



St Mark's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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**The Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 21st, 2025 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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Advent is a strange, contemplative season to be grasped in the language of silence and poetry. It is a time to remember that what we long for and desire has already come and yet is to come in its fullness; a time to remember that we in our day are to be like Mary, to consent to cooperate with God so that God might complete what God began long ago.

---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 Arrohateck, 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
- The Rt. Rev. E. Mark Stevenson, Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia
- The Rt. Rev. Gayle Elizabeth Harris, Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia
- The Rt. Rev. Mark A. Bourlakas, Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia

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

Es ist ein Ros entsprungen, Op. 122 #8

Johannes Brahms

A Word of Welcome

(Please stand as you are able)

Hymn 66

Come, thou long expected Jesus

Stuttgart

1 Come, thou long - ex - pect-ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
2 Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art;
3 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child, and yet a king,
4 By thine own e - ter - nal Spi - rit rule in all our hearts a - lone;

from our fears and sins re - lease us, let us find our rest in thee.
dear de - sire of ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
born to reign in us for ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.
by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

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.

4 **Sung three times**

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -

mor - tal One, have mer - cy up - on _____ us

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Frosty Owen and George Spica

In King Herod's royal court there were those who knew the stars, and recognized a new light beaming in an unexpected location. These travelers set out to find what this light might shine upon. They ignored Herod's demand to come back with the one they discovered. They followed the light and presented gifts to this new king, leaving by routes on which Herod could not find them or find the baby Jesus.

As we light this candle let us remember to follow the light that we come to know as true, and to be brave enough, when needed, to go the other way home.

The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Presider: Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

(Please be seated)

The Lessons

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

Isaiah 7:10-16

Beth Wentworth

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted."

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

All: Thanks be to God.

(The congregation remains seated)

Psalm 80: 1-7, 16-18

Qui regis Israel

Show the light of your countenance O God, and we shall be saved.

Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a *flock*;
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the *cherubim*.
In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Ma-*nasseh*,
stir up your strength and come to *help us*.

Restore us, O God of *hosts*;
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be *saved*.

REFRAIN

O Lord God of *hosts*,
how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your *people*?
You have fed them with the bread of *tears*;
you have given them bowls of tears to *drink*.

You have made us the derision of our *neighbors*,
and our enemies laugh us to *scorn*.

Restore us, O God of *hosts*;
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be *saved*.

REFRAIN

Let your hand be upon the man of your right *hand*,
the son of man you have made so *strong for yourself*.
And so will we never turn *a-way from you*;
give us life, that we may call upon your *Name*.

Restore us, O Lord God of *hosts*;
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be *saved*.

REFRAIN



The Lectern

The lectern is the stand from which the Hebrew Scripture (First or Old Testament), the Psalm, and the Epistle (New or Second Testament) are read. It is a visible expression of the significance of Holy Scripture to the life of the church. In colonial churches, the lectern was often incorporated as the middle level of a multi-tiered pulpit.

A Reading from the Letter to the Romans

Romans 1:1-7

Buck Aiken

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able)

Hymn 260

Come now, and praise the humble saint

Tallis' Ordinal

1 Come now, and praise the hum - ble saint of Da - vid's house and line,
 2 The Ar - chi - tect's high mir - a - cles he saw, and what was done,
 3 For him there was no glo - ry here, no crown or mar - tyr's fame;
 4 But now with - in the Fa - ther's grace where saints and an - gels throng,

the car - pen - ter whose life ful - filled our gra - cious God's de - sign.
 the Vir - gin's spouse, the guard - ian of great Da - vid's great - er Son.
 for him there was the pa - tient life of faith and hum - ble name.
 be - side his spouse, be - fore the Son, he joins the heaven - ly song.

The Pulpit

The pulpit is reserved for the sermon suggesting the important role of reflecting on scripture. The canopy is designed to reflect sound and comes from the time when that was the means of amplification to the congregation.



The Gospel

Matthew 1:18-25

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

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

"Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,
and they shall name him Emmanuel,"

which means, "God is with us." When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

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

Children ages 4-11 are invited to join Malinda for Children's Worship.

(Please be seated)

The Sermon

The Rev. Frederico Garza
Arch Deacon in the Diocese of Virginia
and Preacher for Food for the Poor



The Baptismal Font

Through the sacrament of baptism we become members of Christ's family – the church. The presence of the baptismal font in the church is a reminder of our own baptism and the commitments that we made or that were made on our behalf.

(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.**

(Stand or kneel)

Prayers of the People

Tamara Orr

Beloved in faith, as we joyfully await the full manifestation of God's reign in Christ, let us pray for the needs of the church and the world.

O Wisdom, you come forth from the mouth of the Most High and reach from beginning to end, mightily and sweetly ordering all things. Behold and bless your church, remembering especially Sean our presiding bishop, Mark, Gayle, and Mark our bishops, Benjamin, Buck, and Sarah our clergy, Ivy and Kate our wardens, and our vestry. Be present in ordering the life of this and every congregation.

All: Come and teach us the way of prudence.

O Adonai, God of the Covenant, ruler of the house of Israel, you appeared to Moses in the fire of the burning bush and on Mount Sinai gave your law. Forgive us when we stray from your guidance and will.

All: Come and redeem us for our life together.

O Root of Jesse, you stand as an ensign to humankind; before you rulers will shut their mouths, and nations bow in worship: We pray for your peace and justice in every nation and throughout the world; be present to all whose lives are ravaged by war and strife. Guide the leaders of this and every land into the paths of peace and goodwill.

All: Come save us and do not delay.

O Key of David, and scepter of the house of Israel, you open and no one can shut, you shut and no one can open: Guide us in opening the doors of opportunity for the unemployed, for those unhoused, for prisoners, and for all who are oppressed; and lead us in closing the doors that lead to poverty, bigotry, and injustice. We pray for the families of Metropolitan Richmond: For an end to child abuse; for healthy relationships between children and their caregivers. For the care and protection of infants, children, and youth; for the intimate knowledge that each one is a beloved child of God.

All: Come and bring the captives out of the prison house.

O King of the Nations and their Desire, you are the cornerstone that makes us one: We lift up all who are suffering and in need, especially Jane, Sandra, Margie, Pam, Jane and Stuart, Ryn, the Tucker family, George, Haig and Anne, Kenneth, Garry, Bobbie, Jo, Mike, Betty, Lisette, Mike and Margaret, Phyllis, Julette, Marsha, Bill, Judy, Phyllis, Wendy, Val, Gloria, Dawn, Veronica, Pat and Bill, Curtis, Kandace, Mollie, Janice, John, Jim, Terri, Everette, Jennifer, Mary, Robert, Sally, Louis, Andrew and Gretchen, Ron, Pam, the Dummitt family, the Downey family, Elizabeth and David, Ronnie, Nicholas, the Sonant family, Amy, Kristy, Randi, Marion, and Hollis. Tend the sick, give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous and help us minister to them in your love.

All: Come and save us whom you have fashioned out of clay.

O Dayspring, radiance of the Light Eternal and Sun of Righteousness: Shine your light on those who have died, remembering especially Michael Ryder, and bring comfort to all those who mourn.

All: Come and enlighten all who sit in darkness and the shadow of death.

O Emmanuel, God with us, Expected One and Saviour, We give thanks for all the blessings of this life; for all those who celebrate birthdays this week, especially Peter, Reeves, Amos, David, Charles, Brent, and Tommy, those who celebrate anniversaries, and for all the other blessings of this life.

Make each of us ready to receive you into our hearts, to serve you in all whom we meet, and to greet you in the fullness of your glory in the day of your appearing.

All: Come and save us, O Lord our God.

The Confession

Presider: Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

**All: God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. 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 or Holy Table

The altar is a table, usually in the sanctuary which is the space that is generally behind the altar rail, on which the bread and wine used for the eucharist (or Holy Communion or the Lord's Supper) service are consecrated.

The Holy Communion or The Liturgy of the Table



SCAN to DONATE

Invitation to Holy Communion

(Remain seated)

Offertory

Climb to the top of the highest mountain

Text: adapted from Isaiah 40

Music: Carolyn Jennings

Climb to the top of the highest mountain, joyous tidings proclaim to the world,
Lift up your voice, shout the good news: behold, your Lord comes to you.
He will feed his flock like a shepherd, he will carry the lambs in his arms,
He will ever keep them safe from harm. Behold, your Lord comes to you.
He who made the stars in the heaven, He who fashioned the earth and the sea,
From time eternal he was God, the Alpha and Omega, he. Behold, your Lord!
He will come in power and glory, he will rule with mercy and truth,
Hope of the nations, light of all the world.
He will love the little children, he will hold them in his arms.
Love him and trust him as a little child. Behold, your Lord comes to you.

(Please stand as you are able)

At The Presentation, Doxology

The 8th Tune

***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.***



The Communion Vessels

The Eucharist (from the Greek meaning Thanksgiving), or Holy Communion, is a sacrament at the center of Episcopal worship. A sacrament is “an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace” in the words of *The Book of Common Prayer*. 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 the corporal.

(Please stand as you are able)

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

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 God thanks and praise.**

Presider: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Smith

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, heav'n 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, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est

(Please stand or kneel as you are able)

Presider: 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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 Savior 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 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 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, O Father, **We remember Christ’s death, We proclaim Christ’s resurrection, We await Christ’s coming in glory;**

Presider: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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 [_____and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **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

Smith

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 to the right of the chancel area. 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 "Sleep - ers, wake!" A voice a - stounds us, the
 2 Zi - on hears the watch - men sing - ing; her
 3 Lamb of God, the heavens a - dore you; let

shout of ram - part - guards sur - rounds us: "A -
 heart with joy - ful hope is spring - ing, she
 saints and an - gels sing be - fore you, as

wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!" Mid - night's peace their
 wakes and hur - ries through the night. Forth he comes, her
 harps and cym - bals swell the sound. Twelve great pearls, the

cry has bro - ken, their ur - gent sum - mons clear - ly spo -
 Bride-groom glo - rious in strength of grace, in truth vic - to -
 ci - ty's por - tals: through them we stream to join the im - mor -

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ken: "The time has come, O maid - ens wise!
 rious: her star is risen, her light grows bright.
 tals as we with joy your throne sur - round.

Rise up, and give us light; the Bride - groom is in
 Now come, most wor - thy Lord, God's Son, In - car - nate
 No eye has known the sight, no ear heard such de -

sight. Al - le - lu - ia! Your lamps pre - pare and
 Word, Al - le - lu - ia! We fol - low all and
 light: Al - le - lu - ia! There - fore we sing to

has - ten there, that you the wed - ding feast may share."
 heed your call to come in - to the ban - quet hall.
 greet our King; for ev - er let our prais - es ring.

The Dismissal

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

All: Thanks be to God.



The Ambry

The ambry is a cupboard located in the St. Mary Chapel which is at the right of the narthex (front entry of the church). It is used for reserving the consecrated hosts for communion in home or hospital visits for those who cannot attend Sunday worship and, in some Anglican Churches, to store the oil of chrism used for anointing. A light burns near it to indicate that it contains the sacrament.

Postlude

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme

J. G. Walther

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Please Remember in Your Prayers This Week:

Parishioners: Jane Elbert, Rev. Dr. Sandra Levy-Mix, Margie Costas, Pam Dummitt, Jane and Stuart Settle, Ryn Kennedy, the Tucker family, George Summers, Haig and Anne Kambourian, Kenneth Decker, Garry Land, Bobbie Aiken, Jo Tyler, Mike Craft, Betty Leviner, Lisette Johnson, Mike and Margaret Franklin, Phyllis Iverson, Juetta Iverson, Marsha Iverson, and Bill Piercy.

Our extended family and friends: Judy Hardman, Phyllis, Wendy Christiana, Val Lipari, Gloria Kittel, Dawn Bitler, Veronica Harless, Pat and Bill, Curtis, Kandace, Mollie, Janice Wise, John O'Shea, Jim Thompson, Terri Humel, Everette Beach, Jennifer Downey, Mary McLenigan, Robert McLenigan, Sally Kye, Louis Morris, Andrew and Gretchen Curtain, Ron, Pam, the Dummitt family, the Downey 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: remembering especially Michael Ryder.

Those celebrating birthdays: remembering especially Peter Walker, Reeves Boschen, Amos Goldie, David Niemeyer, Charles Hicks, Brent Graves, and Tommy Clifton.

Those celebrating anniversaries: remembering especially Allison and Michael Evranian.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the congregation and clergy of Grace (Cismont), Keswick.

Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the families of Metropolitan Richmond: For an end to child abuse; for healthy relationships between children and their caregivers. For the care and protection of infants, children, and youth; for the intimate knowledge that each one is a beloved child of God.

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.

All are Welcome Here

Diverse, Urban, Eucharist Centered, Service-Oriented

Thank you for joining us.

Please let us know how we may encourage you to serve the Lord with us by filling out the “Welcome” card found in the rack in front of you and placing it in the Offering Plate.

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

Founded in 1866 to serve the working people of Richmond, St. Mark’s Church is an active member of the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia, 110 West Franklin Street, Richmond, VA, 23220, 804-643-8451, and the Anglican Communion.

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