ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
ALL SAINTS DAY YEAR A
NOVEMBER 1, 2026 10:00 AM

We will gather on the Plaza in front of Church (weather permitting) before the 10:00 a.m. service for a procession following the piper to the All Saints' Memorial Garden for the Litany of Saints and then into the church.

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.

As we prepare our hearts and minds for worship each week, you are invited to find a comfortable space to sit quietly and listen to the prelude. The prelude is the first part of worship, setting the tone for what is to come and helping God's people to unplug from the rhythms of daily life and prepare for a time of worship. We hope this musical offering will resonate in your soul and invite you into our worship practice.

All Saints' Litany 2026

(The Litanist begins and the people respond.)

Lord, have mercy. *Christ, have mercy*.
Lord, have mercy.
O Christ, graciously hear us.

Holy Mary, Mother of God.
O Christ, graciously hear us.

All you holy angels and archangels.
O Christ, graciously hear us.

All you holy Prophets of God.
O Christ, graciously hear us.

All you Apostles and Evangelists.
O Christ, graciously hear us.

All you Holy Martyrs.
O Christ, graciously hear us.

All you Holy Women and Men, given unto God.
O Christ, graciously hear us.

All you servants of God, throughout all time
All you whose faith is known to God alone.
O Christ, graciously hear us.

For the Church,
For the world,
For our families and friends,
For our enemies and those who wish us harm.
O Christ, graciously hear us.

On this day we remember those who have gone before us. We pray for all victims of war and violence and natural disasters. We pray today for those who have worshipped before us in this place and who have died, especially for those who are remembered in this All Saints' Memorial Garden . . .

Pray with us, you Saints of God!
O Christ, graciously hear us.

Lord, have mercy. *Christ, have mercy.*
Lord, have mercy.

(As the piper begins to play all gathered will process into the Church.)

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Hymn 287 "For all the saints, who from their labors rest" *Blue 1982 Hymnal*

Opening Acclamation
Presider Blessed be the God of all Creation
People ***Whose Spirit renews the face of the earth.***

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***.

Presider Let us glorify the Holy One as we sing.
Gloria S280 ***(Blue 1982 Hymnal)*** ***Powell***
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.

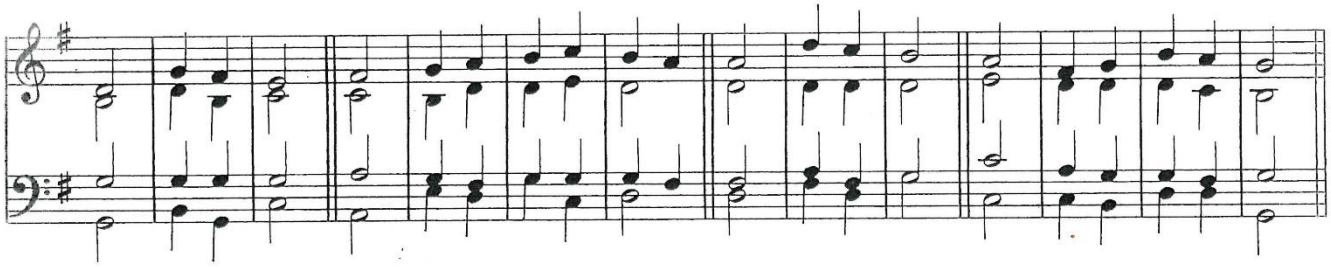
The Collect of the Day
Presider The Lord be with you.
People ***And also with you.***
Presider Together, let us pray.
Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

The Lesson: Revelation 7:9-17
After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. "For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."
Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.
People ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm 34:1-10,22 ***Benedicam Dominum***

Psalm 34: 1-10, 22 *Benedicam Dominum*



1. I will bless the | LORD at | all times; *
his praise shall | ever • be | in my | mouth.

2. I will | glory • in the | LORD; *
let the | humble | hear • and re- | joice.

3. Proclaim with me the | greatness • of the | LORD; *
let us ex- | alt his | Name to- | gether.

4. I sought the LORD, and he | answered | me *
and delivered me | out of | all my | terror.

5. Look upon him | and be | radiant, *
and let not your | faces | be a- | shamed.

6. I called in my affliction and the | **LORD** | heard me *
and | saved me • from | all my | troubles.

7. The angel of the LORD encompasses |
those who | fear him, *
and | **he** | will de- | liver them.

8. Taste and see that the | LORD is | good; *
happy are | they who | trust in | him.

9. Fear the LORD, you that | are his | saints, *
for | those who | fear him • lack | nothing.

10. The young lions lack and | suffer | hunger, *
but those who seek the LORD lack | nothing | that is | good.

22. The LORD ransoms the | life • of his | servants, *
and none will be | punished • who | trust in | him.

The Lesson: 1 John 3:1-3
See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.
Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches
People ***Thanks be to God.***

Sequence Hymn 293 "I sing a song of the saints of God" *Blue 1982 Hymnal*

Presider/Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to Matthew
People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

The Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12
When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."
Presider/Deacon The Gospel of the Lord
People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

The Homily **The Rev. Dr. Pamela Stuerke**

The Baptismal Covenant *All stand*
Presider: Dear People of God: In Holy Baptism we have become part of that great fellowship of believers in all times and places: the Communion of Saints. In baptism God has adopted us as children and made us members of Christ's body and inheritors of God's kingdom with the saints in light. Let us now renew the vows of our baptism by which God has made us a holy people.

Presider: Do you believe in God the Father?
People: ***I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.***

Presider: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
People: ***I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.***

Presider: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People: ***I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.***

Presider: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
People: ***I will, with God's help.***

Presider: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
People: ***I will, with God's help.***

Presider: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People: ***I will, with God's help.***

Presider: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People: ***I will, with God's help.***

Presider: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People: ***I will, with God's help.***

May Almighty God, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, and called us to ministry in Jesus Christ, keep us in eternal life by his grace; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Prayers of the People

Leader On this All Saints' Day, let us offer our prayers to God, whose children God offers the great reward of the kingdom of heaven, praying, Lord, in your mercy, ***"Hear our prayer."***

We pray for the church throughout the world, that we may praise you for your blessing and glory and wisdom and honor and might forever and ever;

We pray for Sean our Presiding Bishop, for Deon our Bishop, for Delaney and Jerre our clergy, for Chad our Intern Candidate for Holy Orders, and for all the holy People of God;
In the Diocesan Cycle, we pray for the people and ministry of the Episcopal Church of All Saints & Ascension in Northwoods;
In the Anglican Communion, we pray for Sarah the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Anglican Church of the Region of Central America;
In our companion Diocese of Puerto Rico, we pray for Mision San Marcos Evangelista in Ponce;
We pray for our Jubilee Ministry partner Isaiah 58 Ministries and our outreach partner Doorways Interfaith Housing;

We give thanks for any birthdays or anniversaries this week. We pray, Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

For the leaders of the nations that they may with truth strive for mercy, justice and peace in the world, and for all those seeking refuge; we pray for those whose lives have been disrupted by war, especially the people of Ukraine, Sudan, Cuba, and the Middle East; we pray, Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for the victims of injustice and violence, and those who live in fear of violence or separation from their community; we pray for all immigrants and refugees; we pray, Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

We pray that you grant your wholeness and healing to all who live in the grip of illness or addiction, fear or danger; the hungry, homeless, and oppressed; and for all those in distress;

We pray for those on our Parish Prayer list, and those whom we name, either silently or aloud [pause];

For those serving in the armed forces and all who work in public service; we pray, Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

For those who have departed this life to join your Son at your table of grace, and for those who grieve; On this All Saints' Day, we especially remember,

Ruth Conners
Charlie Conners
Joan Grout
Andrew Dudley Hvatum
Dorothy J Jeffery
Robert S Jeffery
Arlie Jungermann
Jackie Jungermann
Betty Knowles
Vera Koch
Vicktor Koch
Lawrence B Lewis
Richard Liermann
Scott McPherson Jr.
Mary Nienkemper
Hal Nienkemper
Jennifer Owen
Bob Reeves
Carrie Elizabeth Robards
Janet Cross Robards
Tom Robards
Rick Schubert
Amy Simos
Tim Smith
Gene Snider
Warren Snider
Hyland Dean Stegmann, Sr.
Jay L. Stegmann
Mary Frances Stegmann
Wesley J. Stegmann
George Swallow
Jeanne Koch Swallow
Selma Swallow
Marge Tidwell
Roy Watts, II
David Wiethop
Alice Witeka
Frank Witeka

we pray, Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

The Presider offers this concluding collect.
Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:"
Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the
Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

Confession & Absolution
Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Presider 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.

Presider 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.***

Gratitude Moment-Michelle Santos-Odle

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
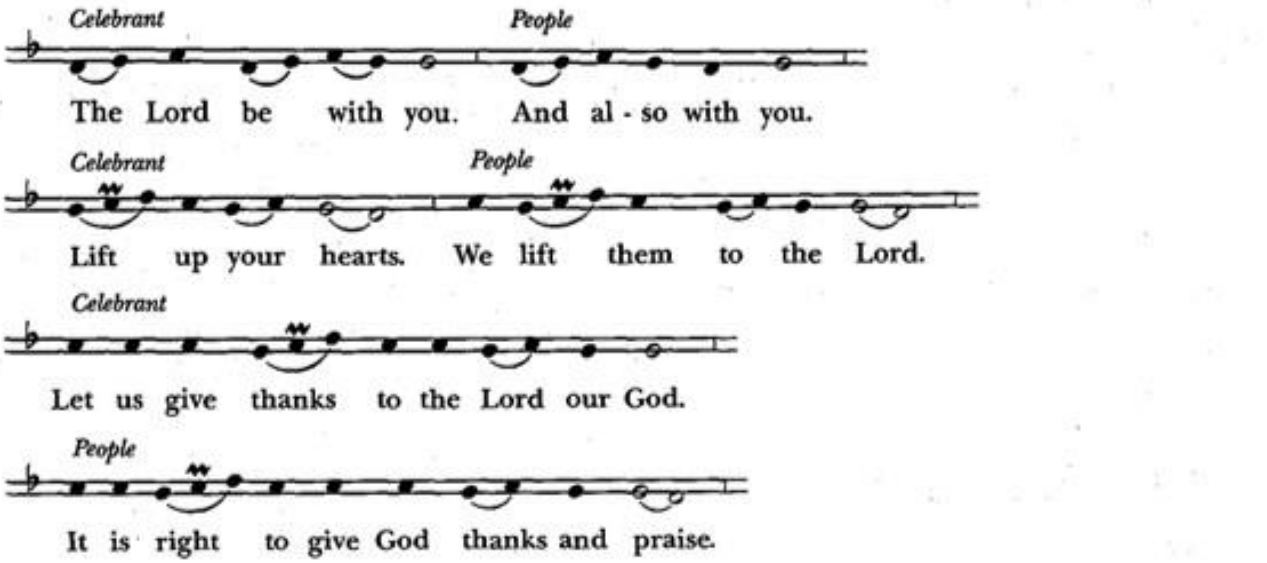
Children's Time-Debbie Crossnoe

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem "Remember your servants, Lord" **Russian Orthodox Hymn**
Text: Hymn 560

The Holy Eucharist II **S 120**
Lift up your hearts ***Sursum corda***



Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth; For in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away. 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 you name:

Presider and People
Holy, Holy, Holy S129 *Powell* *Blue 1982 Hymnal*
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.

Presider Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.
You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus.

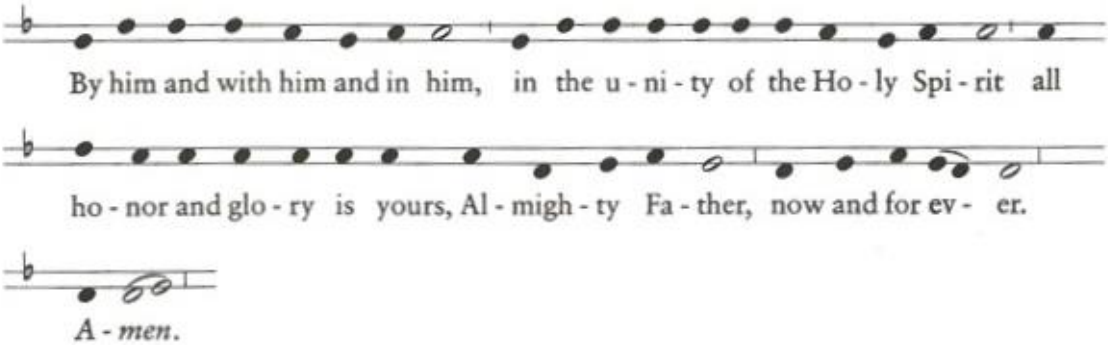
Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory.
Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.
On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.



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.

The Breaking of the Bread
Fraction Anthem S154 *Hurd* *Blue 1982 Hymnal*
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. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

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 526 "Let saints on earth in concert sing" *Blue 1982 Hymnal*

Prayer after Communion
Presider Together, let us pray.
God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen

The Blessing
Presider May God give you grace to follow the saints in faith and hope and love; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.
Amen.

Closing Hymn 618 "Ye watchers and ye holy ones" *Blue 1982 Hymnal*

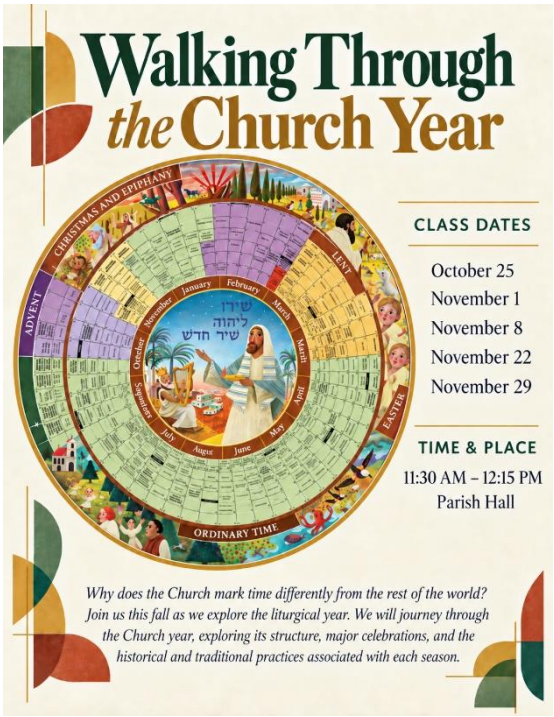
Dismissal
Presider/Deacon Our worship is ended. Our service in the world begins. Go into the world to love what God loves. Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord.
People ***Thanks be to God.***

Postlude "Sonata de primo tono" **José Lidón (1748-1827)**
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ASSISTING IN OUR WORSHIP
Today we welcome Rev. Dr. Pamela Stuerke as our Presider
Lector: Amanda Cashen *Usher:* Kittie Golomski *Greeter:* Diane Nienkemper
Altar Guild: Tom Bradley *Crucifer:* Chad Templin *Livestream:* Scott Thompson
Chalice: Marilyn Wiethop/Chad Templin *Coffee Hour:* Margaret Hvatum

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Walking Through the Church Year

Why does the Church mark time differently from the rest of the world? Join us this fall as we explore the Liturgical Year and the rhythm of seasons, feasts, fasts, and holy days that shape our worship and Christian life. Together we will journey through the Church year, exploring its structure, major celebrations, and the historical and traditional practices associated with each season.

Classes will meet on today through Nov. 29, from 11:30 am - 12:15 pm in the Parish Hall. Our final gathering, on the First Sunday of Advent, will include a Make-and-Take Advent Wreath as we begin a new liturgical year together. All are welcome!

Trick or Treat at St. Mark's

Come spend the evening with the St. Mark's community sharing candy and fun with our neighbors. We will gather on the plaza at 5pm on Halloween. Sign-up sheet is in the Parish Hall. Candy will be provided. Bring your own drinks, chairs and fellowship.



INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE

On November 22 we will celebrate the culmination of our stewardship season in worship. Please send in your 2027 pledge card or bring it with you to worship on November 22 as we give thanks to God through generosity! And don't forget to bring a pie for our Pie Social. Sign up sheet is in the Parish Hall.





St Mark's Christmas Light Walk down Candy Cane Lane

This year's festive walk will be held on Saturday, December 5th. We will meet at 5:00pm at the Parish Hall for some pizza, then dress up warmly and walk together down Angel Alley and Candy Cane Lane. We will meet back afterwards for hot chocolate and pizza. There will be a signup in the Parish Hall. Please plan on bringing a small donation to cover the cost of the pizza and make sure to put which pizza you prefer on the sign-up sheet; Cheese, Veggie, Gluten-free, or Pepperoni along with the number of people in your group. This is a fun family event, so you are welcome to invite friends to join us. For more information, please contact Margaret Hvatum.

Peace Meal

We need St Mark's volunteers for the next Peace Meal at St John's Church on November 21st. This is a great opportunity to serve our neighbors in need. We need volunteers for the first afternoon shift from 2pm – 4pm for cooking and the 2nd shift from 3:45pm - 5:45pm to serve and clean up. Your help is greatly appreciated. Please notify Diane Nienkemper 314/602-9532 or Marti Robards 314/596-6383 if you would like to help.

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 using the camera on your smart phone to visit our online giving platform.
Your generosity is a blessing!

We pray for those who are ill, in trouble or distress of any kind, especially Yulia Borjte, Randy Borowiak, Canon Desiree Brattin, Maggie Brogan, Rusty Cates, Randy and Jenny Coffey, Volker Coleman, Alicia Crowe, Tom Gard, Sue Garrett, Mark Godfrey, Braden Hagberg & Family, Larry Hensel, Lynn Heritage, Yaz Hernández and their extended family, Denise Huber, Margaret and Tor Hvatum, Celeste Kocot, Jane Kozielec and Allen, Debbie Kramer, Becky Kruse, Stephanie Maass, Penny McCullough, Gary Medley, Beverly (Kocot) Meyers, Donna Musgrave, Neice Nelson, Betty Orlando, Nancy Raedeke, Joe Rodriguez and his mother Ellie, Brian Salci, Jennifer Salci and her parents, Cheryl Schulz, Joanne Schneider, Lois Schubert, Tom Schroeder, Logan Smith, Mitchell and Tracy Shelton, Michael Sophir, Gracie Stephens, Jeanette Swallow, Lou Swallow, Ralph Szevery, Tom Tetrault, Scott Thomas, Bill Trafka, Casey Tyler, David and Doris Westfall, The White Family, Susan Winfrey, Walter Zimmerman, Eric, Elizabeth, Gary, Ted, Karen, Larry, Doug, Fritz, Rebecca, Lynn, Catreta and Dennis.

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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