



ST. MARK'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The Holy Eucharist, Rite Two,
with Blessing of the Backpacks
August 21, 2022
10:00 a.m.

Welcome to St. Mark's!

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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. 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.

Children in Worship

We happily welcome your children to join us in worship today. We offer nursery care for crawling infants through age three. 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 (parental supervision required). Children ages 3-7 are invited to go to the Parish Hall after the Children's Sermon to participate in Children's Church.

Prayers of the People Journal

If you know of anyone who would appreciate the prayers of the St. Mark's community, please add their first names to the Prayers of the People Journal found at the entrance to the church.

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 an online visitor card!



GATHERING

Prelude

Processional Hymn: *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Hymn 686

Opening Acclamation

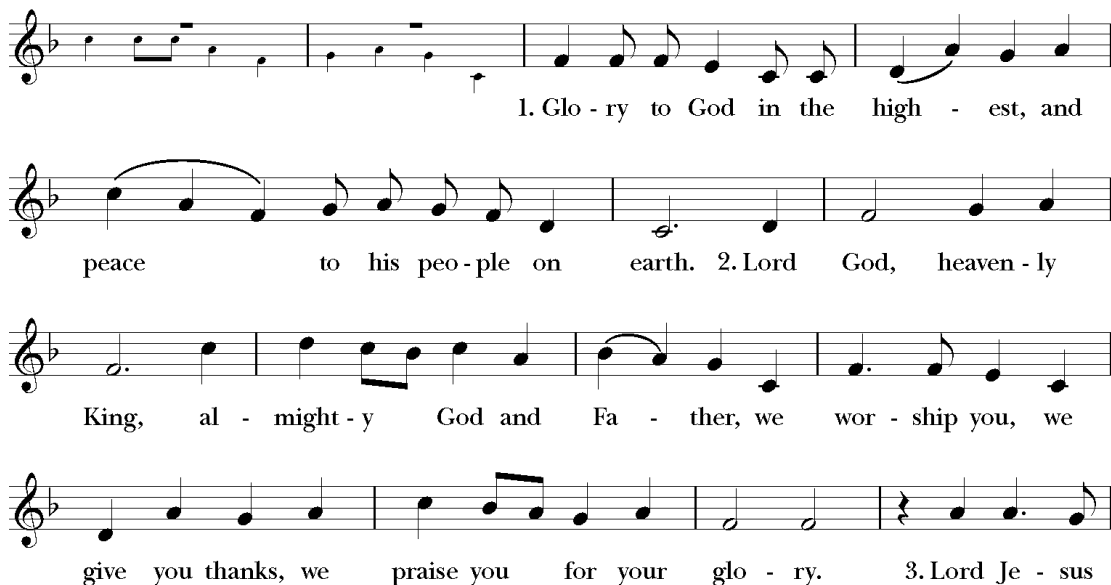
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The 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 in excelsis

Hymnal S-280



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus

Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The Old Testament *(the people sit)*

Jeremiah 1:4-10

The word of the LORD came to me saying,

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
and before you were born I consecrated you;
I appointed you a prophet to the nations.”

Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.”
But the LORD said to me,

“Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’;
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,
and you shall speak whatever I command you,
Do not be afraid of them,
for I am with you to deliver you,
says the LORD.”

Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,

“Now I have put my words in your mouth.
See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,
to pluck up and to pull down,
to destroy and to overthrow,
to build and to plant.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 71:1-6

In te, Domine, speravi

- 1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; *
let me never be ashamed.
- 2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; *
incline your ear to me and save me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; *
you are my crag and my stronghold.
- 4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, *
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.
- 5 For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, *
my confidence since I was young.

6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;
from my mother's womb you have been my strength; *
my praise shall be always of you.

The New Testament

Hebrews 12:18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken – that is, created things – so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

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

Sequence: *O Lord, Hear My Prayer*

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are written below the staves.

1 O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call an - swer me.
2 The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: all my hope comes from God.

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer, come and lis - ten to me.
The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: God, the well-spring of life.

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The Gospel

Luke 13:10-17

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, “There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.” But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?” When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

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

Children’s Sermon, with Blessing of the Backpacks

Casey Bushman

Children are encouraged to come forward for the Children’s Sermon.

After the Children’s Sermon, Children ages 3-7 are invited to go to the Parish Hall for Children’s Church.

The Sermon

The Rev. Mary Keenan

Music for Reflection

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

The 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.

The Prayers of the People

Form III

Leader

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 Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

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

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant
People

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

The Announcements

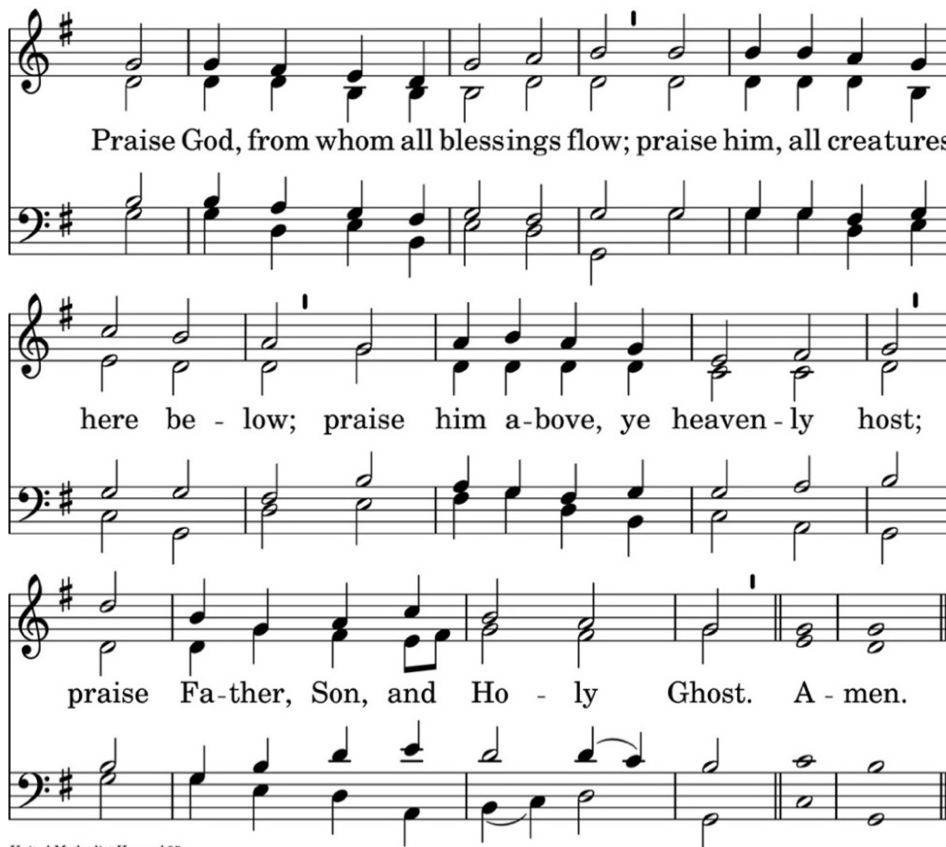
EATING TOGETHER

Offertory Anthem

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The Doxology *(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.

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

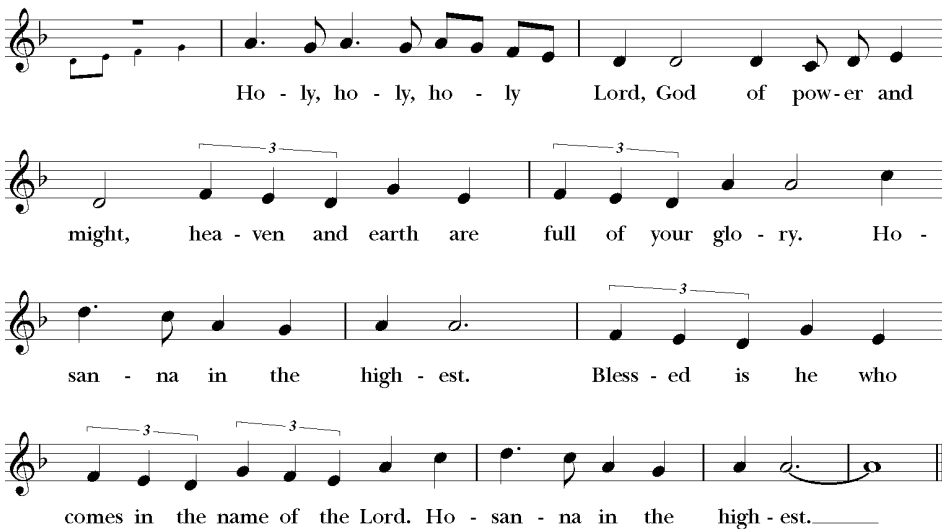
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds

... 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:

Sanctus and Benedictus qui venit

Hymnal S-129



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 people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

... Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

The Celebrant continues

... 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

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

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

Agnus Dei

Hymnal S-161

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 Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Music:

Hymn: *I Come with Joy to Meet My Lord*

Hymn 304

Hymn: *O What Their Joy and Their Glory Must Be*

Hymn 623

The Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

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.

BEING SENT

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*

Hymn 699

The Dismissal

Deacon
People

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

*Thanks to Christa Tumlinson and Iona Olive
for providing the music this morning!*

Announcements

Blessing of the Backpacks: At today's service, all children (and adults!) starting a new school year are invited to come forward for a special blessing (with your backpacks/devices, if you have them but come forward even if you don't!).

Home Blessing: Casey Bushman and his family are settling in to their new home at Community First! Village, and they will be hosting a Home Blessing this Thursday, August 25, at 7:00 pm. The St. Mark's community is all invited – help the Bushmans celebrate and bless their new home!

Rally Day: Join us next Sunday, August 28th, for Rally Day! Did you know that our Sunday services and programs require dozens of volunteers to run smoothly? Rally Day is an opportunity to reset and sign up for Sunday ministries – please take some time to pray about how you can serve at St. Mark's! Next Sunday, sign up for one of our Sunday ministries: Acolytes, Altar Guild, Children's Ministry, Depositors, Hospitality, Lay Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Livestream, Ushers/Greeters.

Being With Courses: Beginning in September, we will hold three Being With courses, all on Zoom. **Being With** (Wednesdays, September 14 to November 16, 7:30-9:00 pm) is for those interested in exploring big questions of meaning, God, life, and death with others who are curious; it puts conversation first and seeks to create a safe, non-judgmental space to explore these questions together. **Being With Creation** (Wednesdays, September 14 to November 16, 7:00-8:30 pm, OR Thursdays, September 15 to November 17, 1:00-2:30 pm) focuses on creation care, helping to connect the Christian faith to issues of climate change and making practical suggestions about what we can do in the face of such an overwhelming and complex problem, while rooting those suggestions in deep theological reflection. Use the QR code or the insert in the bulletin to register.



St. Mark's Community Forum: Save the date: On Saturday, October 1, 9:30 am – 12:30 pm, we will have a St. Mark's Community Forum with Heimsath Architects.

Tuesday Bible Study: Join us on Tuesdays at Noon for a study of Micah. We meet via Zoom. Contact Mother Mary at mary@stmarksaustin.org for details!

Wednesday Evening Eucharist: Join us every Wednesday at 5:30 in Grace Chapel for a service of Eucharist.

Volunteer Opportunities Abound! Once a week, once a month or once a year – our mission partners need YOU to help with loads of community-building projects. If you like to garden, serve meals, mentor, organize things, or teach... if you like working with children, youth, or adults... we have something for you! CONTACT Mother Mary at mary@stmarksaustin.org or any of the following members of our Mission Advisory Board: Amber Featherstone-Uwague, Laurie Mayor, Mary-Alis Kelly, Nora Kelly, Par Bullock, Resa Dunn, Ron Bolek.

Altar Flowers: If you would like to donate altar flowers (suggested donation of \$50), please sign up in the Parish Hall or email the church office at office@stmarksaustin.org with the Sunday of your choice and your dedication (in memory or honor of someone, in thanksgiving for a blessing in your life, etc.).

Congratulations to those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week (Aug 14-20)!

Charlie Berndt
Oliver Bondy
Charlotte Bushman

Barbara Cooper
Marcy Greer
Becky Janes

Kristen Lewis
Lee Siegismund

Cathy and James Nelson
Amy and Nassos Papalexandrou

John Ross and Sharon Voudouris-Ross

Ministers of the Service

Lectors: Marjie Lawrence, Thomas Delamater

LEMs: Barbara Dody, Jennifer Shaw

Ushers: Reed Shaw, Jody Doran,
Jay Doran, Daniel Murrieta

Altar Guild: Pat Bullock, Liz Davis,
Brenda White, Amelia Sondgeroth

Vestry-in-Charge: Chris Blanding

Depositor: Tom Delamater

Clergy and Staff

The Rev. Zac Koons, *Rector*

The Rev. Mary Keenan, *Assistant Rector*

The Rev. Dr. Nathan Jennings, *Theologian in Residence*

Casey Bushman, *Director of Christian Formation*

Mark Reed, *Organist/Director of Music & Bookkeeper*

Karon Hammond, *Head of St. Mark's Day School*

Irma Glover, *Sexton*



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