

Please stand

Prayer for Mission *sung by all*

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.

Blessing

Hymn in Procession *sung by all*

The St. Mark's Hymn

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Mighty God who called creation from the unformed womb of space, newborn worlds of gleaming glory, fresh with hope and ripe with grace: speak again in power and promise when the storms of fear increase: to our chaos and confusion let your light and truth bring peace.

As we worship, may your Spirit breathe through us the power of prayer, words of life for daily living, strength to do and faith to dare.

Come, enflame us, Holy Spirit, like the Church at Pentecost; help us bear the light of blessing to the least, the last, the lost.

Rooted is the love of Jesus, nourished by his flesh and blood, may we prove a fruitful vineyard joined in mutual servanthood.

Work through us, O risen Savior, to reap peace from fields of strife; Bring our barren wastes to blossom; lead us out of death to life.

Keep us faithful, joyful, loving, filled with hope through grief and pain, Knowing that the One who made us has redeemed and will sustain: Triune God, of boundless glory, yet in human form made known, raise us up to be a people called by love to be your own.

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**ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
CONTINUED IN LEATHERBURY HALL**

Lunch

Recognition of outgoing Vestry Members

Selection of new Vestry Members

Rector's Presentation and the Winged Lion Award

Call to Adjourn Annual Meeting Lee Haramis, Chancellor

Dismissal

Clergy Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Music Notes

Trumpet – Dr. Randy Tinnin Timpani – Whitney Morgan

As we continue through this Epiphany season of light and revelation, in today's Gospel we see Jesus reveal himself as the Messiah in many ways: through the fulfilment of prophecy and through his teaching, healing miracles, and call to the disciples. Light imagery is also central to most of today's music. The sequence hymn specifically reflects themes from today's Gospel reading, while both communion hymns reflect themes from the Collect of the Day. And as we celebrate our Annual Parish Meeting, part of which occurs during the service and then finishes afterwards in Leatherbury Hall, we close with our beloved St. Mark's Hymn.

Permission to stream the music in this service obtained from One License lic. #A-732869 and CCLI lic. #20201141.

BCP 365

VISITOR INFORMATION

Children's Chapel

A Children's Chapel, including music and a story, is offered for all potty-trained 3-year-olds through 3rd graders during the service. To participate, children simply follow the cross in procession to the McCarty Early Learning Center after the reading of the Gospel and then return as a group during the Peace.

Nursery and Restrooms

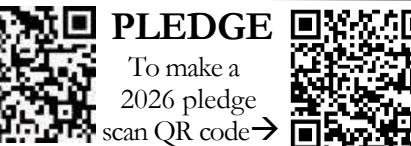
A **nursery** is available during the service for children through age 2. It is located in the McCarty Early Learning Center across the circular drop off west of the church. **Restrooms** are located in the church office building south of the church.

Sunday Classes for Adults and Children

Sunday classes for adults and children are offered at 10 a.m. Please see the announcements insert for a list of classes and their locations.

GIVING INFORMATION

Offerings can be put in the plate or text SMJAX to 53555 or scan QR code →



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Worship Participants

We thank God for those leading worship and pray that all will be blessed in our service today.

Lectors	Jesse Webb, Julie Pope	Verger Lee Haramis, Jr.
Acolytes	Langston Bryan, Sterling Falconetti, Jane Magevney	
Chalice Bearers	Christine Burkett, Linda Crofton, Frances Hutto, Payson Tilden	
Ushers	Fred Kent, Jeff Collins, Christopher Commander, William Magevney, Phil Rachels	
Altar Guild	Julie Shapiro, Heather Bryant, Darden Grant, Barbara Stevenson, Courtney Wilder, Mary Lee Willetts, Brooks Whittaker	
Flower Guild	Jane Lockwood, Bonnie McCormick	

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

A River of Grace. A Life Abundant.

Welcome! We are delighted to have you join us for worship today! Newcomers, please complete a Connect Card (located in the pew in front of you) so that we can get to know you better. Regular attendees, please use this same card to ensure we have your current contact information. Please note that all page numbers listed in the bulletin preceded by BCP refer to the red Book of Common Prayer in the pews. Hymns are found in the blue Hymnal 1982. Hymn numbers preceded by an "S" (service music) are found near the front of the hymnal.

Information on childcare, restroom locations, and educational offerings is on page 6.

The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 25, 2026 - Holy Eucharist - Rite II
and Annual Parish Meeting - 10:00 a.m.

Prelude – Trumpet Tune in C

Henry Purcell

The Word of God

Please stand

Hymn in Procession *sung by all*

Thy strong word did cleave the darkness (*Ton-y-Botol*)

Hymnal 381

Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Celebrant 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.**



St. Mark's Episcopal Church Vision

St. Mark's is a missional church built at the headwaters of the Gospel where the life and light of Christ flow into our community, our city, and God's world. (Ps 46:4-5)

St. Mark's Episcopal Church Mission

To cultivate generations of servant-leaders rooted in God's Word and nurtured by the Holy Spirit to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus to the world.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated

First Lesson – 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

Sequence Hymn sung by all

They cast their nets in Galilee (*Georgetown*)

Hymnal 661

Holy Gospel – Matthew 4:12-23

Clergy The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles – the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea – for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

After the Gospel reading potty-trained 3-year-olds through 3rd graders are invited to follow the cross to Children's Chapel as the congregation sings "Jesus loves me".

Sermon – The Rev. Charlie Holt

Call to Open Annual Meeting

Lee Haramis, Chancellor

Collect for a Church Meeting

Celebrant Almighty and everliving God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with those who take counsel in this, our Annual Parish Meeting, for the renewal and mission of your Church. Teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Senior Warden

Beverly Sleeth

Junior Warden

Randy DeFoor

Treasurer

Beth Gordon

Foundation Chair

John D. Baker II

Please stand

Prayers of the People – Form III

BCP 387

Confession

BCP 360

Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem – Arise, shine, for thy light is come

Donald Pearson

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you. For behold, darkness covers the land; deep gloom ensheathes the peoples. But over you the Lord will rise, and his glory will appear upon you. Nations will stream to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawning. Your gates will always be open; by day or night they will never be shut. They will call you, The City of the Lord, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel. Violence will no more be heard in your land, ruin or destruction within your borders. You will call your walls, Salvation, and all your portals, Praise. The sun will no more be your light by day; by night you will not need the brightness of the moon. The Lord will be your everlasting light, and your God will be your glory.

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Offertory Hymn The Doxology sung by all

Hymnal 380, verse 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

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 continues...

Sanctus sung by all

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

musical setting: Hymnal S 125

BCP 364

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.

Fraction Anthem sung by all

musical setting: Hymnal S 154

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

Please be seated

Communion of the People

At Holy Communion, all baptized Christians are welcome to receive. The bread is received in the open palm. Gluten free wafers are available upon request; ask the priest when at the altar rail. The wine may be taken from the cup by drinking (placing your hand on the base to guide it) or by "intinction" (dipping the bread). If you wish to participate but do not want to receive the bread or wine, simply cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing. Please let an usher know if you need assistance to the altar rail or if a priest may bring the elements to your pew.

Communion Anthems

Eternal light

Stephen Tappe

Eternal light, shine in my heart; eternal hope, lift up mine eyes; eternal power, be my support; eternal wisdom, make me wise. Eternal life, raise me from death; eternal brightness, help me see; eternal Spirit, give me breath; eternal Savior, come to me: until by your most costly death, invited by your holy word, at last I come before your face to know you, my eternal God.

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Psalm 27:1. 5-13

Igor Algernon Atkins

*The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? **

the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

*One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; **

that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life;

*To behold the fair beauty of the Lord **

and to seek him in his temple.

*For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; **

he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.

*Even now he lifts up my head * above my enemies round about me.*

*Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; **

I will sing and make music to the Lord.

*Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; **

have mercy on me and answer me.

*You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." * your face, Lord, will I seek.*

*Hide not your face from me, * nor turn away your servant in displeasure.*

*You have been my helper; cast me not away; * do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.*

Communion Hymns sung by all

My God, thy table now is spread (*Rockingham*)

Hymnal 321

How wondrous and great (*Lyons*)

Hymnal 533