates Jesus' dying to his glorification and our salvation and as the means of calling the whole world into the kingdom.

As we near the end of our Lenten pilgrimage, these readings underscore the primary result of our worship and especially of Baptism and Eucharist: we have been made part of Christ's Body in Baptism and a part of his priesthood; that is, we are part of what he does, we express our share in his sacrifice and his mediation between humanity and God in our celebration of the liturgy. Thus, indeed, is this new Covenant written on our hearts and we truly each know God as Jeremiah foretold. Pray for those who will join that new Covenant when they are baptized at Easter.

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## The Word of God

### **VOLUNTARY**

Psalm Prelude Set 2, No 1 Out of the Depths Have I Cried unto Thee

Herbert Howells (1982-1983)

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN 470 (standing, sung by all)

"There's a wideness in God's mercy" Frederick William Faber (1814–1863) Beecher John Zundel (1815–1882)



Celebrant

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

BCP (Book of Common Prayer), p. 355

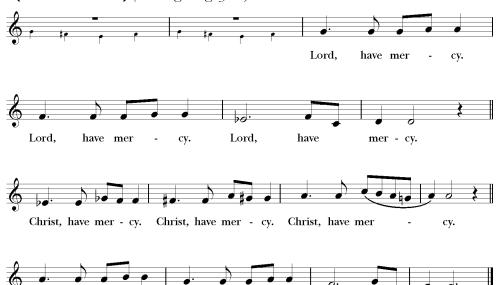
People God's mercy endures forever.

## **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

Celebrant

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your Holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People Amen.



Lord, have mer - cy.

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Lord,

have

mer - cy.

People Amen.

## THE FIRST LESSON: JEREMIAH 31:31–34 (seated)

Lord, have mer - cy.

Reader The Spirit is speaking.

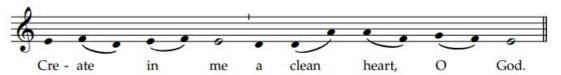
People God's people are listening.

Reader A reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

"The days are surely coming," says the Lord, "when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband," says the Lord. "But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days," says the Lord: "I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest," says the Lord; "for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

The antiphon is sung first by the cantor, then repeated by all, then sung by all following verses 3, 5, 8, 10, and 13.



- I Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- Wash me through and through from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin.
- For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

### **ANTIPHON**

- 4 Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight.
- 5 And so you are justified when you speak and upright in your judgment.

## **ANTIPHON**

- Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, a sinner from my mother's womb.
- For behold, you look for truth deep within me, and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.

## **ANTIPHON**

- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- 10 Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.

### **ANTIPHON**

- II Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
- 12 Cast me not away from your presence and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- Give me the joy of your saving help again and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

### **ANTIPHON**

## THE SECOND LESSON: HEBREWS 5:5-10 (seated)

Reader

A reading from The Letter to the Hebrews.

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Reader

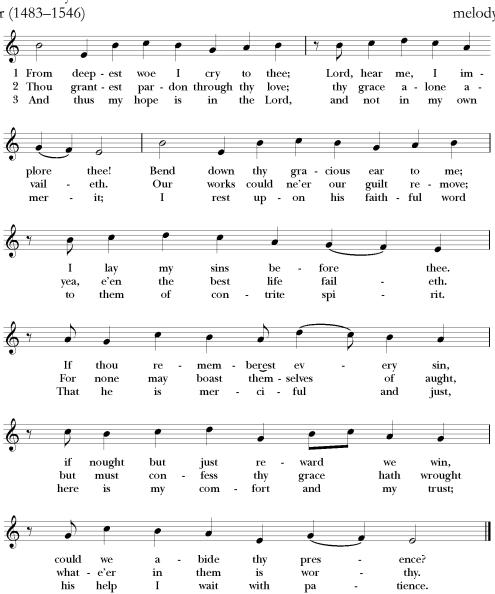
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

## **GRADUAL HYMN 151** (standing, sung by all)

"From deepest woe I cry to thee" Martin Luther (1483–1546)

Aus tiefer Not melody att. Martin Luther



## THE GOSPEL: JOHN 12:20–33 (standing)

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON (seated)

The Rev. Vicki Zust

### THE NICENE CREED (standing, said by all)

BCP, p. 358

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM IV** (standing or kneeling)

BCP, p. 388

Leader Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Additional prayers for Anglican, diocesan and parish cycles of prayer may be added here

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy,
People Hear our prayer.

Leader Guide the people of this land, and of all nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may

honor one another and serve the common good.

Additional prayers for those serving in the armed forces may be added here

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy, People Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly Leader in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Silence

Lord, in your mercy, Leader Hear our prayer. People

Leader Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Thanksgivings may be added here

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy, People Hear our prayer.

Leader Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in

> their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Petitions for those in need may be added here

> > Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer. People

Leader We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially those whom the congregation wishes

> to name, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer. People

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers

of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN (standing or kneeling)

BCP, p. 360

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

Silence may be kept

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.

THE ABSOLUTION BCP, p. 360

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,

strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People Amen.

THE PEACE (standing)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you. We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

## The Holy Communion

### **OFFERTORY**

Walk in love as Christ loves us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Ushers will pass the offering plates to receive contributions for the ministry of Saint Mark's. You can also give electronically at **www.shelbygiving.com/app/giving/saintmarks** or by texting "GIVE" to (614)665-6508.

### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM** (Saint Mark's Choir)

Wash Me Throughly from My Wickedness Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810–1876)

Wash me throughly from my wickedness, and forgive me all my sin. For I acknowledge my faults, and my sin is ever before me.

Wash my throughly (etc.)

Text: Psalm 51:2-3

Margaret Wells, soprano

The offerings are brought forward by the ushers.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING—PRAYER A (standing)

BCP, p. 361

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

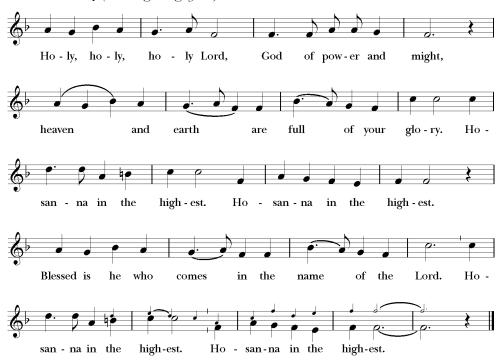
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



### The Celebrant continues; the People may stand or kneel.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, p. 364

Celebrant

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People

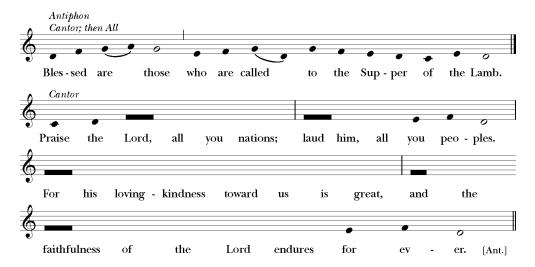
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

BCP, p. 364

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast.

**FRACTION ANTHEM S-172** (standing or kneeling, sung by all) Ambrosian chant; adapt. Mason Martens (1933–1991) (Steve Barker, cantor)



Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The ushers will direct you to the communion rail. You may stand or kneel at the rail. If you need communion brought to your pew, please let an usher know.

You may receive the bread only or receive the bread and the chalice.

If you are receiving the bread only, please cross your arms over your chest as the chalice comes by.

If you are receiving the chalice, please guide the base of the chalice as you take a sip.

If you are uncomfortable receiving communion, if you come to the rail and cross your arms over your chest, you will receive a blessing. Please let the priest know if you need a gluten-free wafer.

## **COMMUNION ANTHEM** (Saint Mark's Choir)

Asperges me Anton Bruckner (1824–1896)

Asperges me, Domine, hysopo et mundabor, lavabis me, et super nivem dealbabor.

Miserere mei, Deus, secundum magnam misericordiam tuam!

Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto, sicut erat in principio et nunc et semper et in saecula saeculorum. Amen!

Asperges me, Domine, hysopo et mundabor, lavabis me, et super nivem dealbabor. You will sprinkle me with hysop, O Lord, and I will be made clean, you will wash me, and I will be made whiter than snow.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your great mercy!

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen!

You will sprinkle me with hysop, O Lord, and I will be made clean, you will wash me, and I will be made whiter than snow.

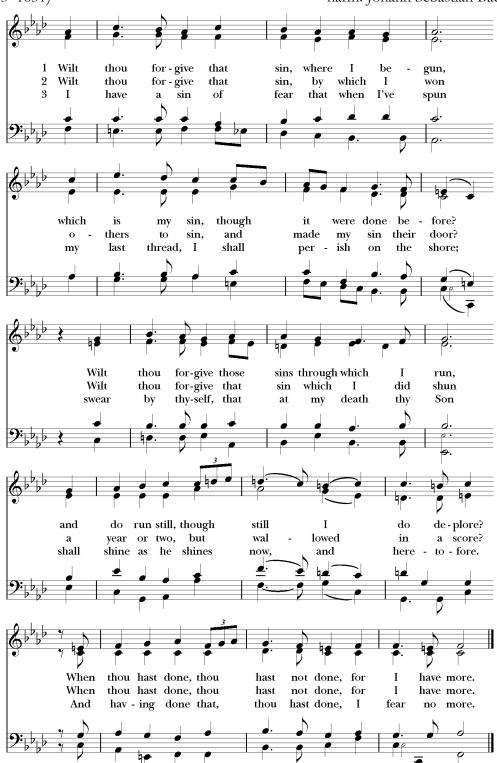
Text: Antiphon for Masses outside Paschal time (13th century)



So giebst du nun

"Wilt thou forgive that sin, where I begun" John Donne (1573–1631)

harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)



## **POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER** (standing or kneeling)

BCP, p. 366

Celebrant People Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

### THE BLESSING

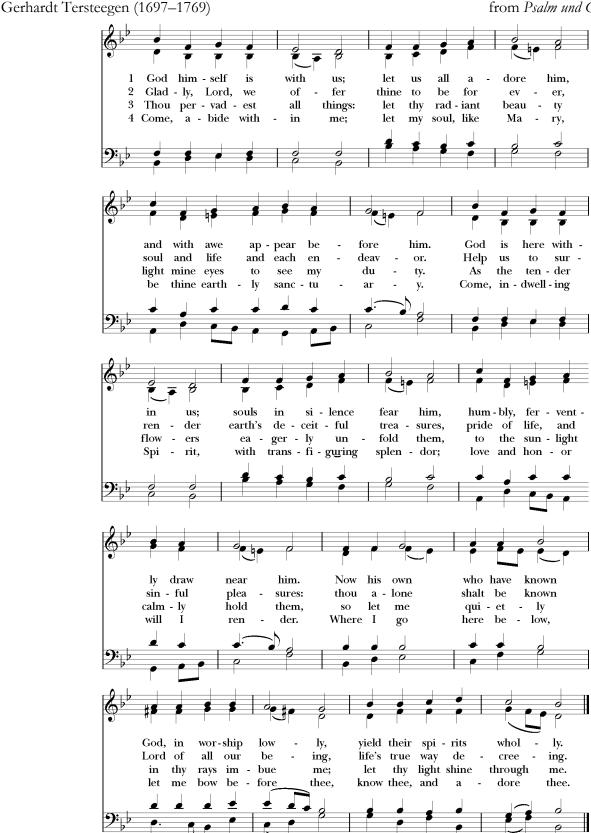
The priest blesses the congregation.

## **POST-COMMUNION HYMN 475** (standing, sung by all)

"God himself is with us"

Tysk

from Psalm und Choralbuch (1719)



### THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please remain in your pews until the altar party has reached the back of the church. You are then invited to join us in the parish hall for coffee hour. Please be respectful of those who are choosing to listen and pray through the postlude.

### **VOLUNTARY**

Chorale Prelude on Aus tiefer Not schrei ich zu dir

att. Christian Geist (1640–1711)

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## Today's Worship Assistants

**Celebrant** The Rev. Vicki Zust

> **Verger** Dave Yeager

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**Organist**Michael Schreffler

Saint Mark's Choir

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# This Week at Saint Mark's The Fifth Week in Lent: March 17 - 24, 2024

Sun.	The Fifth Sunday in Lent Preacher: The Rev. Vicki Zust		Thurs.		Knitting & Stitching Group
3-17			3-21	l p.m.	
	8 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I			(Canterbury Center)
	9:30 a.m.	Adult Formation		5:30 p.m.	Stephen Ministers Meeting
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite II		6:15 p.m.	AA (Parish Hall)
		with music by the Saint Mark's Choir		7:30 p.m.	Saint Mark's Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 a.m.	Children's Formation		8 p.m.	AA (Parish Hall)
	8 p.m.	AA (Parish Hall)			
			Fri.	Rector's Day Off	
Mon.			3-22	8:30 a.m.	AARP Tax Aide (Parish Hall)
3-18	10:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting		8 p.m.	AA (Parish Hall)
	5:30 p.m.	AA Men's Group (Parish Hall)		•	
	7 p.m.	AA (Parish Hall)	Sat.		
	7 p.m.	Sisters in Faith (Canterbury Center)	3-23	9 a.m.	Parish Work Day
	-			9:30 a.m.	Grief Support (Office)
Tues.					. , ,
3-19	9:30 a.m.	Al Anon (Parish Hall)	Sun.	Palm Sunday	
	1:30 p.m.	Columbus Area Clergy Meeting	3-24	8 a.m.	Holy Eucharist with Distribution of
	·	(Canterbury Center)			Palms and Passion Narrative
	6:30 p.m.	Cub Scouts (Parish Hall)		10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist with Distribution of
	·	,			Palms and the Passion Narrative
Wed.					with the Saint Mark's Choir
3-20	8:30 a.m.	AARP Tax Aide (Parish Hall)		8 p.m.	AA (Parish Hall)
	4:30 p.m.	Canterbury Choir Rehearsal		•	,
	5 p.m.	Lent Program (Parish Hall)			



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### Staff:

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Dr. Michael Murray, Organist Emeritus
Bill Silliman, Head Verger
Melanie Jacobs, Office Manager
Ministers:

The Entire Saint Mark's Family

### **Mission Statement:**

As a Christ-centered community, the people of Saint Mark's seek a world in which all people share the joy of loving God and each other by...

- Celebrating worship together with inspiring words, music and traditions
- Serving all of our neighbors
- Engaging in fellowship and hospitality
- Encouraging people in their lifelong spiritual formation
- Being a beacon of Christ's presence in the world

### **Vestry Members:**

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### Who We Are:



Part of the Diocese of Southern Ohio, Saint Mark's held its first worship service in 1951 in a converted Methodist church in Grandview. Ground was broken in 1953 for the Parish Hall (now the Education Building) where services were held until the current Nave and Sanctuary was completed in 1958. Office space in an adjacent building was purchased in 1989. Major renovations of the entire facility occurred in 2004 and 2008 creating a campus today that empowers Christ's ministry within and beyond our parish.



Saint Mark's is a member of the Episcopal Church in the United States – a community of 2.4 million members in 114 dioceses in the Americas and abroad. *Episcopal* means a church with bishops. Bishops are the leaders of the church and spiritual descendents of the apostles of Jesus Christ. We are also part of the worldwide Anglican Communion consisting of 82 million members in more than 160 countries. *Anglican* are those churches who trace their history to the Church of England.

