

THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
PROPER 24



OCTOBER 17, 2021

SAINT MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

315 EAST PECAN STREET

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I

7.45 AM

THE ACCLAMATION	BCP 323
<i>Celebrant:</i> Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.	
<i>People:</i> And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.	
THE COLLECT FOR PURITY	
Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.	
GLORIA	BCP 324
THE COLLECT OF THE DAY	BCP 183
Almighty and everlasting God, who in Christ hast revealed thy glory among the nations: Preserve the works of thy mercy, that thy Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of thy Name; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.	
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THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

9.00 & 11.15 AM

OPENING VOLUNTARY • Evocation du grand orgue de Saint-Sulpice

Samuel Gaskin (b. 1991)

The Word of God

HYMN IN PROCESSION 495 • *Hail, thou once despised Jesus!*

In Babilone

OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 355

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

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE 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.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS • *Mass in E*

Jeffrey Smith (b. 1960)

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on
earth. Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we
wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise_ you for your glo - ry.
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son_ of the Fa - ther,
Lord God, Lamb of_ God, you take a - way the sin_ of the world: have mer - cy
on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our
prayer. For you al - one are the Ho - ly One, you al - one are the Lord, you al -
one 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

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Job 38:1-7

The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind: "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me. "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE GRADUAL

Psalms 104:1-9, 25

chant: George Mac Farren



- 1 Bless the LORD, | O my | soul; *
O LORD my God, how excellent is your greatness!
you are | clothed with | majesty . and | splendor.
- 2 You wrap yourself with light as | with a | cloak *
and spread out the | heavens | like a | curtain.
- 3 You lay the beams of your chambers in the | waters . a-|bove; *
you make the clouds your chariot;
you ride on the | wings | of the | wind.
- 4 You make the | winds your | messengers *
and | flames of | fire your | servants.
- 5 You have set the earth up-| on its . foun-| dations, *
so that it never shall | move at | any | time.
- 6 You covered it with the Deep as | with a | mantle; *
the waters stood | higher | than the | mountains.
- 7 At your re-| buke they | fled; *
at the voice of your | thunder . they | hastened a-| way.
- 8 They went up into the hills and down to the | valleys . be-| neath, *
to the places you | had ap | -pointed for | them.
- 9 You set the limits that they | should not | pass; *
they shall | not a-gain | cover . the | earth.
- 25 O LORD, how manifold | are your | works! *
in wisdom you have made them all;
the | earth is | full of . your | creatures.

(11.15 only) THE EPISTLE

Hebrews 5:1-10

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE 478 • *Jesus, our mighty Lord*

Monk's Gate

THE GOSPEL

Mark 10:35-45

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glorify to you, Lord Christ.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Elizabeth Knowlton

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant

Standing or kneeling, let us turn our hearts to God, asking for help with the needs of the whole world.

Intercessor and People

For this holy gathering, and for the people of God in every place. For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, for Michael our Presiding Bishop, for David and Rayford, our bishops, and for all ministers in the church. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Church in the Province of the West Indies. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we give thanks for the clergy and people of St. Luke's, San Antonio; St. Luke's, Cypress Mill; and St. Luke's, San Saba. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

That among the peoples of the world service will take precedence over authority, Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

That the many peoples of the world will serve the needs of others, and will comfort the anxieties of all, Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

That the victims of oppression, abuse, or neglect will discover the peace of God through others' assistance, prayer, and presence, Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

That all who suffer will know the power of God, praying especially for those who have asked for our prayers...and for those with long-term concerns... Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

That the community gathered here will nourish others, sustained by the nourishment of the table of the Lord for the sake of the whole world, Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We remember all who have died, especially..., and those who grieve. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Celebrant

God of justice, Lord of love, send your spirit to dwell within us, sustaining our efforts of service; We ask this in Jesus' name, who lives and reigns forever and ever. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Intercessor 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.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution.

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

PARISH NOTICES

The Holy Communion

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY • *Ave verum corpus*

Colin Mawby (1936 – 2019)

*Ave verum corpus, natum
de Maria Virgine,
vere passum, immolatum
in cruce pro homine
cujus latus perforatum
fluxit aqua et sanguine:
esto nobis prægustatum
mortis in examine.*

*O Jesu dulcis, O Jesu pie,
O Jesu, fili Mariae.*

Hail, true Body, born
of the Virgin Mary,
having truly suffered, sacrificed
on the cross for mankind,
from whose pierced side
water and blood flowed:
Be for us a foretaste of heaven
in the trial of death!

O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus,
O Jesus, son of Mary.

-Pope Innocent



1 As new-born stars were stirred to song when all things came to be,
 2 In psalms that raise the sing-er's sense to un-i-vers-al truths,
 3 When God's re-deem-ing Word took flesh to make sal-va-tion sure,
 4 But si-lence won no vic-t'ry there; a rest was all it scored

as Mir-i-am and Mos-es sang when Is-rael was set free,
 in pro-phet's dark-toned o-ra-cle or hymn of three brave youths:
 un-heed-ing hearts at-tuned to strife re-fused love's o-ver-ture.
 be-fore glad al-le-lu-ias rose to greet the ri-sen Lord.

so mu-sic bursts un-bid-den forth when God-filled hearts re-joice,
 the song of faith and praise en-dured through those God called to be
 Yet to the end the song went on: a sup-per's part-ing hymn,
 The church still keeps that song a-live, for death has lost its sting,

to wak-en awe and grat-i-tude and give mute faith a voice.
 a cho-sen peo-ple bear-ing light for all the world to see.
 a psalm in-toned on dy-ing lips when sun and hope grew dim.
 and with the gift of life re-newed the heart will ev-er sing.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - *Eucharistic Prayer A*

BCP 361

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.*People:* **And also with you.***Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.*People:* **We lift them to the Lord.***Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*People:* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.***Celebrant:*

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:

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.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.**

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

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.



MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

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HYMN 443 • *From God Christ's deity came forth**Salem Harbor*

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

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

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN IN PROCESSION 530 • *Spread, O spread, thou mighty word**Gott sei Dank*CLOSING VOLUNTARY • Fugue on *Gott sei Dank*

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD and in loving memory of **Virginia Spencer**, his mother, by Polly and George Spencer; and **Pauline Gillespie Gossett**, his wife, by Robert F. Gossett Jr.

Prayer List *(updated 10/14/21)*

Immediate Needs

Susan Beardslee
Aynsle Baird Brown
Joseph Brumlik
Charlie
Larry Davis
Vic DeForest
Janis De Lara
Don Doyle
Tyler Fakhoury
Karim Fodah
Gera Foster
Tom Gallaway
Holly Gilmore
Tanya Holt
Patrick Howard
Ben Johanningsmeier
Kristin Jones
Carolyn Klebaum
Arlen Leeder
Betty Ludwig

Nicole McNeel
JD Monk
Grace Ohlenbush
Sallie Peacock
Alice Pratho
Carol Pratho
Curtis Pratho
Ann Reeks
Cathy Robinson
Mark Rogers
Dorothy Sheldon
Ralph Voight, Sr.
Kathleen Seale Withers
Christopher Shea
Chris Siegle
Suzy Tackett
Suzanne Thomas

Longterm concerns

John Beers
Rose Beers

Chris
Juan Jose Davila
Mardi Dunkley
Angie Ellis
Jennifer Franklin
Fernando Guerra
Harry Guidry
Alice Haney
Anna Jane Hays
Jamie Johnson
Eleanor Johnson
Jason Morris
Ruth Peyton
Frank Sitton
Patsy Warncke
Sharon Cotton Wood

Deaths

James Murguia

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

7.45 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Preacher: The Rev. Elizabeth Knowlton
Altar Guild: Marijane Gish, Nancy Reed
Intercessor: Kell Austin

9.00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Preacher: The Rev. Elizabeth Knowlton
Celebrant: The Rev. Ann Benton Fraser
Musicians: Jon Johnson, Samuel Gaskin, The St. Mark's Choristers and Treble Choir
Acolytes: Lily Ruth Doyle, Christina Fisher, Maddie Merritt, Peter Merritt
Altar Guild: Pat Donegan, Annabelle McGee, Marilou Moursund
Lector: Jennifer Merritt
Intercessor: Doug Addington
Eucharistic Ministers: Gillian Cook, James Dennis, Jill Vassar, Marisa Peterson
Greeters: Anne Schelleng, Blanca Bird, Mark Bird

11.15 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Preacher: The Rev. Elizabeth Knowlton
Celebrant: The Rev. Ann Benton Fraser
Musicians: Jon Johnson, Samuel Gaskin, The St. Mark's Choir
Acolytes: Eleanor Bird, Ezekiel Figueroa, Max Herrera, Rayen Lucas
Altar Guild: Dean Glass, Susan Thompson, Jane Williams
Lectors: Ron Johanningsmeier, Esther Johanningsmeier
Intercessor: Barbara Ward
Eucharistic Ministers: Michael Brumlik, Julie Van Zandt, Derrick Dodge, Bill Yates
Greeters: Randy Gladden, Liz Evans, Bill Fishe

Welcome!

We are so glad you have chosen to worship with the St. Mark's community. Whether you are in San Antonio, a long-time member, or a visitor who is joining via streaming, we are grateful for your presence. We hope you will look at our many varied offerings.

The website, www.stmarks-sa.org is regularly updated and your best source of information. Our weekly eNews and parish Facebook page (www.facebook.com/stmarkssa) also contain helpful information for you to connect with us. If you are visiting, please let us know by filling out an online visitor card.

We are grateful you have joined us today. For the safety of our community during Covid-19, we ask that you remain masked indoors, especially since children in our community are not currently eligible for vaccination. During communion if you'd like to receive the consecrated wine, we are restricted to intinction (dipping the consecrated bread in the chalice rather than drinking from a common cup). You are welcome to cross your arms over your chest if you prefer to only receive the bread. We ask that you still stay within your family group as we exchange the Peace. Both our 9:00 am and 11:15 am services are streamed and available on the website throughout the week.

We are offering Morning Prayer on Mondays and Wednesday at 8:30 am on Facebook Live. Compline is offered Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. For our adult, youth, and children's formation offerings on Sundays, see the Parish Notices section.

We continue to be grateful for the generosity of our community. Our financial gifts support what God is doing at St. Mark's to make ministry possible throughout the week including all of our streaming offerings. Please take a moment now to make a gift to support ministry at St. Mark's.

- Give online. <https://www.stmarks-sa.org/give/>
- Text your gift amount to 210-399-0072
- Mail a check to the church office at 315 E. Pecan St., San Antonio, TX 78205

We give thanks for you and welcome you wherever you find yourself on your spiritual journey!

Peace,



The Reverend Elizabeth Knowlton, Rector
St. Mark's Episcopal Church, San Antonio, Texas

Parish Notices

Worship Services

As a community we continue to mask indoors regardless of vaccination status until younger members are eligible for vaccination. Join us for Rite I at 7.45am and Rite II at 9.00am and 11.15am. *Nursery opening is delayed until further notice.*

Children's Chapel and Godly Play

9.00am Sunday mornings in the Jerusalem Chapel on the 2nd floor of the Parish House. (ages 4-12)

In Godly Play, we enter into parables, silence, sacred stories and sacred liturgy in order to discover God, ourselves, one another, and the world around us. This year in Children's Chapel (during the first half of the 9.00am liturgy), we will use Godly Play to explore the mysteries of God. Visit stmarks-sa.org/event/2700305-2021-09-05-childrens-chapel-with-godly-play/ for the schedule.

A Liturgy of Lament and Remembrance: Pregnancy and Infant Loss | 5.00pm | Sunday, October 17

The loss of an anticipated child tumbles us from joyful expectation of new life into grief and sorrow. This liturgy is meant to welcome those who have suffered loss in this tender realm, to make space for lament, and to pour out grief to God who hears and comforts us. You may also join via our Watch Live page with a link to the bulletin provided bit.ly/LamentAndRemembrance. For more about this service, please email The Rev. Ann Fraser afraser@stmarks-sa.org

Teacher Appreciation Breakfast at Crockett Academy | October 18

During this difficult time of adjustment at our schools, we are expressing our appreciation for Crockett Academy teachers and staff by delivering breakfast, gift card "door prizes" and handwritten notes of support. You can help by donating toward the breakfast and gift cards www.shelbygiving.com/App/Form/b640e899-df6d-4dee-b94d-ca9aa2e8977e or by volunteering to write at least 10 appreciation notes. Email Amy Phipps adphipps@att.net for more information.

The King of Love My Shepherd Is | October 21-24

Generosity kits will be delivered to your door very soon in this second year of our theme, *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*. These kits give us another opportunity to connect during this challenging time with a new collection of items that offer a simple prayer practice, a playful item that relieves stress, and a treat from our kitchen staff. This is a great way to get to know your neighbors! For more information, please [email Laura Wickham](mailto:laura.wickham@stmarks-sa.org).

Seek & Serve Fall Retreat | October 22-23 | Camp Capers

We welcome (and challenge) our Middle School and High School Youth to join us at our Fall Retreat! Our theme this year is "Seek and Serve," based on Matthew 25:35-40; in addition to our baptismal covenant. Poverty and hunger are a daily reality for children and families in vulnerable communities today, just as they were in Jesus' day. With so much need in the world, it can be easy to wonder if there's anything we can do that will actually make a difference. The good news is - we can! Youth will participate in activities to learn about scarcity, simulate poverty, participate in community service, and pray for those around the world who go each day without food. We hope that this time of fasting, serving, and camping will be life-changing for the Youth! Register today <https://www.shelbygiving.com/App/Form/af2d1311-f861-4d51-b7b9-55227ada6a33>

Adult Formation Offerings | Sunday mornings 10.10am | Room 212 and [via Zoom](#)

(Separation and Return: How Grace is Found in Sharing our Story with One Another and Connecting it to Scripture (Ending Sunday, October 24).

Join Beth to reflect together on the role of narrative story telling as a means of reengaging with one another and connecting our experience with the narratives of scripture. We've been through a community experience of separation and return both through the scaffolding event and the global pandemic. While we are still in a process of return, we have likely experienced this in different ways.

A Practical Theology of the Eucharist: Feast of Thanksgiving, Remembering, and Sending (Beginning Sunday, November 7).

Join Ann and Matt in this three-week class to explore how our practices in the Eucharistic liturgies embody our theology, comparing different rites, prayers and individual pieties. If you want to know what we Episcopalians believe, the best place to start is the liturgy. Am I supposed to be crossing myself right now? What does it mean that Jesus is really present in the bread and wine? What is transubstantiation and is it contagious? What does participating in the Eucharist on Sunday morning equip me to do or be Monday through Saturday?

Newcomer Gathering | 12.30 pm | Sunday, October 24 | Tucker Courtyard

Often as people search out a community of faith to call home, we are looking for two things. We hope to find a place in which our spirits can be nurtured and fed, often through worship, learning and formation, fellowship and belonging; and we look for a place in which we can offer our gifts in community. Join St. Mark's clergy, current members, and other newcomers for outdoor lunch and conversation following the 11:15am service. This is a great way to meet others and learn about getting connected at St. Mark's. Discover how you can find sustenance for the spiritual journey and take part in the life of the community. You'll receive Newcomer/Membership materials and have an opportunity to have your photo taken for our database. Register today <https://www.shelbygiving.com/App/Form/5677ff1c-9b2f-4dfb-9175-9bea630e8e33>

Costume Blessing and Trunk or Treat | 5.00pm | Wednesday, October 27

You're invited to wear costumes and bring your family to this fun, intergenerational event. Dinner and face-painting will be provided outside in Tucker Courtyard. Then the clergy will bless your costumes and lead a procession into the parking lot, where there will be spooky-fun games and Trunk or Treating with cars hosted by the many ministries of St. Mark's! Treat bags will be provided.

Annual Parish Meeting | 10.10am | Sunday, October 31

Make plans to join us in the church or Watch Live Page, for our annual Parish Meeting. You will hear from your Rector, Wardens, and Treasurer, and learn what St. Mark's has been up to this year!

Christmas to the Street Blessing Bag Donations

Christmas to the Street began 17 years ago as an outreach ministry led by the St. Mark's Youth and Kitchen Ministries. It continues to be a joyful way our parish continues serving our neighbors in downtown and at Haven for Hope. Each year your donations help us fill blessing bags containing many essentials for our homeless neighbors. They are put together by the St. Mark's youth and handed out with a generous, home-cooked meal on December 11. Any additional bags will be donated to Haven for Hope. Your donations can easily be purchased through our [Amazon link](#) where you decide what to give. Email Meredith Rogers with any questions mr Rogers@stmarks-sa.org.

WEEKDAYS AT ST. MARK'S

THE DAILY OFFICE | Morning Prayer (Mondays and Wednesdays)

We are currently offering Morning Prayer Mondays and Wednesdays. We hope you make plans to join us via [Facebook Live](#) at 8.30am. This is a more lengthy service with multiple scripture readings. Resource for Morning Prayer: [Mission St. Clare](#) - they also have an app for smart phones.

Compline (Tuesdays and Thursdays)

We are offering Compline Tuesdays and Thursdays and hope you and your family make plans to join us via [Facebook Live](#) at 7pm. This is a shorter service – great for families to do together! Resource for Compline: [BCP Online](#) - on the left side, click "Daily Office", then click "An Order for Compline"

Monday Morning Bible Study - 7.00am via Zoom

Sign up at bit.ly/MondayMorningBibleStudy to receive email with login details.

Art Class Via Zoom | Tuesdays | 10.00-11.30am. Sign up at bit.ly/ArtClassViaZoom to receive email with login details.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study - Gospel of Mark | Wednesdays at 6.30pm – On campus in Dean Richardson Room, 2nd floor of the Parish House and via Zoom. Sign up at bit.ly/WednesdayEveningBibleStudy to receive email with login details.

Time Out Bible Study – The Book of Daniel

Thursdays at 10.00am – on campus in Room 212 on the 2nd floor of the Parish House and via Zoom. Sign up at bit.ly/TimeOutBibleStudy to receive email with login details.

