

Christ the King

Sunday, November 22, 2020, 9:00 a.m. Virtual Worship

GATHERING

Preparing for Virtual Worship

Set up a space in your home for worship and prayer. Light a candle, set out a cross or icon to help you focus; set your phone on Do Not Disturb, wash your hands. Take a few deep breaths and say a short prayer to prepare your heart to "enter" a different kind of space. We recommend 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.

Prelude: Two Hymns of Thanksgiving

Albert Travis

All Things Bright and Beautiful Now Thank We All Our God

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Opening Hymn: Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

Hymn 290

Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home; all is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin. God our Maker doth provide for our wants to be supplied; come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home. All the world is God's own field, fruit unto his praise to yield; wheat and tares together sown unto joy or sorrow grown; first the blade and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear; grant, O harvest Lord, that we wholesome grain and pure may be. For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take his harvest home; from his field shall in that day all offenses purge away, give his angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast; but the fruitful ears to store in his garner evermore. Even so, Lord, quickly come, bring thy final harvest home; gather thou thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin, there, forever purified, in thy presence to abide; come, with all thine angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home.

Sung by Members of the St. Mark's Choir

Despite its familiar Thanksgiving associations, the real concern of this text is to recall the harvest imagery Jesus used to describe the fulfillment of God's justice at the end of the age. It was written in 1844 for a harvest festival by an Anglican priest named Henry Alford (1810-1871).

Words: Henry Alford (1810-1871), alt.

Music: ST. GEORGE'S, WINDSOR, George Job Elvey (1816-1893)

Descant: Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971)

Opening Acclamation

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

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

THE WORD OF GOD

The Collect of the Day

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Psalm 100

- 1 Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; * serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.
- 2 Know this: The Lord himself is God; * he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- 3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; * give thanks to him and call upon his Name.
- 4 For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; * and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

The Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I

tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Priest The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Rev. Mary Keenan

Music for Reflection

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Prayers of the People

Form II, BCP 385

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop(s); for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed especially ______. Pray for those who have died. Silence

I ask your prayers for those in our community _____.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored especially whom we remember today. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. *Silence*

The celebrant concludes with prayers and a collect

The Lord's Prayer

Priest and People

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Offertory Solo: Lift High the Cross

Hymn 473

Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred Name. Led on their way by this triumphant sign, the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine. Refrain. Each new-born servant of the Crucified bears on the brow the seal of him who died. Refrain. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as thou hast promised, draw the world to thee. Refrain. So shall our song of triumph ever be: praise to the Crucified for victory. Refrain.

Christa Tumlinson, soloist

The author of this 19th-century hymn was inspired by the story of Constantine the Great's conversion to Christianity after seeing a cross with "In hoc signo vinces" on it. After being sung in England for 75 years, it made its first appearance in an American hymnal in 1974.

Words: George William Kitchin (1827-1912) and Michael Robert Newbolt (1874-1956) Music: *Crucifer*, Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947); desc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Announcements

The Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Postlude: Now Thank We All our God: Triumphant March Sigfrid Karg-Elert

Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933) was one of the principal German composers for organ of his generation. He studied at the Leipzig Conservatory, and in 1919 he became a member of the staff there. His early works reflect the influence of composers such as Debussy, Scriabin, and Schoenberg, but he later developed an original style that melded chromaticism and expanded harmonies with Renaissance and Baroque polyphony.

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PARISH INTERCESSION LIST

You are invited to use this Intercession List to pray for those listed below.

For healthcare workers and teachers: Heather, Michael B., Christine, Eric, Joan, Beth, Mac, Jodi, Courtney, Russ, Nicole, Jewellyn, Jana Kay, Steven, Pam, Marcille, Jesse, Laurie, Charles, Cilla, Jonea, Jennifer R., Jennifer S., Samuel, Mary, Jordan, Jeffrey, Kim, Michael T., Amber, Aaron, Sarah, Laurie, Carolyn, Jennifer, Chez, James., Cindy.

For those celebrating birthdays: Claudia Janes, Elizabeth Wood, Mary Page Jones, Mike Thomasson, Susan Albers, Nina Erichson, Nicole Pike, Jay Doran, Cilla Parkison, Matthew Cain, Amy Farley, Jeff Sigismund, Ben Crozier.

For those celebrating anniversaries: Angelica & Ben Joyce, Brenda & Rex White, Amalia & Manuel de la Rosa, Marcy & Sam Greer, Carolyn Foote & Gregg La Montagne.

For those celebrating new birth: Rosemary & Austin Ewald welcomed their son, Charles Prine Ewald, born on November 14th. Charles is the grandson of Becky Nolan & Jim Nolan.

For those whom the Daughters of the King pray.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pledge cards - Please return your pledge cards by Thanksgiving, either via postal mail or completed online here: www.stmarksaustin.org/pledge-now.

Pick up your Advent candles on Sunday during one of the in-person services, and at the conclusion of the 11:15 service (up until 12:15 p.m.). In addition, there will also be some decorating supplies to spruce up your home advent wreath! Advent begins Sunday, November 29th.

Family Advent kick-off on November 29th, at 10:00 a.m. in place of the usual picnic eucharist service. Drop by anytime between 10 and 11 to pick up your advent kit, plus music and activities for the kids. (No RSVP required, but please sign up here for your advent kit in advance.)

Vestry nominations for 2021 are open! Please send nominees to Sr. Warden, Michael Meigs (<u>email</u>). Vestry nominees must be confirmed communicants in good standing.

St. Mark's 101 Class: Tuesdays in Advent, beginning December 1, 7-8 p.m., an orientation to life at St. Mark's —a little theology, a little history, why do we do what we do when we do it. Intended for newcomers, but open to all! RSVP to Fr. Zac: <u>zac@stmarksaustin.org</u>.

Angel Tree is happening! You can help brighten the holidays for some of our neighbors at Barton Hills Elementary School, Community First! Village, and Trinity Center by giving a gift. To keep things safe, we've put the whole "tree" online and asking you to put gift cards inside personalized greeting cards. You can participate **HERE**. **Please return gifts to St. Mark's on Sundays, or send to us in the mail. Early deadline is Dec. 9.** *See signup for all the details!* Contact Mother Mary with questions.

Advent Quiet Day, December 5, 9am - noon. Anyone is welcome to participate in the virtual event. For link & RSVP information, email <u>Heather Azarmehr</u>. Sponsored by the Daughters of the King. Schedule of events coming next week.

AdventWord is a global online Advent calendar and YOU are invited to participate. Using the AdventWord website and social media, like FaceBook and Instagram, you can see written and visual meditations on the word of the day, then join believers around the world by offering your own. For more information see the website: https://adventword.org/en/home/ and on FaceBook.

ONGOING EVENTS

Adult Forum Sunday School in November, 9:45 a.m. with the Rev. Dr. Nathan Jennings: *What is the Good News?* The class link will be shared on our home page Sunday mornings.

Morning Prayer, Mondays - Fridays, 8:30 a.m. Access links: <u>www.stmarksaustin.org</u>. <u>Note:</u> no morning prayer November 25-27 (Thanksgiving). Morning prayer will resume on November 30th.

Note: St. Mark's will have limited office hours Thanksgiving week and closed completely November 25-27.

Sunday Schedule: Outdoor in-person Sunday eucharist services reservations (*required*) open each Monday prior to the Sunday service. RSVP here: <u>www.stmarksaustin.org</u>.

- 8:00 a.m. Parking lot Eucharist, Rite I
- **9:00 a.m.** *Virtual* Worship Livestream (links accessible through our website)
- 9:45 a.m. Virtual Adult Forum Sunday School with Rev. Nathan Jennings (link on our website)
- **10:00 a.m.** Family Picnic Eucharist on the lawn.
- 11:15 a.m. Parking Lot Eucharist, Rite II

Missed a sermon? Want to enjoy more music offerings? Or need to catch up on Mr. Casey's children's programming videos? Subscribe to St. Mark's YouTube channel here.

Lectors: Ariston Awitan III & Matthew Awitan



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The Rt. Rev. Andy Doyle, Bishop of Texas

The Rev. Zac Koons, Rector

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

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Brandon Haynes, Seminarian

The Rev. Mary Keenan, Curate

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