

ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

JUNE 1, 2025 10:00 AM YEAR C

Welcome

Welcome to St. Mark's Episcopal Church! Whether this is your first time or thousandth time in worship with us, we are so glad you are here. St. Mark's is an inclusive community of faith, committed to celebrating God's creative love in all people. Together, we strive to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with God. You are welcome here—in worship, at the communion table, and in our walk together.

Prelude "Prelude in C Sharp Major" WTC II

J. S. Bach

THE WORD OF GOD

Presider Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

People Christ is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

Presider Dear friends in the risen Christ, we are made one with Jesus through

the waters of baptism and the indwelling of God's Holy Spirit. God's spirit hovered over the waters of creation and called all life into being. May that same spirit rest upon us to remind us that we are baptized into the life, death and resurrection of Jesus the Anointed One.

Presider O God, the Creator of all things, by water and the Holy Spirit you

have given the universe its beauty and fashioned us in your own

image.

People Bless and purify your creation.

Presider O Christ the Messiah, from your pierced side you gave us your

sacraments as fountains of salvation.

People Bless and purify your Church.

Presider O Holy Spirit, giver of life, from the baptismal font of the church you

have formed us into a new creation in the waters of rebirth.

People Bless and purify your people.

Opening Hymn 450 "All hail the power of Jesus' name"Blue 1982 Hymnal

Presider May Almighty God, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

People Amen! Alleluia!

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 S278 Mathias Blue 1982 Hymnal

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

PresiderThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.PresiderTogether let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

The Lesson: Acts 16:16-34

With Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi in Macedonia, a Roman colony, and, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

People Thanks be to God

Psalm 97 Dominus regnavit

- 1 The Lord reigns; let the earth rejoice; * let the multitude of the isles be glad.
- 2 Clouds and darkness are round about you, O Lord; * righteousness and justice are the foundations of your throne.
- 3 A fire goes before you * and burns up your enemies on every side.
- 4 Your lightnings light up the world; * the earth sees it and is afraid.
- 5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord, * at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
- 6 The heavens declare your righteousness, * and all the peoples see your glory.
- 7 Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! * Bow down before the Lord, all you gods.
- 8 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, * because of your judgements, O Lord.
- 9 For you are the Lord, most high over all the earth; * you are exalted far above all gods.
- 10 The Lord loves those who hate evil, * preserving the lives of the saints and delivering them from the hand of the wicked.
- 11 Light has sprung up for the righteous, * and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.
- 12 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, * and give thanks to the holy name of the Lord.

The Epistle: Revelation 22:12-14,16-17,20-21

At the end of the visions I, John, heard these words: "See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen. Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 7 "Christ, whose glory fills the skies" Blue 1982 Hymnal

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to John People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel: John 17:20-26

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. "Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

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

The Homily

The Rev. Delaney Schlake-Kruse

Profession of Faith: Nicene Creed

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

Leader: Today we thank God that the Christ who ascended is with us, abiding in the lives of all people. Let us pray for all humanity, and for the life about us, praying, Risen Lord, *Hear our prayer*.

Leader: O God, in the resurrection and ascension of your Son, you have drawn us nearer to yourself. With your Son, may we be together with all the people of the world:

We pray for our lives, our families, our companions, and all those we love, For those in our parish family celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week especially on their birthdays with Audrey LaBeaume, Nick Simon and Chad White. Let us give thanks to the God of Life, praying, Risen Lord,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us pray for the Church, that we all may be one:

We pray for our clergy and our bishops,

For all the lay people, who lovingly serve the world as ministers in the community of the Church.

In the Diocesan Cycle, we pray for the people and ministry of the Episcopal Church of the Advent in Crestwood; we pray for our companion parish of St. John and St. James in Sullivan:

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for The Anglican Church of Korea;

In our companion Diocese of Puerto Rico, we pray for Mision Nuestra Senora de Walsingham in Cabo Rojo;

We pray for our Jubilee Ministry partner Isaiah 58 Ministries and our outreach partner Doorways Interfaith Housing;

We pray for the holy churches in every place, that we may come to know the unity of faith, praying, Risen Lord,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us pray for the world and its leaders, and our nation and its people, and especially the people of Ukraine, Sudan, and the Middle East, that all may work for justice and peace, bringing an end to war, destruction, and oppression, praying Risen Lord.

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us pray for the hungry, the homeless, and those in prison; for victims of violence, immigrants, refugees, and all who have been separated from their homes and families, and those who live in this fear; praying Risen Lord,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us pray for all those in the world who are ill, all who suffer, and those who struggle with addiction or difficult demands of daily life. We pray for those who experience desolation and for those who feel remote from God. We pray for those on our parish prayer list and those we name either silently or aloud [pause], that the hope born of Easter may give them peace, acceptance and renewal, praying, Risen Lord,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us pray for those who have died, especially Tammy Patton, that they be welcomed to new and eternal life, embraced by God and the communion of saints, praying, Risen Lord,

People: Hear our prayer.

The Presider offers this concluding collect.

Eternal God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life for all creation; grant us grace to love one another, to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to

share his risen life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The Peace We are a community of reconciliation and peace; therefore, we greet each other with a sign of our desire for peace.

Presider: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Congregation greets one another with the peace of Christ.

Announcements, Birthday and Anniversary Prayers

Presider: We pray in thanksgiving for all in our parish family who are graduating into the next phase of their life and education especially Ben and Lucy. That with their learning they may also grow in love and wisdom all the days of their lives;

Children's Time

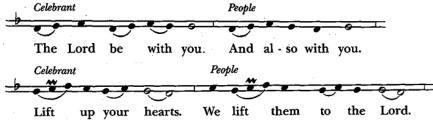
Presider: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

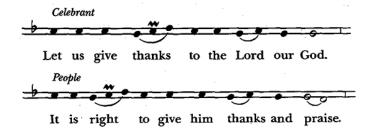
THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn 483 "The head that once was crowned with thorns" Blue 1982 Hymnal

The Holy Eucharist II Lift up your hearts Sursum corda

S 120





It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heav'n and earth; but chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

Blue 1982 Hymnal

Holy, Holy Hymnal S 128 Mathias
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The Presider continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

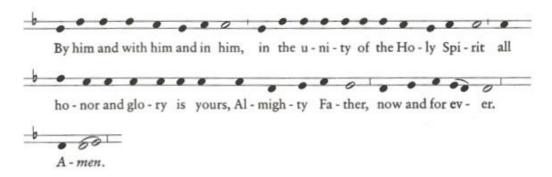
After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Presider continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.



The Lord's Prayer

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

People and Presider

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.

Blue 1982 Hymnal

Fraction Anthem S155 Near Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Ministration of Communion

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God. So come to this table you who have been here often and you who have not been here in a long time. You who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed. You who are full of faith and full of doubt. Come, it is Christ himself who invites you to meet him here.

All who hunger and thirst for God are welcome to receive the Holy Communion at this altar. Gluten free hosts are available. Please let the minister know that you require gluten free.

Communion Hymn 302 "Father, we thank thee who has planted"

Blue 1982 Hymnal

Prayer after Communion

Presider God is with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Together, let us pray.

People Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant

that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Alleluia! Amen.

The Blessing

A Blessing During the Easter Season from the New Zealand Prayer Book May God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life. Amen.

May God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us the victory, give you joy and peace in your faith. *Amen*.

And the blessing of God our Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always. *Amen*.

Closing Hymn 494 "Crown him with many crowns" Blue 1982 Hymnal

Dismissal

Presider Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the

power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude "Processional in D Major"

S. de Roulers

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ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP

Lector: Greg Diekemper Usher: Diane Nienkemper Greeter: Kittie Golomski

Altar Guild: Jon Danieley Chalice: Susan Goen/Scott Thompson

Livestream: Lucy Danieley Crucifer: Frankie Danieley Godly Play: Schoenberg



Please join us in the Parish Hall as we celebrate our Graduates Benjamin Cashen and Lucy Danieley.

Pride Month at St. Mark's

Here at St. Mark's we celebrate, welcome, and affirm as people as the good and beloved creations they are, and this month we are especially focused on celebrating, welcoming, and affirming our Queer siblings as good and beloved. The Episcopal Church, and St. Mark's in particular, has an important history of working toward radical inclusion and authentic welcome. Because of this, we will be celebrating Pride Month this year at St. Mark's. Each week you will find a story of a Queer Episcopalian whose life has worked toward furthering the cause of inclusion in our church tucked into your bulletin. As you read these stories and hear the Gospel this month, consider how the Reign of God comes to life through the efforts humans make to widen the circle until there is room for everyone.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Bible Study

Today, we will gather for Bible Study and on every first and third Sundays of each month. Together with Rev. Delaney we will journey through the Gospel of Mark together. Come with your favorite translation and a willingness to discuss the mysteries of our faith revealed in scripture! We will grab a drink and a snack and meet in the parish hall after church. All are welcome!

June 8: Pentecost and Grubby Sunday!

On Sunday, June 8, we will celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and then gather after worship to clean up our kitchen and spruce up the parish hall. All are welcome to pitch in and care for the St. Mark's spaces!

Isaiah 58 Back to School Collection



This year we are asking for highlighters. We did such a good job over-collecting yellow markers 2 years ago, that these are specifically to be NOT YELLOW! The deadline to drop off highlighters is August 24th. There will be a bin in the Parish Office marked **Isaiah 58 Back-to-School** that you can drop off your

items. If you have any questions, contact Deacon Jerre.

ECW Meeting: Getting to Know Pastor Delaney

The Episcopal Church Women (ECW) of St. Mark's invite the women of the parish to join us on Tuesday, June 3 at 6 p.m. for a potluck supper and an informal

gathering to get to know more about Rector Delaney Schlake-Kruse. Also bring your ideas for upcoming meetings.

Sign up in the Parish Hall, so we have an idea of who's bringing what and how much to bring (of course, we'll accommodate anyone who doesn't sign up but can come last minute). For more information, contact Susan Goen.

Remember that all women are welcome to attend ECW events. If you are a woman and attend St. Mark's, you are automatically a member of ECW.

Getting to Know You: Helping our New Rector Learn about the Heritage, People & History of St. Mark's

Please join the Rev. Delaney Schlake-Kruse and the Rev. Dr. Teresa Danieley for a luncheon and guided conversation on

Sunday, June 22, from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm

In a workshop format, over table fellowship and guided conversations, the Rev. Delaney Schlake-Kruse, ninth Rector of St. Mark's Episcopal Church, and St. Markans will learn more about one another, leading to deeper relationships and partnership in Christian Ministry. (This will also help Teresa+ complete her certificate through the Interim Ministry Network.)

Questions? Want to help lead guided conversations or help with the luncheon? Please call, text or email Teresa Danieley at 314-503-7415 or tkmithen@gmail.com.

KIDS, JOIN US THIS SUMMER FOR

Hearing Stories, Telling Stories, Songs, Costumes, Challenges, Painting, Clay, Indoor and Outdoor Fun, Digging in the Dirt, Surprises,... and More Fun, Fun, Fun! EVERY SUNDAY June 1st - September 7th, 9:30 am to the Peace During the Church Service. Children over 10 years old can volunteer as helpers.

Thirsty Thursdays

The next Thirsty Thursday is June 12th, at 5:30pm join St. Mark's in the Rockwell Beer Garden in Francis Park for fellowship and conversation. Bring a friend! All are welcome!

Evening Prayer in the Plaza

The next prayer in the Plaza is June 18th. Bring chairs, snacks and a drink for an evening of songs and prayers starting at 6:30pm. Fellowship to follow. All are welcome!

At the beginning of May 2025, your vestry met to discern who we are and where God might be calling St. Mark's. Through this work, the vestry developed the following:

Divine Purpose Statement for St. Mark's:

WE BELIEVE God's boundless love has drawn us together to be a community of reconciliation, nurture, and acceptance.

WE WORSHIP the Triune God with Scripture, read and interpreted, and emphasis on choral and congregational singing, robust instrumentation, and weekly Eucharist where all are welcome.

WE SERVE our neighbors, especially the marginalized, and take care of each other.

Online Giving at St. Mark's

Thank you so much for your desire to support the ministry here at St. Mark's! If you would like to give online, simply scan the QR code below using the camera on your smart phone to visit our online giving platform.

Your generosity is a blessing!

We Pray for Sean our Presiding Bishop, for Deon our Bishop, for Delaney, Teresa, and Jerre our Clergy, and for all the holy People of God;

In the Diocesan Cycle, we pray for the people and ministry of the Episcopal Church of the Advent in Crestwood; we pray for our companion parish of St. John and St. James in Sullivan:

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for The Anglican Church of Korea; In our companion Diocese of Puerto Rico, we pray for Mision Nuestra Senora de Walsingham in Cabo Rojo;

We pray for our Jubilee Ministry partner, Isaiah 58 Ministries, and our outreach partner, Doorways Interfaith Housing;

We pray for those who are ill, in trouble or distress of any kind, especially the Anderson family, Lynn Kiamie Bianchini, Bruce Bramoweth & family, Yulia Borjte, Joan Cap, John Carroll, Steve Chamberlin, Janet Chance, Alicia Crowe, Michelle Dever, Donna Duffy, Candace Farmer, Mary Carol Fischer, Don Frank, Carol Garbs, Tom Gard, Jeanne Gardener, Sue and Ty Garrett, Joan Grout, Robin Harris, Allan Harvard, Rob Heritage, Damaris Hernández, Sherry Hicks and family, Carol Hohenberger and her mission team, Cindy Hooks, Margaret and Sandy Hvatum and their family, Tor Hvatum, Doug Jeffery, Jodi Keuney, Jane Kozielec, Richard Liermann, Catherine Logsdon, Kathy Lynch, Rita Mauchenheimer, John Meyer, Donna Musgrave, Betty Orlando, Scott Schmidt, Joan Schneider, Becky Schroeder, Cheryl Schulz, Lois Schubert, Rick Schubert, Logan Smith, Mitchell and Tracy Shelton, Jeanette Swallow, Lou Swallow, Bonnie Tesson, Scott Thomas, Kathy Tracy and family, Marilyn Wiethop, Justin and Lindsay Williams, Hulene Woody, Walter Zimmerman, Eric, Elizabeth, Leo, Marian, Jim, Baby Ameila, Gary.

We give thanks on their birthdays with Audrey LaBeaume, Nick Simon and Chad White.

We pray for those who have died, especially Tammy Patton.

We pray for those serving in the armed forces, especially Jesse Foy, Robert McCarthy, Brandon George, Jon Moore, Paul Malabar, Logan Smith.

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