

Communion Hymns *sung by all*
In Christ alone
In Christ alone my hope is found he is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace when fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All here in the love of Christ I stand
In Christ alone who took on flesh fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness scorned by the ones he came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died the wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on him was laid here in the death of Christ I live
There in the ground his body lay light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day up from the grave he rose again
And as he stands in victory sin’s curse has lost its grip on me
For I am his and he is mine bought with the precious blood of Christ
No guilt in life no fear in death this is the power of Christ in me
From life’s first cry to final breath Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man can ever pluck me from his hand
Till he returns or calls me home here in the power of Christ I’ll stand
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I want to walk as a child of the light *(Houston)* Hymnal 490

Please stand
Prayer for Mission *said by all* BCP 366
Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

Hymn in Procession – God of justice *sung by all*
God of justice Savior to all, came to rescue the weak and the poor
Chose to serve and not be served
Jesus You have called us, freely we’ve received now, freely we will give
Chorus We must go, live to feed the hungry, stand beside the broken, we must go
Stepping forward, keep us from just singing, move us into action, we must go
To act justly every day, loving mercy in every way, walking humbly before you God
You have shown us what you require, freely we’ve received now, freely we will give
Chorus then Bridge then Chorus

Bridge *(three times)* Fill us up and send us out;
Fill us up and send us out; fill us up and send us out Lord
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Dismissal BCP 366

Music Notes

Today’s Gospel reading speaks of our need to pray and not lose heart as well as God’s promise of justice. These themes are reflected in some of today’s hymns, specifically “God of justice” and “In Christ alone”. In the reading from 2 Timothy the importance of the Word and our duty to teach and spread it are themes that are reflected in “Thy Word”.
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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 →



PLEDGE

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Worship Participants

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

8:45 a.m. service

Lectors

Mary Shaffer Sealey, Brooks Whittaker, Elaine Kearns

Acolytes

Gray Chunn, Ann Palmer Chunn, Hadley Surface

Chalice Bearers

Alex Cain, Bill Fannin, Leah Miller, Downing Nightingale

Ushers

Shawn McCormick, Jack Ball, Deborah Pruitt, Tim Sleeth

Verger

Tim Sleeth

11:00 a.m. Service

Lectors

Mamie Burkett, Brenda Ray, Hugh Burkett

Acolytes

Louisa Holyer, Alice Holyer, Rocco Falconetti, Sterling Falconetti

Chalice Bearers

Drew Haramis, Sarah Holyer, Alex Cain, Christine Burkett

Ushers

Gary Willetts, Mike Davenport, Scott Hobby, Mark Wilhelm

Verger

Wyman Duggan

Altar Guild

Drew Haramis, Anne Gorman, Celeste Heller, Frances Hutto, Barbara Irving, Adrienne Kent, Bunny Manning, Stephanie Milne, Katherine Smithwick, Carol Worsham

Flower Guild

Anne Alexander, Bonnie McCormick

THE FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD
and in thanksgiving for the ministry of the Flower Guild.
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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)
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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.

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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 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Eucharist - Rite II
October 19, 2025 - 8:45 and 11:00 a.m.

Prelude – Seek ye first

The Word of God
Please stand
Hymn in Procession – Arise *sung by all*
One thing we ask of you, one thing that we desire
That as we worship you, Lord come and change our lives – Arise *(4 times)*
Arise take your place, be enthroned on our praise
Arise King of kings, Holy God as we sing – Arise *(4 times)* *Repeat all*
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Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity BCP 355
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.**

Hymn of Praise *sung by all*
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high. I will praise Him.
He is exalted, forever exalted, and I will praise His name.
He is the Lord; forever His truth shall reign.
Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name.
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.
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Collect of the Day
Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated
First Lesson – Jeremiah 31:27-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. In those days they shall no longer say: “The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge.” But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt – a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.
Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm – 119:97-104 *read responsively by half verse*
97 Oh, how I love your law! *
all the day long it is in my mind.
98 Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies, *
and it is always with me.
99 I have more understanding than all my teachers, *
for your decrees are my study.
100 I am wiser than the elders, *
because I observe your commandments.
101 I restrain my feet from every evil way, *
that I may keep your word.
102 I do not shrink from your judgments, *
because you yourself have taught me.
103 How sweet are your words to my taste! *
they are sweeter than honey to my mouth.
104 Through your commandments I gain understanding; *
therefore I hate every lying way.

Second Lesson – 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5
As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in

Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.
Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand
Sequence Hymn *sung by all*
Thy Word

Chorus Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path

When I feel afraid and I think I’ve lost my way still you’re there right beside me
Nothing will I fear as long as you are near please be near me to the end *Chorus*
I will not forget your love for me and yet my heart forever is wandering
Jesus be my guide and hold me to your side I will love you to the end *Chorus*
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Holy Gospel – Luke 18:1-8
Clergy The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**
Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Grant me justice against my opponent.’ For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, “Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.’” And the Lord said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”
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 the chapel for Children’s Chapel as the congregation sings “Jesus loves me”.

Sermon – The Rev. Charlie Holt

Please stand
Nicene Creed BCP 358

Prayers of the People – Form IV BCP 388

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 – Sinking deep Aodhan King and Joel Davies
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Please stand
Offertory Hymn *sung by all*
We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord;
We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord;
And we offer up to you the sacrifices of thanksgiving;
And we offer up to you the sacrifices of joy.
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Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer A BCP 361
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 – men start; women sing the echo in parentheses*
Holy, holy, Lord, (*Holy, holy, Lord*) God of power and might (*God of power and might*)
Heaven and earth are full (*Heaven and earth are full*) of your glory (*of your glory*)
Hosanna (*Hosanna*) Hosanna (*Hosanna*) in the highest (*in the highest*)
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna (*Hosanna*) Hosanna (*Hosanna*) in the highest (*in the highest*)
After the Sanctus you may stand or kneel for the Eucharistic Prayer.

Lord’s Prayer *said by all* 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*
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world. Lord have mercy (*3 times*) on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world. Grant us peace (*3 times*). Amen.

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 Anthem – From the inside out Joel Houston
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