



WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. Mark's is a welcoming community of dedicated believers in Christ who support and strengthen one another through worship, fellowship, study of the Word, and serving others.

St. Mark's has adjusted many worship practices to follow COVID-19 safety protocols over the past years. We are constantly adapting our procedures and we urge worshipers to participate at whatever level makes them most comfortable. *If you are visiting, we are glad you are here.* We welcome all who gather to worship each week, either in-person or on-line. Our Sunday service at 10:15 may be seen on our Facebook or YouTube channel and is linked through our website, www.saintmarksepiscopal.com. The password to the church wifi as a guest is *timetoprayer*.

About the Service

The service has two parts: the liturgy of the word, when Holy Scripture is read and celebrated, followed by liturgy of the table, when we celebrate Jesus's life, death, and resurrection with the Eucharist, (communion).

About Communion

All are welcome at the altar to receive communion or a blessing. Bread only is sufficient for the Eucharist to be valid. You may receive the bread and wine from common vessels or individual containers at the altar rail. Come forward to the altar as ushers release the pews and return to the pew to consume the bread and wine, if taken from the baskets. If a blessing is desired, place your arms across your chest. Place empty containers in receptacles at the exits. Gluten free wafers are available upon request. Notify an usher if you would like a priest to bring communion to the pew.

Enhancing Your Experience

Limited mobility seating is available in front of the pulpit on the left side of the sanctuary. An elevator, entered through the garden doors at the rear of the church, allows access to all three levels of the church. *Offices and classrooms* located on the second floor are accessible via stairs or elevator. Ask for assistance, if needed. *Restroom facilities* are located on the ground level; ladies' room on the right, men's room on the left. *An ADA accessible restroom* is located just off the hall to the right of the chancel.

An AED device is located in the hall to the right of the chancel.

Welcoming Families

We provide a nursery for infants and toddlers during the 10:15 Sunday service. Grade school age children join in class upstairs for activities and lesson. The children return for communion and are always welcome to worship with their families. All are welcome to the parish hall following the 10:15 service for coffee and light refreshments.

On-line Giving

For members and guests, it is simple, easy, and secure to make an on-line donation or purchase using *Realm*, our giving platform. Gifts may be one-time or recurring; funds may be dedicated to a specific purpose. Simply text the word **Lion** to **73256** and follow the prompts to complete the process, using a credit/debit card, checking or savings account.



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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
HOLY EUCHARIST—RITE II
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2026—5:00PM
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2026—8:00AM & 10:15AM
St. Mark's Guest wifi password *timetoprayer*

WELCOME

PRELUDE (10:15)

BELL

PROCESSIONAL (10:15)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Hymnal 390

THE WORD OF GOD

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II *All standing*

Book of Common Prayer 355

Celebrant

Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen

COLLECT FOR PURITY (all)

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.

GLORIA

*Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.*

*For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen*

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People ***Amen.***

THE LESSONS (*seated*)

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 33:7-11

Proper 18

You, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, “O wicked ones, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life. Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalms 119:33-40 (*responsively by half-verse*)

33 Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, *

and I shall keep it to the end.

34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; *

I shall keep it with all my heart.

35 Make me go in the path of your commandments, *

for that is my desire.

36 Incline my heart to your decrees *

and not to unjust gain.

37 Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; *

give me life in your ways.

38 Fulfill your promise to your servant, *

which you make to those who fear you.

39 Turn away the reproach which I dread, *

because your judgments are good.

40 Behold, I long for your commandments; *

in your righteousness preserve my life.

SECOND READING: Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: ***Thanks be to God.***

GOSPEL HYMN (10:15)

All the Way My Savior Leads Me (v1, Gospel, v3)

BoL 4

THE GOSPEL (stand)

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Matthew 18:15-20**

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

Jesus said, “If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth

about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

HOMILY

Rev. June Johnson, *Associate Priest*

THE NICENE CREED (*stand*)

BCP 358

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 Scripture; 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (*sit or kneel*)

Deacon: God’s word tells us that those who love their neighbors have fulfilled the law. Out of love and compassion for the broken world, let us pray to the Lord, saying: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: For nations crippled by international debt. For nations who must beg and scramble for the necessities of life, for nations whose people live in poverty, let us pray to the Lord.

***People:* Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For all Christians who have more than they need, that taking the Lord’s word to heart, they may be content with what is necessary and generously share their surplus with the poor, let us pray to the Lord.

***People:* Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: Remembering the children of our own country caught in the cycle of poverty, ignorance, disease, and despair, let us pray to the Lord.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader For those in our own city and neighborhoods who are struggling, looking for work, crippled in debt, seeking answers, let us pray to the Lord.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: For the sick and the suffering in our world, especially Felton, Diane, Hayden, Melissa, Cheri, Marion, Joice, Nancy, Melinda, Louise, Maxwell, Marsha, Barbara and Dan, Jeff, Ronald, Evie, Perry, Mary Ellen, Gary, Scott, Gloria, and Sara, let us pray to the Lord.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Leader: For all here present who will one day be judged by God's standards and meet Christ coming in glory, let us pray to the Lord.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Deacon: Lord, you invited the beggars and the crippled, the lame and the blind, to eat and drink at your table and to feast in your kingdom; and lo, here we are. Grant us the grace to extend to others the same generosity you have shown to us; for you are our Lord, our God forever and forever. **Amen.**

CONFESSIO OF SIN

BCP 359

The Deacon or Celebrant says:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People:

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant: 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

Celebrant: May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And also with you.* (people greet one another)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY PRAYER (those with birthdays or anniversaries coming up are invited to the altar rail)
God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they celebrate another year on their journey. Grant that they may grow in wisdom, grace, and love, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at the altar rail to receive communion or a blessing. Communion is served in individual containers and from the paten and common chalice. If receiving from individual containers, return to the pew to consume the bread and wine and place containers in recycling containers at the exits. To receive a blessing, place your arms across your chest. Offerings may be placed in the available offering plates positioned at the front pews as you process to the altar rail. Communicants at home may request communion to be delivered by calling or texting 912.222.8746. Personal Prayer Warriors are stationed at the baptismal font to offer private prayer as you return to your pew after receiving communion.

THE OFFERTORY (10:15)

During the Offertory at the Celebrant's bidding, the elements and prayer chest will be brought to the altar for blessing.
(5:00 & 8:00) spoken

*All things come of thee, O Lord,
and of thine own have we given thee.*

(10:15) sung

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

BCP 367

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People ***We lift them to the Lord.***
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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:

THE SANCTUS

Hymnal S129

Celebrant and People

***Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.***

Celebrant (people, sitting or kneeling)

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 the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, 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 Lord 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 he 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,

Celebrant and People

***We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;***

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord 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 to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, 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 Mark and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
THE LORD'S PRAYER

***Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.***

FRACTION ANTHEM *(say or sing)*

S154

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

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The people may remain in the pews until the ushers release the pews; come forward to the altar rail to receive communion or a blessing. Let an usher know if you would like communion in the pew. Personal Prayer Warriors are stationed at the baptismal font to offer private prayer as you return to your seat after receiving communion.

COMMUNION HYMNS (10:15)

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Hymnal 72

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

BoL 30

Pass It On

BoL 70

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People

***Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you with gladness
and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN (10:15)

Revive Us Again

BoL 78

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.***

POSTLUDE (10:15)

***Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by
Velma Meredith in thanksgiving for her birthday***

Newsy Notes

Wednesday Bible Study resumed on Sept. 2 at 11:00 in the parish hall. If you have been attending the weekly class, you may have received a reminder from Jeff Whigham. If you want to try it out, the class meets in the parish hall.

Help Wanted! MAP International is in dire need of volunteers now and until the third week of September. Several Lions volunteer there and report that it is very rewarding. Work in air conditioned space; jobs to fit everyone's abilities. Call CG at 912.266.3743 to volunteer or for more information.





BIRTHDAYS

Sept. 8 Velma Meredith
Sept. 9 Stella Gregory
Sept. 10 Tim Meredith, Edna Cowart,
Steve Banks, Amber Redanz
Sept. 12 Tabbie Yesupriya

ANNIVERSARIES

Sept. 7 Fred & Lynn Leif
Sept. 11 Jeff & Catherine McCarthy
Sept. 12 Johnny & Jean Patelidas

If we missed your birthday or anniversary,
please notify the church office.

Immediate prayer

Marion Nelson
Joice Grow
Nancy Ehringer
Melinda Schneider Roehl
Louise Atwood
Maxwell Smith
Marsha Boyette

Barbara & Dan Johnston
Cheri Taylor Brewer
Jeff Pace
Ronald Chappell
Sara
Evie Barnard
Diane Braziel
Perry Smith

Gary Hill
Hayden Putre
Melissa Butler
Mary Ellen
Scott
Gloria
Bradley Hoyt
Felton Hagood

Continuing prayer

Will Whatley
Nancy MacKenzie
Frank Matthews
Dot Barone
Beverly Dembowczyk
Matthew Dowe

Jewell Rogers
Carole Nolan
Wendy Stubbs
Jo Strickland
Glenn Kersey
Jean Patelidas
Katherine Adams

Tim Meredith
Robert Rowell
Betty June Henderson
Sandy Fowler

In-person Attendance

Aug. 27-30, 2026

Thurs.	Sat.	8:00	10:15	Total
20	31	27	138	216

Financial Update as of 8/31/2026

	<u>Received</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Pledges	\$ 342,521	\$ 407,616
General Donations	\$ 73,336	\$ 78,000

September 6-13, 2026

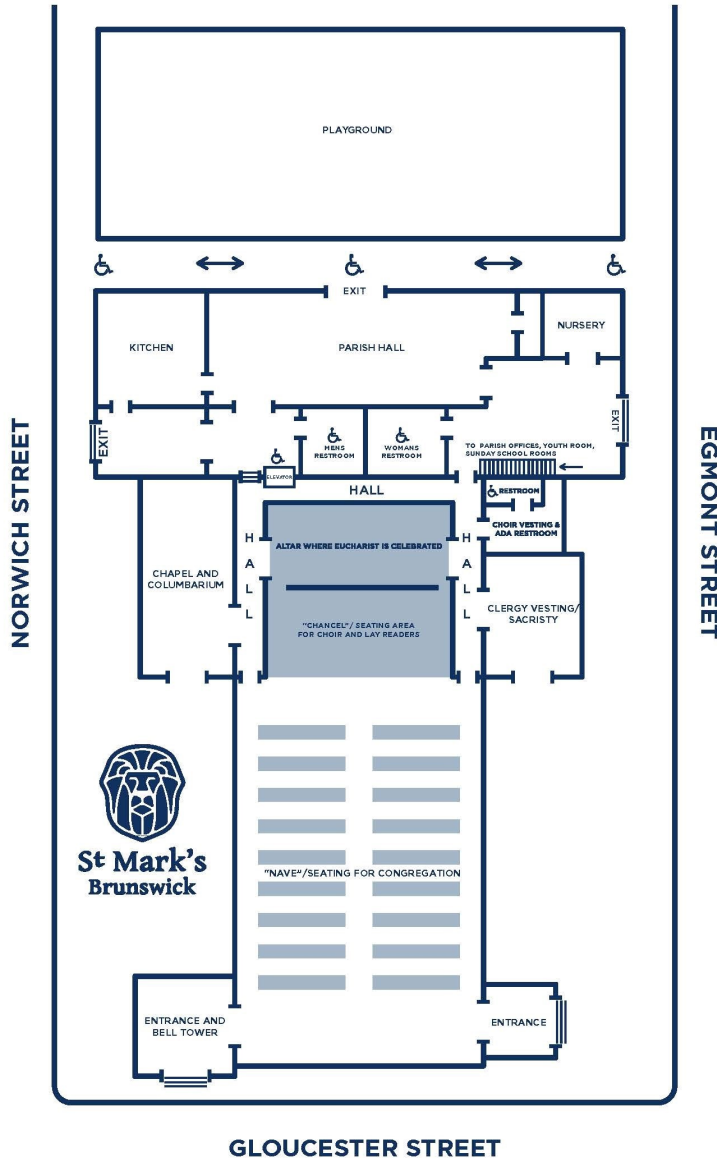
Sunday	8:00am	Spoken Eucharist/Chapel
	10:30am	Holy Eucharist with choir/Children's Church School
	11:30am	Mixon Hour/parish hall
Monday		Labor Day/office closed
	11:00am	Music School/chapel & parish hall
	6:30pm	NA/Mixon Hall
Tuesday	12:00pm	Music School/chapel & sanctuary
	5:00pm	Hello Goodbuy board/parish hall
Wednesday	11:00am	Bible Study/parish hall
	2:00pm	Backpacks/upstairs
	3:00pm	Music Enrichment/parish hall
	3:45pm	Vocal Invitational/parish hall
	4:00pm	Chancel choir/sanctuary
	8:00pm	AA/Mixon Hall
Thursday	11:00am	Healing Service/chapel
	11:00am	Music School/sanctuary
	12:00pm	Bad Girls/Mixon Hall
	2:00pm	Pastoral Care
	5:00pm	Serenity Seekers/Mixon Hall
Friday		Church Office Closed
	11:00am	Music School/sanctuary & chapel
Saturday	5:00pm	Spoken Eucharist/Chapel
	8:00pm	AA/Mixon Hall
Sunday	8:00am	Spoken Eucharist/Chapel
	9:00am	DOK/parish hall
	10:30am	Holy Eucharist with choir/Children's Church School
	11:30am	Mixon Hour Fellowship/Mixon Hall
	12:30pm	Grace House Graduation/parish hall

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SERVICE TIMES

- Thursday** 11:00 a.m.
Healing Service
- Saturday** 5:00 p.m.
Spoken Holy Eucharist
- Sunday** 8:00 a.m.
Spoken Holy Eucharist
- 10:15 a.m.
Holy Eucharist w/ Choir

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Closed Friday



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