



St Mark's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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**The Last Sunday After Pentecost
Christ the King
November 23rd, 2025 Rite 2 Year C**

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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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 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.”

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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 Baptism and Eucharist-Rite Two

The Word of God or The Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

"Soul, adorn thyself with gladness" BWV 654

J. S. Bach

A Word of Welcome

(Please stand as you are able)

Hymn 435

At the Name of Jesus

King's Weston



1 At the Name of Je - sus ev - ery knee shall bow,
2 Hum - bled for a sea - son, to re - ceive a Name
3 bore it up tri - um - phant, with its hu - man light,
4 Name him, Chris - tians, name him, with love strong as death,
* 5 In your hearts en - throne him; there let him sub - due
* 6 Chris - tians, this Lord Je - sus shall re - turn a - gain,



1 ev - ery tongue con - fess him King of glo - ry now;
2 from the lips of sin - ners, un - to whom he came,
3 through all ranks of crea - tures, to the cen - tral height,
4 name with awe and won - der and with bat - ed breath;
5 all that is not ho - ly, all that is not true;
6 with his Fa - ther's glo - ry o'er the earth to reign;



1 'tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure we should call him Lord
2 faith - ful - ly he bore it spot - less to the last,
3 to the throne of God - head, to the Fa - ther's breast;
4 he is God the Sa - vior, he is Christ the Lord,
5 crown him as your Cap - tain in temp - ta - tion's hour;
6 for all wreaths of em - pire meet up - on his brow,



1 who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.
2 brought it back vic - to - rious, when from death he passed;
3 filled it with the glo - ry of that per - fect rest.
4 ev - er to be wor - shipped, trust - ed, and a - dored.
5 let his will en - fold you in its light and power.
6 and our hearts con - fess him King of glo - ry now.

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.

Opening Acclamation

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

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

Presider: There is one Body and one Spirit;

All: There is one hope in God's call to us;

Presider: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

All: One God and Father of all.

The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Presider: Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

(Please be seated)

The Lessons

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Jennifer Kaufman

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

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

All: Thanks be to God.

(The congregation remains seated)

Canticle 16

The Song of Zechariah

Luke 1: 68-79

1 Blest be the God of Is - rael, who comes to set us
2 God from the house of Da - vid a child of grace has
3 On those who sit in dark - ness the sun be-gins to

free; who vis - its and re-deems us, who grants us lib - er -
given; a Sav - ior comes a-mong us to raise us up to
rise, the dawn-ing of for-give - ness up - on the sin-ner's

ty. The proph - ets spoke of mer - cy, of
heaven. Be - fore him goes the her - ald, fore -
eyes. God guides the feet of pil - grims a -

free - dom and re - lease; God shall ful - fill that
run - ner in the way, the proph - et of sal -
long the paths of peace. O bless our God and

prom - ise and bring the peo - ple peace.
va - tion, the har - bin - ger of day.
Sav - ior with songs that nev - er cease!

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers -- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

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All: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able)

Hymn 170

To mock your reign, O dearest Lord

The Third Tune

1 To mock your reign, O dear - est Lord, they made a crown of thorns;
2 In mock ac - claim, O gra - cious Lord, they snatched a pur - ple cloak,
3 A scep - tered reed, O pa - tient Lord, they thrust in - to your hand,

set you with taunts a - long that road from which no one re - turns.
your pas - sion turned, for all they cared, in - to a sol - dier's joke.
and act - ed out their grim cha - rade to its ap - point - ed end.

They did not know, as we do now, that glo - rious is your crown;
They did not know, as we do now, that though we mer - it blame
They did not know, as we do now, though em - pires rise and fall,

that thorns would flower up - on your brow, your sor - rows heal our own.
you will your robe of mer - cy throw a - round our na - ked shame.
your King - dom shall not cease to grow till love em - bra - ces all.



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

Luke 23:33-43

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

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

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. Benjamin R. Badgett



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 remain seated)

Holy Baptism

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Presider: The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Sponsor: I present Devon Michelle Tooley to receive the Sacrament of Baptism

Presider: Do you desire to be baptized?

Candidate: I do.

Sponsors: I present Asher Luke Tooley to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Presider: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Sponsors: I will, with God's help.

Presider: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child grow into the full stature of Christ?

Sponsors: I will, with God's help.

Then the Presider asks the following questions of the candidates

Presider: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Candidates: I renounce them.

Presider: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Candidates: I renounce them.

Presider: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Candidates: I renounce them.

Presider: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Candidates: I do.

Presider: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Candidates: I do.

Presider: Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Candidates: I do.

The Presider addresses the congregation, saying

Presider: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Devon and Asher in their lives in Christ?

***Congregation:* We will.**

Presider: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

(Please stand as you are able)

The Baptismal Covenant

Presider: Do you believe in God the Father?

***All:* I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Presider: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

***All:* I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

**On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Presider: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

***All:* I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Presider: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

***All:* I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

***All:* I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

***All:* I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

***All:* I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

***All:* I will, with God's help.**

Prayers for the Candidate

Kate Williams

Presider: Let us now pray for Devon and Asher who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Intercessor: Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Send them into the world in witness to your love.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Bring them, to the fullness of your peace and glory.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

Presider: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **AMEN.**

(Please be seated)

Thanksgiving Over the Water

The Presider blesses the water, saying

Presider: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

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

Presider: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Presider touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Baptism

The candidate is presented by name to the Presider, or to an assisting priest or deacon, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying

Presider: Devon Michelle Tooley, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN.**

Then the Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross [using Chrism if desired] and saying

Devon Michelle Tooley, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **AMEN.**

Presider: Asher Luke Tooley, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN.**

Asher Luke Tooley, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **AMEN.**

Presider: Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **AMEN.**

Presider: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All: We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Asperges of the Congregation *(a reminder of our own baptism)*

Hymn 296 (Blue Book)

We know that Christ is raised

Engelberg



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. _____
2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death. _____
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life. _____
4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows _____



Em - braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold; _____
Re - born we share with him an Eas - ter life _____
The Spi - rit's pow - er shakes the Church of God. _____
as Christ's new bo - dy takes on flesh and blood. _____



and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy. _____
as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ. _____ Al - le -
Bap - tized we live with God the Three in One. _____
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing: _____



lu - ia! — Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

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 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 2 *(from Enriching Our Worship Volume One)*

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: We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say):

Sanctus

Arnatt

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na
 — in the high - est. Bles - sed 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: Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with [_____ and] all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and 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

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Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin 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.

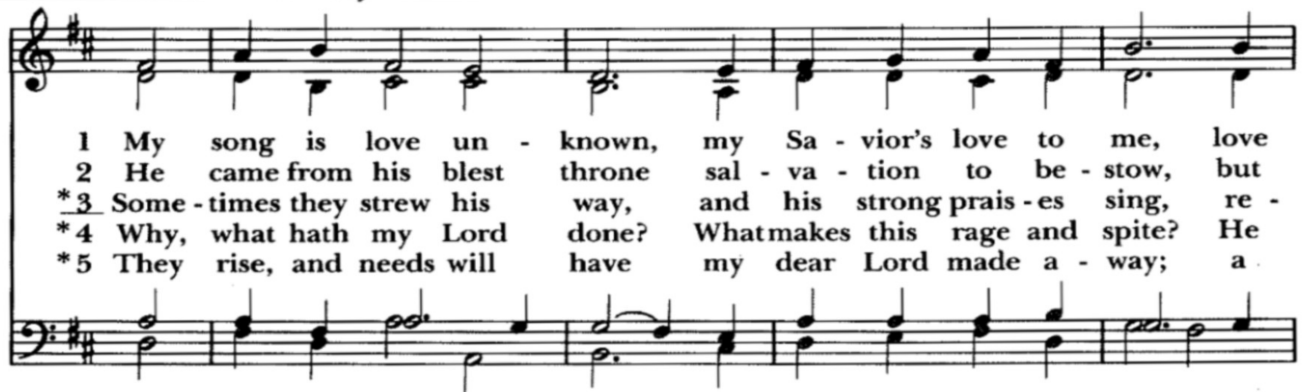
If you prefer a blessing only - cross your arms across your chest.

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

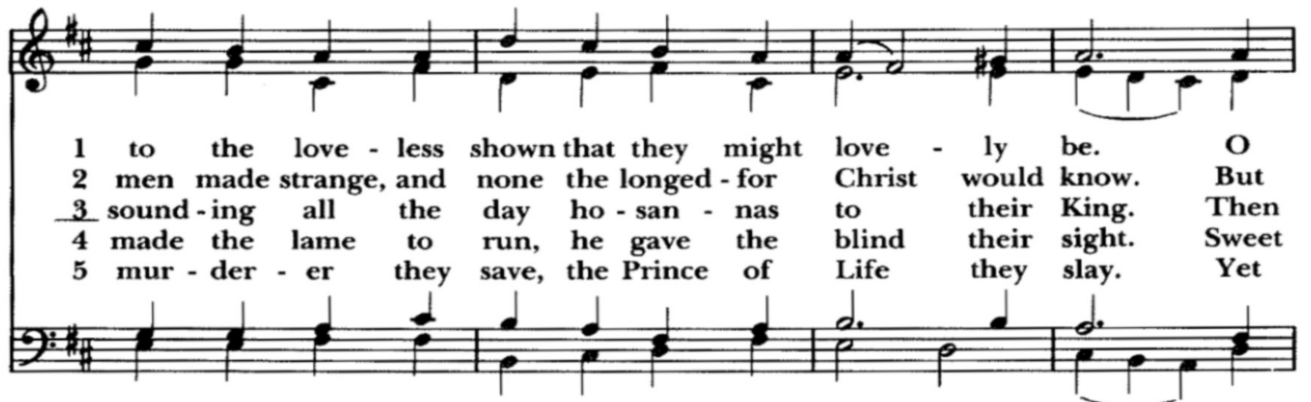
If you have any mobility concerns alert the usher. Clergy will bring communion to you.

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

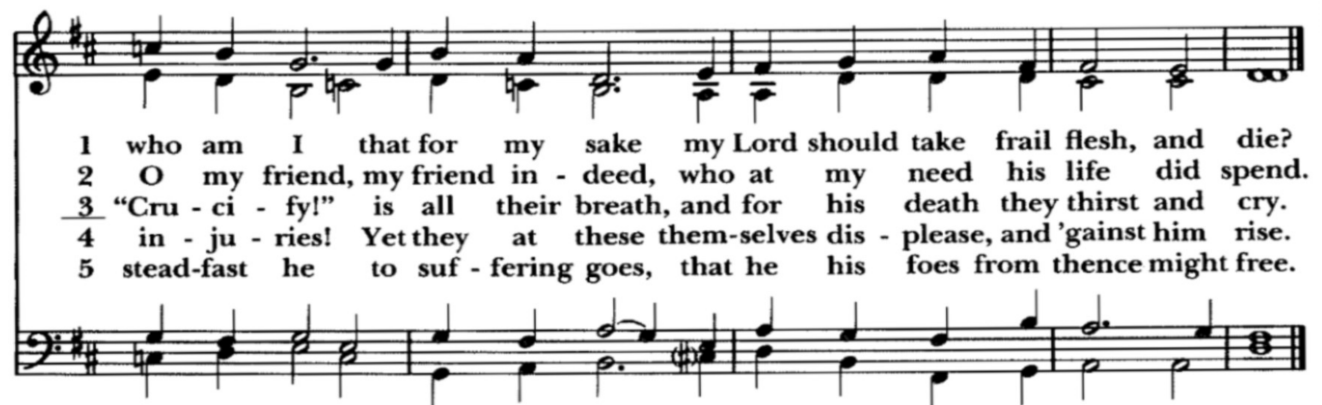
A minister will be available to the right of the chancel area. In this healing space, confidentiality is honored for all shared prayer requests. Disclosures of potential harm to yourself or others, or suspected abuse, require reporting to the proper authorities to ensure safety and well-being for all. Should you desire further counseling, you may set up an appointment with our clergy who can assist you in finding support.



1 My song is love un - known, my Sa - vior's love to me, love
 2 He came from his blest throne sal - va - tion to be - stow, but
 *3 Some - times they strew his way, and his strong prais - es sing, re -
 *4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite? He
 *5 They rise, and needs will have my dear Lord made a - way; a



1 to the love - less shown that they might love - ly be. O
 2 men made strange, and none the longed - for Christ would know. But
 3 sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas to their King. Then
 4 made the lame to run, he gave the blind their sight. Sweet
 5 mur - der - er they save, the Prince of Life they slay. Yet



1 who am I that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh, and die?
 2 O my friend, my friend in - deed, who at my need his life did spend.
 3 "Cru - ci - fy!" is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.
 4 in - ju - ries! Yet they at these them - selves dis - please, and 'gainst him rise.
 5 stead - fast he to suf - fering goes, that he his foes from thence might free.

*6 In life no house, no home
 my Lord on earth might have;
 in death no friendly tomb
 but what a stranger gave.
 What may I say?
 Heaven was his home;
 but mine the tomb
 wherein he lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing,
 no story so divine:
 never was love, dear King,
 never was grief like thine.
 This is my friend,
 in whose sweet praise
 I all my days
 could gladly spend.

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

Hymn 397

Now thank we all our God

Nun danket alle Gott

1 Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voic - es,
2 O may this boun - teous God through all our life be near us!
3 All praise and thanks to God the Fa - ther now be giv - en,

who won - drous things hath done, in whom his world re - joic - es;
With ev - er - joy - ful hearts and bless - ed peace to cheer us;
the Son, and him who reigns with them in high - est hea - ven,

who from our mo - ther's arms hath blessed us on our way
and keep us in his grace, and guide us when per - plexed,
e - ter - nal, Tri - une God, whom earth and heaven a - dore;

with count - less gifts of love, and still is ours to - day.
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
for thus it was, is now, and shall be, ev - er - more.



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.

The Dismissal

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"Now thank we all our God," BWV 79 J. S. Bach, arr. C. H. Trevor

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Please Remember in Your Prayers This Week:

Parishioners: Margie Costas, Pam Dummitt, Carole Shahda, 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, Julette Iverson, Marsha Iverson, and Bill Piercy.

Our extended family and friends: 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 Beatrice Voutsinas.

Those celebrating birthdays: remembering especially Andrea Lofton, Ryn Kennedy, Feild Dalton Brown-Pennington, and Philip Rassmussen.

Those celebrating anniversaries: remembering especially Howard Pugh and Tommy Clifton.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Pray for the congregations and clergy of All Saints, Sharon Chapel, Alexandria; Aquia, Stafford, and Our Saviour Montpelier.

Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer: We pray for persons in financial need in Metropolitan Richmond: For effective, affordable, regional public transportation to support job access. For sufficient employment to make healthy family life possible.

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.

Terms for Those Who Help With Worship:

Celebrant, Presider, Officiant: A priest, bishop, or deacon who presides at the liturgy.

Deacon: A person ordained to the diaconate can help with reading the gospel, leading the Prayers of the People, leading the Confession, setting the Altar at Offertory, distributing Communion, cleaning up after Communion, or the Dismissal.

Verger: A lay minister who assists the clergy in the conduct of public worship, especially in the marshaling of processions.

Crucifer: Someone who carries the processional cross.

Acolyte: Literally this means "torch-bearer."

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Lay people who have been authorized by the Bishop and the Rector to help distribute Communion, usually by being *chalice-bearers*.

Book-bearer: The person who carries the Gospel Book in procession and holds it during the Gospel Reading.

Preacher: A person who gives a sermon or homily.

Lector: A person who reads a lesson from the Bible.

Intercessor: A person who leads the Prayers of the People.

Oblation-bearers: Those who bring up the gifts of bread and wine at Offertory.

Ushers: Those who help people find their seat and the bulletin, who collect the offering and present it, and who help direct people during Communion.

Greeters: Those who, after the Dismissal, welcome new people and invite them to coffee and social time.

Altar Guild: The team of people who help prepare the Altar area and are responsible for cleaning the vessels and linens.

Floral Guild: Those who create the floral arrangements for worship.

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.

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