



ST. MARK'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The Holy Eucharist, Rite Two

October 2, 2022

11:15 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 offer drop-off childcare for crawling infants through age three in the nursery, and for Pre-K through 1st grade in the Parish Hall. Children may be picked up at the Peace for communion, or after the service. Prefer to have your kids stay and participate in the service? Ask an usher for a children's bulletin, find crayons in the pew backs, or head to the Kid's Corner in the narthex for reading and quiet play with your child.

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: *Selections from “A Wesley Organbook”*

Alfred Fedak

Alfred Fedak (b. 1953) holds degrees in Organ and Music History from Hope College and Montclair State University, and has done additional study at Westminster Choir College and in Austria and England. This collection based on melodies associated with texts of Charles Wesley was commissioned in 2006 for the 175th anniversary of a New York Methodist church.

Processional Hymn: *All Creatures of Our God and King*

Hymn 400

Tuesday is the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi (c. 1181–1226). Francis is known as the patron saint of animals and the environment. This hymn is an English paraphrase of his “Canticle of the Sun,” in which St. Francis used imagery from nature to create an enduring hymn of praise.

Opening Acclamation

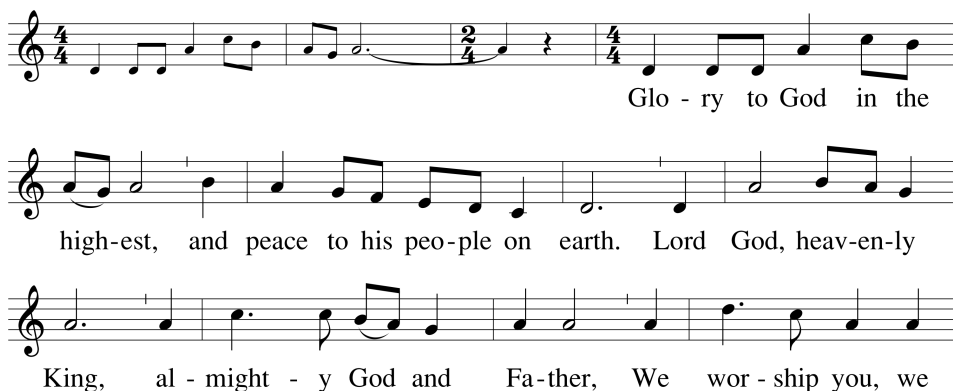
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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

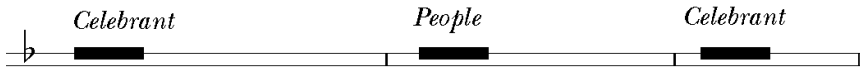
A Community Mass



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

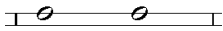
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.
 Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord, God,
 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have
 mer-cy on us; You are seat - ed at the
 right hand of the Fa-ther: re - ceive our pray'r, re -
 ceive, re - ceive our pray'r.
 For you a-lone 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.

The Collect of the Day



The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.



A - men.

THE WORD OF GOD

The Old Testament *(the people sit)*

Lamentations 1:1-6

How lonely sits the city that once was full of people!

How like a widow she has become, she that was great among the nations!

She that was a princess among the provinces has become a vassal.

She weeps bitterly in the night, with tears on her cheeks;

among all her lovers she has no one to comfort her;

all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they have become her enemies.

Judah has gone into exile with suffering and hard servitude;

she lives now among the nations, and finds no resting place;

her pursuers have all overtaken her in the midst of her distress.

The roads to Zion mourn, for no one comes to the festivals;

all her gates are desolate, her priests groan;

her young girls grieve, and her lot is bitter.

Her foes have become the masters, her enemies prosper,

because the LORD has made her suffer for the multitude of her transgressions;

her children have gone away, captives before the foe.

From daughter Zion has departed all her majesty.

Her princes have become like stags that find no pasture;

they fled without strength before the pursuer.

Lector
People

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Response

Lamentations 3:19-26



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The thought of my affliction and my homelessness *
is wormwood and gall!

My soul continually thinks of it *
and is bowed down with-in me.

But this I call to mind, *
and therefore I have hope:

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, *
his mercies never come to an end;

they are new every morning; *
great is your faithfulness.

“The Lord is my portion,” says my soul, *
“therefore I will hope in him.”

The Lord is good to those who wait for him, *
to the soul that seeks him.

It is good that one should wait quietly *
for the salvation of the Lord.

The New Testament

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

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

Sequence Hymn: *Rise Up, Ye Saints of God!*

Hymn 551

This text was written by Presbyterian pastor William Merrill (1867–1954) while he was riding on a steamer in Lake Michigan. After its initial publication in 1911, Merrill's hymn soon found wide popularity across North America and Great Britain.

The Gospel

Luke 17:5-10

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

The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.

“Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table’? Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink’? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!’”

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

The Sermon

Rachel Joiner

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 VI

Leader

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The intercessor names those listed in the Prayers of the People journal.

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence.

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in
your eternal kingdom.

The intercessor names those listed in the Prayers of the People journal.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

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: *Prayer of Julian of Norwich*

Carson Cooman

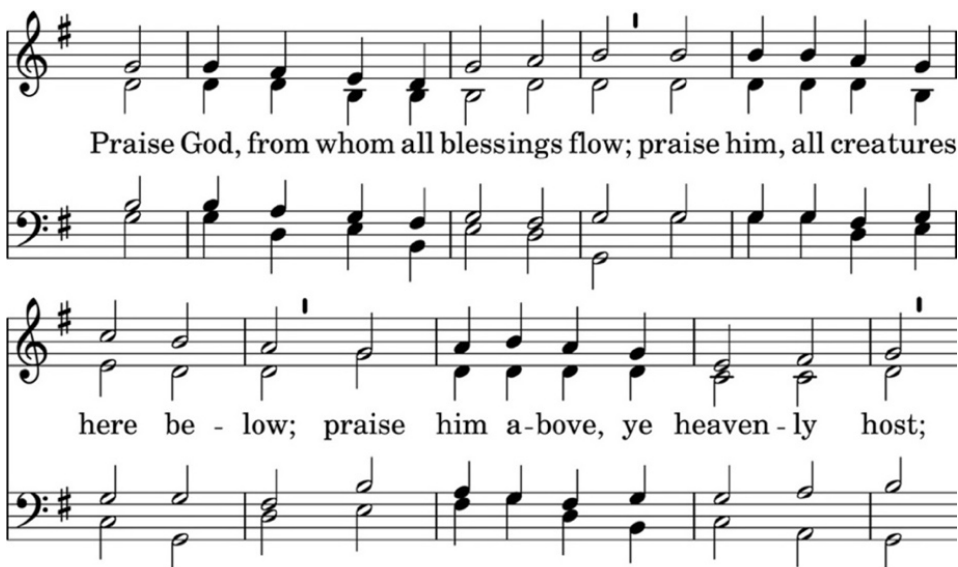
God, of your goodness, give yourself to me. For you are enough for me: only in you do I have everything! Amen.

Julian of Norwich (1343–after 1416), also known as Juliana of Norwich, was an English mystic and anchoress of the Middle Ages. Her writings, now known as Revelations of Divine Love, are thought to be the earliest surviving English language works by a woman. American composer and organist Carson Cooman (b. 1982) set this prayer to music in 2003.

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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;

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 stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

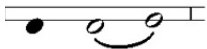
... Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

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

People



A - MEN.

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.**

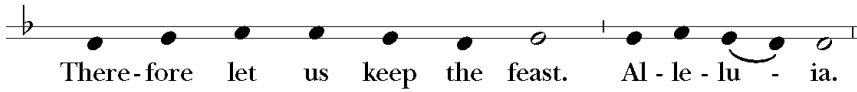
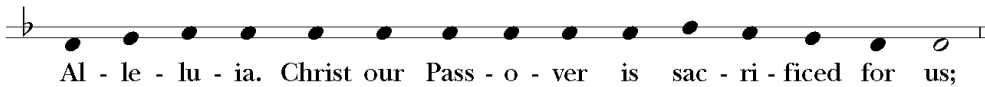
**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**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.



Agnus Dei

A Community Mass

The Celebrant says the following Invitation



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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: *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*

Hymn 660

Congregational pastor Washington Gladden (1838-1918) was a leader in the social gospel movement. He was probably the first prominent American religious figure to support unionization of the workforce; he also opposed racial segregation. He was also a prolific writer who penned hundreds of poems, hymns, articles, editorials, and books.

Hymn: *O Jesus, I Have Promised*

Hymn 665

John Bode (1816-1874) wrote these words to highlight the promises made by his daughter and two sons at their confirmation. The words are effectively paired with a Finnish folk melody.

The Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

BEING SENT

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: *Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service* Hymn 610

This text, rich in scriptural references to the life, ministry, and the suffering of Jesus, closely relates his life and mission to the lives and responsibilities of contemporary Christians. It was written in 1961 by British Congregational minister Albert Bayly (1901-1984). Our hymnal pairs Bayly's text with the 19th-century Welsh tune Blaenhafren.

The Dismissal

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

Postlude: *Litany on "Let Us Plead for Faith Alone"*

Alfred Fedak

This setting concludes "A Wesley Organbook." Charles Wesley wrote the words to this hymn in 1740, emphasizing the doctrine of justification by faith. The tune comes from The Foundery Collection of 1742, the first Methodist book of tunes.

The altar flowers are given by Richard Dansko
in celebration of Damon Stewart's birthday.

This Week at St. Mark's

Today	7:45 am	Rite I Eucharist
	9:00 am	Eucharist and Feast of St. Francis Pet Blessing, Front Lawn
	10:00 am	Theology of Bad Things, Grace Chapel
	10:00 am	St. Mark's 101, Conference Room
	11:15 am	Rite II Eucharist
Tuesday, Oct 4	12:00 pm	Bible Study, Zoom
Wednesday, Oct 5	6:00 pm	Wednesday Evening Eucharist, Grace Chapel
	6:00 pm	Choristers Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, Oct 9	10:00 am	Theology of Bad Things, Grace Chapel
	12:30 pm	Youth Lunch Gathering, Back Deck

Announcements

The Block Party is Coming up! Be here Saturday, October 22, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, for food, games, and music – bring your friends! **And we need your help!** Help with games, food, BBQ, set up, clean up ... and more. Sign up in the Parish Hall or online with the QR code.



Pet Blessing at Community First! Village, Feast of St. Francis: All are invited to another pet blessing for the residents of Community First! Village that afternoon, from 2:00-3:30. And hey, let's collect some pet supplies for them, too! Make donations in the blue tub in the Parish Hall.

Youth Gathering – Lunch + Big Questions from the Bible: Next Sunday, October 9th, hang out with us as we eat tacos and ponder one of life's biggest questions: why do bad things happen? On the deck (if it's nice) right after the 11:15 service.

Threatened Texas Art Walk: St. Mark's is excited to announce that our Meditation Trail will be hosting a new art installation. With roughly 150 threatened and 75 endangered species in Texas alone, artist Juliet Whitsett offers viewers encounters with biodiversity through her interactive and artistic representations of our rarest and most at risk. Visit the Meditation Trail to see the installation, and join us for an Artist Talk with Juliet Whitsett on Sunday, October 23rd, at 10:00 am, in Grace Chapel.

Emergency Need: The demand for food is high and El Buen Samaritano's shelves are empty. You can take donated food directly to them at 7000 Woodhue Drive or make donations online at www.elbuen.org. St. Mark's will also be making a donation.

Volunteer Opportunities at Welcome Table: This organization provides food, emergency assistance, and caring community for low-income households in East Austin. You can help in person or virtually; mornings, afternoons, or evenings. For more information or to sign up, visit www.welcometableaustin.org/the-welcome-table/volunteer-with-us.

Baptism Opportunity: The next baptismal feast is All Saints' Sunday, which falls on Sunday, November 5. Contact Fr. Zac at zac@stmarksaustin.org if you are interested in baptism for yourself or your child.

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 (Oct 2-8)!

Ariston Awitan	Nora Kelly	Barb Steinberg
Clara Baumgart	Kayla Killbride	Damon Stewart
Christine Brunson	Rachel Lee	Carol Todd
Mandalyn Castleberry	Kathy Ramsey	Piper Wilson
Jennifer Gallardo-Payne	Amelia Sondgeroth	Jonathan Yu
James Hartline	Joseph Sondgeroth	
Francisco and Jordan Sondgeroth		Sallie and Bill Yeager

Ministers of the Service

Lectors: Amelia Sondgeroth, Bill Willis

LEMs: Dru Cabler, Heather Zdancewicz

Ushers: Mark Breen, Lucas Breen, Stephanie Young

Altar Guild: Judy Elkins, Evelyn McMillen,
Darlene Goodnight, Gail Weatherby

Livestream Operator: Joel Keifer

Depositors: Jennifer Shaw, Heather Zdancewicz

Hospitality: Jay Doran, Rachel Maxwell