

SAINT MARK'S

Order of Service

March 30, 2025
10:30 a.m.

Welcome to Saint Mark's Episcopal Church

The Fourth 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.

Children's Formation gathers in the downstairs Children's Formation area before the 10:30 service. Children will return around the time of the Peace. Children's Formation does not meet on the first Sunday of the month.

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

We gather quietly for a period of meditation and reflection.
Kindly silence all mobile devices.

The Word of God

VOLUNTARY

Meditation on *Kedron*

Dale Wood (1934–2003)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 690 *(standing, sung by all)*

“Guide me, O thou great Jehovah”

Cwm Rhondda

William Williams (1717–1791); tr. Peter Williams (1722–1796)

John Hughes (1873–1932)

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun-tain, whence the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y;
stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar
fears sub - side; death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,

hold me with thy power - ful hand; bread of hea - ven,
lead me all my jour - ney through; strong de - liv - erer,
land me safe on Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es,

bread of hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -
strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and
songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to

more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
shield, be thou still my strength and shield.
thee, I will ev - er give to thee.

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People **God's mercy endures forever.**

BCP (Book of Common Prayer), p. 355

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.**

KYRIE ELEISON (HYMNAL S-86) *(standing, sung by all)*

David Hurd (b. 1950)

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e
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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON: JOSHUA 5:9-12 *(seated)*

Reader The Spirit is speaking.

People **God's people are listening.**

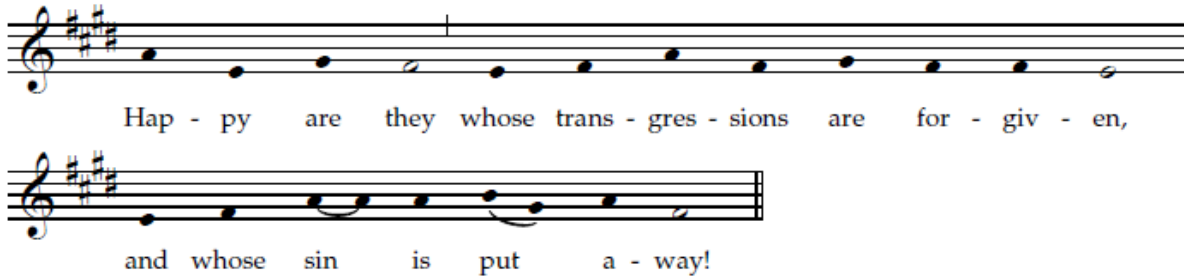
Reader A reading from the Book of Book of Joshua.

The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day. While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

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 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, and 12.



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| 1 | Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away! | ANTIPHON |
| 2 | Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there is no guile! | ANTIPHON |
| 3 | While I held my tongue, my bones withered away,
because of my groaning all day long. | ANTIPHON |
| 4 | For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer. | ANTIPHON |
| 5 | Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
and did not conceal my guilt. | ANTIPHON |
| 6 | I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD."
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin. | ANTIPHON |
| 7 | Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble;
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them. | ANTIPHON |
| 8 | You are my hiding-place;
you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance. | ANTIPHON |
| 9 | "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go;
I will guide you with my eye. | ANTIPHON |
| 10 | Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding;
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,
or else they will not stay near you." | ANTIPHON |
| 11 | Great are the tribulations of the wicked;
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD. | ANTIPHON |
| 12 | Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD;
shout for joy, all who are true of heart. | ANTIPHON |

THE SECOND LESSON: 2 CORINTHIANS 5:16–21 (*seated*)

Reader A reading from The Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.
 From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN 531 (*standing, sung by all*)

“O Spirit of the living God”

James Montgomery (1771–1854)

Melcombe

Samuel Webbe (1740–1816)

1 O Spi - rit of the liv - ing God, in
2 Give tongues of fire and hearts of love, to
3 Be dark - ness, at thy com - ing, light; con -
4 Con - vert the na - tions! far and nigh the

all thy plen - i - tude of grace, wher - e'er the foot of
preach the rec - on - cil - ing word; give power and unc - tion
fu - sion, or - der in thy path; souls with - out strength in -
tri - umphs of the cross re - cord; the Name of Je - sus

man hath trod, de - scend on our a - pos - tate race.
from a - bove, when - e'er the joy - ful sound is heard.
spire with might, bid mer - cy tri - umph o - ver wrath.
glo - ri - fy, till ev - ery peo - ple call him Lord.

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 15:1-3, 11b-32 *(standing)*

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So Jesus told them this parable: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe--the best one--and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. "Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

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.**

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

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

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,

People **Hear our prayer.**

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,

People **Hear our prayer.**

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)*

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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

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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/applgiving/saintmarks or by texting "GIVE" to (614)665-6508.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *(Saint Mark's Choir)*

Ye That Do Your Master's Will
George Dyson (1883–1964)

Ye that do your Master's will,
Meek in heart, be meeker still:
Day by day your sins confess,
Ye that walk in righteousness:
Gracious souls in grace abound,
Seek the Lord whom ye have found.

He that comforts all that mourn
Shall to joy your sorrow turn:
Joy to know your sins forgiven,
Joy to keep the way of heaven,
Joy to win His welcome grace,
Joy to see Him face to face.

Text: Charles Wesley (1707–1788)

The offerings are brought forward by the ushers.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING—PRAYER A *(standing)*

BCP, p. 361

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift 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.**

Celebrant 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:

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. —

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.

People

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, p. 364

Celebrant
People

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

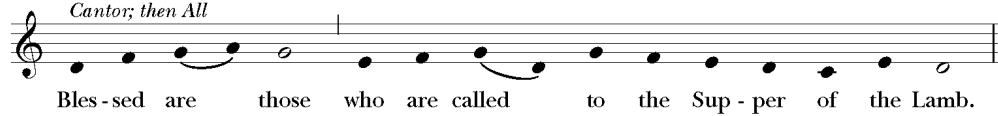
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Celebrant
People

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

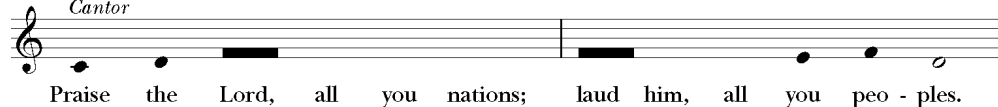
FRACTION ANTHEM S-172 (*standing or kneeling, sung by all*) Ambrosian chant; adapt. Mason Martens (1933–1991)
(Steve Barker, *cantor*)

Antiphon
Cantor; then All

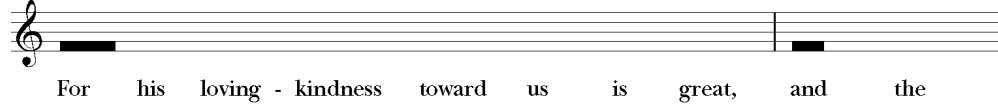


Bles - sed are those who are called to the Sup - per of the Lamb.

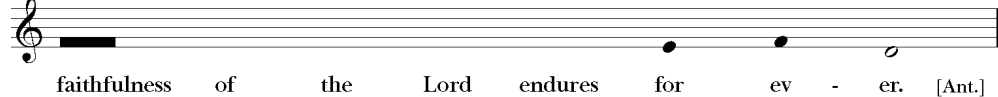
Cantor



Praise the Lord, all you nations; laud him, all you peo - ples.



For his loving - kindness toward us is great, and the



faithfulness of the Lord endures for ev - er. [Ant.]

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*)

Sing, My Soul, His Wondrous Love
Ned Rorem (1923–2022)

Sing, my soul, His wondrous love,
Who, from yon bright throne above,
Ever watchful o'er our race,
Still to man extends His grace.

Heav'n and earth by Him were made,
All is by His scepter sway'd;
What are we that He should show
So much love to us below?

God, the merciful and good,
Bought us with the Savior's blood,
And, to make our safety sure,
Guides us by His spirit pure.

Sing, my soul, adore His name;
Let His glory by thy theme:
Praise Him till He calls thee home,
Trust His love for all to come.

Text: Anonymous (1800)

COMMUNION HYMN 470 (*seated, sung by all*)

“There’s a wideness in God’s mercy”

Frederick William Faber (1814–1863)

Beecher

John Zundel (1815–1882)

1 There’s a wide-ness in God’s mer - cy like the wide-ness of the sea;
 2 There is no place where earth’s sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven;
 3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sure of the mind;

there’s a kind - ness in his jus - tice, which is more than lib - er - ty.
 there is no place where earth’s fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given.
 and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.

There is wel - come for the sin - ner, and more gra - ces for the good;
 There is plen - ti - ful re - demp - tion in the blood that has been shed;
 If our love were but more faith - ful, we should take him at his word;

there is mer - cy with the Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
 there is joy for all the mem - bers in the sor - rows of the Head.
 and our life would be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER (*standing or kneeling*)

BCP, p. 366

Celebrant

Let us pray.

People

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 334 *(standing, sung by all)*

“Praise the Lord, rise up rejoicing”

Howard Charles Adie Gaunt (1902–1983)

Alles ist an Gottes Segen

melody att. Johann Balthasar König (1691–1758)

1 Praise the Lord, rise up re - joic - ing, wor - ship, thanks, de -
2 Scat - tered flock, one shep - herd shar - ing, lost and lone - ly,
3 Sins for - giv - en, wrongs for - giv - ing, we go forth a -

vo - tion voic - ing; glo - ry be to God on high!
one voice hear - ing, ears at - ten - tive to your word;
lert and liv - ing in your Spi - rit, strong and free.

Christ, your cross and pas - sion shar - ing, by this Eu - cha -
by your Blood new life re - ceiv - ing, in your Bo - dy,
Part - ners in your new cre - a - tion, seek - ing peace in

rist de - clar - ing yours the fi - nal vic - to - ry.
firm be - liev - ing, we are yours, and you the Lord.
ev - ery na - tion, may we faith - ful fol - lowers be.

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 gets to the back of the church. You may then head to the parish hall for coffee hour or on with your day. Please be respectful of those who wish to listen and pray through the postlude.

VOLUNTARY

Chorale Prelude on *Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele*

Johannes Brahms (1833–1897)

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THIS WEEK AT SAINT MARK'S



ADULT FORMATION

During Lent the Adult Formation program will be exploring the Book of Acts. We will look at chunks of the book each Sunday and talk about the earliest days of the Church.

Adult Formation meets in the parish hall on Sunday morning from 9:30 to 10:15.

The outline of what we will be exploring is:
March 30: Acts 11:19 – 14:28
April 6: Acts 15:1 – 28:31

There will be no adult formation on April 13, 20 or 27.

CHILDREN'S FORMATION

Our Lent project in Children's Formation focuses on the Stations of the Cross. The Stations of the Cross consist of 14 stations that depict key events in the Passion of Christ, from his condemnation by Pontius Pilate to his entombment. Each station is a moment for prayer and reflection and is a devotion of hope that allows us to reflect on Jesus's sacrifices.

Children's Formation will gather at 10:30 in the children's formation area on March 23 and 30. Children will join their families in the Sanctuary the during the announcements (about 11:05) to participate in the Eucharist.

There will be no children's formation April 6, 13 or 20.

HELPING OTHERS IN LENT

Helping others is a big part of Lent. This year we are collecting personal care items. We will be doing two things with these products. We will be making Grooming Bags for mothers in Vinton County through our partnership with Help Me Grow. We will also be donating them to NNEMAP where they are always in need.

There is a sheet with reflections for each week that leads to a donation each week on the arched bookcase in the parish hall. Or there are two ways that you can help:

Donate \$20, which is the cost of filling one grooming bag. Bring full size bottles of the following to church during Lent: Shampoo, Conditioner, Body Wash, Hand Soap, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Deodorant, Disposable Razors

CONFIRMATION

The first confirmation class is today at 12:30 in the Canterbury Center.

If you have any questions, please get in touch with Pastor Vicki at rector@saintmarkscolumbus.org or 614-486-9452.

SUPPER GROUP

Supper Group will meet Saturday, April 5 at 5:30 p.m. in the parish hall. All are welcome. Bring a dish to share.

Please let Bill and Sarah Lange know if you are coming.

INTERNATIONAL COFFEE HOUR

As a lead-up to our annual Culture and Artisans Fair on May 3rd, the Migration Ministry Group will be hosting an International Tasting Coffee Hour after the 10:30 service on Sunday, April 6. There will be a few treats from a variety of countries to taste along with information and word games to help us better understand the various circumstances that cause people to migrate.

YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group will meet at our regular time on Sunday, April 6, following the 10:30 am service.

We will do an activity combining art and prayer and play some games. There will be pizza for lunch and we will finish up at 1:30 p.m.

ENDOWMENT TRUSTEES

Saint Mark's Endowment Fund investments are held at the Episcopal Church Foundation. The Endowment Fund Trustees meet at least twice a year to review those investments. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 7, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. in the Canterbury Center and via Zoom. Contact person is Dot Yeager.



THIS WEEK AT SAINT MARK'S



SPRING WORK DAY

Many hands make light work! Come and join us on Saturday, April 12 to do some Spring Cleaning to make St. Mark's look beautiful for Easter and for our congregants and visitors! There are a number of small tasks/projects to be done.

We will gather at 9 a.m. and end around noon, or when we finish the list of projects, whichever comes first. There will be indoor tasks and, if weather permits, outdoor as well. There will be a sign-up sheet when you arrive. So put the date and time on your calendar to help make our house shine!!

As an added bonus, Pastor Vicki will bring donuts from the Goodie Shoppe as an incentive for all who participate! See you all soon!!

EASTER FLOWERS

The Flower Guild will be collecting donations for Easter flowers on March 23, 30 and April 6. You can give a donation for flowers in honor of someone or something in your life or in memory of someone who has died.

You can give a donation to the Flower Guild in person in the parish hall following the 10:30 service or by using the online form. There is a link to the online form on the bottom of the Saint Mark's website.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday, which this year is on April 13.

Palm Sunday – April 13

8 a.m. - Rite I Eucharist with blessing of the palms.

10:30 a.m. – Service begins in the parish hall. We then process with our palms into the church. Rite II Eucharist with music and blessing of the palms.

Mundy Thursday – April 17

7:30 p.m. – This day commemorates the Last Supper and the giving of the great commandment *mandatum in Latin, where the name of the day comes from. Eucharist ending with the stripping of the altar. The reserve sacrament will be in the chapel for private devotion following the service and on Friday.*

Good Friday – April 18

Noon – Stations of the Cross

7:30 pm – Good Friday liturgy with communion from the reserve sacrament.

Great Vigil of Easter – April 19

7:30 p.m. – The Great Vigil of Easter is the first celebration of Easter. We start in darkness and move through the story of the history of God and human beings to the joy of the resurrection. This is a service of candles and water, Scripture and music.

*Easter Day Services 9 & 11 a.m. – **Note the change of service times** – April 20*

The 9 a.m. service features the Canterbury Choir. The 11 a.m. service features the Saint Mark's choir.

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt after the 9 a.m. service. There will be separate areas for toddlers and older kids. The eggs are stuffed with a combination of toys and candy.

EVENING KNITTING, PUB THEOLOGY & TOURIST IN OUR HOMETOWN

Because of Holy Week services and Easter celebrations, there is no Evening Knitting Group, Pub Theology or Tourist in Our Hometown event in April. All these events will resume in May.



The bread and wine of the Holy Eucharist are given to the Glory of God this morning in communion with all who have gone before us in faith.



Today's Worship Assistants

Celebrant
The Rev. Vicki Züst

Verger
George Reed

Lectors
Jodi Hess
Michele Johnson

Chalice Bearers
Bruce Johnson
Barb Keyes

Director of Music
Matthew Bester

Organist
Michael Schreffler

Saint Mark's Choir

Acolytes
Anna M.
Connor M.
Maria B.

Ushers
Beth Hylton
Alex R.
Leslie Winters
Gloria Wylie

Altar Guild
Amanda Foss
Marilyn Karl
Barb Keyes
Jackie Nicol
Gloria Wylie

Nursery Assistants
Marilyn Karl
Gwendolyn W.

Fellowship/Coffee Guild
Megan Bowman
Rachel McDonald

Livestream Producer
Mark Drew

Online Assistants
Alex R.
George Reed

This Week at Saint Mark's The Fourth Week in Lent: March 30—April 6, 2025

Sun. 3-30	<i>The Fourth Sunday in Lent</i> <i>Preacher: The Rev. Vicki Züst</i> 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I 9:30 a.m. Adult Formation 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II with music by the Saint Mark's Choir 12 p.m. Confirmation Class I 1 p.m. Street Church 4 p.m. Early Music in Columbus Reception for Donors 8 p.m. AA (Parish Hall)	Thurs. 4-3	8 a.m. 1 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 8 p.m.	Quilting Guild Sew-In (Parish Hall) Knitting & Stitching Group AA (Parish Hall) Saint Mark's Choir Rehearsal AA (Parish Hall)
Mon. 3-31	10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting 5:30 p.m. AA—Men's Group (Parish Hall) 7 p.m. AA (Parish Hall)	Fri. 4-4	<i>Rector's Day Off</i> 8 a.m. 8 p.m.	AARP Tax Assistance (Parish Hall) AA (Parish Hall)
Tues. 4-1	9:30 a.m. AI Anon (Parish Hall) 5:30 p.m. Cub Scouts (Parish Hall) 7:30 p.m. Vestry Meeting (Canterbury Center)	Sat. 4-5	5:30 p.m.	Supper Group
Wed. 4-2	8 a.m. AARP Tax Assistance (Parish Hall) 4:30 p.m. Canterbury Choir Rehearsal	Sun. 4-6	<i>The Fifth Sunday in Lent</i> <i>Preacher: The Rev. Vicki Züst</i> 8 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12 p.m. 8 p.m.	Holy Eucharist, Rite I First Sunday Program Holy Eucharist, Rite II with music by the Canterbury Choir Youth Group AA (Parish Hall)

Meeting information including Zoom meeting links can be found on the Parish Calendar www.saintmarkscolumbus.org/calendar.

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Dr. Matthew Bester, *Director of Music*
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Bill Silliman, *Head Verger*
Melanie Jacobs, *Office Manager*

Ministers:

The Entire Saint Mark's Family

Vestry Members:

Cheryl Boop, *Senior Warden*
Kevin Fix, *Junior Warden*
Alex R., *Youth Warden*
Dwight Anstaett
Michael Bowman
Steve Brindza
Norman Jones
Bill Lange
Ted Meyers
Mary Beth Smith
Melanie Tepley
Dan Verrilli
John Wilson
Park Zimpher



Phil Glandon, *Treasurer*
Jodi Porreca, *Clerk*

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*

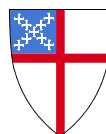
Who We Are:



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 descendants 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.



Whoever you are, and wherever you may be on the journey of the Spirit,
The Episcopal Church welcomes you.