



ST. MARK'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

20th Sunday after Pentecost: October 10th, 2021
11:15a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Welcome to St. Mark's!

Welcome to St. Mark's! We're so glad you're here. Our worship follows a similar pattern each week—it always includes readings from Scripture, lots of prayer, songs of praise, and most centrally, a meal we eat together called Eucharist. We invite you to participate to the extent you feel comfortable. If you're new to this kind of worship and flipping through the bulletin feels overwhelming, feel free to just set it down, relax, and join in worship by letting us say the words on your behalf.

New to St. Mark's? Use this QR code for a direct link to our Newcomer's page. Just open the photo app on your phone and hover over the image, which will take you to a link to complete a an online visitor card!



Covid Protocols:

We ask that everyone ages two and older wear a mask over their nose and mouth while indoors regardless of vaccination status. All St. Mark's staff and lay volunteers, including all members of the choir, all children's ministry volunteers, and all adult leaders in the liturgy, have all been fully vaccinated. By attending this service, you agree to the following: I have not tested positive or experienced any symptoms of COVID-19 in the previous 14 days. I also agree to inform the church office if I test positive for COVID-19 in the week that follows my attendance.

Children in Worship

We happily welcome your children to join us in worship today. We offer nursery care for crawling infants through age 3. Older children are invited to stay and participate in the service with a children's bulletin or head to the Kids' Corner in the narthex for reading and quiet play (parent supervision required).

GATHERING

Prelude: *Two Chorale Partitas*

Johann Gottfried Walther

on the hymns *Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word* & *Lord Jesus Christ, Turn Thou to Us*

Walther (1684-1748) was a German music theorist, organist, composer, and lexicographer of the Baroque era. Not only was his life almost exactly contemporaneous to that of J. S. Bach, he was the famous composer's cousin. Walther was most well known as the compiler of the Musicalisches Lexicon (Leipzig, 1732), an enormous dictionary of music and musicians. Not only was it the first dictionary of musical terms written in the German language, it was the first to contain both terms and biographical information about composers and performers up to the early 18th century.

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Processional Hymn: *Before the Lord's Eternal Throne*

Hymn 391

This text by British hymnist Isaac Watts (1674-1748) first appeared in the American Episcopal Hymnal of 1808. At the time, Americans took a more liberal attitude than the English Church to "hymns of human composure," with freely-composed verse or biblical paraphrase. Until the middle of the 19th century, most Anglican churches chanted the words of scripture, the prayers, and psalms, but viewed other texts with liturgical suspicion.

Opening Acclamations

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

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. *Amen.*

Gloria

A Community Mass

Collect of the Day

Glo - ry to God in the
high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav-en-ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa-ther, We wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord, God,

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have
mer-cy on us; You are seat-ed at the
right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our pray'r, re-
ceive, re-ceive our pray'r.
For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the
Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ with the Ho-ly
Spir-it in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther.
A-men. A-men.

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

THE WORD OF GOD

The First Lesson *(the people sit)*

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them

levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.

For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Psalm 90: 12-17

- 12 So teach us to number our days *
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.
- 13 Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry? *
be gracious to your servants.
- 14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
- 15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us *
and the years in which we suffered adversity.
- 16 Show your servants your works *
and your splendor to their children.
- 17 May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; *
prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

The Epistle

Hebrews 4:12-16

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The Gospel *(the people stand)*

Mark 10:17-31

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall

not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.” Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Zac Koons

Music for Reflection

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Nicene Creed (*leader and people, all standing*)

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 III

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

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

Silence. The People may add their own petitions

The celebrant add a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin *(the people kneel as they are able)*

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

Celebrant and 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 Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

EATING TOGETHER

Offertory Anthem: *Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me*

arr. K. Lee Scott

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be; help me now thy grace to see, I would be like thee; and, with words that help and heal, thy life would mine reveal; and, with actions bold and meek, for Christ, my Savior, speak. Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be; help me now thy truth to see, I would be like thee; and, with wisdom kind and clear, thy life in mine appear; and, with actions neighborly; speak Christ's sincerity. Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be; show thy mercy tenderly, make me more like thee; separate from sin, I would, and cherish all things good, and whatever I can be give him who gave me thee. Mighty Spirit, dwell with me, I would mighty be; help me now thy power to see, I would be like thee; against all weapons hell can wield, be thou my strength and shield; let thy word my weapon be, Lord, thine the victory. Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would be like thee!

K. Lee Scott (b. 1950) was born, raised, worked, and now enjoys retirement in Alabama. He earned degrees in Choral Conducting at the University of Alabama and has served on the music faculties at the University of Alabama and Samford University.

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Doxology (sung) (all standing)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures
here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host;
praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

United Methodist Hymnal 95
WORDS: Thomas Ken, 1674
MUSIC (OLD 100th, LM): Attr. to Louis Bourgeois, 1551

Eucharistic Prayer B

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 him thanks and praise.

Celebrant proceeds

... and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus (*Celebrant and People*)

A Community Mass

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high-est.
Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high-est, ho - san-na in the high-est.

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The people kneel or stand.

Celebrant continues

... Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

... By him, and with him, and in him, the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Breaking of the Bread *(silence is kept)*

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Communion Hymn: *Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word*

Hymn 440

Post Communion Prayer *(the people kneel as they are able)*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and 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.

BEING SENT

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: *Be Thou My Vision*

Hymn 488

These stanzas are selected from a 20th-century English poetic version of an Irish monastic prayer dating to the 10th century or before. They are set to an Irish folk melody that perfectly expresses the conviction of the text.

The Dismissal

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *Praeludium in C Major*

Dietrich Buxtehude

Buxtehude (1637-1707) was organist, choirmaster, and treasurer of the great St. Mary's Church in Lübeck, Germany. His artistry was of such renown that in 1705 a young J. S. Bach walked 250 miles to spend three months listening to his music.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers on the altar are given in memory of Kathleen, by Kathy, Bo and Evan Overstreet.

Today at 10am: Tacos & Coffee in the courtyard

- ✦ Formation class: *Return to Discipline*, led by The Rev. Dr. Nathan Jennings: Grace Chapel
- ✦ Bake with the Bible, Kitchen & Back deck: 2nd - 5th grade
- ✦ Godly play: Common Room: PreK - 1st grade

Ministry Training (both current & those new to each ministry are encouraged to attend):

- **Acolytes - Today, October 10th**, meet in the Sanctuary after the 11:15am service.
- **Lectors/LEMs - Sunday, October 17th**, after the 11:15am service (*note date change*).

St. Mark's Annual Choir Poinsettia & Wreath Sale starts today! Look for a choir member in the Parish Hall after the 9 & 11:15 services, for all the details! Proceeds support our music ministry. Poinsettias come in three color choices, \$15; and fresh green wreaths are available in two sizes: either \$35 or \$42. Or to order directly: <https://secure.myvanco.com/YGVW/campaign/C-YHRE>.

St. Mark's Block Party: Saturday, November 6, 11am - 2pm. *Volunteer sign ups are posted in the Parish Hall!* We can't pull this off without your help (and we'll need a lot of it). There will be BBQ, music, face painting, games & more. Contact Jennifer Gallardo-Payne: jgallardopayne@me.com.

Volunteers needed at St. Mark's: 10/17, 10/24, and 11/7! This top secret assignment includes taking donations and possibly dressing like a turkey. If you know, you know! #handsforhope #turkeycostume. Contact [Resa Dunn](#) for details.

Youth Group to Trinity Center, October 17th! Meeting at the Trinity Center at 2pm. For more details, contact Casey: casey@stmarksaustin.org.

Save the Date: M&M (Mission & Ministry) Sundays this year: October 24th & 31st. A summary of our 2021 financials will be presented along with an overview of the hopes and dreams for our budget in 2022. Stay tuned for details.

Newcomer event: St. Mark's 101 Class: October 24th & 31st, 10am. Come learn about St. Mark's!

MISSION OPPORTUNITES

Interested in ministry to new immigrants and asylum seekers? Contact Mother Mary for more information: mary@stmarksaustin.org

Trinity Center volunteer opportunities:

- Women's clothing closet Monday mornings
- Front desk T, W, F mornings
- Donations of travel size hygiene products, toothbrushes and toothpaste; men's underwear, socks, pants, shirts, belts, and shoes
- Contact Eunice at eunice.g@trinitycenteraustin.org and bring donations to the bin at church

Ministers of the Service

Lectors: Marjie Lawrence, TBD
LEMs: Barbara Dody, Jay Brown

Ushers: Daniel Murrieta, Thomas Delamater, Laurel Kelly, Pat Bullock

Altar Guild: Diana Stangl, Dodie Wells, Brenda White

Livestream Operator: Rebecca Yu

Vestry in Charge: Michael Meigs

Depositor: Clarence Bonnen

Parish Intercession List: You are invited to use this list to pray for those below.

For those celebrating birthdays: Dave Elkins, Molly McConnell, Katherine Romero, Boston Sanders, Stevie Davis, Nancy Middlebrook, Marie Peterek, Sarah Loyd, Chase Almond, Shelly Botkin, Diane Brewer, Eliza Jackson, Ronnie Lee, Marilyn Mazac, Stephen White, Kelsey Hicks, Justin Nelson, Abigail Blanding, John sieverman, Tina Stonebarger.

For those celebrating anniversaries: Melissa & Chris Blanding, Ashley & Philip Denniston, Lindsey & Michael Gehrig, Margaret Schlankey & Bill Pugsley.

For those who have died: Laura Ford.

Those for whom the Daughters of the King pray.

St. Mark's Staff

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