



St Mark's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

love is our tradition

The Thirteenth Sunday

After Pentecost

August 23rd, 2026 Rite 2 Year A

Thank you for joining us in worship.

We are glad you are here.

Please let us know what questions you might have

And if you would like to be on our mailing list.

We Love God

St. Mark's is a community of people who believe in the power of God's love as expressed through God's son, Jesus Christ.

We Love Each Other

Our love for God compels us to love and welcome others with open arms regardless of age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or social status.

We Love Our Community

Our love for God compels us to serve our community by being active in service to those in need.

We Love Our Faith

We celebrate our God, for each other and for our community through Episcopal worship that keeps us grounded in our faith.

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Preparing for Worship

In today's hectic world, it is good to have time for silence. Take time to sit quietly and open yourself through silent prayer, meditation, or reading over the bulletin.

Holy Eucharist-Rite Two

The Word of God or The Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

Berceuse, Op. 31

Louis Vierne

A Word of Welcome

(Please stand as you are able)

Hymn 109 Voices Found

People of the Earth

Earth and all Stars

1 Peo - ple of God, ga - ther to - ge - ther, come, let us
2 Hear-ing God's word, heed-ing the mes - sage, come and re -
3 Bear-ing your gifts, en - ter God's pre - sence; come, let us
4 Wo - men and men, har - mo - ny blend - ing, come, swell the

sing on this glo - rious day. Shout-ing a - broad
joice as we an - swer the call. With one ac - cord,
share in the hea - ven - ly feast. Mend-ing all rifts,
cho - rus in lov - ing ac - cord. Rais - ing a - gain

praise to the Mak-er, come and with bo - dy and soul let us pray.
made in God's im - age, come in com-mu - ni - ty, wel-com-ing all.
heal - ing di - vi - sions, come and from sor - rows and hurts be re - leased.
thanks ne-ver end-ing, come to the God who is Wis-dom and Word.

Hymn 109 Voices Found

Refrain

Come, let us join in the hea - ven - ly dance,

prais - ing in joy - ous ce - le - bra - tion.

Opening Acclamation

Presider: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

All: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. AMEN

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.

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Presider: Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory 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)



The Lectern

The lectern is the stand from which the holy scriptures are read. These include lessons from the Hebrew scriptures (such as histories, psalms, prophetic writings, and wisdom literature) and the epistles (letters) from the New Testament. It is a visible expression of the significance of holy scripture to the life of the church. The Gospel lessons are read from the center aisle, in the midst of the congregation with special reverence, as these contain the life and teachings of Jesus. And just as Jesus, lived and dwelt amongst humanity, we place his words at the center of the congregation's life.

The Lessons

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

Isaiah 51:1-6

Nick Roberts

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord.

Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug.

Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many.

For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples.

I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope.

Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be for ever, and my deliverance will never be ended, besides those already gathered.

Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.
All: Thanks be to God.



I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart;
 before the gods I will sing your praise.
 I will bow down toward your holy temple, and praise your Name,
 because of your love and faithfulness;

For you have glorified your Name
 and your word above all things.

REFRAIN

When I called, you answered me;
 you increased my strength with-in me.
 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord,
 when they have heard the words of your mouth.

They will sing of the ways of the Lord,
 that great is the glory of the Lord.

REFRAIN

Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly;
 he perceives the haughty from a-far.
 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe;
 you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

The Lord will make good his purpose for me;
 O Lord, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

REFRAIN

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-- what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

***All:* Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand as you are able)

Hymn 450

All hail the power of Jesus' name

Coronation

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' Name! Let an - gels pros-trate
2 Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of our God, who from his al - tar
3 Hail him, the Heir of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did
* 4 Ye heirs of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran-somed of the
* 5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm-wood and the

1 fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and
2 call: praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and
3 call, the God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, and
4 fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and
5 gall, go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and

1 crown him Lord of all! bring forth the roy - al
2 crown him Lord of all! praise him whose way of
3 crown him Lord of all! the God in - car - nate,
4 crown him Lord of all! hail him who saves you
5 crown him Lord of all! go, spread your tro - phies

1 di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!
2 pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!
3 Man di - vine, and crown him Lord of all!
4 by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
5 at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!

6 Let every kindred, every tribe,
on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him Lord of all!



The Pulpit

While the gospel is read in the midst of the congregation, the sermon is spoken from the pulpit, suggesting the important role of reflecting on scripture.

The canopy was designed to reflect the preacher's voice at a time when there was no other way to amplify the message to the congregation.

The Gospel

Matthew 16:13-20

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew
All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

The Gospel of the Lord.
All: Praise to you Lord Christ.

(Please be seated)

The Sermon

The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett



The Baptismal Font

Through the sacrament of baptism we become members of Christ's family – the Church. The font occupies a prominent position in the nave, reminding us of our own adult baptismal commitments or vows that were made on our behalf as infants. A long-standing tradition is to touch the water and make the sign of the cross on ourselves as a way to remember our own baptismal vows.

(Please stand as you are able)

The 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.**

(Please stand or kneel as you are able)

Prayers of the People

Scott Pennington

Intercessor: In Peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Intercessor: For all people in their daily life and work. We pray for the workplaces and businesses of Metropolitan Richmond: For economic development in depressed portions of the city; for the establishment of businesses that will create new employment opportunities.

All: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world,

All: For all who work for justice, freedom and peace.

For the just and proper stewardship of God's creation.

All: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble.

All: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God.

All: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, for Mark, Gayle, and Mark our Bishops; for Altar and Flower Guilds, Choirs, Ushers, Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers and Lay Readers; for Students, Faculty, and Administrators at Diocesan Church Schools: Christchurch, Saluda; St. Catherine's, Richmond; St. Christopher's, Richmond; St. Stephen's & St. Agnes, Alexandria; and Stuart Hall, Staunton.

All: For all who serve in God's Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray for those who are ill or recovering, especially: Edward, Becky, Fonetta and David, Emily, Samantha, Jerry, Jane, Sandra, Margie, Jane and Stuart, Haig and Anne, Bobbie, Jo, Betty, Lisette, Mike and Margaret, Phyllis, Marsha, Bill, Christy, Alex, Bruce, Mary, German, Susan, Yvonne and the Catton Family, Colleen, Jane, David, Jeffrey, Heather, Dave, Rebecca, Henry, Natoma, Eleanor and family, Tom, Paul, Maria, Judy, Phyllis, Wendy, Val, Dawn, Curtis, Kandace, Janice, John, Terri, Everette, Jennifer, Mary, Robert, Sally, Andrew and Gretchen, Ron, Pam, the Dummitt family, Elizabeth and David, Ronnie, Nicholas, the Sonant family, Amy, Kristy, Randi, Marion, and Hollis.

Silence

Please add your own petitions either aloud or silently.

Hear us, Lord;

All: For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays, especially Mike, Reg, Carter, Ed, and Fielding, and for those celebrating anniversaries.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt you, O God our King.

All: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them.

All: Who put their trust in you.

Intercessor: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept

**All: Have mercy on us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.**

The Absolution

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.**

The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

(All greet one another in the name of the Lord.)

(Please be seated)

Announcements and News of the Church Community



The Altar & Holy Table

This unique piece of furniture is both an altar, upon which we present gifts of bread, wine, donations, praise, and thanksgivings to God as a sacrificial offerings; and, it a table around which we gather to celebrate God's love for us, by drawing us together as the body of Christ when we receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. When we receive Holy Communion we seek a union with God and our neighbor that strengthens us to take God's love out into the world.

The Holy Communion or The Liturgy of the Table



SCAN to DONATE

Invitation to Holy Communion

(Remain seated)

Offertory

(Please stand as you are able)

At The Presentation, Doxology

Old Hundredth

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. AMEN.*

Appointing of Healing Prayer Ministers

Presider: In the name of this congregation, I send you forth as ministers of healing prayer, that those with whom you pray may know the presence of Christ, and be strengthened for the ministry before them. **AMEN.**



The Communion Vessels

The vessels used are a chalice for wine, a paten for bread (or “host”), and a flagon for additional wine. They are placed on a square, white linen cloth called a “corporal” (Latin word for “body”). The Eucharist (from the Greek meaning thanksgiving), is a sacrament at the center of Episcopal worship. A sacrament is an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace. Once we receive communion, we ourselves, then become the vessels that take the outward and visible sign of God’s love and grace into the world.

(Please stand as you are able)

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer C

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider: God of all power, Source and Sustainer of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: shining light and enfolding dark; the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with the capacity for memory, reason, and skill. You made us the stewards of your creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your eternal Word, born of your servant Mary, to fulfill your Law, opening for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. ____

(Please stand or kneel as you are able)

Presider: Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving.

We celebrate Christ's death and resurrection as we await the day of his coming.

Therefore, O God, we who have been redeemed by Jesus Christ, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Savior. Sanctify us also, and let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

God of our ancestors; Redeemer and Mother of Israel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only and not for strength; for pardon only and not for renewal.

Accept these prayers and praises, Almighty God, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

All: 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,
forever and ever. AMEN.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us,

All: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem, Agnus Dei

Powell

Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you

take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Presider: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Holy Communion: *You are welcome to share in Communion.*

Holy Communion: Come forward as the ushers direct you.

When you arrive at the front you may put out your hands to receive the bread/wafer.

You may then either consume it, dip it lightly into the chalice,
or take a sip of wine from the chalice.

If you prefer a blessing only - cross your arms across your chest.

If you require gluten free bread, please let the priest know when you come forward.

If you have any mobility concerns alert the usher. Clergy will bring communion to you.

Prayers for Healing are available prior to, or after receiving communion.

A minister will be available near the side entry doors. In this healing space, confidentiality is honored for all shared prayer requests. Disclosures of potential harm to yourself or others, or suspected abuse, require reporting to the proper authorities to ensure safety and well-being for all.

Should you desire further counseling, you may set up an appointment
with our clergy who can assist you in finding support.

Post Communion Prayer

Presider: Let us pray.

All: Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. AMEN.

The Blessing

1 Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, ci - ty
 2 See! the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e -
 3 Round each ha - bi - ta - tion hov - ering, see the cloud and
 4 Blest in - hab - it - ants of Zi - on, washed in the Re -

of our God; he whose word can - not be
 ter - nal love, well sup - ply thy sons and
 fire ap - pear, for a glo - ry and a
 deem - er's blood! Je - sus, whom their souls re -

bro - ken formed thee for his own a - bode;
 daugh - ters and all fear of want re - move.
 cov - ering, show - ing that the Lord is near.
 ly on, makes them kings and priests to God.

on the Rock of A - ges found-ed, what can shake thy
 Who can faint, when such a riv - er ev - er will their
 Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner, light by night, and
 'Tis his love his peo - ple rais - es o - ver self to

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Hymn 522

Glorious things of thee are spoken

Austria



sure re- pose? With sal - va - tion's walls sur -
 thirst as - suage? Grace which, like the Lord, the
 shade by day, safe they feed up - on the
 reign as kings: and as priests, his sol - emn

round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
 giv - er nev - er fails from age to age.
 man - na which he gives them when they pray.
 prais - es each for a thank - of - fering brings.

The Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, and one another.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

In thee is gladness, BWV 615

J. S. Bach

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The Ambry

Located in the narthex, the St. Mary Chapel houses the ambry - a cupboard used to keep consecrated communion wafers for home or hospital visits. The light that burns nearby indicates the presence of Christ in the reserved sacrament.

Please Remember in Your Prayers This Week:

Parishioners: Edward Moyer, Becky Lee, Fonetta and David Collett, Emily Townley, Samantha Ridley, Jerry Truman, Jane Elbert, Rev. Dr. Sandra Levy-Mix, Margie Costas, Jane and Stuart Settle, Haig and Anne Kambourian, Bobbie Aiken, Jo Tyler, Betty Leviner, Lisette Johnson, Mike and Margaret Franklin, Phyllis Iverson, Marsha Iverson, and Bill Piercy.

Our extended family and friends: Christy Fielder, Alex Schaub, Bruce Schaub, Mary Booton, German Bailon, Susan Richardson, Yvonne and the Catton Family, Colleen Abbenhause, Jane Martin, David Williams, Jeffrey Pace, Heather, Dave Chester, Rebecca Brown, Henry, Natoma, Eleanor Velez and family, Tom Johnson, Paul, Maria, Judy Hardman, Phyllis, Wendy Christiana, Val Lipari, Dawn Bitler, Curtis, Kandace, Janice Wise, John O'Shea, Terri Humel, Everette Beach, Jennifer Downey, Mary McLenigan, Robert McLenigan, Sally Kye, Andrew and Gretchen Curtain, Ron, Pam, the Dummitt family, Elizabeth and David Hardison, Ronnie, Nicholas, the Sonant family, Amy Burks, Kristy Rose, Randi Smith, Marion Broome, and Hollis Daniels.

Those who have died:

Those celebrating birthdays: remembering especially Mike Kilbourne, Reg Burgess, Carter Strite, Ed Street, and Fielding Boschen.

Those celebrating anniversaries:

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Pray for Students, Faculty, and Administrators at Diocesan Church Schools: Christchurch, Saluda; St. Catherine's, Richmond; St. Christopher's, Richmond; St. Stephen's & St. Agnes, Alexandria; and Stuart Hall, Staunton.

Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the workplaces and businesses of Metropolitan Richmond: For economic development in depressed portions of the city; for the establishment of businesses that will create new employment opportunities.

Names on the extended family and friends prayer list will remain for three months unless longer is requested. Please contact the office with any changes.

At Pentecost, God's promised Spirit enters into the church and empowers it to know and do God's will. Now the people of faith can be a sign and witness to what God has done in Christ, namely, established God's reign of justice and peace. On this holy day we are made aware of our vocation to be a community of faith in which God's reconciling power is made present, conscious and active in our lives, that we might be the body of Christ, God's reconciling presence in the world to the end that all people are restored to unity with God and each other in Christ.

—John Westerhoff

Basic Liturgics

Liturgy: "Liturgy" comes from the Greek word *leitourgia*, which literally means "work of the people." It was used to refer to a public work done at private expense and could be used to classify projects like a privately-financed bridge that was being built for the use of a whole town. The public libraries built by Andrew Carnegie could also be considered a *leitourgia*. In church usage, **liturgy** is the act of worship that we do on behalf of ourselves, the wider Church, and the world.

Eucharist: The word Eucharist comes from the Greek word *eucharistia*, which means "thanksgiving." For this reason the Prayer Book also calls the Eucharistic Prayer by the label "The Great Thanksgiving." The service of Holy Communion is our great act of thanksgiving to God.

The Structure of the Eucharistic Liturgy:

The Eucharistic Liturgy is divided into two main parts:

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| (1) The Liturgy of the Word | (2) The Holy Communion or The Liturgy of the Table |
| - The Gathering Rite | - The Offertory |
| - The Lessons & Sermon | - The Eucharistic Prayer |
| - The Creed | - The Lord's Prayer |
| - The Intercessions and Confession | - The Fraction or The Breaking of the Bread |
| - The Peace | - Holy Communion |
| | - The Post-Communion Prayer |
| | - Blessing and Dismissal |

Land Acknowledgement

"We recognize and remember the First Nations, the native people who were removed from this portion of God's creation by force. These nations/tribes in Virginia include the Powhatan, the Chickahominy, the Monocan, the Arrohatock, the Nottoway, and other nations/tribes whose contributions we've lost. We recognize and remember enslaved Native Americans, and enslaved Africans and their descendants, separated from their families by force, and who lived under horrific conditions to help build this country. May we always remember that the earth does not belong to us but is a gift from God. May God's grace and wisdom lead us from our past mistakes to become instruments of justice and peace for all people."

- Written by the Native American/Indigenous Ministries in the Diocese of Virginia, July 2023, for the Diocesan Offices in Richmond, Virginia
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THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S:

August 23 — August 29

SUN(23) 9:00 AM Zoom Coffee Hour
 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II
 12:15 PM Evangelism Team

WEDS(26) 8:00 PM 12-Step

SAT(29) Habitat Build Day

**NEXT WEEK AT ST. MARK'S:**

August 30 — September 5

SUN(30) 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II
 12:15 PM Worship Team Meeting
 12:15 PM Youth Group

TUES(1) 6:00 PM Community Dinner

WEDS(2) 8:00 PM 12-Step

Morning Prayer Monday-Friday at 8am via Zoom
 Compline Sunday-Thursday 8pm via Zoom

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Andrea Lofton, Jean Winne**Altar Flowers:** Sandy Steele**Coffee Hour:** Collier, Decker, Elbert, Kyser**Alter Guild Zoom Host:** Harold Wright**Serving Next Sunday, August 30****Celebrant:** The Rev. Benjamin R. Badgett**Preacher:** Karen Hardison**Verger:** Douglas D'Urso**First Reading:** Peter Walker**Second Reading:** Isabel Tucker**Intercessor:** Annette Spanel**Chalicers:** Frosty Owen, Douglas D'Urso**Acolytes:** Hunter Marie Boschen, Fielding Boschen**Crucifer:** Douglas D'Urso**Gospel Bearer:** Frosty Owen**Vestry Speaker:** Nora Thompson**Ushers:** Steve Clark, Tess Downey, Shannon Heady**Greeter:** Richard Yuk, Kenn Shirley**Nursery:** Cassandra Price**Altar Guild:** Sanford Eberly, Ivy Burnes, Liz Smith, Mary Clark**Altar Flowers:** Floral Guild**Coffee Hour:** Wentworth, Burnes, Crowley, Kelley**Alter Guild Zoom Host:** Nancy O'Reilly

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You may also speak to any clergy or greeters following the worship service.

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